

Sunday November 4, 2007

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North Street News

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Today's Message

"Honesty is the Best Policy
Being Honest All of the Time"

Pastor Bob

Today's Schedule

8:15 Worship I
9:30 Sunday School
10:45 Worship II

Serving Today

Greeters

Worship I:

The Horwats

Worship II

The Seavers

Nursery

Worship I: Sandy & Trevor

Hempfling

Sunday School: Bry Freeman

& Mary Stevenson

Worship II: Erin Miller &

Bry Freeman

The Lord's Supper

Worship I:

Shannon Hartman

Worship II:

Barbara Carson &

Bill Brannon

Last Week at NSCC

Worship I 108
Worship II 102
Total Attendance 210

Offering

General - \$ 4403.28
Designated - \$ 161.00
Total \$ 4564.28

Send A Card

Send a card of encouragement to Lillian Shaffer, Brownsdale Manor, 119 Brownsdale Rd., Butler, PA 16001.

We celebrate the birth
of
SOPHIA MICHELLE
ZANG

Born October 27, 2007
8 lb. 6 oz. 20" Long

Happy Parents,
Michelle & Jason Zang

FALL ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Harvest Dinner Sunday November 11th-Trip to Kraynaks in the Planning

Mmm Mmm.. Apple and Pumpkin pie! I thought I would entice you with dessert first. Please join us Sunday, November 11th at 1 p.m. in the church dining room for at our Senior Harvest Dinner, Come... Celebrate *Season's of Life*. To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven. Ecclesiastes 3:1 Enjoy a scrumptious meal and sweet fellowship. (And don't forget dessert!) If attending, please contact Michelle Convery at 724-283-8886.

Also, a trip is being planned to take the seniors to Kraynaks sometime this month. The day will begin with a bus trip from NSCC to Hermitage, home of Kraynaks, to see their Christmas display of decorated trees, a nice lunch at one of the local restaurants, great fellowship and fun. More information to follow.

COMMUNITY MEALS

Help Support This Wonderful Ministry!

Our fall dinners were in full swing in the month of October! On October 13th, Pastor Bob spoke as 72 guests enjoyed North Street's version of stone soup. Thanks to everyone who brought ingredients and all those who joined us for lunch the next day. We had a lovely ham loaf dinner with a big assortment of cookies on October 12th. Mike Bell spoke as 73 guests dined. Thanks to all who helped.

For November dinners we will be serving shepherd pie, corn bake, cole slaw, and jello on November 10th, then on November 17th it will be sloppy joes, variety of homemade soups, chips, and cake.

Please come and help support this wonderful ministry! You will be blessed for your time and generosity. If you have any questions or food donations, contact Dale Riemer at 724-282-0647. Prep and set-up time begins at 3:30 p.m. Serving and cleanup crew start at 4:30. "Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." I Peter 4:9,10.

We'd like to include something special at our Christmas meal in December. We're asking for donations of new gloves or mittens for children and adults. We need many more adult sizes. Place your donations in the box provided near the welcome center starting next Sunday, November 11th.

HAVE A HEART FOR HOME MINISTRY ?

Come to Our Meeting November 13th

If you are involved in Home Ministry to shut-ins, widows, and elderly, or are **willing** to be involved, please attend this meeting next Tuesday, November 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the Church Dining Room. Bonna Ray has done much background work. We hope you will respond to the Spirit's call to serve. Couples of any age willing to visit and share the Lord's supper once a month with some older saints are also encouraged to come as well as those who are presently ministering to **singles**. We just want to touch base and share some names and thoughts. Please make the effort to come and join us.

In His Grace,
Doug Emmett



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BEGINS!

Operation Christmas Child is a fun rewarding project for those who want to share the love of Jesus Christ with suffering children around the world. Won't you join in bringing eternal hope to a hurting world, one child at a time. God Bless You! The deadline for shoeboxes is November 18th. If you need more information or have questions, please contact Bridget Pierce at 724-496-3498.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COME AND GIVE THANKS!
Thanksgiving will soon be here (November 22nd), and our family would like to invite any members of our church family who have no one to share this holiday with to join us! Dinner will be at 5:00 p.m. in the church dining room. Just let us know by Monday, November 19th if you are coming and bring your appetite on Thanksgiving Day. To RSVP or if you have any questions, call Cissy & Scott at 724-283-6689 or Dale and Jim at 724-282-0647.

Questions at the Crossroads of Life

“To what shall we liken the kingdom of God?” “What is Truth?” “Who touched me?” “What is your name?” “If I tell you the truth, why do you not believe me?” “For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world and loses his soul?” These are a just few of the questions Jesus asked as He walked this earth.

Jesus masterfully could get to the crux of any matter and often did so by asking direct, pertinent, heart searching questions. The questions He asked in the first century resound yet in the hearts and minds of men and women in the 21st century.

