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Church of Christ Northwest
Where Friends Learn
to Live Like Jesus

May 21, 2017



Sunday
9:30 AM
Bible Study
(all ages)

Sunday
10:30 AM
Worship Service

Tuesday Morning
Men's Bible
Study
7:30 AM
@ Kennedy's

Wednesday
Morning
Galena Park
Bible Study
10-11:30 AM
David Spillman

Wednesday
Evening:
Small Groups
@ 6:30 PM

- ◆ Campbell's:
Fruit of the Spirit
- ◆ Haines':
Galatians
- ◆ Kennedy's:
Revelation

Thursday Morning
Ladies' Bible Class
*Will resume in
September*

ESL CLASSES
by appointment
only!

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Our Vision...

is to glorify and honor our Lord and God with our lives, by bringing people to Christ and membership in His family and by helping to develop Christ-like maturity in each member, equipping them for service in the church and in the world.

Special
Ministry
Food
Pantry

Next Date:
June 13, 2017

"Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity."

I Tim 4:12 (NLT)

The following excerpts were taken from the May 2016 article titled "Spiritual Grandparenting at its best" written by Lynn McMillon and appearing in The Christian Chronicle.

Grandparents provide religious influence by modeling faith, teaching the tradition and faith practices and immersing their grandchildren in religious experiences often at church. Grandparents can support and reinforce parents' religious socialization of children. In some cases they may substitute for parents' religious socialization, when parents feel that faith or church involvement is not a priority for them, but that it could be a value for their children.

Are there common mistakes that grandparents make?

There are several things that grandparents need to keep in mind when they become active faith formers of the grandchildren. First, parents are the primary influence on the lives of their children. So grandparents need to support parents, offer to assist them in faith formation, provide alternatives and resources and more. But grandparents cannot replace parents. They can take on many faith-forming roles — with the implicit or explicit approval of the parents — but they can't do things in opposition to the parents.

Second, grandparents can only invite their grandchildren to experience faith, to live and learn the faith tradition. They cannot force faith or Sunday worship on the grandchildren. This will never work because it contradicts God's message of unconditional love and acceptance — and freely accepting the gift of faith into our lives. Grandparents are in a great position to influence this process because of the quality of their relationship with their grandchildren and because of their decades of faithful living. These are the great assets that grandparents bring to nurturing faith in the grandchildren.



VBS (July 10—13) Update



Counting down the days! BE SURE to get registered on our website. Register by **June 18th** to receive a special prize!

Thanks to all who came out and helped with finishing the building of our props. They will be utilized by several churches with the Maker Fun Factory theme. Volunteers are super!

**MAY YOUR HEART
BE SET ON FIRE TODAY
FOR CHRIST !!**

No Ordinary Journey
by Joe Chesser

The quest to attain the mind of Christ is no ordinary journey. It cannot be achieved using conventional, worldly methods, and is certainly not the work of man alone. Perhaps the first thing we must come to grips with in this journey is the realization that it is the work of God both with us and within us. Any attempt to go it alone is destined for failure. It would be easier to build a rocket ship and fly to the moon on your own than it would to take on the likeness of God without His help.



JOURNEY



The Bible teaches this in several places, but one of the most obvious places where something out of the ordinary is evident is the Book of Revelation. By studying the Book of Revelation our minds are exposed to some unusual things about this incredible journey as we listen to the messages from Jesus. It is not a book to be feared or ignored. There are a great many things that can be learned that will help us on our journey to God.

For that to happen we must become moldable clay in the hands of God. If God left the molding and shaping up to ourselves, what would we be like? The answer to that is clear: murderers, adulterers, thieves, cheats, liars, etc. We'd be lazy, self-focused and materialistic. That's what man is without God at work in his heart, transforming him into the likeness of Christ. As long as we ignore or resist the working of God within us, the best we can expect is to be conformed to this world. No one can become like God by neglecting His presence and His teaching. Revelation is clear as to the fate of such people. It's not a pretty picture.

But if we by faith allow God to work with us and within us, we can set off on a journey that leaves this world and its ways in the shadows. If we allow God to work his transforming power within us (**Romans 12:2**), we are well on the way to not only attaining the mind of Christ and the likeness of God, but also to live eternally in the very presence of God — the very thing for which we were created.

How we get from where we are to where we want to be (like God) is an incredible journey. Incredible, but not impossible. Because Jesus made the remarkable journey from equality with God to the cross (**Philippians 2:6-8**), we can travel back to God with him (**John 14:6**). But it's no ordinary journey. It's a journey of faith and commitment; it's a journey of service and worship; it's a journey of overcoming hardships and failures. It's a journey of growth and maturity; and it's a journey filled with joy and love, peace and contentment, and power and victory. It's no ordinary journey, but as we join with Jesus, it will be exciting.

