



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.

### **ALL CHURCH PICNIC**



Our all-church picnic will be **Sunday, June 24**, at **4:00 p.m.** at the home of Mike & Lynn Messier. The meat will be provided and each family is asked to bring a side dish and/or dessert, beverage, and chairs. Please sign up on the list in the hallway so we can have an idea of how many to plan for. Our evening service at the building that day will be cancelled. Hope everyone can plan to be there.

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

VBS 2018 will be held

**August 6-8, 6:30-8:30.**



Our teachers will direct the kids in lessons about **God's Incredible Power at Work!** There is a need for classroom helpers, activities helpers, set up/clean up crew, general helpers, and of course we need kids of all ages. Sign-up lists are in the hallway. Check it out and see how you can be part of this exciting adventure. Registration forms are available in the lobby. Pray for this effort that it will bring glory to God and help plant the seed in young hearts.



## In Our Thoughts and Prayers



**Kristin Hampton** is in Royal Oak Beaumont receiving treatment for several health concerns.

### OPEN HOUSES

- ☺ The Mason Family would like to invite everyone to a graduation open house to honor **Kara Mason this Saturday, from 3-7 p.m.** at their house, 35863 Georgetown Dr., Sterling Heights. There will be plenty of food and fun including a family park and jousting arena! We hope to see you for the celebration.
- ☺ There's another graduation open house taking place on Saturday, **June 16**, to honor **Madalyn Murray**. The fun begins at **2:00 p.m.** and will take place at 19943 Bigelow, Roseville. Please sign up in the hallway if you plan to attend.

### SHULTS LEWIS NEWS



This year Shults-Lewis has asked that we donate **sauces/condiments** (hot, teriyaki, A-1, mustard, etc) for their **commodity drive**. You can place your donations in the lobby. The items will be picked up the first week of July. They will pick up our filled change cans at that time also.

### LADIES RETREAT

Our 3rd Annual Ladies Retreat will be **Sept. 15 & 16** at the Hyatt Place in Auburn Hills.



There are some exciting and uplifting activities being planned. The cost for the entire weekend is only \$50, which includes all your meals and hotel room. We are pleased to have Sara Kirkpatrick Nelms as our speaker and our theme verse is **Romans 12:2**. We will spend time together focusing on **Renewal: New Thoughts ~ New Focus ~ New You**. We do not want to conform to this world, but to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. All Northeast ladies 18 and up are encouraged to be part of this weekend. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board with more details. Gals, make sure your name is on that list! Registration forms will be available soon. If you have any questions, you can see any of the retreat committee: Cindy Wilson, Barb Kramer, Debbie Yuchasz, Pam Stewart, or Vicki Loftis.

## **SOME THINGS PAUL KNEW THAT MADE A DIFFERENCE**

By Josh Blackmer

It has been said, “What you don’t know won’t hurt you.” I would like to suggest that what you do know could keep you from hurt. Sometimes knowing makes all the difference. In the case of Paul, there were some things that he knew that made all the difference in his life.

**He knew Jesus.** “For this reason I also suffer these things, but I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day” (2 Timothy 1:12). He is suffering unjust imprisonment because of his faith and devotion to Christ but without shame. Why? Because He knew Jesus. There was a confident expectation that Christ would guard his soul. He had entrusted it to the Savior.

**He knew his mission.** “For if I preach the gospel, I have nothing to boast of, for I am under compulsion; for woe is me if I do not preach the gospel” (1 Corinthians 9:16). Having a mission in place helps create a drive and push forward. How many have said, “I don’t know what I’m doing with my life.” Never Paul. He knew his mission, and it was his focus.

**He knew his purpose.** “According to my earnest expectation and hope, that I will not be put to shame in anything, but that with all boldness, Christ will even now, as always, be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain” (Philippians 1:20-21). It is one thing to know your mission. It is another to know your purpose. Why am I here? Paul would say, “To glorify Christ, in life or death.” How he lived and died would all be tied together in a way to exalt the One that would save his soul.

**He knew his reward.** “In the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing” (2 Timothy 4:8). It is alright and healthy to look toward the reward. Paul knew what was waiting for him. This knowledge helped him get through and persevere even when all others could not.

**He knew the grace of God.** “But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me” (1 Corinthians 15:10). Paul, of all people, needed to understand grace. How would you preach to the very group you once were determined to destroy? It was an understanding of the grace and the nature of God that allowed Paul to lift his head and teach what he once persecuted.

True knowledge can make all the difference in our ability to serve the Christ. Do you know these things?

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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

June 3, 2018

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

#### Communion servants for June

Ken Mickey            Mike Yuchasz  
Jay Kramer            Dean Stewart

#### Audio visual servitor for June

Kara Mason            Jamie Nelson

### FOR THE RECORD

May 27, 2018

Bible School	51
Sunday Morning Worship	95
Avg. attendance for 2018	115
Sunday Evening Worship	23
Mid-Week Bible Study	33
Contribution	\$4,157.00
Avg. contribution for 2018	\$3,940.44
Budget	\$3,761.00
Shults-Lewis	\$20.00
Total for 2018	\$764.94