North Street News

North Street Christian Church
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"Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'?"
Mark 2:9

Message: Identity – "Who Is Jesus?"

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. The holiday season quickly approaching and it is once again time for Operation Christmas Child.

Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations worldwide through simple, gift-filled shoeboxes and evangelistic materials that tell the Good News of God's love.

More information will be made available soon.

God Bless,
Bridget Pierce

FAITH WEAVER FRIENDS REPORT

Wednesday evening, October 12, NSCC saw over 130 children, parents and leaders for a Family Night Dinner and Children's Ministry program. The children and their parents enjoyed a delicious spaghetti dinner with Italian bread. Following the meal, the group gathered in the auditorium for a welcome from Children's Ministry Director Fi Saeler, music and prayer led by Luke Klutinoty and Nikki Simpson, and a Bible lesson entitled, God Cares Why We Do Things. It was about Cain and Abel and delivered by Tin Can the Billy Goat and Pastor Bob. The Key Verse for the week was Romans 12:10a, "*Be devoted to one another in brotherly love*."

A field trip to the Metrick Farm is being held Saturday, October 15, from 10:00-Noon. The lesson for Wednesday, October 19, is – We Can Obey God and is about NOAH. This week's Key Verse is Acts 5:29b which says, *"We must obey God rather than men!"* We thank Fi Saeler for her leadership and all of our wonderful Wednesday evening volunteers for Faith Weaver Friends. Let's be reaching the children of NSCC and of Butler for the Kingdom of Jesus Christ!

SHEPHERD OF MY HEART PRESCHOOL PIE SOCIAL—OCTOBER 30TH AFTER GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Join us after the Gathering for Worship on October 30th in the Church Dining Room as we taste-test our fundraising pies! Various types of delicious pie will be available for a donation.

Eat-In: A slice of your favorite fruit, cream or pumpkin pie topped with vanilla ice cream.

Take Home: A delicious whole baked fruit pie to go!

Pre-Order unbaked pies for the holidays. Pies are $10.00 each or buy 3 or more pies for only $9.00 each.

Proceeds Benefit: Shepherd of My Heart Christian Preschool.

SISTERHOOD FELLOWSHIP—THIS FRIDAY—OCTOBER 21ST

Ladies, our next get-together will be this Friday, October 21st. A date for scrapbooking. Heather is bringing her Stamping Up equipment. Bonna is bringing a Cricket machine, paper and album pages. You bring 10-20 photos and be thinking about a theme. Since the next day is Saturday, some of us are prepared to stay until your memory page is completed. Food-conversation—stamping-scrapbooking—fellowship—a great combination. The time and place will be announced at church. *The memory of the righteous is blessed...* Proverbs 10:7

FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER — NOVEMBER 2011

Pre-Kindergarten
Room 202—Located in the Annex next to the Nursery
Kindergarten—Room 201
Grades 1 & 2—Room 306
Grades 3 & 4—Room 301
Grades 5 & 6—Room 305

Children's Church
Gathering for Worship at 10:15
Preschool – Grade 2
Room 102

Junior and Senior High School Students
At Legacy House

ADULT ELECTIVES:

"10 Choices: A Proven Plan to Change Your Life Forever"
DVD Study from
James MacDonald—Room 102
Taught by George Rader

Book of Romans—Study Guide from John MacArthur—In the Library
Taught by Doug Emmett & Chuck Kildoo

"A Closer Look at Some of Christ's Commands"—Dining Room
Taught by Pastor Bob

COURAGEOUS THE MOVIE

Four men, one calling: To serve and protect. As law enforcement officers, Adam Mitchell, Nathan Hayes, David Thomson, and Shane Fuller are confident and focused. Yet at the end of the day, they face a challenge that none of them are truly prepared to tackle: fatherhood. While they consistently give their best on the job, good enough seems to be all they can muster as dads. But they're quickly discovering that their standard is missing the mark. When tragedy hits home, these men are left wrestling with their hopes, their fears, their faith, and their fathering. Can a new found urgency help these dads draw closer to God ... and to their children? Showings are at the Westgate Cinema 9, 200 W. State St., New Castle and Cinemark Galleria at Pittsburgh Mills and IMax. For more information and show times, go to www.courageousthemovie.com.

FALL SERMON SERIES—REACHING OTHERS FOR CHRIST: CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

Includes A Sunday Evening And Thursday Afternoon Discussion Group

Christianity Explored will give you time to think about the big questions of life, and explore the life of the person at the heart of the Christian faith. In this series, we will go from, "Why are we here?," Is there a God?," What is life all about?," to "Who was Jesus?," Why did He come?," What is involved in following Him?" All of the messages are from the Gospel of Mark.

Christianity Explored is actually an evangelism study and training course developed by Tico Rice of All Souls Church Langham Place in London, England. The sermon series developed by Pastor Bob will follow the lessons of the course. There will be two discussion groups, during the sermon series. Pastor Bob is leading one **on Sunday evenings, with coffee and dessert, at 6:30** in the Church Dining Room. Bob Ogden is leading another **on Thursdays from 12:30 to 2:30 Room 303 at the Church**. We will investigate further the claims of Mark's Gospel. This would be a good time for any and all to further investigate Christianity, or just brush up on the basics.

October 16 – Identity—Who Is Jesus? Mark 4:35-41
October 23 – Sin—Why Did Jesus Come? Mark 2:1-12
October 30 – The Cross —Why Did Jesus Die? Mark 8:22-33
November 6 – Resurrection—Why Did Jesus Rise? Mark 14:27-31/ Mark16:6,7/ Mark 1:14,15
November 20– Grace—How Can God Accept Us? Mark 10:13-16
November 27– Come and Die—What Does It Mean to Follow Jesus? Mark 1:14,15

Our thanks to Lauretta Phillips, who donated today's flowers in memory of her daughter, Gayle Coffin.

