



# NORTHSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

— GROWING TOGETHER —

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Good morning, Northside Family!

Last Sunday, we introduced **Laura Marshall** as the newest member of our Northside Family. Laura is relatively new to our area, having moved to Benton from Newport where she worshiped with the Holden Avenue Church of Christ. Welcome to Northside, Laura! We're grateful God brought you into our church family!

We are blessed with a great group of Shepherds. This weekend, a group of them attended the Shepherding Conference at Pleasant Valley Church of Christ. During the last quarter, four couples from among our Shepherds taught in our Children's Bible classes. Their commitment to pray daily as individuals, and weekly as a group, for the spiritual, material and physical needs of the church family is inspiring. Be sure to thank these men and their wives for Shepherding us in the footsteps of Jesus.

Today marks the conclusion of the Winter Quarter in our Education Ministry. We've had a fantastic group of teachers who've invested their time to share the wisdom of God's Word with young and old alike. Thank you **Jim & Linda Acree, Wes Ader, Melissa Baxley, Maude Caudle, Wendy, Aislinn & Katie Christy, Ashley Clancy, Leona & Sydney Colson, Rhonda Covington, Rodney Crownover, Chris Dalby, Carroll & Betty Davis, Tom & Martha Davis, Jo Anna Gist, Sarah Gober, Kristen Hamilton, Terry & Jan Hastings, Donna Howell, Stephanie Howell, Robin Humes, April Jones, Beverly Mayberry, Billy McLain, Jimmy Mitchell, Randy Mitchell, Rob Nossaman, Charlotte Pyle, Dan Reed, Evan Rippee, Art & Bernadette Rockwell, Eric Scism, Chad & Trena Slaughter, Katrina Southwell, Keely Treadway, Carolyn Trusty, Richard & Shirley Wallace, Matt & Savannah Wells, and Sabrina Wright.**

Looking ahead, I'd like for you to mark Sunday, April 5 on your calendar and make every effort to be in town that weekend. This will be the Sunday for our annual *Friend's Day*. We've typically done Friend's Day on the Sunday following Easter Sunday, but this year we're going to try it on the Sunday before Easter. This is a golden opportunity to invite a family member, friend or neighbor as your guest on that Sunday with the hopes that they'll return the following Sunday due to the natural draw of Easter Sunday. As a part of our Friend's Day this year, we'll have a Potluck Luncheon in the Outreach Building following the Friend's Day morning worship.

Who can you invite as your friend on that day?

Let's do this: for the next week, be thinking of who you can invite. Ask God to lay on your heart and mind the name and face of a family member, friend or neighbor who can be your guest. And, spend the next week praying for that person by name. Before we invite them to worship God, let's pray to God to open their heart and be receptive to our invitations.

To assist you, we'll have some special Friend's Day and Easter Sunday postcard invitations ready for you next week. Until then, be praying these next seven days for the friend you will invite.

I Love You all,  
Jim

### Shepherds' Note

Each day we are faced with new challenges in our lives. These challenges can be simple such as a flat tire or as devastating as a cancer diagnosis. It is easy to lose heart and let the circumstances we are in define our lives. 1 Chronicles 28:20, David said to Solomon his son, “*Be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord God, my God is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the Lord is finished.*” Sometimes it is hard to see God while we are in the middle of a crisis, but David’s words are never truer. God is our refuge from the troubles that kill our peace. We have to know him as our rock and fortress, a sheltering presence when we feel overwhelmed by a world full of strife and battles. It’s a mistake to think we are protected from life’s troubles just by getting close to other Christians— although Christian friends certainly are important. Only God can provide security for the frightened soul. We soon discover that the issues we face that trouble our hearts are what terrorizes us most. We need our Maker. Psalm 34:19, “*The righteous person may have many troubles, but the Lord delivers him from them all.*” Do you truly believe that? In a recent movie, at the end, a man was hit by a car and, as he lay dying in the street, a Minister asked him if he believed in God and his son Jesus Christ. The man had once been a Christian but was mad at God for circumstances in his life that he blamed on God as the cause. As he lay there faced with the reality that his life was over, it became clear to him that his only hope was in Christ. He confessed his faith in God and repented of his wrongs. The Minister told him something that we should all take to heart. He said, “*In just a few minutes you will know more about God than any person living on this earth right now.*” We all face the same choice. The decision to believe in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is ours. When we reach the door of death, we too will know more about God than anyone who is living on this earth at the time. We will see Him face to face. We ask the same question the Minister asked the dying man: “*Do you truly believe in God and his son Jesus Christ?*”

### Billy's Thoughts

A brand new quarter of adult Bible classes will begin next Sunday. I think each one will be a blessing to you. If you enjoy a hybrid video and discussion class, then **Richard Wallace's** class, *Displaying God and His Presence In A Broken World*, is for you. He'll use videos and additional material by Ray Vander Laan. Every one of these that I have seen have been truly faith-building. This will meet in the Outreach Building classroom 1 next to the kitchen.

