



The Weekly News of the Northeast Church of Christ

October 9, 2016

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ESPECIALLY FOR OUR GUESTS ...

- Please pick up an information packet from our welcome table in the lobby. We also have a small gift for our first-time guests.
- We are grateful for your presence today. Please fill out an attendance card (please indicate both your first and last names) so we can have a record of your presence.
- About halfway through the service, the children kindergarten through the 4th grade will be dismissed for their own class downstairs. For those 4 years old and under, there are classes on the main level throughout the entire service. We encourage the use of our attended nursery class for those who need it.
- If you have any questions concerning our services or the church or the Bible, we encourage you to speak to one of our elders or our minister.

MEN'S STUDY GROUP



The Men's Bible Study and Fellowship Group will meet **this Tuesday** at 7 p.m. in the basement of the church building.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS



The Wednesday night ladies Bible study class **begins this week**. All ladies are encouraged to be here each week and be part of the discussion-style class on the book of Isaiah, led by Deanna Graves. We'll see how Isaiah called for the people to put their hope and trust in God during the perilous time in Israel's history. As we are encouraged to do the same, hopefully we will find comfort for our own troubled times. Begin reading the book of Isaiah to prepare for this class.

HALLOWEEN PARTY



Our Halloween costume party will be **Friday, Oct. 28**, from 6:30-8:30 in the church basement. All kids, young and old, are invited. There will also be pizza, games, crafts, and trick or treating. Bring a bag to collect your goodies. Finger desserts are also welcome. Donations are needed to help defray the cost of this fun event. Thank you to Jill Mostek for organizing the party. You can give your contribution to Jill or Vicki.




In Our Thoughts and Prayers




Judy Papadopoulos, Karen Nocita's sister, is undergoing another round of chemo treatments.

SYMPATHY

Our thoughts and prayers are with  **Joe Mason** and his family on the sudden death of his brother, Michael Kuehl. His funeral was last week in Tennessee.

CONGRATULATIONS

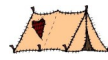
Best wishes to **Otis & Juanita**  **Salyer**, who celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary today.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS




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CAMP STEAK DINNER




Michigan Christian Youth Camp will hold their 42nd Annual Steak Dinner on **Saturday, Nov. 5**, from 3:30 - 7:30. Tickets are \$85 per person, with special discounted student & children prices. You can purchase your ticket from Lori Mason.

NEW DIRECTORIES

Our new membership directories are ready and available in the lobby.  Pick one up today. There is also an update list with additions and changes since the directory was printed.

ELDER CHAIRMAN

Bill Nocita is the chairman of the  elders through December. Contact him if you have any questions or concerns.

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!



This morning our MCREST guests concluded their time with us. For the past week we housed and fed 30 homeless women and children from our community. This is a labor of love, one that is very worthwhile and needed. This happens because of so many who were willing to put in lots of hours and lose sleep to help those less fortunate than us. **Bill Nocita** did another amazing job in coordinating the whole program and serving. **Cindy Wilson** was wonderful in organizing and directing our kitchen crew and food preparation. Thanks to all who worked during the night and early morning hours, who drove the van, who transported to the showers, who cooked, served, and/or donated food, who helped with the children, who talked and listened to our guests, who cleaned the building, and all those who offered to do whatever needed to be done. Thank you doesn't seem enough to say to all the volunteers who worked this past week. We know that this is God's work, a mission we have done since 2001, and we thank you for opening your hearts and showing your love for the Lord.

FORGIVE YOURSELF, PLEASE

By Robby Eversole

I believe that the hardest thing in the world to do is to forgive yourself. We know that we can have God's forgiveness and the forgiveness of others, yet we just can't forgive ourselves. We really need to follow the Savior's advice when he said relative to forgiveness "take heed to yourselves" (Luke 17:3). We had rather carry the baggage and burden of guilt around than give it to God (I Peter 5:7). We constantly remember the hurt we may have caused others. We remember the shame associated with what we have done. We doubt at times God's love and forgiveness and wonder how He could forgive someone as bad as me (Psalm 51:1; 25:10) "All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth". We forget that we are created in God's image and are important to God (Psalm. 22:8), "He delivered Him because He delighted in Him". We forget God's command to love ourselves (Matthew 22:37-39). We are embarrassed by our sin and this drives the pain deeper and deeper within us. We fail to think positively and remember that God is a God of second chances. Christianity is the land where one can begin again, and again, and again (II Corinthians 5:17). When others reach out to us we feel unworthy of their love and help, so we refuse. We doubt God's love for us because we know the limits of our own love (John 3:16).

Failure to forgive self has destroyed many people physically, socially, emotionally, and mentally. Many end up sick and in hospitals because of the guilt, stress, worry, and low self-esteem associated with bearing guilt already forgiven and forgotten. Many fall away from the church, never to return again, because they feel unworthy. Forgiveness means to "cancel the debt". The debt is no longer payable! Our sins are a debt (Luke 11:4). When we forgive, we cancel the debt, and the penalty is removed. When we forgive we give up any resentment and any desire for the other to be punished. When God forgives sin, He removes it from His books (Acts 3:19). In Psalm 32:2, "Imputeth" is a book keeping term. God is keeping books on sin. When He forgives He removes the notation from His record. He forgets it (Hebrews 8:12). So must we! He treats us as if we had never sinned and receives us back as a child in full standing (Luke 15:20-24; Rom. 3:24). If God, to whom all sin is against, can forgive us, then why cannot we forgive ourselves? When forgiveness is applied to self, the following will occur. We will remove it from our records. We will not keep books and files on our sins already discarded by the God of heaven. We will forget it as well. By this I mean we will not dwell upon it, mention it, or hold it over our own heads. In so doing we will have longer periods of time "not remembering it" until we hardly think of it at all. As God treats us as if we had never sinned, we too must not live in the past (Philippians 3:14).

We are to abound in God's work, but such is impossible if we constantly live in the past (I Corinthians 15:58). We will never be about our Father's business when we are choked by the guilt of the yesterday. Your sin debt is not settled, until it is settled in the blood of the Lamb. This done - leave it there!

TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday

Bible School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship - 10:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

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WORSHIP ATTENDANTS

October 9, 2016

Opening Prayer - Scott Smith
Song Leader - Mark Wilson
Sermon - Brian Poe

Communion servants for October

Steve Karwowski Mike Yuchasz
Jay Kramer Jacob Nelson

Audio visual servitors for October

Craig Sims Mark Nelson

FOR THE RECORD

October 2, 2016

Bible School	69
Sunday Morning Worship	139
Avg. attendance for 2016	133
Sunday Evening Worship	MCREST
Mid-Week Bible Study	MCREST
Contribution	\$4,776.20
Avg. contribution for 2016	\$3,989.24
Budget	\$3,725.00
Shults-Lewis	\$49.00
Total for 2016	\$2,057.62

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