

# Northgate Baptist Church

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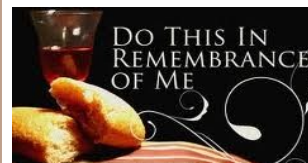
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*The Ordinance of the  
Lord's Supper will be  
Sunday, July 31.*

## Deacon Ministry

Please pray for our deacons and  
for our upcoming  
deacon elections.



*The church office will be  
closed on Monday, July 4 in  
observance of  
Independence Day.*

## Pastoral Staff

Dr. Barry Jimmerson  
(864) 320-9076  
Pastor

Rev. Barry Agnew, Jr.  
Minister of Students  
and Education

Mr. Dennis Page  
Worship Leader

Mrs. Beth Todd  
Interim Minister of  
Preschoolers and their Families

Mrs. Tina Jimmerson  
Interim Minister of  
Children and their families

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Deacons of the Month  
Barry Agnew, Sr.  
Don Calvert  
Will Kirby

Northgate  
Seek. God. First.

**NORTHGATE VBS**  
**July 24-28 6:00-8:30pm**



CHILDREN INVITE YOUR FAMILY  
AND FRIENDS. REGISTER YOUR  
CHILDREN TODAY. ALL  
TEACHERS AND VOLUNTEERS  
MUST REGISTER.



**The Gate Post**

## A Message from Barry Agnew, Jr., Minister of Students and Education

Have you ever had trouble starting a fire? Maybe the wood was wet. Maybe your lighter wasn't working right. Maybe there was another reason but it's always annoying when you're trying to get a campfire going or maybe just a fire in your fireplace and things just aren't going right. On the other hand, it always amazes me how forest fires and house fires can start so easily on their own. It can be something so small. The tiniest spark or even something electronic getting too hot and just like that things can go up in flames.

As Christians, we talk a lot about revival. We hope and pray for revival. We even manufacture all sorts of strategies for revival. At the end of the day, however, we are powerless to bring about revival without a great move of God. While we make all sorts strategies and plans, God doesn't need any of that. God uses whatever He pleases and much like a fire starting on its own, when God starts a revival it can grow and spread beyond anything we could ever imagine.

During the month of July, we have a lot going on here at Northgate. The youth will be returning from camp, the children will be going to camp, and then VBS will be kicking off before we know it. It's easy to treat these activities like regular old church traditions, but remember, God can start a revival at a moment's notice through whatever avenue He pleases! Let's live and pray with the expectation that God is going to move. Let's approach these annual activities with the kind of faith that can move mountains. ***I promise that if we pray with a faith driven expectation we will see a movement of God that goes beyond anything that we could come up with ourselves!***



## A Message from Dennis Page, Worship Leader

Recently, our congregation sang the hymn, "The Church's One Foundation." It's such a rich, deep hymn, that if you ever wanted to do a theological study on "the Church", it might be a good place to start.

The background of how and why the song came to be written in 1860's South Africa is a fascinating story, but we won't delve into that now. Our hymnal contains only 3 of the hymn's original 6 verses but let's take a brief look at them.

### Verse 1:

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord  
She is His new creation by water and the Word  
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride  
With His own blood He bought her and for her life He died.

***Did you get that? Read those last 2 lines again. It's difficult for me to contemplate those lines without tears coming to my eyes.***

### Verse 2:

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth  
Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one faith, one birth  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food  
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Did you notice in this verse the word "one" appears here 7 times? Unless you knew better, you might think the author believed there was only one fellowship, only one church. If so, you'd be right. I've known people who, if your beliefs didn't exactly match theirs, or if you didn't read the same version Bible they read, then you were less of a Christian or perhaps not a Christian at all. However, the truth of the matter is the church is larger and more inclusive than many might believe. Christian comedian Mark Lowrey who grew up in a Baptist Church, jokes that for many years he didn't know that Methodists could even be Christians. What really shook him up was when he met a Catholic Christian.

**Verse 3** is a great way to wrap things up, because it's all about how God is going to wrap things up for the church. This verse teaches us that no matter how tough things get for us personally, or for the church as a whole, a glorious day is coming.

### Verse 3:

'Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war  
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore  
Till with the vision glorious, Her longing eyes are blest  
And the great Church victorious, shall be the Church at rest.

***I'm ready! How about you?***



Friday and Saturday  
July 22-23  
9am-9pm each day

This month, our monthly prayer emphasis will be ***Friday and Saturday, July 22 & 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. both days.***

I hope you will make plans to join in the July prayer vigil. You can sign up for a spot by calling the church office during business hours. As always we encourage EVERYONE to sign up and we are beyond excited about what God is already doing through the prayers of His church at Northgate!

Church Office: 864-242-3805  
Email: [admin@northgatebaptist.com](mailto:admin@northgatebaptist.com)



We will have a VBS volunteers meeting on Sunday, July 10 at 3:00pm in the fellowship hall. **ALL volunteers are requested to attend.**



Northgate's Men's Prayer Breakfast is meeting every Tuesday morning at 7:30am. This is a special time for sharing the needs of God's people at Northgate and to pray for our nation. **All men are welcome to join us.**

***Thank You notes have been received from:***

***Debbie Hudson and Family***



WMU to welcome International Students coming to North Greenville University in the fall.

**Sunday, August 14 at 1:00pm** our ladies will be taking a meal to North Greenville to welcome incoming students this fall.

We are accepting donations of the items below for these students. Baskets are located in the Sunday School corridor for the items.

**Bed/Bath items:** Twin bedspread/comforter, pillows, toilet tissue, travel size shampoo/conditioner and soap.

**Laundry:** Detergent, fabric softener, small size stain remover.

**Health/Medical:** Cold and upset stomach medicines, digital thermometer, small first aid kit.

**Miscellaneous and School Supplies:** Flashlight, sewing kit, extension cord, pens/pencils/paper clips, college ruled paper/spiral notebooks, desk lamp, stapler, notecards and airmail stamps for writing home.

**Have all items at the church no later than Sunday, August 7. Thanks so much for your donations.**



**Tina Jimmerson**  
Interim Minister of Children and their families

**CentriKid Camp is almost here! Our children and counselors will be going to camp July 11-15. Please keep them in your prayers that week.**

On Wednesday nights in July, we will be studying missionaries from 6:30-7:30pm. We will have a mission project for the kids to work on.

**Sunday morning Kids Worship will resume on August 7th.**

