

Family Information

Outreach Meeting Schedule

The next Outreach Meeting will be on April 7, after the morning worship assembly. Outreach Meetings are currently taking place on the first Sunday of each month. See Caleb if you have any questions.

Spring Needs For The Clothing Closet

As you begin your spring cleaning, please remember the Clothing Closet and those in need. We can use these clean, gently used items: children's, men's, and women's clothes; small household items; toys and books. There is a Donation Box located in the church foyer. Thank you for anything you can donate.

Clothing Closet Schedule

The Clothing Closet will next be open, by appointment only, on Wednesday April 17 from 6:30-8:00 PM. For appointments, please call 614-918-7925. Please let Robbie, Pam, or Vicki know if you are available to help.

Willow Brook Schedule

The next time that Northland will be organizing the Sunday worship time at Willow Brook Christian Home (55 Lazelle Road) will be on Sunday May 12 at 2:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to come. See Caleb or one of the elders if you have any questions.

Sunday Afternoon Class Schedule

The Sunday afternoon class is currently taking a break, and it will resume meeting sometime this spring. See Mike Paden if you have any questions.

Service Times

Sunday English Bible Study	9:00 AM
Sunday English Worship	10:00 AM
Sunday Spanish Worship	10:00 AM
Sunday Ghana Worship	12:00 PM
Sunday Evening Class	4:00 PM

Midweek Bible Studies

Current Mid-Week Studies

First and third Friday of each month at 6:30 PM - TGIF Bible Study led by Mike Evans, currently meeting in room E41. Contact Mike or Leisha for details and updates.

Mondays at 6:30 PM (Via Zoom) - Women's prayer group, hosted by Peggy Kaiser. Contact her for details. If you aren't able to join, you can e-mail prayer requests to Peggy.

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM - A Bible study organized by Jeff McVicker is currently meeting in the meeting room just off the foyer.

Tuesdays at 7:00 PM (Online) - Women's Bible study "Abide In Christ", led by Karen Susenna. The current study is on 1 Peter, using the workbook "Living Stones" by Casandra Martin. Contact Karen for more details.

Children's Classes

We currently have children's classes for ages 2-10 during worship (each of them begins after the Lord's Supper). See Mike Evans for further details. The children's education program needs helpers for all age groups. See Lynn Paden or Emily Graham if you can help.

Contribution

	Last Week	Average YTD
General:	\$4,339	\$3,971
Designated:	\$0	\$125

Minister: Caleb Dillinger

Elders: Mike Evans, Jeff McVicker, Jim Robbins

Deacons: Lynn Champney, Glenn Culler, Darrell Estep, John Lindsay, Don Milnor, Art Silva

Spanish Ministry: Luis Valdez



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Who Is A God Like You?

I watch in hope for the Lord, I wait for God my Savior; my God will hear me. - Micah 7:7

The message of Jesus gives us a lasting hope that transcends this world's changing circumstances and appearances, and God's promises reassure us of unseen things. Our Heavenly Father has nourished our bodies every day; and his Son has come to be our Good Shepherd, who guides us and who nourishes our spirits from God's fertile heavenly pastures -

*Shepherd your people with your staff,
the flock of your inheritance . . . in fertile pastures. - Micah 7:14*

French writer Carmen Bernos de Gasztold's (1919-1995) "Prayers From The Ark" is a collection of prayers from various animals, and they also bring out aspects of human nature. In one prayer, a cricket is well aware of its smallness, and it is filled with praise and gratitude for God, "Thank You for having shed Your warm sun and the quivering of Your golden corn on my humble life. Then take . . . this little impulse of my love: this note of music You have set thrilling in my heart."

