

North Street News

WELCOME TO NORTH STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH

We are 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.

EASTER AT NSCC

TODAY, the three-part sermon series entitled **At The Cross** will begin. The sermons are At the Cross: John and the Other Apostles on March 22; At the Cross: Mary and the Other Women on March 29 and At the Cross: Jesus and the Thieves on Easter Sunday, April 5.

On Good Friday, April 3, NSCC will gather for worship and proclamation of the Word with the Lord's Supper at 7pm Pastor Bob and the NSCC Shepherd/Overseers and our worship leaders will guide the congregation through an evening of cross-centered teaching, meditation, prayer and communion.

On Easter Sunday, April 5, Sunrise Worship will be held at 6:45am and The Resurrection Worship Gathering will be held at 10:15am. An EASTER BREAKFAST will be held at 8am followed by Sunday School at 9am. YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR THE EASTER BREAKFAST today during Chapel Hour at 8am or the Gathering for Worship at 10:15am.

"The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain." - 1 Corinthians 15:56-58

EASTER BREAKFAST

SIGN UP TODAY for EASTER BREAKFAST at NSCC! On Easter Sunday, April 5, at 8am the NSCC Breakfast Crew will be serving a super breakfast for all who desire to come and enjoy! We will have sausage, eggs and pancakes along with fruit and muffins or pastries. If you and your family would like to attend, please sign one of the clipboards found on the white table located just inside the main doors as you enter the narthex. There is no stated cost for the Easter breakfast, donations to help cover the cost will be received that day.

BLESS NSCC LIGHT OF LIFE COMMUNITY OUTREACH ON EASTER SUNDAY!

We are presently collecting basic supplies for our daily community outreach ministry - The NSCC Light of Life Community Outreach! Items being collected at this time are ground coffee, sugar, powdered creamer, 4C Instant Iced Tea mix, paper towels, napkins, toilet paper and small foam plates. On Sundays March 22 and 29 and on Easter Sunday, April 5, YOU are encouraged to bless our mission outreach to the community by bringing one or more of the listed items to place in the large bins at each entrance! May God Bless you and we say THANK YOU ahead of time!

Communion Servers Needed

The men who serve communion on Sunday mornings would like to recruit and train additional men (teens and up) to help in serving the Lord's Supper each Sunday. If you are interested in helping, please sign the clipboard on the white table in the narthex. We will hold a short training class in the near future.

CASAS POR CRISTO MEXICO TRIP

HOMEMADE SOUP FUNDRAISER/April 12

A group of nearly 20 people from NSCC and friends will be headed to Acuna, Mexico June 21-27. There, they will build a house for a poor family through the direction of Casas Por Cristo (Houses for Christ) ministry. Our group leaders are Jon Ray and Pastor Jake Klutinoty. On Sunday, April 12, the short-term missions group will have various homemade soups for take-out after Chapel Hour at 8:00 and after The Gathering for Worship at 10:15. The soup will be packaged by the quart and be available for a donation to help our group get to Mexico to build that house!

Telephone 724-282-7700 Check us out @ www.northstreetchristianchurch.org Pastors: Bob Huber and Jake Klutinoty

March 22, 2015

Shepherd of My Heart

Registration for the 2015-2016 preschool year has begun! Be sure to tell your friends and family about Shepherd of My Heart Christian Preschool and Pre-K. Applicants must register early to secure a spot for their child! Information about our preschool can be found on-line at the church website:

NorthStreetChristianChurch.org or by calling Fi Saeler, the preschool teacher at 724-282-4511



THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 22nd

- 8:00 Chapel Hour
- 9:00 Sunday School
- 10:15 The Gathering

MONDAY 23rd

- 8-2 LOLCO
- 6:00 Worship Rehearsal
- 7:00 Freedom
- 7:30 Elders Meeting

TUESDAY 24th

- 8-2 LOLCO
- 7:00 Bible Study at Klutinoty's

WEDNESDAY 25th

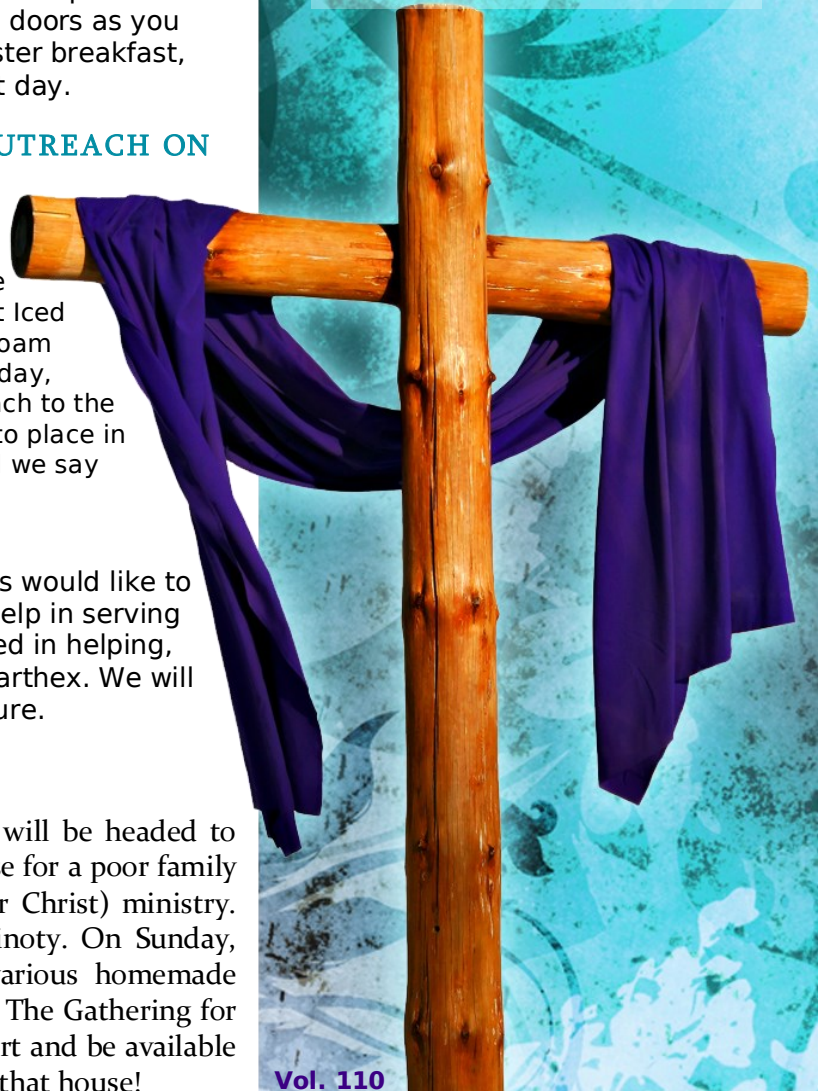
- 8-2 LOLCO
- 6:00 T.A.G.

THURSDAY 26th

- 8-2 LOLCO
- 7:00 Y.A.G.

FRIDAY 27th

- 8-2 LOLCO
- PICK-UP YOUR PIES!



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A Word of Encouragement to the Members and Friends of North Street Christian Church

I recently read an article entitled Smaller Churches Have at Least Five Advantages by Brandon O'Brien. He says that small churches are uniquely equipped for ministry success in the twenty-first century. I thought the insight and encouragement was great for a church like ours. Following is a quick review of the article. Here are the five strengths of smaller churches:

Authenticity: The church needs to be perceived as authentic if they want people to visit and to come back. A recent poll revealed that the number one reason people return to churches after an initial visit is because they deem the church "authentic." The encouragement is to *be yourself and to make sure your behavior lines up with your stated convictions.*

Lean and Strong: Smaller churches often don't have the financial resources or the volunteer pool to run a broad schedule of church programs. Instead of running a multitude of generic programs, a better use of resources and energy in the small church is to *zero in on one or two programs* that focus on the unique needs of your local context.

People Power: The lion's share of the church's ministry comes from its members. The pressure is not to turn all gifts and service *churchward*. Ministry has a greater community impact when *people are equipped and encouraged to keep serving where they are already active.* Turning people's regular responsibilities and unique giftedness into ministry opportunities results in effective ministry and a stronger church!

Intergenerational Relationships: A common denominator among young adults who continue to make the local church a vital part of their lives has been discovered to be meaningful relationships with other adults in the church besides their parents. The solution to the generation problem may be counterintuitive; instead of providing more exciting age-specific ministries, *they find hope by bringing the generations together.* Smaller churches abound with opportunities for the generations to be together.

Ministry on the Margins: Smaller churches can become an integral part of the local fabric of their own communities and reach the *people on the margins who often are not attracted to larger congregations.* Smaller, nimbler congregations are the way to reach the marginalized and disillusioned.

