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Good morning, Northside Family. A warm welcome to all of our family and our visitors on this second Sunday of 2019.

As we gather to worship today, we do so with an eye to next Sunday when we'll be joined by our friends from the Johnson Street Church of Christ. This will be our fourth year to worship together with the Johnson Street church on the Sunday preceding the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Be sure to make our guests feel welcome, ease over to our guests and greet them, and be uplifted by our mutual worship in a foretaste of our common future when we'll all worship together in heaven around the throne of God.

Last fall, we were blessed on a Sunday evening to have the ladies and leaders from John 3.17 Ministry with us. John 3.17 is a faith-based recovery ministry in Jackson County that is making an eternal difference in the lives of ladies. In fact, a friend of mine (and others at Northside), **Gary Gregg**, who has spent a lifetime devoted to life-changing ministry and currently is a member of the faculty at Harding University and the Board of John 3.17 has told me he's never seen a more transforming ministry than John 3.17.

One of our own young ladies, **Johna Lawrence**, has been involved in the John 3.17 recovery ministry for 11 months. Johna will graduate from the program on Sunday evening, February 10 at 5:00 p.m. The graduation ceremony will be held at the Rimmel Church of Christ.

The next GriefShare group will begin on Wednesday, February 6 at 6:30 p.m. If you are interested in this 13-week group that provides a Bible/faith-based approach to handling grief, please sign up on the bulletin board near the church office today. One addition to this coming session of GriefShare – we are inviting any of our teens, college-age, or young adults to sign-up. Sadly, many of our youngest friends have suffered unspeakable losses in their young lives. Our plan is to watch the videos as one group each week, then split the discussion into two groups: one for the younger participants, another for the older participants. **Gary Lowe** will once again help me by leading the discussion for the older adult group. You can go online to griefshare.org or see Jim for more information.

I appreciate so much your participation and positive feedback to our current Wednesday series based on Stephen Broyles' book *The Wind that Destroys and Heals*. It is our universal challenge to hold on to faith when pain, suffering and trying times surface in our lives. This coming Wednesday, we'll be looking at how Job held on to his faith in the midst of hardship. I'd encourage you to be here on Wednesday (10:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m.) and prepare yourself this week by reading the book of Job in advance.

"Keep me safe, O God, for I have come to you for refuge. I said to the LORD, 'You are my Master! Every good thing I have comes from you'...I know the LORD is always with me. I will not be shaken, for he is right beside me" (Psalm 16.1-2, 8, NLT).

I Love You all, Jim

Billy's Thoughts

In just three weeks (Saturday, February 2) the 2nd Annual *Sportsmen's Night Out* that **Josh Hastings** and others have been working on to benefit Corin Read Christian Camp will be held in our Outreach Building. If you love the outdoors, this is especially for you. **Jimmy Sites** will speak. There'll be an auction of some really nice hunting and fishing gear. This is our Spring fundraiser, so if you can participate, it will bless the continuing development of the camp. Josh is asking for you to sign up (bulletin board near the church office) so meal needs can be estimated.

The past few years the camp has made great strides in providing more facilities to serve more campers and retreaters. All of this forward momentum has been possible because God is blessing and perhaps even prompting many of you to contribute regularly (Corin Read's very own VIPs), or one or more times throughout the year.

This past year has been an especially busy year. We are building a caretaker house and nearing the point our caretaker family will move in! Yesterday, interior doors, trim and kitchen cabinets were to be installed, and hopefully interior painting will happen this week!

Last year the Corin Read board also welcomed new partners: the De Queen Church of Christ, and Mountain Fork Christian Camp (MFCC) association (a group of several churches of Christ in and surrounding Texarkana). Because of their serious financial commitment and serious need for camper beds by summer, they committed to help us build a third duplex cabin—the in-ground plumbing and slab have already been poured and we are ready for framing soon. The goal is to have this cabin in the dry and useable, if not completed, by the 2019 summer camp sessions. With the combined resources of Northside, De Queen and Mountain Fork's supporters, may God enable us to complete the cabin on time!

Tomorrow evening is the Corin Read Board's meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the camp. You are welcome to come and meet the board members and see firsthand (if you arrive before sundown) how God is working with His people to build a great camp.

Also, this Thursday at 11:30 a.m. is the JOY Group Potluck for seniors 55+.

Hispanic Happenings with Fernando

Our Wednesday Bible studies are based on the series *Commands of Christ*. "We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands" (1 John 2:3). Repent, follow me, rejoice, let your light shine, honor God's law, be reconciled, do not lust, keep your word, go the second mile, love your enemies, be perfect, give, pray, fast secretly, lay up treasures, seek God's kingdom, and more commands that God gives which will be studying during Wednesdays this year.

