

Sunday August 31, 2008

North Street Christian Church
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North Street News

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Today's Message

THE GOSPEL IN BLUE JEANS
Putting Your Faith to Work

"Seeking the Spiritual
Wanderer"

Pastor Bob

Today's Schedule

9:00 Sunday School
10:15 Worship Service

Serving Today

Greeters

Worship: Joan Cole &
The Whites

Nursery

Sunday School:
Joan Cole & Kathy Twerdok

Worship:
Sherry O'Donnell, Amy Parker,
& Nikki Simpson

The Lord's Supper

Dawn Cratty & The Grooms

Last Week at NSCC

Worship I 97
Worship II 116
Total Attendance 213

Offering

General - \$5,987.00
Designated - \$3,644.50
Total - \$9,631.50

Send A Card

Send a card of encouragement
to Marcella Patterson,
Concordia Lutheran Ministries
Lund Care Center
134 Marwood Rd.
Cabot, PA 16023.

*Oh come, let us worship
and bow down;
Let us kneel before the
Lord our Maker:
For He is our God,
and we are the people
of His pasture,
and the sheep of His
hand.
Psalm 95:6,7*

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - SEPT/OCT/NOV '08

New Classes Begin Next Sunday, September 7th

Ladies Class - Looking Up When Life is Looking Down - When life is looking down, look up and find God's deliverance! Life can be hard - sometimes to the point of feeling as though your struggles will never end and God isn't anywhere near. In Looking Up When Life is Looking Down, Beth Moore shares a prosaic message of hope and deliverance taken from Psalm 40, helping readers discover they indeed are not alone and that God's gracious provision of love and faithfulness is at work in their circumstances. Taught by Sam Tait and Sherry O'Donnell in Room 103.

Our New Community - What was it like to "do church" back in the days of the Apostles? Was Church always better in the past? The early Church was made of people just like us! They had different levels of commitment, integrity and ability. In this semester's class we will learn from the New Testament Church what the early Church was like and how the people negotiated the many crises and conflicts faced back then. We will study "The Birth of A New Community", "The Growth of the New Community" and "The Challenges in the New Community". We will discover together that although times certainly have changed from the 1st to

the 21st century that how the Church is to understand itself has remained constant and how it is that their struggles and victories are our struggles and victories! Join Pastor Bob Huber and Doug Emmett in the Dining Room.

Dealing with Depression - Called the "common cold of mental illness", depression is faced by nearly everyone at some time in their lives. If you are not facing it now, you know someone who is. Being as common as it is, we need to learn to deal with it the way God intends. Using Out of the Blues by Wayne Mack as a guide, this class will discuss what it's like to be depressed, why people get depressed, dealing with depression following Biblical principles, and many other related topics. Taught by Pastor Jeff in the **Library**.

Junior High Class - The Junior High Students and their families will be finishing up Answers in Genesis's *Answers Academy*, equipping believers to stand on and defend the reliability of the Word of God. Meets in Room 102.

Senior High Class - "Revelation Letters" will be taught by Curt Knotick. Meets in the **Legacy House**.

BUILDING PLANS TO BE ANNOUNCED ON SEPTEMBER 14!

Congregational Meeting to Be Held Following Worship II

On Sunday September 14, following Worship II there will be a Congregational Meeting held to present plans for remodeling and future expansion of our Church building. The Building and Grounds Department will present and explain the architectural conceptual drawings as completed by Ligo Architects of Slippery Rock, Pa.

Phase I will be to remodel the Sunday School annex and west wing of the existing building. This would include the addition of a large classroom for Jr. High Ministry and the expansion of several other classrooms including updated heating and air-conditioning. An elevator, several new restrooms and new kitchen design is also be included in this phase.

Phase II will be to build an addition to the west side of the front of the main building which would include a new entrance and greeting area along with new offices and restrooms. In addition, parking and landscaping projects would be completed. (Eventually a third phase would complete our campus with the addition of new, large multi-purpose fellowship building.)

The first congregational meeting will be held on the 14th. On Sunday the 21st, the Building and Grounds Department members will be available for Q and A during the Sunday School Hour and following Worship II. A second congregational meeting will be held on Sunday September 28th for congregational approval to begin a Capital Campaign to raise funds for the Phase I remodeling. The project will advance as funds are received. NSCC intends to remain debt free.

ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH RESUME

Wednesday, September 17th

Pioneer Club begins Wednesday, September 17th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at NSCC. This weekly activity which includes Bible lessons, games, and snacks, is for children of elementary age. In preparation, teachers and helpers are asked to attend an organizational meeting Monday, September 15th at 7:00 p.m.

YBICS (Young Believers in Christ), kids in Junior High School, will also have their kick-off Wednesday, September 17th at the Salvatoras'. A hayride, swimming, bonfire and hotdog roast is planned for the kids and their families.

Senior High Youth will meet at Legacy each Wednesday evening. Time together will include worship, study, recreation and refreshments. *Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.* I Timothy 4:12

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Was a Big Success!

