

NORTH STREET NEWS

NOVEMBER 16, 2014

WE WELCOME YOU

We welcome you to North Street Christian Church, a Bible church dedicated to the promotion of the Good News of Jesus Christ. We strive to faithfully deliver the life changing message of the Scriptures and we work to be a Godly influence in our community. The great confession that Jesus is the Christ, the great commission to go and make disciples, the great commandment to love God and love people and the great promise of Christ's second coming all work together to keep us vertically and horizontally focused. Thanks for joining us today!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

November 28th, our subject will be "Healing in the Old Testament" held at Christy Donaldson's home at 305 McKean St Butler 724-283-5259

CHRISTMAS FLOWER order forms can be picked up from the welcome desk in the Christian Education Annex or at the desk in the narthex as you enter the front door.

NOVEMBER LEADERSHIP MEETING

Monday, November 17th Elder's in the Library at 7:30.

A BIG DAY OF GIVING AT NSCC!

*My Choice Baby Bottle Offering
NSCC Benevolence Fund
Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes*

When we gather together next **Sunday, November 23 – Thanksgiving Sunday** – we will have the opportunity to express our thankfulness to God through our generosity toward others. There are at least three ways you can give in addition to our regular offering next week!

1. MY CHOICE BABY BOTTLES: If you have been filling a My Choice Baby Bottle with change and bills to help save the lives of the unborn – bring your bottle next week as we will gather them up and deliver them to Life Choices Ministry.



2. NSCC BENEVOLENCE FUND If you want to help NSCC help others, you can give a gift toward the NSCC Benevolence Fund. We find ourselves lots of people throughout the year and especially at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Actually, our benevolence fund is officially in the negative for 2014. Now that does not mean we will stop helping people, but it does mean that we need help in helping others.



3. OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: If you have prepared an Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box to give to a child somewhere in the world through Samaritan's Purse, bring your box or boxes as we will be gathering them up and delivering them to the local distribution point. Don't forget to add \$7.00 for each box to be shipped!

On Sunday, November 23, come with an especially thankful heart, a big smile and a generous spirit. The Bible says, "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written: "He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." - II Corinthians 9:6-11

THANKSGIVING DAY AT NSCC

The door is open at NSCC on Thanksgiving Day, November 27, for a great time of fellowship and to share a meal with friends and family. The meal will be served at 1pm. The invitation is extended to folks from our community and to our Church Family. Sign up to attend and bring a dish to share - see the clipboard on the table in the back of the auditorium! Any questions please see Dane and Denise Kerr or Curt and Pam Weichey.



NSCC CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
16th 8:00 Chapel Hour 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 The Gathering	17th 11-2 L.O.L. (Light of Life) 6:00 Worship Rehearsal 7:00 Freedom 7:30 Leadership Meeting (Elder's)	18th 11-2 L.O.L. 7:00 Bible Study at Klutinoty's	19th 11-2 L.O.L. 6:00 Kid's Group 6:00 T.A.G. (Teens After God)	20th 11-2 L.O.L. 7:00 Y.A.G. (Young Adult Group)	21st 11:45 - 1 PIE SALE PICK-UP	22nd

One Wealthy Preacher - Well Almost - But Not Really - But Really!

I haven't said too much about this to anyone, but thought that it would be good to level with everyone in writing and all at the same time. I just want to let you all know that **I am about to become very rich!** The letter I recently received said that all I needed to do was send \$2,700.00 to the confidential address and provide my bank account number and then once they cash my check, within 10 days, they will deposit the **3.5 million dollars** that has been set aside from the estate of a wealthy person who, unbeknownst to me, has named me in their will! Well, seven days have passed already - so before next Sunday I will be a millionaire! **I will become one wealthy preacher!**

Now you know me well enough to know that I would not take the bait on a scheme like that - right!?! BUT at times, I have thought, "What would happen if I suddenly found myself as a steward of lots of funds?" Would I become more generous or more selfish? Would I still do what I do? Would I buy more, give more, save more, and/or invest more? Would I bless my children and others? What kind of car/s would I drive? Where would I choose to live?

Here are a few brief thoughts from the Word to help us keep our **balance in the area of the temporal vs. the eternal.**

James 5 says, "Come now, you rich, weep and howl for your miseries that are coming upon you! Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten. Your gold and silver are corroded, and their corrosion will be a witness against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have heaped up treasure in the last days." **Sometimes the wealthy hoard more and more, are driven by greed and live luxurious but miserable lives.** This they do to their own credit/discredit and to their own name! That's not good.