We are preparing for our annual marriage seminar which will be on February 22-24. Our speakers will be **Benjamin & Erika Lozano**. They minister to one of the churches of Christ in Mexicali, Mexico. The lessons will be on Friday and Saturday at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday morning during Bible class and Worship. We are inviting marriages from our congregation, our community and other congregations. Please keep this event in your prayers asking God to bless marriages and families through this seminar.

Stephanie Says..

Parents and Bible class teachers are a team. It is ultimately our job as parents and grandparents to teach our children/teens about the Bible, its power and how it is the sacred word of God. We are to work together in this endeavor. Where do we start? Let's start by making an effort to make sure our children and teens have their own Bible. If your child does not have a Bible, invest in one. Buy the best Bible you can afford, one your children/teens will enjoy picking up and looking at, one that communicates how special and valuable this book is. In the past, I was guilty of complaining about how expensive Bibles are. A voice in my head told me to get real. The Bible is the most important thing in our lives and I should be more than happy to spend that expense. The Bible can make an eternal difference. Look at the price Jesus paid for us.

Starting in kindergarten, our children need to know there are two parts to the Bible. The Old Testament and the New Testament. They need to know the stories of Jesus come from the New Testament. Once children are in the first grade, they should learn that the big number is the chapter and the little number is the verse. Turn to a book of the Bible and have them find a certain chapter and verse. By the middle of first grade, children should be able to use their table of contents to find the book with help. I was a first grade school teacher years ago and back then they were using a table of contents and so I know our first graders today are capable of this. Teachers, if you are not having students use their Bibles in class, start this week. Teaching our kids how the Bible is organized is a vital basic skill they need to learn not only to help them now, but help them as they study and grow in their Christian faith through the years.

I have seen the look on children's face when they use their own Bible in class. Their face beams with pride because the Bible they are using belongs to them and not the classroom shelf. Having their own Bible is the beginning to their own personal walk of faith and personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Events In January

TODAY: Baby Shower honoring Joe & Rosemary Gatliff at 2:00 in the outreach building.

TODAY: Singing at Mt. Carmel 3:00-4:00. If you love to sing, please join this group today. You do not have to attend the Praise class to be in this group.

THURSDAY: JOY (just older youth) group potluck luncheon 11:30. If you are 55 years of age and older, we encourage you to attend. If you like good food, fun, and fellowship, this group is for you!

January 20: Baby Shower honoring Greg & Jenna Pryor 1:30-3:00 in the main building (young adult & others classroom). They are registered at Amazon & Target. They are expecting a girl.

"From the bottom of my heart, thank you Northside for all your kindness to me. Your visits, especially the carolers who came to sing on my birthday, your prayers and encouragement have been a great source of strength to me. I am so grateful to God for all of my friends and Christian family who have been so good to me. In Christian Love, Peggy Cobb"

Please make these changes in your church directory. **Sue Edwards** no longer has a landline. Her cell number is 931-510-3624. **Mike, Julie, Jonathan & Jordan Parsons** have moved to 7303 Worth Avenue East, Benton 72019. **Josh Teague's** new address is 2702 Gage Dr., Benton, 72019

The meal prepared by Janie Elliott for the Hospice House in Bryant last week was Chili & fixings with cornbread. Janie also prepared the dessert.

Please check the table in the kitchen in the multipurpose area to see if any of the dishes belong to you. If these dishes do not get claimed, they will be removed from the building.

The Singles Ministry at Johnson Street Church of Christ has invited our singles to their 3rd Annual Valentine's Day Banquet. This year's event will be held on Friday, February 15, at the Enclave Gallery in Benton. Tickets are \$25.00 per person. The theme this year is "A Love Worth Giving." For more information please see the flyer posted on the bulletin board next to the kitchen in the multipurpose area

The Wednesday night Men's class will not meet during the month of January. It will resume on Wednesday, February 6.

Love Notes and Heartstrings

"Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us." Romans 5.5 NKJV

SAVE THE DATE!! April 12-13 for the ladies retreat. Thank you to **Jennifer Crow** for getting our speaker this year, **Kay Gowen**, from College church of Christ in Searcy. Kay's topic will be "He Touched Me"; how Jesus met people where they were and touched even those that others wouldn't. Isn't that beautiful? He still does that today and I'm so thankful He loves me where I am, aren't you? I will have sign up forms on the ladies table next week. The cost will stay the same at \$60 per person. I hope you will come! Love Trish

Upcoming Events

February 2: Sportsman's Night Out Fundraiser to benefit Corin Read Christian Camp. More info later.

February 6: GriefShare class will begin 6:30-8:00

February 14: Valentine luncheon for widows & widowers at 11:30.

February 15-17: Winterfest

February 22-23: Annual WINGS (Women in God's Service) Conference. The topic will be "*And They Will Know*". A flyer with more information is posted on the bulletin board next to the kitchen in the multipurpose area. A schedule and online registration are available at www.harding.edu/WINGS

Sympathy is extended to **Janie Elliott** in the death of her sister-in-law, **Marilyn Cushing**, last week in Irving, TX.