Ever wondered how we got the Bible, or how we can know the Bible we read is truly the Word of God? **Matt Wells** will teach on this topic focusing on the New Testament. I was in the class he taught about a year ago on the Old Testament and it was great, so I know this one will also be helpful and well-done. This one will meet in the Outreach Building classroom 2.

**Jody Styles** will continue teaching in the Worship Center. His study will focus on *Job: Waiting on God in Difficult Times*. Jody is an outstanding Bible student and teacher. If you choose this class, you are sure to grow in your faith and trust in the all-powerful God we love.

Do you like to sing hymns of praise? Then Room 19a is your destination. Old hymns, newer hymns and brand new hymns are learned and sung. **Rodney Crownover** and **Jimmy Mitchell** lead this (not so much of a class, but) time of worship.

Primarily for younger families, a great class will be led by **Rob Nossaman**. The theme is timely – *Christ-Centered Parenting*. This class meets in the “Gathering” room (the back of the Old Auditorium).

And finally, college age and young professionals (+/-18-25) meets in Jim Gardner's office. The current study is *Ecclesiastes*.

Classes for everyone, kids included, begin at 9:00 a.m.

### Hispanic Happenings with Fernando

Our annual marriage seminar last weekend went great! This year we had the opportunity to bring the best marriage and family counselor from the churches of Christ in Mexico. *The Way to say I Love You in Marriage* was the series of lessons our brother **Jesús Amaya** presented. The marriages in our church and some couples who attend from our community were highly edified. We want to thank **Alejo** and **Marissa Solis** for organizing this event, and every brother and sister who helped in so many ways during the weekend.

### This Week

**TODAY:** **TWEEN Night** for grades 4th—6th during Life Groups

**MONDAY:** **Pickleball** 6:30 p.m. in the Outreach Building for anyone 18 years of age and older.

### Upcoming Events

**March 2:** **Pickleball** 6:30 p.m. in the Outreach Building for anyone 18 years of age and older.

*Our sympathy is expressed to the family of Frank Bray who passed away Thursday in Bentonville, AR. Memorial service was held yesterday.*

*Sympathy is also expressed to Evan Rippee in the passing of his grandmother, Linda Alexander. Funeral was on Friday in Springfield, Missouri.*

*“Many thanks to those who honored the widows and widowers with such a lovely luncheon on February 14. The food was delicious and the decorations were beautiful. Thank you.”*



**Love Notes & Heartstrings:** I have let time get by me and the Ladies Retreat is coming soon!!! April 24 and 25, we will retreat once again to the beautiful and relaxing CrossHeirs Retreat Center to enjoy a spiritual time together with our Christian sisters! Wyveta Kirk will bring us words from the Bible (be sure to bring your paper Bible!) on how we can “Do All in the Name of the Lord”. If you have never participated, please join us! You will not regret it! Sign up on the ladies table beginning Wednesday, February 26. The cost per person will stay the same as previous years, \$60. If you have any questions, please let me know! Have a great week! Much love to you all!