A RHEMA TO ME

My Life is Now Hidden With Christ in God

There are two words in the Greek language which are translated WORD. The first word is *logos* and the second word is *rhema.* In contrasting these two terms, when *logos* is used, it means an expression of thought, the embodiment of an idea and it is also used to communicate the sum of all God's utterances. A very important use of logos in found in John 1 especially where Jesus Himself is communicated as the *logos* of God – Jesus is God's ultimate expression, the embodiment of His reasoning! When we meditate on the idea of Jesus being the logos for very long – things really begin to add up theologically – it is a real WOW! The second word *rhema* communicates the idea of an utterance of God becoming to us a "word from the Lord" so to speak. A *rhema* is a direct word from God, a message from Him meant for us as an individual. In the Scripture, *rhemas* may have been delivered by angels or prophets or the very voice of God. *Rhemas* also come to us through His written Word – that's when we say – "it jumped right off the page like I never read it before!" Have you ever be reading the Bible or praying or hearing the word proclaimed and suddenly the truth of Scriptures seems to light up and it effectually makes a change in your life? That's a *rhema.* Well just yesterday, the following verses spoke loudly and effectually in my life. I could go on and on about it but I won't do it in this short article but here are those verses – *"If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory."* (Colossians 3:1-4) When I read them this time – there was this amazing YES that came out of my mouth. I received these truths in a fresh and wonderful way! I was reminded that my life is now hidden with Christ in God – what a glorious truth – it was like I never heard that before! Setting my mind on things above and not setting my mind on things of the earth is where I am supposed be. The message to me was – "Bob, don't fight it, do it! Remember that you are with Christ in God so just keep seeking the things above and don't seek the things on the earth." So I am. Cool!

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Donations of Healthy Snacks Need for Wednesday Nights!

If you would like to donate healthy items for Wednesday nights, please bring them to the Church Kitchen. Examples are dry cereal, cheese crackers, nuts, pretzels, etc. Milk is also needed. Thank you.

Mark Your Calendars Now!

There will be a meeting and training session on Saturday, November 5th from 10:00 to 11:30 for all teachers and volunteers.

Thank you for the recognition of our infant son Wyatt, as well as your prayers and support for ALL of the children here at North Street. Thank you also for the gift that was presented to him.

Sincerely,
Jason & Michelle Zang

SERVING TODAY

TODAY'S GREETERS:

Chapel Hour:
Irene Divers

The Gathering for Worship:
The Eckerts

NURSERY HELPERS:

Chapel Hour:
Kathy Twerdok

Sunday School:
Joan Cole & Kathy Twerdok

The Gathering for Worship:
Joan Cole & Phillip Smith

COMMUNION PREPARATION:

Chapel Hour: Andy Lasichak

The Gathering for Worship:
Michelle Convery

OFFERING REPORT:
October 9, 2011

General:	$4,995.29
Designated:	$275.00
Building Fund:	$150.00
Total:	$5,420.29

BUILDING FUND BALANCE:
$33,911.55

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:
154

North Street!! We need your help again!

We are planning another fundraiser for Skylar Meredith on **Saturday, November 5th from 4-8:00 p.m.** at Family First. Skylar has been fighting for her life since June when she was diagnosed with brain cancer. Even though the tumor is partially inactive and has reduced in size, her most recent MRI shows significant swelling on her brain. She is being treated with steroids and is being fitted with glasses to help with her double vision. Her two siblings have birthdays coming up so we thought we would do a family party event with music, games, karaoke, food, Chinese auction and small rummage sale. Fishbone Ministries will handle the games and prizes for the kids. I am still waiting for responses about a band or DJ. Contact Michelle Cousins at 724-968-2366 with information about a band or DJ.

Donations of food to sell are needed. Anything simple to cook, serve, and sell. E.g. Ham BBQ, hot dogs, soup, chili, cookies, brownies, etc. Anyone interested in making donations can sign up with Tammy King or Michelle Cousins.

A planning meeting will be held **today, October 16th following the Gathering for Worship**. For questions, call Michelle at 724-968-2336 or Tammy King at 724-431-5000.

Prayer for Our Church

Do you find comfort in prayer? Are you drawn to prayer? Do you wish you could do something worthwhile or meaningful?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, please join us beginning Sunday, November 6th in the library 8:15 to 8:45 as we pray for our Pastor, the leadership, Sunday School teachers, and our Church as a whole!

Prayer is our 1st line of defense against satan.

Help Needed in Joplin, Missouri!

Jon Ray will be going to Joplin, Missouri to help with the rebuilding and new construction in Joplin. The date of the trip is November 12th—20th. If you would like to join them, the cost will be about $100 for transportation and $100 for food per week. For more information or questions, please see Jon or give him a call at 724-283-0797.

WHAT'S UP THIS WEEK October 16th—October 22nd

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8:00 Chapel Hour **9:00** Sunday School **10:15** The Gathering for Worship **After Worship** Meeting—Skylar Fundraiser	**7:00** Freedom **6:00** Worship Team Rehearsal	**9:30** Ladies Bible Study at Legacy **6:30** Board Meeting **7:30** Elders Meeting	**6:30** Jr. & Sr. Hi Youth Meeting Faith Weaver Friends		Sisterhood Fellowship	**1-3:00p.m.** Girls' Basketball

Take time this week to encourage :
M/M Doug Corvin
544 Brownsdale Rd.
Renfrew, PA 16053

We Welcome Our Visitors — Here at North Street Christian Church There Are No Strangers — Just Friends We Have Not Met.