



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.

CHURCH IN THE PARK



We invite everyone to join us as we worship & picnic together with our fellow brothers and sisters from Van Dyke and North Warren **this afternoon** at Butcher Park in Warren. The event will begin with a picnic meal together at 4:30, followed by service at 5:30. Hamburgers, hot dogs, side dishes & drinks for the meal will be provided. *If you wish you can bring a finger dessert to share & lawn chairs for your family.* There is a map to the park available on the desk in the lobby. Invite family and friends to join you as we all worship God and fellowship together. *There will be no services at our building tonight.*

STEAK & CORN ROAST

The Church of Christ Care Center will be “Celebrating the 1970’s” at their 30th Annual Steak & Corn Roast, which will take place **this Saturday, August 19**, at 5 p.m. under the big tent on the Care Center grounds. **Tickets are \$85 and you can get yours today from Barb Kramer.**



 *In Our Thoughts
and Prayers* 

Alyssa Wutzke, Ben & Linda Welch's granddaughter, has been diagnosed with breast cancer and is currently undergoing radiation treatments.

REQUESTING PRAYERS

Nina Sims has requested our prayers that she may have more patience with people.

CHORUS AUDITIONS



Teens, if you are in 9th-12th grade we want you to be part of the Metro Detroit Youth Chorus. Auditions will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 9**, from 9-3 at the Royal Oak Church of Christ. Contact Steve at 313-292-7601 or email him at mdyc2@yahoo.com to schedule your appointment.

LADIES RETREAT

Gals if you haven't signed up for our retreat, now is the time to do it! Pick up a registration form and schedule in the lobby. *We ask that you turn in your registration form and deposit as soon as possible* to any committee member - Cindy Wilson, Barb Kramer, Megan Thomas or Vicki Loftis.



MAKING A DIFFERENCE



Thank you to **Kara & Lori Mason** and **Brian & Jesse Poe** for helping the Bad Axe congregation with their VBS last week.



Our thoughts and prayers are with **Deanna Graves** and her family on the recent death of her mother, Ersilia Conte. Visitation will be Tuesday from 2-9 at the Peters Funeral Home at Schoenherr & Masonic. The funeral will be Wednesday morning at 10:00 at Assumption Grotto Church. Also keep **Cindy Wilson** and her family in your prayers. Her uncle, Carlos Cook, passed away last Thursday.

GRADUATION PARTY



Everyone is invited to a graduation open house for **Quincy Stewart** next **Sunday, August 20**, from 12:30-6:00 at Blossom Heath Park, on Jefferson just south of 10 Mile Rd. (behind Blossom Heath Inn). *Today is the last day to sign up in the hallway if you plan to attend.*

*And be ye kind to one
another, tenderhearted,
forgiving one another,
even as God for
Christ's sake hath
forgiven you.*

Ephesians 4: 32

KINDNESS

by Corey Sawyers

Perhaps you have seen the slogan on a billboard or bumper sticker. It has been in television commercials, on radio ads, in newspaper promotions, and on t-shirts. Probably all of us are familiar with the motto “Practice Random Acts of Kindness.” Today’s world of partisan politics, broken marriages, and ruined relationships constantly remind us of the need for kindness. Kindness is not only part of the Christian’s fruit of the Spirit, but a heart of kindness also makes us more like God. The word translated most often as “kindness” in the Hebrew scriptures, appears more than 250 times. Sometimes it is translated mercy or loving-kindness. God showed his kindness to the nation of Israel and intended them to be examples of kindness to all nations.

The English word “kindness” appears twelve times in the New Testament (NASB), translated from four different Greek words. One of these Greek words can mean “good.” One carries the idea of gentleness and fairness. One is the word from which we get our English word “philanthropist.” The fourth word is the one most often translated kindness. It means “gracious or goodness.” It refers to God’s kindness toward man (Romans 11:22; Titus 3:4; 1 Peter 2:3) and is expected to be a part of the life of every Christian (Galatians 5:22).

The problem with the “Random Acts of Kindness” movement is that there is no connection. Certainly it is kind to pay for the lunch of the guy behind you in the drive-through line. I do not mean to discourage any kind act that is being done. Yet if we are to be salt and light in our community, as Matthew 5 teaches, we must do our good works in such a way that these kind acts will show the Lord to our world. Too, in our culture we are so self-sufficient (or at least we think we are) that we sometimes feel we have to practice random acts of kindness to generate a momentary sense of feeling needed and connected.

To be sure, our world needs random acts of kindness. However what our world needs even more in the present, is for us to cultivate kindness in our lives. How do we do that? We must remember the story taught by Jesus in Matthew 5. Keep in mind how much we need God’s kindness; this helps us to be people of kindness. Second, we must nurture connections. Recognize and appreciate all who are in your life. Third, listen to one another. Listening itself is an act of kindness. When we foster real and intimate relationships with each other we understand what we can do for each other. When we become people who have cultivated kindness into our lives and congregation, we have more opportunities to grow closer and to share the Gospel. So what are you waiting on? “Be kind to one another” (Eph. 4:32).

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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
- ✝ Eastern European Mission
- ✝ India
- ✝ Metro Detroit Youth Chorus
- ✝ Michigan Christian Youth Camp
- ✝ Nigeria
- ✝ Shults-Lewis Children's Home
- ✝ South Africa

ELDER CHAIRMAN

Bill Nocita

WORSHIP ATTENDANTS

August 13, 2017

Opening Prayer - Scott Smith
Song Leader - Bill Nocita
Sermon - Brian Poe

Communion servants for August

Jay Kramer Dean Stewart
Ken Mickey Mike Yushasz

Audio visual servitor for August

Jenna Mason Craig Sims

FOR THE RECORD

August 6, 2017

Bible School	57
Sunday Morning Worship	113
Avg. attendance for 2017	116
Sunday Evening Worship	20
Mid-Week Bible Study	30
Contribution	\$3,605.00
Avg. contribution for 2017	\$3,749.57
Budget	\$3,872.00
Shults-Lewis	\$49.00
Total for 2017	\$1,172.65