Thank you to everyone who baked or donated cookies or brownies for the Preschool Open House this past Sunday. We had quite a few happy cookie monsters attend this special occasion! Please pray for our preschool (children, parents, teacher and aides) as we begin a new preschool year this week!




Feeling A Little Spent?

Have you ever been to the point that you know what you ought to do but you just don't have the gumption to do it? That you know you ought to speak up but don't want to be bothered defending what you know needs said? Do the spiritual things that once attracted and excited you no longer do so? Are prayer, the Bible, fellowship, good words about God's Church and giving a lot further down the list than they were at one time? Ever seem like you're just going through the motions?

In 1844, Archibald Alexander, the first principal of Princeton wrote, "Backsliding occurs when the Christian is gradually led off from close walking with God, loses the lively sense of divine things, becomes too much attached to the world and too much occupied with secular concerns; until at length the keeping of the heart is neglected, prayer and the

seeking of the Lord in private are omitted or slightly performed, zeal for the advancement of religion is quenched, and many things once rejected by a sensitive conscience are now indulged and defended. . . being surrounded with earthly comforts and engaged in secular pursuits, and mingling much with the decent and respectable people of the world, by degrees loses the deep impression of divine and eternal things. . . The 'forms of religion' may still be kept up, and 'open sin' avoided."



This problem is not new. Listen to what John wrote in Revelation 2:4-5 to the Church at Ephesus. "You have forsaken your first love. Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first."

When our eyes are on not on the Lord as they once were we too need to do the same - repent and do the first things first. Here is some good advice if you find yourself spiritually spent. Re-discover your NEED FOR GOD by remembering the truths of the Gospel, by turning to God daily in prayer and study of His Word, by fulfilling a plan to fellowship with purpose, to give with joy, to witness with enthusiasm.

God Is Able,

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For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

SEPTEMBER 23RD AT KITTANNING HIGH SCHOOL 7:00 P.M.

Born with Cerebral Palsy and orphaned at age 14, David asks, "I have cerebral palsy, what's your problem?"

A CHAMPION IN THE GAME OF LIFE

Be inspired by this victorious Christian who endured constant physical pain, humiliating public ridicule and constant discouragement as he proclaims his faith in Jesus Christ.

FOR PASTORS AND MINISTRY LEADERS
OCTOBER 5-7, 2008
STRAIGHTUPCONFERENCE.ORG

STRAIGHT-UP
 MINISTRY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

HARVEST BIBLE CHAPEL, ELGIN, IL

If you are interested in attending the Straight Up Conference at Harvest Bible Chapel in Elgin, Illinois, please contact Pastor Bob.


MAIN SESSIONS







JAMES MACDONALD
 JOSEPH STOWELL
 JOHN MACARTHUR
 DAVE STONE
 C.J. MAHANEY



BUTLER BIBLE INSTITUTE is offering a course entitled, "An Introduction to Ecclesiology". Ecclesiology is a study of the Church's purpose in God's plan. Class begins on Thursday, September 4th from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. and runs for seven weeks. You are welcome to come and check us out. Call Bob Ogden at 724-283-3413 for details.

AUGUST 31st—SEPTEMBER 7th

<u>Sun</u>	9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Sunday School Worship II
<u>Mon</u>	Church Office is Closed for Labor Day	
<u>Tues</u>	12:00 noon—2:00 p.m.	BBI
<u>Wed</u>	6:00 p.m.	Youth Meeting at Legacy
<u>Thur</u>	6:00—8:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	BBI Gluten Free Meeting
<u>Sat</u>	1:00—8:00 p.m.	Remembering Christ

Address Changes

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 6th Remembering Christ at Alameda Park
1-8:00 p.m.
- September 13th YBICS Kick-off at Salvatora's for Jr. Hi. Kids & their families (hayrides, swimming bonfire and, hotdog roast)
- September 14 Congregational Meeting I
- September 15 Meeting for Pioneer Club Teachers & Helpers
- September 17th Pioneer Club Begins
- September 20th Silver Ring Thing at Knoch High School
6:30-9:00 p.m.
- September 23rd David Ring at Kittanning High School
7:00 p.m.
- September 28th Congregational Meeting II



"It's about guys, girls, dating, love, second chances, and the best choices."

SAT. SEPT. 20
SAXONBURG, PA

You see sex all over the place - TV / movies / magazines - and it can seem like it's no big deal. Have you ever wondered if you're getting the 'whole story'? That's where the SILVER RING THING comes in!

This is NOT some assembly or program - it's far from it! With hilarious comedy, videos, drama, music and so much more, this is an awesome CONCERT-STYLE EVENT you won't want to miss!

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"I thought SRT was going to be a boring seminar. I was sooooo wrong! The whole event was amazing! You guys rock!!!" - Student

TICKETS: \$5 online, \$8 at the door

www.silverringthing.com

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
 DOORS OPEN 5:45PM
6:30 to 9PM
 Additional Parent's Session starting at 6:30pm

KNOCH HIGH SCHOOL
 345 Knoch Rd, Saxonburg PA

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