



The North Street News

Sunday, December 10, 2017

The Weekly News Sheet of North Street Christian Church

Christmas Sermon Series

Our 2017 Christmas sermon series is entitled **CELEBRATING JESUS**. The messages all find their home in the story of Christmas as told in the first chapter of The Gospel of John verses 1-14. The messages are as follows:

Sunday, December 10 – Celebrating Jesus: The Eternal Word

Sunday, December 17 – Celebrating Jesus: The Light and the Life

Sunday, December 24 – Celebrating Jesus: Full of Grace and Truth

Christmas Eve Worship – Celebrating Jesus: Worthy of Worship

SCHEDULE CHANGE – The church schedule for Sunday, December 24 is as follows: 9:00 - Morning Fellowship in the Dining Room (Sunday School for Kids) 10:15 - The Gathering for Christmas Worship and 6:30 - Christmas Eve Worship. No Chapel Hour at 8:00.

New Years Eve Sunday

Pastor Jake will preach on New Year's Eve Sunday, December 31. We look forward to another great message as Jake prepares us to spiritually enter 2018 walking by faith coupled with obedience! Be sure to join us for morning fellowship as noted below.

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A Note From Our Stewardship Department

Thank you for your gifts and offerings to and through the ministry of North Street Christian Church. Following is some information you need to know. When comparing our offering goals for 2017 to the actual amount received to date – we estimate that we will need to raise approximately \$30,000 in the final six offerings of this year – that's an average of \$5,000 to the General Fund or operating departments of the church. This amount will be supplemented by Trust Fund income and any other year-end special gifts. Malachi 3:10 says "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this," Says the LORD of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessings That there will not be room enough to receive it." Please pray and give generously as we come to the end of another year of faithful stewardship at NSCC.

NSCC Sr Citz Christmas Banquet

The NSCC SR CITZ and their guests gathered on Wednesday, December 6 for the annual Holiday Lunchtime Banquet. Approximately 45 people attended. Following a great meal, Gospel Singer Dan Schall shared the message of Christ and His Church through Scripture and song. We say "Thank You" to all who helped and all who attended. Thursday morning Bible Study continues on a weekly basis at 10:30 in the Dining Room. We will meet December 14 and 21 and take a break on the 28th.



Men's Ministry

The next Monday Night Men's Bible Study will be held on Monday, December 11 at 6:30 in Room 102. There will be no meeting on Christmas Day, December 25.

The next Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, January 6 at 8:00 in the Dining Room.

Saturday Evening Community Meals

The next meal will be December 16 from 5-6pm. Come and serve the needy among us.

You will be blessed more than you can imagine. See Dane or Denise Kerr or Jeff or Terri Collins for more information.

HELP US RING THE BELLS OF CHRISTMAS

Through our NSCC evangelism ministry, YOU can volunteer to ring the bells for the Salvation Army on Friday, December 22 from 6-9pm.

SIGN UP today – clipboards are available. Dennis Muir will organize our group and make location assignments. Come and join in – it's great fun and provides many opportunities to share a word of encouragement with others!

NSCC CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER 10-16

Sunday

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

Monday

10:00 - Ladies Bible Study
6:30 - Men's Study

Tuesday

11:00 - LOLCO
7:00 - GriefShare
7:00 - Bible Study at Klutes

Wednesday

11:00 - LOLCO
6:00 - Pioneer Club

Thursday

10:30 - Sr. Bible Study
11:00 - LOLCO
7:00 - Young Adult Group at Klutes

Saturday

5:00 Community Meal

Children's Church

is offered for ages pre-K thru Grade 2 during 10:15 Worship. Dismissal is announced via slide.

The NSCC Light of Life Community Outreach

a Christian drop-in center, is here to share the Gospel and love of Jesus Christ, to provide spiritual food and physical nourishment, to be a friend to many in need of a smile and an encouraging word, and to let people know there is HOPE and that Jesus cares for them and loves them. Come to find some fellowship and/or to serve. LOLCO is open Tuesday through Thursday from 11-2.

Security Notice

As an added measure of security, the west side entrance doors in the stair tower and the stair well will be locked once the 10:15 Gathering for Worship begins. If arriving once the doors are locked, please use the main entrance on West North Street.

NURSERY HELP

If you are interested in helping out in the nursery please call or text Phill Smith at 724-496-6326. Thank you and God Bless.

Thank - You Family

It is amazing how wonderful my surgery went, and I have such little pain. THANK- YOU so very much for all the prayers dear church family. Much love, & many hugs, In Him, Shannon

Ladies Craft Days

On Sunday, December 3 and Monday, December 4 ladies of NSCC and their friends got together for two craft days. Each one painted and decorated their own Country Pine Christmas Tree. It appeared that everyone had a great time – several ladies came to both sessions! Check out the work of these artists!



Pioneer Club News

Many people have told me that Christmas changes when you have children, but this year feels just as exciting as last. I have loved working with the children of NSCC (especially at Christmas Time). This year we have so many things going on but I think I am most excited for our Wednesday Night Pioneer Club kids to welcome members of our city police department to our annual Club Christmas Party! We would also like to send gift bags to the station for our brave men and women who give up their holiday's to keep us safe. If you would like to get involved or learn more about what we would like to do, please feel free to contact me at davidsonkatie95@gmail.com.

A CONGREGATIONAL THANK YOU

NSCC extends a heartfelt thank you to Michelle Convery and her crew who decorated the church for the Christmas season. The lights and wreaths and trees add such a beautiful touch to the message of Christmas. You really did a fantastic job. Thank you to each and every one who helped in any way.

Today's Greeters

Chapel Hour - Mike E. & Andy L.
The Gathering - George & Bridget Mills

Today's Communion Prep

Chapel Hour - Diana Bowman
The Gathering - Kristy Donaldson

Today's Nursery Helpers

8:00 - Joan C. & Phill S.
9:00 - Joan C. & Phill S.
10:15 - Joan C. & Phill S.

Send A Card

Bill & Marge Mills
646 Sunset Dr.
Freeport, PA 16229

Offering Report for November 26

General	\$ 4,539.66
Designated	<u>\$ 638.00</u>
Total	\$ 5,177.66

Building Fund Balance
\$236,182.24