We also extend sympathy to **Andrea Styles** and her family on the passing of her uncle and aunt, **Bill & Sylvia Duncan**, last week. Their funeral was yesterday.

Prayer List: Edna Faye Caradine's elbow showed significant signs of healing and her doctor released her. **Ethan Haughee**, Jeff & Donna's grandson, is having stomach issues and will be seen by a gastro doctor later this month. **Jean Ann Hensley**, Mark Shepard's sister, is recovering from a broken femur. **Mike Knappier**, former outreach minister at Northside, received a "cancer free" report from his recent scan. Nancy Davis' sister, **Wanda Montague**, was put in Hospice care in Mountain Home. **Suzanne Reed** is struggling with ongoing issues with fibromyalgia and migraine headaches. **Dylan Sanchez**, son of a friend of Melissa Baxley's, was the EMT ambulance driver that was involved in a head on accident last week. He suffered a broken femur and broken right heel. He was to be transferred to Baptist Rehab last week. **Mark Shepard** will see a urologist on Thursday for a second opinion due to kidney problems. **Larry Sheridan**, Clifton's brother, was treated at Saline Memorial Hospital last week for having pneumonia. **Harold Stuart** received a great report from his recent PET scan. He is now "cancer free". **M.D. Williams**, Mandy Gardner's dad, was able to return to his home last week.

Continue to remember: Linda Acree, Jody & Kaylyn Barnes, Patrick & Blythe Bowers, Nelda Burrow, Amy Campbell, Joe Campbell, Charles Caradine, Jimmy Card, Cash Clancy, Peggy Cobb, Doug Connors, Nancy Davis, Phil Davis, Todd Donahue, Don & Patricia Flowers, Wade Garrett, Mark Gober, Helen Hairston, Shirley Harkreader, Alice Harris, Logan Harris, Jan Hastings, Seth Henry, Richard Hooton, Glenn Kays, Rod Kirk, Reba Leonard, Bill Loe, Wilma Lunsford, Robert Matheny, Pat Maxwell, Bonnie Mayberry, James Mayberry, Carole Mayes, Dudley McClerkin, Gene McVay, Manher & Louise Mehta, Darrell Messer, Nick Nichols, Sharon Pearson, Wayne Perry, Jewell Powell, Mike Ransom, Diana Richard, Dale Ridge, Bernadette Rockwell, Bess Sanders, Margaret Scott, Janice Smith, Patsy Steele, Betty Stuckey, Letha Styles, Fred & Edith Swaim, Jeanette Underwood, Richard Wallace, Brandon Webb, Doug Willis, Angela Wilson, Billie Wilson, Syble Womack, Mark & Mary Woodville and Sabrina Wright.

Shepherds

Jim Acree Terry Hastings
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Kelley Geurin Steve Smith
Chris Givens Alejo Solis
Javier Guzman Freddy Swaim

Staff

Jim Gardner
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Linda Pike
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Records: January 6, 2019

Bible Classes	329
AM Worship	573
PM Worship	196
Wednesday	251
Weekly budget	\$13,672.00
Contribution	\$15,567.31

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.
Sunday Children's Bible Hour	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 AM Worship

Jimmy Mitchell.....Worship Leader
I Will Call upon the Lord.....63
Todd Hastings.....Welcome & Family News
Our God, He Is Alive.....23
Just a Little Talk with Jesus.....959
A Shield About Me.....PH
Josh Hastings.....Prayer
How Deep the Father's Love.....PH
Scott Martin.....Communion Devo & Offering
Servant Song.....(offering song).....694
Jesus Loves Me!.....(children's song).....1014
In Need.....PH
Norman Hurst.....Luke 7.24-28
Jim Gardner....."Preparing for Good News"
Just As I Am/I Come Broken.....PH
May the Presence of the Lord.....PH
Rob Nossaman.....Shepherds Prayer

Infant Nursery

Melissa Baxley & Jennifer Dorsey

Toddler Nursery

Stephanie & Abby Connell

5:00 PM

LIFE groups will meet

Communion

Kelley Geurin

Infant & Toddler Nursery

Sherri Poe

Pantry Needs:

Cereal, Toilet tissue,
Dishwashing Liquid

The backpack program for Caldwell, Howard Perrin schools & ALC Program is in need of individual Mac n Cheese, individual applesauce cups, pudding cups, fruit cups, pop tarts, peanut butter or cheese crackers, individual chip bags, juice boxes and Capri sun. Please put your items in the tubs just outside the children's worship room in the multipurpose area.

GOD'S HELP IS ONLY
A PRAYER AWAY.

NEED PRAYER

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:

Terry & Jan Hastings