

**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	<b>March 19</b>	102
Scripture Reading	Kabinah Kamara	Contribution	\$ 3,023.00
Table Talk	David Dotson	Children	\$ 10
Table Servers	Emem Akpan	Sheridan Story	\$ 1,080.00
	Thomas Giddings	<b>March 26</b>	96
	David Dotson	Contribution	\$ 3,154.00
Power Point	Mike Harrison	Children	\$ 17.19
Shepherd's Prayer	Steve Dewall	Sheridan Story	\$ 535.00
Speaker	Ronnie Dean	Weekly Budget	\$ 3,215
Announcements	Jim Hinton	YTD Budget	\$ 41,795.00
Children's Worship	Mark Smith	YTD Actual	\$ 43,553.64
	Lisa Dotson		
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 help The Sheridan Story.	

Northern Light Leadership

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Ronnie Dean 763-425-7929 Dickey Joe Turner 763-688-082 Dave Ward 763-473-1203

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 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.



Northern Light  
 CHURCH OF CHRIST

# WELCOME TO

**Faith That Cures Conflict**  
 April 2, 2017

**I Worship You, Almighty God**  
 Welcome/Body Building  
 Prayer

**Hosanna (Praise Hymnal)**  
**You're the One (Praise Hymnal)**  
**Highest Place (Praise Hymnal)**  
**There is a Redeemer (Praise Hymnal)**

**Lord's Supper**  
**Thank You, Lord! (# 474)**

**Offering**  
**Children's Moment**

**Ancient Words (Praise Hymnal)**  
**Scripture Reading: James 4:1-6**

**Faith That Cures Conflict**  
**The Greatest Commands (Praise Hymnal)**  
**Shepherd's Prayer**  
**A Common Love (#705)**

**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.**

### Prayer Requests

#### **Health Concerns:**

**Joyce Bagley** – fell and broke her ankle and is currently in an assisted living facility

**Nan Miller** – Joe and Carol Novitsky for pain relief. JD Ferguson having heart surgery.

**Julie Libby** – as she continues chemo treatments

**Rebekah Niles** – my son-in-law, Jared, has found a lump, most likely lymphoma. My sister, Jenny, is battling depression as she has lost almost all of her hair. Also, my Aunt Amy fell and broke her hip, arm and ribs.

**Wanda Dean** – my brother, Maurice Griffith, in the hospital.

**Tarnowski Family** – Joe, find a treatment for nerve pain in his brain. He hasn't worked since January. Bob, brain surgery on Monday, March 27.

#### **Thanksgiving:**

**Sayu Karmue** – Praise God for everything. Thanks for everyone for their prayers during the death of my brother Abraham Kar.

**Rebekah Niles** – praise God for such an awesome church family!

**Misty Lee** – I'm one quarter away from my BSN (Bachelor's degree in nursing)!

**Grupee Family** – I'm very thankful to the Almighty God for his meaningful blessings he bestows upon me and my family.

#### **Other Needs:**

##### **Travelers**

**Dean Family** – please pray that my company, Caregiver USA Corp., will receive their funding request.

**Mark Smith** – my childhood friends, Clifford and Alexander, lost their mom last week.

**Betty Raabe's Family** – Betty passed away last week

### He's a Boy!!!

Ladies, please plan to join us as we celebrate the arrival of Landon with Wendy and Bonnie. Children welcome! We will be having a baby shower at the church building on Sunday, April 23 at 1:00 p.m.

Wendy is registered at Babies R Us. If you have any questions, please see Laura, Wanda or Melissa.

## **NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDY BEGINS**



In this five-session DVD-based study, Who Is This Man?, John Ortberg reveals how Jesus made an inescapable influence on our world and you will learn how you can make one too!

Jesus is history's most familiar figure. His impact on the world is immense and non-accidental. From the Dark Ages to Post-Modernity he is the man who won't go away.

Who Is This Man? illustrates how Jesus' influence has swept over history, bringing his inspiration to the evolution of art, science, government, medicine, and education.