I Timothy 6 teaches that we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. We learn that people who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction. We are not to be arrogant nor are we to put our hope in wealth. The clear contrast is perfectly made - the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil BUT the greatest gain is godliness with contentment. **We are to put our hope in God. In doing so, we find satisfaction in being rich in faith and rich in good works - to the glory of His Name!** Now, that's good!

Really though, I am rich in the eternal things of God. And you are too! I really am one wealthy preacher!

- - Pastor Bob

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (Y.A.G.)

Young Adults, don't forget that this Thursday is our Thanksgiving Feast. We have spent the last 2 weeks talking about thankfulness. Gods Word tells us to be thankful always and for everything. In Ephesians 5:20 the Bible says, "always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." It is easy to be thankful when we get what we want

and everything is going our way. That's the most basic level of thankfulness. As Christians we must learn to be thankful in the midst of trials and hard times. We know the God who is in control and we can be thankful for the outcome even before it happens. Join us Thursday at 7:00 as we celebrate being thankful with a feast. And, don't forget to dress as a Pilgrim or an Indian!

TEENS AFTER GOD (T.A.G.) Grades 7-12

High School Students of North Street - Wednesday Nights are all about YOU! Come to NSCC on Wednesday nights and help us lead the young kids, study Gods word, and have tons of fun together. Don't forget this week is our celebration of Thanksgiving. We will be eating together and hanging out having fun. Bring your friends and lets make this Wednesday a blast.

November 19 - feasting for Thanksgiving

November 26 - off for Thanksgiving, No TAG

December 3rd --- Dress like a pirate, we are teaching the little kids

December 10th - Christmas lesson

December 17th - Christmas Party

December 24th and 31st - off for Christmas and New Years

Senior Fellowship Holiday Luncheon

The next get-together for the SrCitz Fellowship of NSCC will be held on Wednesday, December 3 at noon in the church dining room. We will have our holiday luncheon between Thanksgiving and Christmas - it's called the ThankChrist Banquet. Besides enjoying a great meal and fellowship, we will be blessed by the ministry and music of Dennis Kovach. Mark your calendar now! All NSCCer's (55+) and their friends are invited to attend. An offering will be received to help with the expenses.

SHEPHERD OF MY HEART PRESCHOOL NEWS

GET YOUR THANKSGIVING PIES!

*Pie Sale pick up is Friday, November 21
Extra pies available on Sunday, November 23*

NSCC Shepherd of My Heart Preschool holds two fundraisers annually. We have an Easter Pie Sale and a Thanksgiving Pie Sale. We rely on the proceeds of the two fundraisers to meet our annual preschool budget. If you ordered pies, they will be ready for pick up this Friday, November 21 from 11:45 - 1:00. Please stop by the van garage - look for the blue pop up shelter! Now if you did not order pies this year but would still want to help us out and add to your Thanksgiving table, the extra pies will be available first come, first serve right here at NSCC on Sunday, November 23! Monetary donations to help us meet our budget are also accepted.

Some NSCC Notes:

- FOOD AND DRINK are not permitted beyond the Dining Area and Rooms 102 & 103 with the exception of bottled water.
- North Street News articles due by Wednesday at noon Thank-You
- REMINDER - Children's Church is held during the 10:15 Chapel Hour for children 4 yrs. thorough 2nd grade. The children are dismissed just before the morning message.

SERVING TODAY

Chapel Hour at 8:00

Communion Prep - Gary and Fi Saeler

Greeters - Gary and Fi Saeler

Nursery - Kathy Twerdok

Sunday School at 9:00

Nursery - Kathy Twerdok and Joan Cole

The Gathering for Worship at 10:15

Communion Prep - The Petsingers

Greeters - The Cousins

Nursery - K. Twerdok & Mia Rader

Wednesday Night Kids

will not meet on November 26. DRESS LIKE A PIRATE on December 3 - Captain Jake & Crew will be here! AAARGHH!

Send an Encouragement Card

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**Offering Report
November 9, 2014**

General	\$ 5,631.00
Designated	<u>\$ 1,407.20</u>
Total	\$ 7,038.20
Building Fund	\$ 232,642.58