Well, I hope these few words will encourage all of us at NSCC. Let's be ourselves, live according to our convictions and reach out to everyone we meet with the love and good news of Jesus! -- PB

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS GROUP

The Wednesday Night Kids Group, K-6th Grade, meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 'til 7:30. The evening includes music and fun, a Bible lesson with application, crafts or recreation and refreshments. No meeting on March 25th. Meetings in April are the 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT TEENS AFTER GOD (T.A.G.)

Youth in grades 7 - 12 are invited to come to T.A.G. - that's Teens After God - on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30 for fellowship and Bible study. The meeting is held in Legacy Ministry house and of course includes some great fun and refreshments too! Leaders, while Pastor Jake is away, are Niki S., Zach F. and Josh D.

THURSDAY NIGHT YOUNG ADULT GROUP (Y.A.G)

On Thursdays at 7pm, the Legacy Ministry house fills up with young adults for a time of worship and prayer leading into a time of study in the Word of God. While Pastor Jake is at Ellerslie, the teaching time is being done through the video teaching of James MacDonald, Francis Chan and Mark Cahill and through live speakers including Gary Saeler, Dave Klutinoty and Pastor Bob. Eat'n Park fills up with the same group after study is completed! All young adults and their friends are invited to join in on Thursday nights.

Thank You for Your Prayer Ministry:

I would like to thank the North Street Christian Church for their prayers during my father's recent illness. He was in very serious condition and the doctor's had not given much hope before Dr. Rizk saw him. Dr. Rizk gave us hope and God guided Dr. Rizk in this very delicate operation. My dad, Ernie Taylor, is home now, and will have a long recovery, but with God's blessing, he will heal and get back to a normal activity. We know the power of prayer and are very thankful for the prayers they offered up for him. -- Amy Parker

ATTENTION C.I.Y. PARTICIPANTS

Due to school cancellations the dates for the Christ In Youth conference have been changed. Pastor Jake and I will now be taking any teens interested in going to CIY to Cedarville, OH June 15-19. There will be awesome worship and amazing lessons and guest speakers all week. See me for the sign up sheet. ~Niki

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Friday March 27th at 6:30 *Healing in The Old Testament Pt. 3* Call Deanna Kratt at 724-822-9633 with any questions, or carpooling. The study will be at 115 Kirk Rd Prospect.

ATTENTION ALL CHILDREN AND YOUTH WORKERS

NSCC is updating all background checks and clearances for those who work with children and youth. This includes those who will volunteer for Day Camp which will be held in August. If you work with children or youth at NSCC, then it is time to have the PA State Police Criminal Background Check and the Child Welfare Clearances updated. If you have not had clearances in the past, it is time to get them done. Please contact Shannon Hartman at the Church Office by calling 724-282-7700 for more information.

SERVING TODAY

Chapel Hour 8:00
 Communion Preparation:
 Terri Klutinoty
 Greeter: Terri Klutinoty
 Nursery: Kathy Twerdok & Erin Rhodabarger
Sunday School 9:00
 Nursery: Joan Cole & Kathy Twerdok
The Gathering 10:15
 Communion Preparation:
 Michelle Zang
 Greeter: Michelle Zang
 Nursery: Joan Cole & Ariana O'Donnell
Children's Church:
 During 10:15 Gathering Room 303-305
 Ages: 4yrs - 2nd Grade

**"Be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to anger; for anger does not produce the righteousness of God."
 James 1:19, 20**

**~Deadline for Newsletter Articles:
 Due by Wednesday by 12**

**OFFICE HOURS
 Mon - Thurs 9:30-4:00
 Closed Fridays**

SEND A CARD
 Mary Stevenson
 302 S. Main St. Apt. 114
 Butler, PA 16001

SOME DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP, April 3
 EASTER SUNDAY, April 5
 CIY YOUTH CONFERENCE, June 15-19
 CASAS POR CRISTO TRIP to MEXICO, June 21 - 27
 CHURCH PICNIC, Sunday, July 26
 COMMUNITY OUTREACH DAY, Saturday September 19
 GROW WITH GOD WOMEN'S CONFERENCE, October 23 -24

Offering Report

March 15, 2015

General \$ 5,460.00
 Designated \$ 4,750.00
 Total \$10,210.00
 Building Fund \$ 237,211.74