This study also highlights Jesus' vision for us to lead lives of dignity, compassion, forgiveness, and hope continues to inspire and challenge humanity today.

Join us and learn, discuss, and grow your faith!

#### **Dates and Sessions:**

The Man Who Won't Go Away (4/19)

A Revolution of Humanity (4/26)

The Power of Forgiveness (5/3)

Why It's a Small World After All (5/10)

### **KEEP YOUR SPIRITUAL BATTERIES**

## **CHARGED**



### **WITH THE UPCOMING MESSAGES**

Next Sunday concludes our study of James entitled "Faith that Works" with #7: Faith that Empowers Patience (4/9)

However, you can keep your "Spiritual Batteries" charged with these upcoming messages:

Easter: It's Friday—But Sunday's Coming (4/16)

Taking the Plunge: Five Benefits of Baptism (4/23)

A Church that Scares Hell (4/30)

Company's Here: How to Get Guests to Come Back (5/7)

Mother's Day: Strength for Stressed Out Moms (5/14)

Dear Northern Light Family:

As you recall in our annual meeting back on January 8<sup>th</sup>, we mentioned that we would be exploring a possible expansion of our building to accommodate the growing student population of our current charter school tenant Minnesota Early Learning Academy.

Well after a lot of time and work and effort together with MELA over the last few months to explore this possible expansion, the conclusion is we will not be able to expand on our site. As a result, we have negotiated an early termination of the lease with MELA and they will be finishing out this school year in our building thru the end of June and then will be moving to a larger facility in the Maple Grove area which will better meet their needs.

The really good news is we already have a new lease signed with a Russian charter school, Nasha Shkola, who will begin leasing our building in July for the upcoming school year and this is a new five year lease which goes thru June, 2022. The new school has grades K-8 and has been operating for several years in the Minnetonka area.

The new charter school will have about half the number of students as MELA and will grow from 105 students to about 140 students over the five year lease term and the other great news is that since they are K-8 and have a more traditional class room setup, we will be able to share classroom space with them for our adult, high school, middle school and elementary school bible classes and we will get back the exclusive use of our nursery. The lease income will be less than MELA but it will still cover the mortgage and related building expenses.

Also just one more thing, regarding the special donations for Sheridan Story and MELA for this upcoming school year, we still plan to provide our donations toward the backpack food program for MELA children even though they will be going to another facility this fall. If you have any questions or concerns on this issue please let me know.

We appreciate all your support and prayers throughout this process and please continue to pray for a smooth transition for MELA as they finish out the school year and for the new Nasha Shkola charter school coming in July.

If you have any questions, please let me know and I would be happy to discuss further.

In Him,  
Dave Ward

### Reminder...

Please be sure to lock your car doors in our parking lot. We have had a few people mention that they have seen people looking into cars, etc.

### Easter Block Party

#### Update

April 15

11 am —1 pm



If you have taken plastic eggs home to stuff them, please be sure to return them by next Sunday, April 9.

If you are making desserts for the Easter Block Party Dessert Walk, we are asking that you package them as follows:

Cookies or mini-cupcakes—6 per package

Cupcakes or brownies—4 per package

Please feel free to be creative with cookies, cupcakes or brownies, but we request that these are the only desserts as these are the desserts that appeal to most children.

You can bring desserts on Friday afternoon/evening or Saturday morning. If you have volunteered to help with an activity, please be sure to be here at least 15 minutes before that scheduled time begins.

Friday evening, April 14, at 7:00 p.m. we will meet to do as much of the set-up for the Block Party as we can.

On Saturday morning, please be sure that you are at the building by 10:30 if you are running an activity at 11:00.

### FPYC Mother Daughter Retreat

The Flaming Pine Youth Camp Mother Daughter Retreat will be held on Friday, April 28 through Sunday, April 30 this year.

The cost will be \$45 for each mother/daughter pair and \$10 extra for each daughter.

Flyers are available in the lobby on the credenza and also on the bulletin board.

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