We too are small, yet God has done wonders of grace through the Lamb of God, wonders that make our souls rejoice when we ponder them -

As in the days when you came up out of Egypt, I will show them my wonders. - Micah 7:15

In another of de Gasztold's prayers, she has a goat express its thanksgiving to God for the simple joys it experiences each day, "I love to bound to the heart of all Your marvels, leap Your chasms, and my mouth stuffed with intoxicating grasses." As the goat realizes the many ways that our Creator has shown it his care, God has also done many marvels through Jesus to show us his desire for us to be close with him and his readiness to forgive those who humbly turn to his Son -

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin . . . You will again have compassion on us; You will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. - Micah 7:18-19

In the final prayer of Carmen's "Prayers From The Ark", a dove prays as it is released, "I am the dove, simple as the sweetness that comes from You. The Ark waits, Lord; it has endured. Let me carry it a sprig of hope and joy, and . . . this, in which Your love clothes me, Grace immaculate." Truly, the sweetness of God's understanding and the purity of his grace clothe the good news of Jesus, which gives us lasting hope and peace -

*You will be faithful to Jacob and show love to Abraham,
as you pledged . . . in days long ago. - Micah 7:20*

In days long ago, our Heavenly Father made many good promises that have been fulfilled in Jesus.

- Mark Garner, March 2024

My Life's Fountain

My Savior, Father, Guide and Friend,
A solace to the mourning,
A wise Creator, powerful Hand;
A Judge to the scorning.

He leads me by His loving hand,
His gentle voice does guide me;
He vowed that He would ne'er forsake
And always walk beside me.

When I am frightened He is there
To comfort and sustain me.
His words give wisdom to my ear,
And peace will always claim me.

My Savior has made me to go
With Him o'er plain or mountain;
And I will gladly follow Him,
For He is my life's fountain.

- Jessie Anne Lee (1992-present)

Writer and schoolteacher Jessie Lee has published about 200 poems, a number of biographies, and a book of devotional studies. She also spent some time in Romania helping with a mission group.

The Wondrous Mercy Of The Lord

Awake my soul awake my tongue,
My God demands the grateful song,
Let all my inmost powers record
The wondrous mercy of the Lord.

Divinely free, his mercy flows,
Forgives my crimes, allays my woes,
And bids approaching death remove
And crowns me with indulgent love . . .

Mercy with unchanging rays
For ever shines, while time decays,
And children's children shall record
The truth and goodness of the Lord.

- Anne Steele, 1717-1778

This is an excerpt from a series of poems by British poet Anne Steele based on the Psalms. This one is based on Psalm 103.

Bread That Comes From Heaven

The Old Testament tells us how God fed the Israelites in the desert with manna from heaven, and the New Testament teaches us that Jesus came down from heaven to bring us the bread of life. This week, Frank Cowans write about the ways that the true bread of Jesus fills us in ways that nothing else can.

The Bread Of Life

"The area is expecting 8 inches of snow by tomorrow night!"
"The category 3 hurricane is expected to make landfall tomorrow!"

Typically, after hearing these reports many people head to the grocery store to stock up on supplies to get them through the storm. It's not uncommon to see the bread aisle completely wiped out with only a few undesirable items left. When calamity comes to us, we are looking for bread. The bread at the store will only satisfy for only a short time.

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger..." (John 6:35 NKJV)

Like the storm preppers, we sustain ourselves on whatever we have, knowing it will always be available. But when the storms arise, we start looking for relief and answers and a way to make it through. We start looking to Jesus to give us that Bread. God will send hunger for us, to desire to eat of the Bread. Even as Christians when the storms arise, we look for a bigger slice of Bread. Even when Christians are "just living life" we get stuck and realize that we have neglected the Bread that is always present. I know I have, seemingly more frequently lately. Still, I get to or must remind myself every day that the Bread of Heaven is there to fill me and satisfy me in ways that no other person, thing, or idea can ever fill. Yet, I still "try" people, things and ideas and learn that I am not filled. Eating the Bread all day, every day fills me.

"I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world." (John 6:51 NKJV)

The true Bread, that will not leave us wanting for more, walked the Earth declaring Himself as that Bread that never perishes, warning us that a "storm" was coming, and we NEED the Bread of life! Jesus declares that His work, His only job, is to show Himself, to cause us to believe in Him, so that we may have everlasting life. The only way to get that is to eat of the Bread of life.

Jesus is not a low carb diet!

- Frank Cowans, March 2024