



The Weekly News of the Northeast Church of Christ

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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.

CARE CENTER PRESENTATION



Thank you to **Julie Maher, Doug Edwards, and Jim MacKenzie** for coming our way today and reminding us of the loving care to our elderly residents that is accomplished every day at the Church of Christ Care Center.

WORK & STUDY

There will be **work day** at the  building on **Tuesday from 3-7**, to continue work on the front of the auditorium. Following that, the **Men's Bible Study** and Fellowship Group will meet at **7-8 p.m.** in the basement.

POTLUCK NEXT SUNDAY



There will be a potluck meal **next Sunday morning** following services. Bring your favorite dish to share and stay to enjoy some great food fellowship.

GUESS WHO DINNER



Another round of Guess Who's Coming to Dinner is planned for **January 27 & 28**. You must let Cindy Wilson know if your family wants to be included and also let her know which date is best for you.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers



Judy Ward, Pam Stewart's sister, begins chemo treatments tomorrow.

Paul Wray, Colleen Kaganac's brother, had a heart attack and had stents inserted last week. He is in the hospital in Port Huron.

Karen (Wolfe) Cojanu has pancreatic cancer and is in the Care Center Assisted Living facility.

CONGRATULATIONS



Dean & Debbie Purgatori are happy to share the news of the birth of their grandson, **Emmett**

Gregory, born January 3 and weighing 7 lb, 14oz, to their daughter and son-in-law, Gina & Greg Kent.

ELDER CHAIRMAN



Mark Wilson is the chairman of the elders through March. Contact him if you have any questions or concerns.

E-MAIL LIST



If you wish to be included in a church e-mail message group, send a note to Vicki at vicki2952@gmail.com. This is an opportunity for you to keep informed with news, reminders, announcements, or updates about our Northeast family.

HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died for us and rose from the dead, making salvation available as a gift (John 3:16; Romans 6:23). In order to benefit from this great sacrificial love, one must receive God's grace through faith in Christ and obedience to him (Romans 5:1-2; Hebrews 5:9). To become a Christian, the Bible teaches that we must believe in and put our trust in Christ (John 8:24), turn away from a life of sin (Luke 13:3), confess Jesus as Lord (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16). If you would like to further study this question of "What must I do to be saved?", please see our minister or one of our elders.

SHUT-INS

Let's remember our senior members:

Ollie Bateman (Care Center Assisted Living)

Joanne Ellis

Marie Hershberger

Marilyn Jones (Care Center Nursing Home)

Mary Jean Langford

Joyce Loftis (Care Center Assisted Living)

Pat Mull

Betty Oliver

Milodene Ward

The Fear of the Lord is the Beginning of Wisdom

By Kevin Cauley

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom because when we fear God, we are going to have respect for His word. The Bible is the word of God, and it contains more than just facts. It is a history of God's people as they interact with the world and with one another. While this history unfolds, those who read the Bible are taught how best to live so as to maximize good relationships with one's fellow and with one's God. God is always the priority in these relationships because He has the keys to knowing what will best suit each person's effort to build these relationships. God stands as the source for all good relationships because He is the ultimate source of goodness, and He is the ultimate source for understanding what best perpetuates relationships. God's word is key to fearing God, and fearing God is the key to having true wisdom.

Wisdom, however, may be appreciated not only from the standpoint of its utility in providing for good relationships, but for the beauty of what it reveals in and of itself. Wisdom as a virtue (and God is the source of all that is wholly virtuous) may be sought as a good in and of itself. One receives blessing simply by studying the wisdom literature, and simply by imbibing at God's fount of knowledge and goodness, whether one seeks to apply what one has learned or not. This is because God is ultimately beautiful and may be appreciated in and of Himself for Who He ultimately is. Wisdom, as an aspect of God's character/nature, may also be so appreciated. This is partially why Proverbs 19:8 says, *"He that getteth wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth understanding shall find good."* If the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, perhaps the love of the Lord is the end of wisdom, for when this world ends, and all we have left after this life is our eternal relationships with one another and God, loving that which is truly beautiful in and of itself will prove to be an intrinsic good. The practical ends of wisdom for this world may come to an end, but the eternal aspects of and for an appreciation of wisdom will endure in heaven as we know God's true beauty.

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

January 8, 2017

Opening Prayer - Bill Nocita
Song Leader - Kenny Cummings
Sermon - Brian Poe

Communion servants for January

John Kaganac Craig Sims
Dean Stewart David Anderson

Audio visual servitors for January

Jenna Mason Craig Sims

FOR THE RECORD

January 1, 2017

Bible School	41
Sunday Morning Worship	108
Avg. attendance for 2017	108
Sunday Evening Worship	15
Mid-Week Bible Study	36
Contribution	\$3,730.00
Avg. contribution for 2017	\$3,730.00
Budget	\$3,872.00
Shults-Lewis	\$42.00
Total for 2017	\$42.00

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