

# North Street News

September 9, 2018

WELCOME to North Street Christian Church. We are a Bible church dedicated to sharing 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 message of the cross keeps us vertically and horizontally focused. Thanks for joining us today!



## New Sermon Series Begins TODAY THE INFLUENCE OF THE BIBLE

**September 9** - The Influence of the Bible: Knowledge, Power and Responsibility/Rightly Dividing the Word

**September 16 and 23** – The Influence of The Bible: The Source of Ethics and Morality/The Judeo Christian Ethic

**October 14** - The Influence of the Bible: Inspired, Truthful, Reliable, Relevant

**October 21** - The Influence of the Bible: The Eternal Nature of God's Word

## The Bible's Influence on Society

In Western nations, America especially, we can see the Bible's influence on many aspects of society. Everything from our laws to our work ethic to our view of marriage has been molded by a Judeo-Christian worldview. It has always been the case that the Word of God makes a difference in cultures where it is introduced. In first-century Thessalonica, a mob dragged some Christians through the streets shouting, "These men who have turned the world upside down have come here also" (Acts 17:6, ESV). It is only right that the Bible should have an influence on society, as it has an influence on the individuals within society.

God is the Creator of the world and the humans who inhabit it (Genesis 1). From the very beginning, God designed the world and people to "function" a certain way. When society doesn't follow the principles that God gives us in the Bible, life simply doesn't work as well. God's the only One with the insight into how life functions to our best benefit, and He shares that wisdom with us in His Word. The Bible is described in Hebrews 4:12 as "alive and active." This means, in part, that the Bible is as applicable and relevant today as it was when it was first written.

Looking back at the early stages of America, it is impossible not to see the influence the Bible had. Our government structure, laws, morality, education, and family values were all founded on principles that came directly from the Bible. The Founding Fathers, Presidents, and foreigners visiting a young America identified the key to the nation's success as the biblical influence embraced by its society. When a nation honors God, it develops a respect for all of God's creation. Where there is no honor of God, a society will fail to respect His creation, and people will suffer as a result.

From the beginning, people have had a choice whether to follow God's way. But choices always carry consequences. The Old Testament history of Israel documents the societal laws and precepts God gave them. When Israel lived by God's laws, their society functioned well, but when they deviated from God's design, their society always went downhill. Attempts today to remove the Bible's influence from society or to marginalize a biblical worldview reveal the pride of mankind that says, "We know better than the One who created us."

None of this is to say that we should establish a theocracy such as ancient Israel had. God's purposes in that system of government were for a certain time and place. However, when the Bible is properly understood, its influence on society can only lead to less crime, less divorce, less sloth, and more charity. As John Adams, the second President of the United States, wrote, "Suppose a nation in some distant region should take the Bible for their only law Book, and every member should regulate his conduct by the precepts there exhibited! Every member would be obliged in conscience, to temperance, frugality, and industry; to justice, kindness, and charity towards his fellow men; and to piety, love, and reverence toward Almighty God . . . What a Eutopia, what a Paradise would this region be." Scripture says it best: "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord" (Psalm 33:12).

~ from gotquestions.org

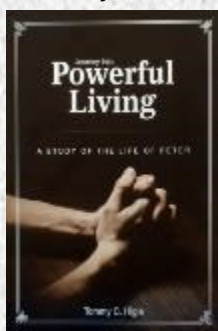
## ~ BIBLE STUDIES AT NSCC ~

### Sunday Morning Bible Studies

#### The Book of Hebrews

~ Join Pastor Jake on Sunday Morning in Room 101 to pick through the book of Hebrews verse by verse. With a book that we can't pinpoint the human author, we study it knowing that God is the author of all Scripture. Throughout Hebrews, God wants us to see that Jesus Christ is far better than any Old Testament foreshadowing of Him. The Hebrew people to whom this is written to have heard about Jesus and they believe that Jesus is God, but their whole lives have been spent practicing an imperfect Levitical sacrifice system. This book is teaching that you can't mix the old ways with Jesus Christ; you abandon the old for Jesus Christ, Who is so much better!

#### Journey Into Powerful Living



This study is taught by Terry Hartman, Dane Kerr and Dennis Muir in The Legacy House at 9:00am on Sundays. This 13-lesson study of the life of Peter reveals the secrets for powerful living. Our Lord takes this obscure, uneducated, and hot-tempered fisherman and transforms him into one of the most prominent forces in church history.

### Monday Night Men's Bible Study

All men of NSCC and their friends are invited to join a few brothers on the second, third and fourth Monday of each month for NSCC Men's Bible Study at 6:00 in the Church Dining Room. The summer study series is a video course by Matt Chandler entitled Recovering Redemption. Root Beer and snacks are served.