Here are two of His questions that every person must take the time to answer. “But who do you say that I am?” and “Do you love Me?” These questions were originally posed by Jesus to His disciples, the first during the third tour of Galilee and the last after His resurrection but before His

ascension into Heaven. Attention to the texts reveal that Peter, the outspoken, natural, sometimes raw, leader, answers for the group when the first question is asked and answers in front of the group when the second question is asked.

But who do you say that I am? (Matthew 16:15) Peter answered by declaring that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. We have come to refer to this answer as the Great (or Good) Confession. Scripture further reveals that Jesus is God, that Jesus is Holy, that Jesus is the Savior, that Jesus is the only object of saving faith, and that Jesus is Lord and Judge of all. So how have you answered the question, “Who do YOU say that I am?”

Do YOU love me? (John 21:15-17) Peter had denied knowing Jesus three times

previously. Here Jesus ultimately restores Peter to usability for ministry by three times having him examine the depth of his dedication by pondering the question, “Do you love me?” Notice that the evidence of love that Jesus desired for Peter was that he would return to the feeding of Jesus’ flock. In other words Jesus was saying, “Peter, let your love for me be demonstrated in caring for others as I have assigned you to do.” How would answer His question, “Do YOU love me?”

For Him,
pb

Next week’s article will continue with more explanation and application of this intriguing scene found in John 21.

BUILDING HOUSES IN MEXICO *Casa por Cristo In March and June*

A meeting is planned for Thursday, November 15th at 7 p.m. for all who plan to go to Mexico either in March or June. If you are being called by God to be a part of the next mission trip, this is your chance. March 23-28 Jon and Bonna Ray will be leading one group, then on June, 16th Andy Bilowich will be leading a group to Mexico. Please attend the meeting if this is something you have been considering. Pray about it and stay tuned.

ROAD TO FINANACIAL FREEDOM SCHEDULE OF SMALL GROUP MEETINGS

Day:	Time:	Place:	Facilitator:
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School	Jeff Miller
Sunday	7:00 p.m.	At Rader’s	George Rader
Monday	6:15 p.m.	Church	Pastor Bob
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Klutinyot’s	John McIntyre
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Knotick’s	Curt Knotick
Friday	7:00 p.m.	Hartman’s	Terry Hartman

Learn God’s Timeless principles for financial stewardship.

Calendar November 4th–10

<u>Sun</u>	8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship I Sunday School Worship II
<u>Mon</u>	6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Praise Team Practice One Small Child Rehearsal
<u>Tues</u>	1:00-2:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Ladies Community Bible Study Elders Meeting
<u>Wed</u>	Noon 6:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting Pioneer Club/Young Believers in Christ (YBICS)/Passing the Faith/ Circle of Friends/Adult Bible Study
<u>Thur</u>	6:00 p.m.	Butler Bible Institute Class
<u>Sat</u>	5:00 p.m.	Community Dinner

SHEPHERD OF MY HEART PRESCHOOLERS *Build An Ark Like Noah’s*

Did you know that a table turned upside down can serve as a makeshift ark? Well, in preschool it can! Our Tuesday/Thursday preschoolers got to experience what it must have been like on the ark.

Using an upside down table as our ark, the kid-animals entered our makeshift ark two-by-two. Upon the closing of the door, the hungry kid-animals were told to make their animal’s sound as Noah and his wife pretended to feed and clean-up after them. Our ark was full–full of kid animals and animal noises! It clearly demonstrated how crowded and noisy Noah’s ark must have been, as well as, the hard work required to take care of all of the animals.

Noah and his family were obedient and worked hard for the Lord. Our makeshift ark was a fun way to help the children understand that God values their obedience and hard work too.

ATTENTION ALL GIFT WRAPPERS!!! *Volunteers Needed - Habitat for Humanity*

The Butler Habitat for Humanity annual “Gift Wrapping” fundraiser at the Clearview Mall is Friday, November 23rd through December 24th from 10 a.m.–9:00 p.m. Funds assist Habitat to continue to build or rehab homes in partnership with God’s people in need.

If you would like to volunteer, please call Barb Sarvey at 724-282-0473. *Volunteer today...Build for tomorrow.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE NOTE: We have installed an alarm on the alley door to Church St. as a safety precaution for children. Please use another entrance/exit. We apologize for any inconvenience

A PARENT COUNCIL MEETING is scheduled for this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

A MISSION TRIP is being planned by Pastor Bob for a trip to Thailand in mid-February. Please pray about it and contact Pastor Bob if you are interested.

GIRLS’ BASKETBALL Calling all girls in grades 7 through 12 who are interested in playing basketball. The first practice will be on Saturday, November 17th from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Cubs Hall.

THE GREATER PITTSBURGH COMMUNITY FOOD BANK WILL DO FOOD STAMP PRE-SCREENINGS BY PHONE FOR THE BEAVER AND BUTLER COUNTY AREA—CALL 1-800-343-3135 FOR ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION