



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.

LEADERS MEETING TODAY



There will be a meeting **this morning** following services for our elders, deacons, and minister.

LADIES RETREAT

Gals, if you plan to be part of the retreat we need to know TODAY.



Pick up a registration form and schedule in the lobby and give it to any committee member - Cindy Wilson, Barb Kramer, Megan Thomas or Vicki Loftis.

WATERMELON WEDNESDAY



On Wednesday night, **Sept. 6**, everyone is encouraged to be here for "Watermelon Wednesday." Instead of our regular classes, we will have a devo in the auditorium. We ask that you bring some fresh fruit and/or dip, and after the devo we will all join together downstairs and enjoy this special treat.

POTLUCK

There will be a potluck meal on  Sunday morning, **Sept. 10**, following services. Bring your family's favorite dish, plus some to share, and be part of this fellowship opportunity.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers



Nina Sims will have a biopsy soon and asks for our prayers that she will get good results.

Judy Eldridge is having some success with treatment for her macular degeneration and hopes to have another treatment soon.

Dale Elliott will have a procedure soon for some medical issues.

THANK YOU



We received the following note from **Scott & Laurie Hartley**, former members who recently lost their son, Justin. "Thank you so much for your thoughts & prayers during this most difficult time for our family. We have drawn strength from them both."

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.

MCREST



Northeast family, in just five weeks we will have the great opportunity to help some in our community who are less fortunate than us. **Sunday, Oct. 1**, begins our MCREST week. Once again this year we will house and feed approximately 30 homeless women and children in our building. Please take this time to pray and consider how you can be part of this very worthwhile and needed work.

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:40

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.

EVERYDAY FAITHFULNESS

Faithfulness is a characteristic of God that we as Christians are to imitate. Faithfulness is an attribute that God expects from his followers. It is also an attribute of God (1 Corinthians 1:9; 10:13). God is faithful. God's faithfulness is great. Jeremiah states in Lamentations 3:22-24, "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him." Faithfulness is defined as firmness, fidelity, steadfastness, steadiness, and trustful. Because God is faithful, he requires it of His followers in all aspects of their lives, spiritually and physically. God requires we be faithful in serving him. As we confess our sins God promises he will be faithful in forgiving us of our sins and cleansing us from our unrighteousness (1 John 1:9). God's word is faithful (Titus 1:9), and we must be able to use it faithfully in order to exhort and convince.

We are commanded to be faithful in family relationships. Husbands and wives are commanded to be faithful to each other (1 Timothy 3:11). As we are to be faithful to God, so must we be faithful to our life's mate. We must remain steadfast in our relationship to each other. Men are to love their wives as Christ loves the church. Jesus loved us so much, loved His "called out" so much, loved His church so much he gave His life for it. As husbands and wives we must overcome all temptations that threaten to destroy a God "ordained" relationship (Matthew 19:6). Husbands and wives must develop and maintain a trust that will take each of them through all the storms that will come in human relationships and storms. Children must also be faithful (Titus 1:6). They must be steadfast in their relationship with God. They must also be steadfast in constantly obeying and honoring their mother and father (Ephesians 6:1). Obedience to parents is not an option God gives children. It is a commandment that must be obeyed and faithfully followed.

We are commanded to be faithful in using our talents for the Lord (1 Cor. 4:2) and in our relationships with others. Jesus, in a parable, states that if we handle our talents well and are found good and faithful in a few things that we will be made ruler over many things (Matt. 25:21). Jesus further states in Luke 16:10-12, "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much. If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?"

Remaining faithful is not an option for the Christian who wants to finish the race and inherit the crown of Life. Remaining faithful to the end is a requirement for the Christian. We were never promised smooth seas. We were never promised a problem free existence. We were never promised a life free of tribulation and problems. We were not promised that the devil would not win many battles. We were promised if we would remain faithful to God we would receive a crown of life, inherit eternal life, and inherit a mansion.

Faithfulness involves remaining true to God's words in our marriage relationship, our family relationships, our jobs, and in our spiritual relationships. It means having a disposition of fidelity and trustworthiness. It means remaining true to the Word of God. It means not serving another master. Jesus said in Luke 16:13, "No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon." There is no middle ground. There is no being faithful part of the time. It is a lifetime of faithfulness that God expects. God is faithful. We must be faithful.

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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 27 , 2017

Opening Prayer - Craig Sims
Song Leader - Mark Wilson
Sermon - Brian Poe

Communion servants for August

Jay Kramer Dean Stewart
Ken Mickey Mike Yuchasz

Audio visual servitor for August

Jenna Mason Craig Sims

FOR THE RECORD

August 20, 2017

Bible School	45
Sunday Morning Worship	91
Avg. attendance for 2017	116
Sunday Evening Worship	19
Mid-Week Bible Study	26
Contribution	\$2,947.00
Avg. contribution for 2017	\$3,696.15
Budget	\$3,872.00
Shults-Lewis	\$40.00
Total for 2017	\$1,254.65