The study course for fall will be CONQUER SERIES,

A Battle Plan For Purity. Check it out

at <https://conquerseries.com/>

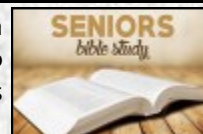


### Tuesday Night Bible Study at The Klutimoty's

Come join us for a time of growth in The Word of God 7:00pm at 1060 Whitestown Rd Butler, PA

### Thursday Morning Sr. Citz Daytime Bible Study

NSCC offers a daytime Bible Study for SR CITIZENS on Thursdays from 10:30 – 11:45. Actually no one is too young to attend – come and join us! The group meets in the Church Dining Room.



### Thursday Night YAG - Young Adult Group

Thursday nights at 7:00, digging through Scripture verse by verse. Will continue to be at Jakes house throughout October to enjoy fires and fall weather. Anyone 17-30 who is serious about the Word of God will love this group.



### Nursery Volunteers

## NURSERY

We are looking for Nursery Workers for first and second service. We are looking for people to commit to one Sunday a month as well as some fill in volunteers. If you are interested in helping out, please fill out a "PLUG ME IN" card that can be found in the nursery, Welcome Desk, as well as the table by the front door. These cards can be placed in the drop box on the desk in the Sunday School Annex or in the Nursery. You can also contact me directly at 724-636-0447. Thank you! Katie Davidson

### NSCC COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Light of Life Community Outreach shares the Gospel and love of Jesus Christ, provides spiritual food and physical nourishment.  
Tues -Thurs, 11:30 - 1:00



**GRIEFSHARE** has resumed and is a video series featuring Christian experts on grief recovery combined with group discussion of grief recovery topics from a Biblical perspective. Join us at Legacy House on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm.

### FISHBONE NEWS

Fishbone Ministries is starting a program for after school homework help Monday - Thursday evenings for students in 6-12th grade. Anyone interested can contact Allyson Gould at [allysonleah9@gmail.com](mailto:allysonleah9@gmail.com). Also anyone interested in helping with this program they are collecting donations for snack foods (crackers, applesauce, pudding cups, fruit snacks), pens, pencils, paper, crayons, an old laptop or printer contact Michelle or Alishia Cousins if interested. [MIcousins@outlook.com](mailto:MIcousins@outlook.com) or [cousinsalishia@yahoo.com](mailto:cousinsalishia@yahoo.com).

### Kids Club Begins September 19th

**IMPORTANT UPDATE!** The Start Up date for Kids Club is September 19 for our Welcome Back Bash. I am so excited for another great year with everybody. I am so thankful for your patience and support this summer. I am still looking for volunteers including teachers, crafters, actors, and worship leaders. If you love kids and feel led to impact their lives for Christ, I would love to talk to you about how God can use your talents!  
~ Katie Davidson (724)636-0447



### Family Dedication at 10:15 Gathering for Worship Sunday September 23, 2018

Sunday, September 23 will be a special day to rejoice in the gift of the babies and toddlers of our congregation – we will call it Family Dedication Sunday. More than simply recognizing the children, the intention of Family Dedication Sunday is to praise the Lord for the gift of new life and for each family. The challenge of Joshua to the families of Israel is our family challenge at NSCC. Joshua said, “. . . choose this day whom you will serve . . . But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” The congregation will also be called upon to present themselves as mentors and friends of the families who desire to raise their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

**INFORMATION NEEDED** - Parents of children born since February 1, 2016 and desire to participate should contact Shannon H, our Administrative Assistant by email at [shannon@northstreetchristianchurch.org](mailto:shannon@northstreetchristianchurch.org) before September 16. Please supply the children's names, date of birth, parents' names, and a photo if possible.

### 10 Commandments and Beatitudes Stone of Testimony DEDICATION TO BE HELD SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14



The 10 Commandments and Beatitudes Stone of Testimony will be installed in the church yard in early October. On Sunday, October 18 plans are to hold a dedication of the testimony stone, our ministry and congregation as we put the living Word of God on display!

### SERVING TODAY

8:00 ~ GREETERS & COMMUNION PREP  
The Hartman's  
10:15 ~ GREETERS & COMMUNION PREP-  
The Cranmer's  
**NURSERY HELPERS**  
8:00 Connie C. & Helper  
9:00 Joan C. & Helper  
10:15 Joan C. & Christopher P.



### SEND A CARD

**Becky Crawford**  
233 Homewood Dr.  
Butler, PA 16001

### OFFERING REPORT

September 2, 2018  
General \$ 2,862.00  
Designated \$ 243.00  
Total \$ 3,105.00

**Building Fund Balance**  
\$169,241.11

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	SATURDAY
8:00 Morning Fellowship 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 The Gathering for Worship	6:00 Men's Bible Study	11:30 1:00 LOLCO 7:00 GriefShare	11:30 1:00 LOLCO	10:30 Sr. Citz Study 11:30 1:00 LOLCO 7:00 YAG	5:00 Community Meal

Office Schedule: Monday - Thursday 9:30 am - 4:00 pm Telephone 724-282-7700  
Pastors: Bob Huber and Jake Klutiny ~ [northstreetchristianchurch.org](http://northstreetchristianchurch.org) ~