May 21st—Terry Hargrove
May 22nd—Joyce Taylor
May 27th—Norma Goble



May 21st—Nathan & Rachel Gardner
May 22nd—Jim & Cindy DeVore
May 24th—Brett & Kayla Higgins



Hearts on Fire Calendar

May 21st—Ignite (10:30 AM)
South Side Mission (4-6 PM)
May 30th—VBS Prop Drop-Off
May 31st—Camp Registration Due



Eunice Roseboom (Don's mother) suffering from old age (soon to be 93). **Bernice Powers** fighting severe bronchitis. **Connie Carlson** having heart problems — her heart is working too hard and causing her to have a very low heart rate. **Georgia Howell** (Beverly's mother) have trouble with AFIB. **Willie Howell** (Pat Jackson and Beverly Howell's father) diagnosed with lung cancer. **Jerry Bane** was hospitalized with lung problems at Proctor. **Marcia Barnes** has moved to Cornerstone Rehab & Health Care, 5533 N. Galena Rd., Room West 13, Bed #2, Peoria Heights, IL 61616. **Terry McWhirter** as he recovers from his knee replacement surgery and is looking (NOT) forward to having the other one done in July!

Shut-Ins: M. L. Judkins, M. Meeks, T. Ray, B. Scott, Eleanor Richey and D. Craig.

Our military. Our nation as it struggles with many issues. **Our president, judges & elected officials**—wisdom to make Godly decisions. **Our police** as they struggle to do their job. **Unsaved souls** (you supply the names). **Those who have left the fold** and need a helping hand to find their way home. **Our college students. Our graduates. Our enemies. Our Missionary group** leaving for Nicaragua on May 25th. **Those being persecuted** for being Christians. **Those who persecute** others — may their hearts be changed! **Our young!**

Those Needing New Jobs: Chris McWhirter, Ken Martin (Ryan's father) and Curtis Baker (Fern's son in Kansas City).

"There is a mighty lot of difference between saying prayers and praying."
- John G. Lake

Camp 2017 — Camp CILCA

SIGN-UP DEADLINE IS 5/31: If your student is planning on attending summer camp this year, grab a brochure and registration form(s) off the table under the bulletin board. Dates: Sr. High (grades 9-12)-June 11-14th; Jr. (grades 4-8) Session —June 6-10th. Cost: (early pricing has expired) Sr. — \$80; Junior — \$100. If you have questions, see Ryan.



NEW MEMBER

Ellie Boon has placed her membership with Northwest. Ellie has been attending the Bible study at Galena Park Terrace where she has lived for several months.

Please get acquainted with Ellie, if you haven't already. She is sitting in the last pew on the right with Marie Doak and Sandy Burch.



"You may speak but a word to a child, and in that child there may be slumbering a noble heart which shall stir the Christian Church in years to come." — Charles Spurgeon, Topics: Children, Examples

Mike Ahten	Member	Serious Back Problems
James Ayres	K. Bell's father	Cancer —in Hospice
Renetta Ballard	Annie & Smitty's daughter	Lung Cancer
Natalie Baiteau	Member	Type I Diabetes
Jerry & Deb Bane	Members	Lung Cancer/Memory
Marsha Barnes	Member	Leg Amputation
Jan Bell	Allen Neese's sister	Breast Cancer
Terry Bell	Allen Neese's bro-in-law	Thyroid Cancer
Tony Clark	C. DeVore's brother	Stroke (left him blind)
Dave Cordry	Member — E. Peoria	Bladder Cancer
Shirley Darnell	Former Member	Serious Eye Problems
Angela DeVore	C & J DeVore's dau-n-law	Serious Health Issues
Scott Eisenbarth	Kyle's brother	Liver & Lung Cancer
Vincent Ernst	S.&T. Law's grandson	Drug Addiction
Deb Hawley	B. Meyers' sister	Nodule on Lung
Rick Hipp	Member	Kidney Cancer
Denise Hunt	Former Member	Breast Cancer
LaDonna Hunter	Cindy DeVore's sister	Diabetic Foot Sore
Mary Lou Judkins	Member	Under hospice care
Troy Krebsback	Friend of B. Howell	Colon Cancer
Dr. Craig Kurtz	Former Member	Lymphoma in Eyes
Casey Lehtinen	Granbury CoC	CML Leukemia
Tim Majors	Linda Cotrell's nephew	Cancer
Jerry Lynn Mason, Jr.	Pat Haines' brother	Stomach Tumor
Mary Meeks	Member	Ear Cancer
Dorothy Meister	Co-worker's wife-Hargrove	Stage 4 brain cancer
Gene Muehring	Member	Bells Palsy
Lynn Molleck	Friend of N. Goble	Stage 4 Cancer
Lori Prichard	T&R Prichard's daughter	Conversion disorder
Josh Retzer	Grandson of B/C Sunkin	Addiction
Eleanor Richey	Member	Broken hip recovery
Ken Roberts	K. Lovell's father	Alzheimer's
Bessie Scott	Member	Leukemia
Sophean	Cambodian Orphan	Healing from 2nd surgery
Carol Sunkin	Member	Shoulder/Back/Infection

