

Announcements

Medical Safety Team Meeting Today

There is a meeting today for the Medical Safety Team, after worship at 11:30 AM in E41/42 (the fellowship room). If you have questions or would like more details (whether or not you are part of the group), see Isaac.

Summer Church Camp Registration

Summer church camps are coming up soon, and registration has now opened for both. Nick Strawser's week at NWOCYC will be from June 8 -14, and camp week at Fort Hill will be from July 13-19. Each camps costs \$250 (at Fort Hill, it's \$230 if paid 30 days in advance), and potential scholarships are available. See Josh Evans if you have any questions.

Volume 13 By Northland Members

Copies of the next collection of bulletin articles written by Northland's members are available on the table in the foyer. This is the 13th volume in the series, and the theme for this one is "In The Beginning". See Mark if you would like a copy of any of the previous booklets.

Clothing Closet Schedule (New Date)

The Clothing Closet will next be open, by appointment only, on Wednesday June 11, from 6:00-7:30 PM. For appointments, please call 614-918-7925. Please let Robbie, Pam, or Vicki know if you are available to help.

From The Clothing Closet

We are currently overstocked, so for the time being we don't need any donations. Instead, we do need your help with getting the word out to those in need. Please let folks know they can visit the Clothing Closet by appointment by calling or texting 614-918-7925. The Clothing Closet Team is very grateful for your donations and support.

Sunday Service Times

English Bible Study	9:00 AM
English Worship	10:00 AM
Spanish Worship (Annex)	10:00 AM
Twi Bible Study	12:00 PM
Twi Worship	1:00 PM

Minister: Caleb Dillinger  
Elders: Mike Evans, Jeff McVicker, Jim Robbins  
Deacons: Lynn Champney, Glenn Culler, Darrell Estep, Jack Evans, John Lindsay, Don Milnor, Art Silva  
Spanish Ministry: Luis Valdez

Support For Ministry In Ghana

Franklin and Isaac are planning a trip to Ghana in June to work with the Seikwa, Ghana Church of Christ congregation that both the Northland congregation and the Ghanaian congregation are supporting. Please pray for Franklin and Isaac to have a successful mission. You can also support this effort with your contribution envelope, or by giving online. For more information, see Franklin Agyei.

Sunday Morning Children's Classes

There is a combined children's class available from 9:00- 9:50 AM. Children's worship begins after the Lord's Supper with classes for ages 2-3, 4-8, and 9-12. See Vicki Cowans, Lynn Paden, or Emily Graham if you can help with any of these classes.

Current Mid-Week Studies

Mondays at 6:30 PM (Via Zoom) - Women's prayer group - see Peggy Kaiser for details.

Tuesdays at 7:00 PM (Via Zoom) - Women's Bible study led by Karen Susenna. The current study is based on "God, Pass By Me: A Study Of The Names Of God" by Casandra Martin.

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM - A Bible study on 1 John, organized by Jeff McVicker and Caleb Dillinger, is currently meeting in the Fellowship Room.

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.

Contribution

	Last Week	Average YTD
General:	\$3,984	\$4,737
Designated:	\$1,065	\$171



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There Will Be A Highway

In that day the Lord will reach out his hand . . . - Isaiah 11:11

In Isaiah's time, the prophet foretold of a coming time when the Judeans would be exiled, yet the Lord would then reach out his hand to welcome back his scattered flock when they sought him humbly. We too had all wandered astray, yet God has raised the banner of Jesus to call us back to him, when we turn to him with our hearts:

He will raise a banner for the nations and gather the exiles of Israel. - Isaiah 11:12

As our Heavenly Father calls everyone to return to our Creator and our true home with him, in nature some animals migrate regularly to the places where they were born. Green sea turtles spend much of their adult lives alone; they are found in every ocean except for the Arctic, and they live 70 years or more. Each year a particular turtle's feeding grounds may vary, yet each year the adults travel as far as 2,000 miles or more to get to the same beaches where they were born, to nest and give birth to new turtles.

God gives green sea turtles the ability to navigate by the earth's magnetic field, so they can find their way home. Similarly, God calls us from every nation and every language and every time to come to our spiritual home with him, who alone can give us spiritual nourishment and lasting meaning and enduring hope:

He will assemble the scattered people of Judah from the four quarters of the earth. - Isaiah 11:12

Monarch butterflies have an unusual migration cycle. In summer, they live in Canada or the Northern U.S., and each group has a particular place to spend the winter, in Mexico or the Southern U.S. Then, each year they return to the same area where they had spent the previous summer, a round trip of up to 3,000 miles. Yet, since the average lifespan of monarch butterflies is just a few months, very few individual butterflies go through a complete migration cycle. Three or more generations may come and go during one year.

