



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 FUN TODAY

 Kids of all ages are invited stay after services this morning for Movie Day. The featured film will be **Despicable Me 3**, and there will be pizza, snacks, popcorn, slushies, and fun.

LADIES DAY MEETING

There will be a planning  meeting **next Sunday morning** following services for those interested in helping with the upcoming ladies day. Please plan to stay for a while so plans can be finalized.

GROWTH SEMINAR

 If you are a young Christian, a teacher, mentor to new believers or just want to get back to some basics, make plans to be part of a special workshop. **New Christians Growth Seminar** will be held on **Saturday, March 10**, from 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Royal Oak Church of Christ. Northeast is a co-host with Royal Oak in this effort, and Brian is one of the speakers. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more details.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers



Peggy Sarenius has been struggling with health concerns last week.

Nancy Kuehl, Joe Mason's mother, has suffered a stroke and is in the hospital in Tennessee.

Dena Boggs is in need of our prayers for some personal struggles.

Brenda McCraw had a MRI that showed back and hip issues.

JoAnne Ellis is in rehab at Shelby Nursing Center, room 406, following back surgery. The address there is 46100 Schoenherr, Shelby Twp 48315.

Juanita Salyer fell recently and broke her hip. She had surgery and is at Fraser Villa for rehab. The address is 33300 Utica Rd., Fraser 48026.

LEADER MEETING



Our elders, deacons, and preacher will meet **this morning** following services. Continually pray for our leaders as they guide us and shepherd us on our journey.

NORTHEAST COOKBOOK



All gals and guys, be sure to get your recipes in for our newest Northeast cookbook.

We need your recipes now. See Vicki if you have any questions.

AREA ACTIVITIES



The Waterford Church of Christ will host a Leadership Seminar with Dr. Bruce McLarty, President of Harding University, on **Saturday, March 17**. Also, the Oakland Church of Christ invites everyone to Family & Friends Day, Seeing One Another Through the Eyes of God, on **Sunday, March 18**. Details about both of these event are posted on the bulletin board.

LADIES CLASS



The ladies Wednesday night Bible class will begin again on **March 7**. Deanna Graves will lead a discussion style class with lessons from Ezra & Nehemiah. All ladies are invited and encouraged to be part of this opportunity to study and fellowship with your sisters in Christ.

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.

JUSTIFICATION ~ GRACE ~ REDEMPTION **(Romans. 3:24)**

The problem in the human race is established by the apostle Paul in the first three chapters of Romans. The conclusion is: "...all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," (Romans 3:23). That's the bad news.

The good news is immediately stated: "Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus," (Romans 3:24). Study this verse through the key words.

"Justified" is a legal word which conveys "acquittal," or pronouncement of innocence. "It is a legal term and does not mean that the person is made righteous; rather, the sense is that one is declared to be acquitted or righteous," (Clinton Hamilton, Truth Commentaries, Romans, p.#217). When one believes (with all that is comprehended in belief), from the mind of God there is acquittal. This is based on the death of Jesus Christ.

"Grace" is the unmerited favor of God. Though man has sinned, falling short of the glory of God, God's attitude toward man is seen to be favorable in His willingness to forgive. God is not obligated by any internal or external standard to forgive us. "It is something that God desired to do out of His love because God is love (1 John 4:8-10). It is a gift from God that is undeserved on any basis," (Clinton Hamilton, Truth Commentaries, Romans, p.#217).

"Redemption" is deliverance from bondage by the payment of a price, or ransom. Thayer says of this word, "deliverance effected through the death of Christ from the retributive wrath of a holy God and the merited penalty of sin." Based on His death, redemption is located in Him, and we enjoy that deliverance when faith becomes active in obedience.

Each sinner, every one of us (Romans 3:23), find no escape from sin except by the activity of faith in Christ. We have all sinned but the gospel tells us, we can be freely justified and redeemed by the grace of God. This is possible because of Christ Jesus, who died for us. Paul has identified the problem, and announced the remedy; the only remedy God has given. "The grace of deliverance from the bondage of sin is by means of Christ Jesus. There is no room for the boasting of man, but there ought to be in all who are redeemed praise and thanksgiving for the great sacrifice for sin," (Hamilton, p.#219).

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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

Joe Mason

WORSHIP ATTENDANTS

February 25, 2018

Opening Prayer - Jim Weertz
Song Leader - Mark Wilson
Sermon - Brian Poe

Communion servants for February

Ken Mickey Mike Yuchasz
Dean Stewart Jay Kramer

Audio visual servitor for February

Jenna Mason Scott Smith

FOR THE RECORD

February 18, 2018

Bible School	54
Sunday Morning Worship	112
Avg. attendance for 2018	103
Sunday Evening Worship	23
Mid-Week Bible Study	36
Contribution	\$4,026.00
Avg. contribution for 2018	\$3,768.76
Budget	\$3,761.00
Shults-Lewis	\$31.00
Total for 2018	\$215.77