

## Family Information

### Photo Contest

Photo's for "media" presence. Please give your photo's to Josh Kruse or Tara Lynn Bell and you may win a prize. The contest will be through the end of June.

### Guest Speaker

Neal Milligan, former Northland youth minister from 1986 - 1990 will be speaking Sunday morning June 25th. Neal has served as a pulpit minister in TN, PA, DC and FL. He also worked many years in federal prison ministry. Neal currently lives in Williamsport, PA and is helping plant a new ministry there.

### Mark Your Calendars

The Northland Fall Picnic will be September 30th at Blendon Woods Metro Park Sycamore shelter, from 4:00 thru 9:00.

### Mini Golf

On June 23rd the TGIF and youth group will be going to Putt Putt at the Westerville Golf Center. Everyone is invited and hot dogs will be provided. Everyone who went last year had a lot of fun. Don't miss out!! See Leisha Evans for more details

### New Home Phone Number

Renee Jackson has a new home phone number: (614) 547-7706.

## Calendar

### June

18	Fathers Day
21	Summer Begins
23	Teens Mini Golf
25	Guest Speaker, Neal Milligan
26-29	Northland VBS
30	Teen Movie Night, Despicable Me 3 At Stoneridge

### New Address

Beryl and Marie McMasters have moved to assisted living at Willow Brook. Their address is 55 Lazelle Rd., Rm. 210, Columbus, OH 43235. The phone number is 614-896-3470.

### For The Month of June

**Invitation/ Responses: Jim Robbins**  
**Foyer Duty: Jack Evans**  
**Greeters: Beryl and Marie McMasters**

### Communion Servers

James Allison	Johnny Allison
Lynn Champney	Glenn Culler
David Estep	Frank Rynearson
Art Silva	Paul Silva

### Contribution

	Last Week	Average YTD
<b>General:</b>	\$3904	\$5276
<b>Designated:</b>	\$190	\$376

## Father's Day For God

My father died 22 years ago, and I still miss him very much. He was a gentle soul who never aspired to greatness. He owned a retail paint store in a small Missouri town that put food on our table and shoes on the six feet of his three children, but little else. I'm wishing today that God could grant me just one more day with him.

If your father is still with you, you are blessed. Run to him this Father's Day, throw your arms around him, and tell him you love him. The day is coming when he will be nothing more than a memory, so cherish the time God has granted you today to be with him. Whether your father is living or dead, just know that we all have a living heavenly father. He loves us, and he will never stop, no matter how far we may wander. Being a father myself, I can tell you there is nothing any of my three children could ever do that would make me stop loving them. They may disappoint me some day. They may break my heart. But I will never stop loving them.

And so it is with our Father God. Jesus described his love for us in his parable of the Prodigal Son found in Luke 15. In this story we find a father grieving over a lost son who had taken his inheritance and run off to squander it on sinful living. He rejected his father and all that he represented. And he broke a father's heart as only a son could. When the money had all been blown, when there was no food in his stomach or roof over his head, the humbled son found his way back home, hoping his father would take him in. If he were to be granted the status of his father's lowest servant, the son would be forever grateful.

But the father saw him approaching far down the road, limping, dejected and broken. He burst forth from the house and ran to greet him. He threw his arms around him and cried, "This son of mine was dead, but now he is alive; he was lost, but now he has been found!" The father then ordered up a great feast to celebrate his return.

God our father loves us. Nothing will ever change that. In grateful response let's declare every day to be Father's Day for God. Celebrate the goodness of his love; extol the sweetness of his forgiveness.

-Larry Harris



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### Services

Sunday Bible Study	9:30 am
Sunday Ghana Bible Study	9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service	10:30 am
Sunday Ghana Worship Service	10:30 am
Sunday Spanish Worship	3:00 pm
Wednesday Evening	7:30 pm

**Evangelist:** Bobby Graham

**Elders:** Steve Carver, Frank Chappell, Roy Estep, Mike Evans, Jeff McVicker, Jim Robbins

**Deacons:** Lynn Champney, Perry Coate, Glenn Culler, Darrell Estep, Jack Evans, John Lindsay, Beryl McMasters, Don Milnor, Art Silva

**Spanish Ministry:** Elmer Renderos

## Be Continually In Prayer For ...

**Ellen Ward** who lives with multiple sclerosis every day.  
**Joan Mauersberg**  
**Patricia Stevens**  
**Tammy Chatfield**  
**Frank and Betty Chappell**

## Announcements



**V.B.S.**

June 26th - 29th 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.



**June 23rd Mini Golf** This is an open activity. All are welcome to participate. We will also be recognizing the Northland Child Care staff who received their CDA Certificates. Time is from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.



**June 30th movie Night - Despicable Me 3**  
At Stoneridge Movie Theatre.



Summer Camp is not too far away. It is not too early to start making plans. We also need female councilors for our camp week. Camp week is July 16 - 22  
Cost: \$170 if paid in full 2 weeks prior to the start of camp week

## The Lord Is About To Pass By

*Elijah was afraid and ran for his life . . . I have had enough, Lord, he said. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors . . . All at once an angel touched him and said, Get up and eat. He looked around, and there by his head was some bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. - 1 Kings 19:3-6*

Like Elijah, sometimes we feel that we cannot take another step, yet God reassures us that he will uphold us with his hand. Like this faithful prophet, sometimes we think that we've endured more than we can bear of the world's unkindness and its harshness and its futile ways; yet God comforts our hearts with his words, and nourishes our spirits with the living bread of Jesus.

*The angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you. So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he traveled . . . There he went into a cave and spent the night. - 1 Kings 19:7-9*

Jesus has compassion for us, and he understands how this world wearies us; so he gives rest for our souls when we come to him. And when we fear that he has abandoned us, he promises us that the Lord is about to pass by-

*And the word of the Lord came to him: What are you doing here, Elijah? He replied, I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant . . . and now they are trying to kill me too. The Lord said, Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by. - 1 Kings 19:9-11*

Worldly minds reject God's covenant of grace, and the accuser hurls his reproaches at us, yet God reassures us that he is with us. And our God speaks to us with a gentle whisper -

*Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. - 1 Kings 19:11-13*

The Lord is not in the world's empty glitter nor in its false hopes nor in its loudness, rather he tells us the message of the cross of Jesus, a sure sign of his care and compassion for us. God's thoughts are far above human thoughts, and he has given us the empty tomb, a trustworthy guarantee that Jesus lives forever and will pour out his grace on those who walk in his light.

*The Lord said to him, Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. - 1 Kings 19:15*

God patiently guides us back to the path ahead; and as we must endure for a little while this barren desert and its withering emptiness, he will walk with us each step to reassure us of what is real and imperishable.

- Mark Garner