



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.

KIDS CLUB SLEEPOVER



Hey kids, bring your friends and come to the sleepover **this Friday night** at the church building. The fun starts with dinner at 6:30 on Friday night and ends Saturday morning at 9 a.m. with a pancake breakfast. Parents, you are invited to stay for breakfast when you come to pick up your kids. Bring your NERF gun, pajamas, pillow and a blanket. There will be lots of crafts, games and activities. Parent volunteers are needed! See Amy Mickey if you can help. Please sign up if you plan to attend.

EGG HUNT



Our Egg Hunt for all kids birth - age 12 will be held on **Saturday, April 15**, at 10 a.m. at Spindler Park. In order to better plan for this, please sign up on the bulletin board according to the age group of your children. Thank you to Jill Mostek for organizing this event. Monetary donations and helpers are needed for this fun time. If you can help with a donation or your time, see Jill or Vicki. Call Jill at 586-945-9385 if you have any questions.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers


Eleanor Wooldridge is home after spending a few days in the hospital with a reaction to medication.

Lori Smith continues to recover from foot surgery.



Bill & Karen Nocita wish to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and support they received during the illness and death of Karen's sister, Judy.

SYMPATHY

Our thoughts and prayers are  with **Ramona Cardwell** and her family on the recent death of her brother-in-law, Jim Carney.

CHORUS ON THE ROAD



The Metro Detroit Youth Chorus left yesterday for their annual spring tour. They will travel to Alabama, with stops along the way, singing and praising God in song. Keep these young people and chaperones in your prayers this week.

YOU'RE INVITED



Everyone is invited to celebrate the marriage of **Jesse Urban and Brian Poe** on **Saturday, April 22**, at 11:30 at the church building. A reception will follow the ceremony in the lower auditorium. We hope all can be present for this joyous occasion.

LADIES RETREAT



Ladies, mark your calendars for **Sept. 23 & 24** for our 2nd Annual Ladies Retreat. It will be held at the Hyatt Place in Auburn Hills, same as last year. We had a wonderful experience and great fellowship last year. Our hope and prayer is that all ladies will be able to take part in this activity.

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.

Preaching the Resurrection

By Dan Jenkins

It is remarkable how easy it is to overlook how God has expressed great truths using some of the simplest language. When Paul wrote the Corinthians he used the expression “first of all.” We sometimes use this expression when we have a long list of things which are of equal importance. We talk of the first item, not because it has greater importance, but simply because it is the first thing on the list. This is not how Paul used the expression.

Paul said, “For I delivered to you first of all that which I received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures” (1 Cor. 15:3-4). At first reading, it is so easy to overlook that which the Greek text makes so abundantly clear. Both the NASB and the ESV translations reflect this when they say, “I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received.”

The life of Jesus has many historical events which bring such joy to those who hear them, but there is one of greater importance than all the rest. His death, burial and resurrection surpass all the rest combined. They are the supreme events of all that He did. Without these He is just another prophet sent by God, but with these He is Supreme Prophet! His death and burial are indispensable in the story of our redemption, but it is the resurrection which gives meaning to both of these. One cannot honestly look at Christianity and walk away from it without dealing with that empty tomb.

The resurrection was at the heart of the preaching in the early church. It was mentioned four times in the sermon on Pentecost in Acts chapter two. In the next chapter it was mentioned twice in the sermon preached by Peter in the temple at the hour of prayer. Then when Peter and John were arrested they were brought before the Jewish council twice and on each occasion it was proclaimed. It was preached to Cornelius, the first Gentile convert. Paul mentions it five times in the sermon he preached at Antioch. This pattern is found throughout the New Testament, where it is mentioned more than 150 times!

Now imagine that you had been with those women who first came to the tomb. You are faced with a decision—what happened to His body? Did the disciples take it? Did the enemies take it? Did grave robbers take it? The answer is found in the message from heaven given to those women, “He is not here...Come see the place where the Lord lay...He is risen...as He told you.” Had you been with them and heard these words, what would you have thought? Our hearts sing, “We serve a risen Savior...He lives, He lives!”

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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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Our Missions ~ Near and Far

- ✠ Bad Axe Church of Christ
- ✠ China
- ✠ Church of Christ Care Center
- ✠ EEM ~ Russian Publications
- ✠ India
- ✠ Metro Detroit Youth Chorus
- ✠ Michigan Christian Youth Camp
- ✠ Nigeria
- ✠ Shults-Lewis Children's Home
- ✠ South Africa

ELDER CHAIRMAN

Joe Mason

WORSHIP ATTENDANTS

April 2, 2017

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

Communion servants for April

Mike Yuchasz Jay Kramer
Jacob Nelson Steve Karwowski

Audio visual servitors for March

Mark Nelson Jenna Mason

FOR THE RECORD

March 26, 2017

Bible School	64
Sunday Morning Worship	116
Avg. attendance for 2017	118
Sunday Evening Worship	23
Mid-Week Bible Study	39
Contribution	\$3,643.00
Avg. contribution for 2017	\$3,870.92
Budget	\$3,872.00
Shults-Lewis	\$47.00
Total for 2017	\$519.85