

NORTH STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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November 7, 2021

Learning from Luther

Today's Text: John 13:18-30

Last Sunday, October 31, was the celebration of Reformation Day. This is the remembering of the day Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses to the door of the Catholic church in Wittenberg Germany. To appreciate that history, one needs to know a little background that can be an encouragement to us today. Martin Luther was in law school, and on July 2, 1505, he got caught in a storm and lightning struck right next to him. This event scared him so much that he promised to become a Monk if he could get out of the storm alive. Luther kept his word and at age 21 became an Augustinian monk. The story goes that as Luther lived as a monk, he couldn't shake the feeling that he was a sinner before Holy God. By the time Luther was 28, he had received a doctorate in theology and was placed in charge of biblical theology at the University of Wittenberg. Through studying, teaching, and meditating on scripture, Luther came to understand the idea of saving faith. God's righteousness wasn't a burden to sinful man when man through faith receives God's righteousness. From then on, Luther was obsessed with scripture. He studied it, stood upon it as his foundation, and used it to address the issues with the system of Catholicism that he was in. He was convinced that God's word comes not through a bishop, not through a pope, but through the written word of the Bible. Today, my encouragement to you is to stand on the same foundation of the written word of God. False teachers are everywhere. Self-proclaimed messengers who spread false doctrine are easy to find. We as a church need to step away from tradition and familiarity and make every decision based on the written word of God.

Psalm 119:130 - "The unfolding of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple."



Thank You

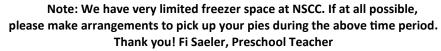


To my church family, I can't thank you enough for the love and support you have shown me over the last month. It has helped me more than you will ever know. This was totally unexpected and came out of nowhere, as life so often does. But God is good and He prepares us for times such as these. People see the grief you experience but they can't see the grace you receive. I was never abandoned by God. I have learned much about my faith and about how much I am loved. I am grateful to all of you and I humbly ask your forgiveness for my many failings over the years. To God be the glory. In Christ, Andy

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SHEPHERD OF MY HEART CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL!



Pie orders will be ready for PICK-UP this Thursday, November 11 from 10:30 - 11:30 AM.







Operation Christmas Child is underway. Every year NSCC packs shoeboxes to be distributed by Samaritan's Purse. Pre made shoe boxes are at the front of the church with the shipping labels & instructions on how to pack your box. You can also track your specific box to see what country it goes to. While a gift is great, the gospel is far greater. These boxes are given to children along with the message of who Jesus is. So, start packing NSCC. Shoeboxes due November 21.

~ COME AND IOIN OUR THANKSGIVING ~

Your invited to a seat at our table. Alishia and Michelle Cousins are asking you to join them at Legacy House at 3:00pm Thanksgiving Day to share a traditional Thanksgiving Meal and fellowship together. Please sign up on the sign up sheet in the back of the church by November 21 so we have plenty of food.

NOVEMBER 7-13

SUNDAY 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship

MONDAY 10:15 NO Ladies Bible Study 6:30 Ladies Bible Study 6:30 Men's Bible Study

> TUESDAY 7:00 Bible Study

WEDNESDAY 6:30 Adventure Club 6:30 ROOTED

THURSDAY 10:30 SR. Bible Study 7:00 20' & 30's Bible Study

FRIDAY 7:00 Bible Study

SATURDAY 5:00 Community Meal (2nd & 3rd of every month)

