

Family Gathering Times
 Sunday Bible Classes 9:00 am
 Worship 10:15 am
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

<u>Privileged to Serve Today</u>		<u>For the Record</u>	
Song Leader	Dave Ward	December 14	78
Prayer	Mike Harrison	Contribution	\$ 4,693.00
Scripture Reading	Henry McCabe	Children's Fund	\$ 12.71
Table Talk	George Grupee	December 21	86
Servers	John Siebenshuh	Contribution	\$ 2,534.99
	Richard Kronstad	Children's Fund	\$ 11.85
	Steve Dewall	Weekly Budget	\$ 3,181
	Ken Kooiker	YTD Budget	\$ 162,231.00
Power Point	Mark Smith	YTD Actual	\$ 153,261.90
Announcements	Al Holte		
Speaker	David Dotson		
Shepherd's Prayer	Gene Tarnowski		
Please contact Dave Ward if you are unable to serve so a substitute can be found. (763-473-1203)		The money contributed to the children's fund this quarter will be donated to: Feed My Starving Children	

Northern Light Leadership

Church Office 763-494-4224

Shepherds

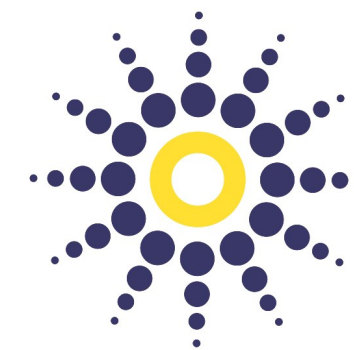
Ronnie Dean 763-425-7929 Gene Tarnowski 763-427-0373
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Emem Akpan~International Transition 612-581-1297
 Steve Dewall~Children 763-238-2114 David Dotson~Missions 763-607-4895
 Al Holte 763-323-0543 Ralph Weber~Community 763-425-1331

Do you have a suggestion or idea that you'd like to discuss?
 A concern or burden that you need to share?
 We invite you to come to any of us and to share whatever is on your heart.
 We have an open door policy and we welcome and value your input and feedback.

Love as Family...Grow in Christ...Bless All People



Northern Light
CHURCH OF CHRIST

WELCOME TO

A Message of Hope
December 28, 2014

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less (# 538)
Welcome/Body Building
Family Prayer
I Will Call Upon the Lord (Praise Hymnal)
Lord, I Lift Your Name on High (PH)
Come to the Table (PH)
Lord's Supper
Offering—Thank You Lord (# 781)
Children's Moment
Because He Lives (# 464)
Scripture Reading : Jeremiah 29:11-13
Message: A Message of Hope
Firm Foundation (PH)
Shepherd's Prayer
In the Lord Alone (PH)

We strive to be a vibrant, life-giving resource in our community; a supportive family through authentic relationships, to experience joyful worship and growth, inspiring others to follow Christ.

Love as Family—Prayer Requests

Health Concerns:

Mark Smith – my grandfather, Norman Lyons, has lost his appetite and is losing weight.

Ann Smith – continues to struggle with debilitating inner ear and balance problems

Ken Kern – he had another eye surgery to continue to aid the healing of his retina.

Nan Miller –Her friend, Daisy, and Eric – a friend’s son, cancer. My friend Sharon is scheduled for cancer surgery on her 2nd kidney on December 29.

Julie Libby – her friends, Winnie has severe depression and Marilyn has bone cancer.

Mike Harrison – treatment for my mom have been ineffective. Please continue to pray for wisdom for her medical team to be able to help her.

Evelyn Turner – those suffering with the flu bug.

Mark Novak – Evy, my 97 year old neighbor, has left her home and moved into an assisted living facility

Joy West – Rick Baumberger is having heart surgery on Monday. Prayers for him and his wife, Carol

Terri Dickinson – my dad continues to slowly deteriorate. Please pray for him and my siblings that are caring for him.

Looking for Employment:

Mark Smith, Thomas Karmue, Thomas Giddings, Mark Noviski

Thanksgiving:

Terri Dickinson – new grandson, Sylas Steve, born Wednesday to Grant and Jenny and big brother Lachan
Kronstad Family – for the growth of the college age life group at Lakewood CoC.

Nan Miller – successful emergency surgery for my brother in law

Other Needs:

Weber Family – our son, Justin, and grandsons

Miller Family - for the work in Rwanda and various ministries - especially in dealing with the Rwanda government.

Travelers

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Annual Congregational Meeting

We will be holding our annual congregational meeting on Sunday, January 11, 2015 following our morning worship service. During this meeting, we will be electing/reelecting Trustees, sharing 2015 budget information and updating the congregation on 2014 accomplishments and 2015 plans. Please be sure to plan to be here and stay.

Memorial Service

On Sunday, January 4, we will be having a memorial service immediately following our morning worship service to honor Vivian Yarpah’s father.

We will also have a potluck meal together after the service. Please plan to stay and also to bring a dish to share.

Coming in January. . .

Our next sermon series will begin January 4 and will be titled Heroes of Faith, based on Hebrews 11.

Wednesday Evening Class Schedule

Remember, we will not be having Bible classes on Wednesday, January 31.

We will resume our normal schedule on January 7.

Congratulations Mary!

Mary Akpan will be receiving her Master’s Degree in Public Health on January 18!

Talk about a full schedule...3 young children, a full-time job and school! Great job Mary. We’re proud of you.

Bless All People

We’ve been able to provide Christmas gifts for 12 children. Their parents were very grateful and appreciative. Thank you so much to everyone who has helped!

Tradition Holiday Singing

We had a great time singing with and for the resident at Tradition on Wednesday evening.

We lead a worship service for them every second Sunday of the month. Please plan to join us!



Luke 1:26-33

In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, a descendant of David, and the virgin’s name was Mary. The angel came to her and said, “Greetings, favored one, the Lord is with you!” But she was greatly troubled by his words and began to wonder about the meaning of this greeting. So the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God! Listen: You will become pregnant and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of his father David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and his kingdom will never end.”

Reflection:

The kingdom ushered in by Jesus Christ has no end. As far as we are concerned, that kingdom finds its beginning right here, in a promise from God. Mary, one who is "highly favored" by God, is about to be pregnant out of wedlock and face many hardships...not to mention the possibility that Joseph might leave her. In the face of all this uncertainty, she responds, "Let it be unto me as you have said." Her belief in God does not flinch because of her circumstances, and our faith in God should not falter because of ours. Remember: Jesus is the beginning and the end - our all in all. As we continue our study of the Christmas experience, one key takeaway for obedience is we must become a humble servant, rid our pride, so God will receive the glory.

The Gospel. DBR not in this order.

Death of Jesus Christ according to the scriptures
Birth of Jesus Christ according to the scriptures
Resurrection of Jesus Christ according to the scriptures

On December 16, Wanda Dean and Evelyn Turner delivered sets of blankets, sheets and pillow to Avenue for Youth, a teen homeless shelter in Minneapolis. We would like to thank each of you for your donations, support and prayers. A special thanks to our dear sister in Christ, Sandie Johnson, for her donations and support.

Wanda & Evelyn

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