Similarly, there have been many believers before us, and there will be many believers after us. In our own journeys of faith, we all have been helped and encouraged by the faith of those who followed Jesus in the past; and God asks us to help and encourage those who have come to Jesus after we did. For there will always be a highway to God, for everyone who opens their hearts and minds to the timeless message of Jesus:

There will be a highway for the remnant of his people . . . as there was for Israel when they came up from Egypt. - Isaiah 11:15-16

Truly, the good news of Jesus and the purposes of God's heart will remain the same forever.

- Mark Garner, May 2025

**God the Provider**

*My God shall supply all your need, according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. - Philippians 4:19*

Who shall tell our untold need,  
Deeply felt, though scarcely known.  
Who the hungering soul can feed,  
Guard, and guide, but God alone?  
Blessed promise, while we see  
Earthly friends must powerless be,  
Earthly fountains quickly dry:  
God shall all your need supply.

Through the whole of life's long way,  
Outward, inward need we trace;  
Need arising day by day,  
Patience, wisdom, strength, and grace.  
Needing Jesus most of all,  
Full of need, on Him we call;  
Then how gracious His reply,  
God shall all your need supply.

*- Frances Ridley Havergal, 1836-1879*

**Lift Up Your Voices**

Lift up your jubilant voices,  
All you glad nations and sing;  
Jesus the Savior is risen,  
Jesus your Savior and king.

Lift up your jubilant voices,  
Break forth with sweetest of songs;  
Jesus the Savior is risen,  
Glory to Him now belongs.

Jesus liveth! He hath risen,  
Sundered the tomb  
And conquered the grave;  
Mighty Savior, live forever,  
Jesus is king and He doth save.

*- Minnie Alvina Greiner Edington, 1859-1942*

*Hymnist Minnie Edington lived all her life in Ohio, and she wrote the words to at least several dozen hymns. Many of her hymns are about either Jesus' birth, Jesus' crucifixion, or Jesus' resurrection. She was married when she was in her forties, so sometimes she is credited as Minnie Greiner.*

**Jesus Has Overcome The World**

*In John 16, as Jesus is about to go to the cross, he reassures the disciples that he has overcome this world, though not in the way they might have expected. Jesus has indeed overcome this world's fears, its harshness, its snares, and much more. This week, Don Milnor writes about the ways this helps us when we put our faith in Jesus.*

**Jesus Overcame - How Do We Overcome?**

Jesus said, " . . . *In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.*" - John 16:33. Just how did Jesus overcome the world? There are many things he did to accomplish this which we can imitate. *In the days of His flesh, He offered up both prayers and supplications with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death . . .* -Hebrews 5:7 . . . *I always do the things that are pleasing to Him* (the Father). -John 8:29. OK . . . actually we don't always do this, which leads us to the thing we can't, or at least don't, imitate of Jesus, sinlessness: *For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.* -Hebrews 4:15. Jesus never sinned. We have already blown it, and cannot accomplish a sinless track record as he did.

So how do we overcome? Thankfully, Jesus has made it as easy as possible for us. Here is what we do to overcome the world:

*For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world - our faith.* -1 John 5:4. Not achieving any great score by some standard, but by grace through faith:

*For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.*

Note the two uses of the word "works" in the above passage. We aren't saved by good works, but we are to do them. Faith without works is dead (see James 2:14-26).

Another passage which gives us some idea how to overcome is Revelation chapters 2 and 3. It contains 7 letters, each to a different church at the time. They all have different strengths and weaknesses as a whole: what they were doing that was good, and what needed work. In each letter, there is a passage which says, "To him who overcomes . . .", and the good things this person will experience. Even at the church in Laodicea, which got the worst "review" (they were lukewarm), any individual was responsible for himself in relation to God (see Ezekiel 18:20); Jesus said, *He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.* -Revelation 3:21-22.

We aren't Jesus, and we can't overcome without him. He said:

*. . . apart from Me you can do nothing.* -John 15:5. But with him, Paul said: *I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.* -Philippians 4:4.

*- Don Milnor, May 2025*