Dear Church Family,



We wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the senior recognition reception. All the gifts received were greatly appreciated, and will really help Norris and

Ronald a lot, as they start prepping for College shopping/move-in. We also want to thank all those that were able to attend the open house to celebrate their graduation from college and high school. We appreciate and feel all the love, and friendship.

In Christian Love,
Comfort, Norris, Ronald & William Akpan

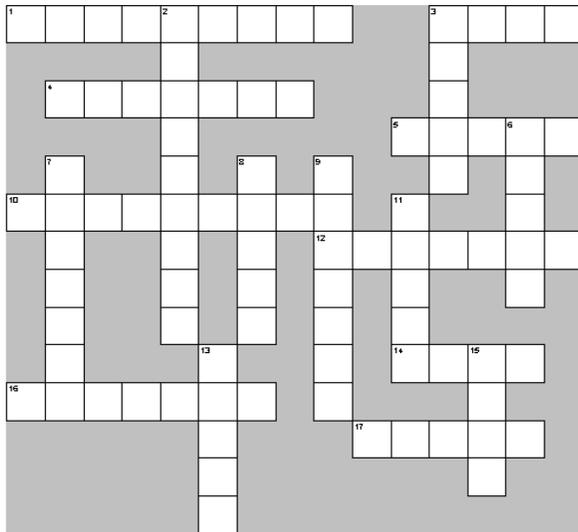
SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASSES

ORDER OF WORSHIP

ADULTS—AUDITORIUM
Overcoming Emotions that Destroy, by Chip Ingram
Facilitator: Terry Hargrove

Husbands in the Bible

Use the wives' names below to determine the husband.



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| Across | Down |
| 1. Elizabeth | 2. Esther |
| 3. Eve | 3. Jochabed |
| 4. Sarah | 6. Rebekah |
| 5. Michal | 7. Hannah |
| 10. Naomi | 8. Jael |
| 12. Sapphira | 9. Huldah |
| 14. Ruth | 11. Rachel |
| 16. Orpah | 13. Zipporah |
| 17. Bathsheba | 15. Jezebel |



YOU WILL FIND THE ANSWERS IN THE BIBLE !!!

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

	Last Wk.	Year-to-Date
2017 Budget	\$5,000	\$ 100,000
Contribution	\$3,711	\$ 84,138

	May 14th
Attendance	75
Bible Study	159
10:30 Worship Service	
EEM To Date	\$ 19,378
Bergner's Booklets	\$ 2,458
Zambia Orphans' Education	\$ GOAL MET!!
\$1,920/HS student (2) Needed for 2017 = \$3,840.00	
Shults-Lewis Children's Home	\$ 93.47
<i>Coins in the weekly contribution + \$10 of each Dining Tour Book!!!</i>	

Song: Light the Fire (Procession of Kids/Flags)
Scripture Reading: Romans 12:11
Announcements: Ryan Martin
Sparks—Song: Jesus Loves Me
Embers—Song: Blue Skies and Rainbows
Embers—Scripture: John 3:16
Flames—Song: Jesus Loves the Little Children
Flames—Scripture: Matthew 19:13-15
Communion: Lee DenBraber
Communion Assist: Heat & Blaze
Offering
Heat—Song: Firm Foundation
Heat—Scripture: Romans 8:37-39
Blaze—Song: 10,000 Reasons
Blaze—Scripture: I Corinthians 13:1-7
Devotional Thought: Ryan Martin
All Hearts on Fire Kids: Shepherd's Prayer
Song: Shine, Jesus, Shine/Dismissal
Shepherd's Time: Dean Kennedy
Greeters/Facilitators: Embers & Flames
Nursery Attendant: Sharon Law
Communion Preparation: Meta Kennedy

May 21st—IGNITE!
 May 25th-Jun 4th—Nicaragua Mission Trip
 May 29th—Memorial Day (Office Closed)



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Please Turn off Your Mobile Phones

See something that needs to be fixed — leaky faucet, broken window, dirty air vent, etc.? Please report it to the office for BaGG (Building and Grounds Group) to place on their list.

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Challenge: Pray daily for our entire church family (by name).