- Trish

### Prayer List:

**Joan Day**, Candance Mohr’s aunt, is home after being treated for a heart attack.

**Ethan Haughee** will have an endoscopy and colonoscopy on Tuesday in Alabama.

**Michael Mohr, Sr.** will undergo a stress test on Monday in South Dakota.

**Catherine Roberts**, Susan Dorsey’s mother, is home after receiving a pacemaker on Tuesday.

**Johnny Scroggins** will meet with a surgeon tomorrow in advance of an upcoming cardiac bypass surgery.

**Randy Townsend** had tests on Friday in advance of an upcoming surgery.

### Continue to remember:

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| Blythe Bowers     | Leigh Hooton     | Jason Rundel     |
| Joe Campbell      | Betty Humphries  | Earlene Russell  |
| Charles Caradine  | Lynn Hutto       | Bess Sanders     |
| Maude Caudle      | Glenn Kays       | Micah Sexson     |
| Cash Clancy       | Rod Kirk         | Roy Slaughter    |
| Brenda Davis      | Bill Loe         | Brenda Smith     |
| Tim Dean          | Wilma Lunsford   | Patsy Steele     |
| Briaunah Diamond  | Charlotte Mabery | Kristen Steiner  |
| Todd Donahue      | Robert Matheny   | Harold Stuart    |
| Susan Dorsey      | James Mayberry   | Letha Styles     |
| Sue Edwards       | Pat Maxwell      | Fred Swaim       |
| Don Flowers       | Manher Mehta     | Edith Swaim      |
| Patricia Flowers  | Jim Miller       | Sissy Treat      |
| Kelley Geurin     | Bob Nossaman     | Ruth VanZandt    |
| Mark Gober        | Mark Otwell      | Ron Wallace      |
| Steve Graves      | Wanda Otwell     | Kathy White      |
| Mark Greeno       | Sharon Pearson   | Judy Whittington |
| Helen Hairston    | Joe Peevy        | Autumn Wilder    |
| Logan Harris      | Francille Pryor  | Angela Wilson    |
| Michelle Hastings | Brenda Rhodes    | Billie Wilson    |
| Donna Haughee     | Chuck Rice       | Bartha Wise      |
| Orville Haxton    | Diana Richard    | Syble Womack     |
| Seth Henry        | Doug Robinson    | Mark Woodville   |
| Lillian Hogue     | Paul Robison     |                  |

**Names will stay on the “continue to remember” list for a month unless the office is given an update.**

Take the ONE Sunday Challenge!!! Will you sign up for Children's Worship ONE Sunday?

**Children’s Worship Sign Up** at Signupgenius.com You decide what is convenient for you. Check the Northside Facebook Group for the link!



**Shepherds**

Jim Acree Randy Mitchell  
Carroll Davis Rob Nossaman  
Tom Davis Rick Treadway  
Todd Ferguson Richard Wallace  
Terry Hastings

**Email address:** elders@northsidecofc.info  
**Chairman thru March:** Terry Hastings

**Deacons**

Wes Ader Michael Haltom  
Carlos Bautista Alex Hamilton  
Gary Black Josh Hastings  
Jarred Crow Todd Hastings  
Rodney Crownover Phillip Howell  
Justin Dorsey Charlie Manning  
Curtis Evans Billy McLain  
Julio Flores Steve Smith  
Kelley Geurin Alejo Solis  
Chris Givens Freddy Swaim  
Javier Guzman

**Staff**

Jim Gardner  
Stephanie Howell  
Billy McLain  
Dawn Mitchell  
Jimmy Mitchell  
Evan Rippee  
Kim Rippee  
Fernando Toledo

**Records: February 16, 2020**

Bible Classes	313
AM Worship	530
PM Worship	164
Wednesday	249
Weekly budget	\$13,901.00
Contribution	\$ 9,985.50

**Service Schedule**

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Bible Study-Hispanic	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship-Hispanic	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study-Hispanic	7:00 p.m.

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**Office Hours**

Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m.--4:00 p.m.  
Friday 8:30 a.m.--Noon

**10:00 A.M. Worship**

*Jimmy Mitchell.....Worship Leader*  
Come, Now Is The Time To Worship.....PH  
*Todd Hastings.....Welcome & Family News*  
Our God, He Is Alive.....23  
What The Lord Has Done In Me.....PH  
*Chris Givens.....Prayer*  
Hallelujah What A Savior.....337  
Low In The Grave He Lay.....344  
*Ryan Eppinette.....Communion Devo & Offering*  
Were You There?.....(offering song).....962  
Jesus Loves Me.....(children’s song).....1014  
Tell Me The Story Of Jesus.....387  
*Michael Connell.....1 Corinthians 15.16-20*  
*Jim Gardner.....”Good News Lives Again”*  
We Saw Thee Not.....342  
When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder.....852  
*Tom Davis.....Shepherds Prayer*

**Infant Nursery**

*Jeannie Pryor & Mary Styles*

**Toddler Nursery**

*Haley & Michael Haltom*

**5:00 P.M. Worship**

**Communion**

*Kelley Geurin*

**Pantry Items Needed:**



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| Toilet Tissue       | Pudding Cups    |
| Dish Washing Liquid | Vienna Sausages |
| Ramen Noodles       | Spam            |
| Saltine Crackers    |                 |

**The backpack program for Caldwell & Howard Perrin schools is in need of:**

- peanut butter or pudding cups
- cheese crackers
- juice boxes
- individual applesauce
- Capri Sun
- cups
- fruit cups
- individual Mac ‘n Cheese cups
- pop tarts
- individual chip bags

Please put your items in the tubs just outside the children’s worship room in the multipurpose area.

*An Elder and his wife will be in the Elders’ office after services to pray with anyone that needs prayer.*



*Elder and his wife this week:  
**Carroll & Betty Davis***