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Northgate

Seek. God. First.

Thoughts from our Pastor



God has been moving in amazing ways through His church at Northgate!

In 2021, we concluded a successful three-year capital campaign (Seek. God. First.) to raise funds for much needed renovations for the facilities at Northgate. Upon conclusion of the campaign, we discovered that God had provided 119% of the finances pledged during the campaign to achieve these renovation goals!

The four-phase renovation project included the renovation of the fellowship hall, restrooms, preschool and children’s areas, the sanctuary, a new HVAC system, education areas and more. We are nearing completion of phase three of this plan. Thus far, God has provided the funds, skill and labor to accomplish all of this work **debt free**.

The remaining items for the final phase of this plan (phase four) include: renovating the parking lots, the gym, the kitchen, a shade structure for the playground, new signage and a new roof for the kitchen.

The Renovations Committee does not believe that God is leading us to begin a new capital campaign to finish this work or to take on debt to finish this final phase of renovation work. However, we strongly believe that God wants His church to be aware of the remaining work and the associated costs of completing it.

A breakdown of the estimated costs for the completion of phase four are:

Parking Lots -	\$120,000
Gym -	50,000
Kitchen -	40,000
Playground Shade -	25,000
Signage -	25,000
Kitchen Roof -	<u>40,000</u>

Total estimated costs for the completion of phase four - \$300,000

Please pray about these remaining needs and how God may meet them through you and your family. The Renovations Fund remains open and active. In fact, every month offerings are donated to this fund and it has grown to the point that has allowed us to continue renovations since the completion of the Seek. God. First. campaign. It is truly a blessing to be a part of what God is doing through His church at Northgate!! Don’t miss this opportunity to give to this exciting work!

All for Him who first loved us,

Barry

The Gate Post

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Josh Capps
Will Hunt

Northgate Discovery Class

Discovery Class will be held on Sunday, **October 2, 9 and 16 at 9:30am in Room 205**. New members must take the class to complete membership and guests can attend to become more acquainted with Northgate.



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
SUPPERS ARE BACK!!**

Sign up by calling the church office by noon on Tuesday. Suppers are every Wednesday from 5:30-6:15pm

If you sign up and don’t come or call to cancel, you will owe for the meal. You can sign-up to be on a standing list or you may sign up weekly by calling the church office by noon each Tuesday.



Join us each Sunday morning at 9am in the parlor for prayer. Everyone is invited to come pray.



October is Minister Appreciation Month

Please pray for our Northgate Ministers: Barry, Barry, Jr., Dennis, Beth and Tina. Let them know how much you appreciate their ministry in God’s church at Northgate.

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

Fall is officially here. Now it may not always be cool outside but it's still Fall. If you're like me, then Fall is one of your favorite times of the year. From sports, to the weather, to the holidays there is so much to look forward to. Oh, and Christmas is less than two months away so if you're a procrastinator you should probably get on that soon. All of this aside, Fall also represents lots of good changes and plenty of opportunities for God's church.

With the renovations finished up in the Education wing, everyone has moved back in and you may even see some new faces back on the hall. Our young adult, Journey class, has moved back upstairs into one of the newly renovated rooms as they have outgrown the room they were meeting in downstairs. Make sure to stick your head in and say hi when you get a chance! The children are loving their newly renovated area as well. We are truly blessed with the resources that the Lord has provided his church at Northgate!

We also have plenty of activities and events coming up this Fall. Our teens will be enjoying plenty of fellowship and outreach with all sorts of events including everything from 5th Quarter, to bonfires, and much more! We'll have our Trunk or Treat coming up at the end of the month so make sure to bring some candy and join us to connect with the community. **Lastly, make sure you are praying for these activities and asking God how YOU can be a part of what He is doing!**

A Message from Dennis Page, Worship Leader

Thoughts on the passing of Queen Elizabeth II

"Pray for me ... that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you, all the days of my life."

- Queen Elizabeth II, on her first Christmas broadcast, December 25th, 1952.

The funeral was a remarkable, God honoring service. There was, of course, the mesmerizing pageantry, but one couldn't help but see, and even feel, that something else was also at work. In the end, she was appropriately honored, as was her Maker.

By all accounts Queen Elizabeth was a godly woman with a deep-seated relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. Over the decades, while many around her, including her own family, experienced moral failings, she remained above reproach.

In 1955, the BBC's broadcast of Billy Graham's appearance in Scotland was viewed by chance by Prince Philip and the Queen. That set-in motion a chain of events that led to her inviting Graham to come to Buckingham Palace for a meeting. While Graham was in London, he met with Queen Elizabeth on at least three more occasions. Thus, was born a special friendship. According to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, there were at least 12 documented times he met with the Queen.

In 2012, 60 years after her first Christmas broadcast, she concluded her Christmas broadcast by praying for her people and inviting a practical, servant-hearted response to Jesus Christ's message of love: "This is the time of year when we remember that God sent his only son "to serve, not to be served." He restored love and service to the center of our lives in the person of Jesus Christ." Alternate Ending 1: It seems that Queen Elizabeth's prayer from the start of her reign has been answered".

Alternate Ending 2: It is my prayer this Christmas Day that His example and teaching will continue to bring people together to give the best of themselves in the service of others." The carol, "In the Bleak Midwinter" ends by asking a question of all of us who know the Christmas story, of how God gave himself to us in humble service:

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man, I would do my part...
'Yet what I can I give him – give my heart'.

One commentator shared that "throughout her long life, Christ's example and teaching have been seen acted out in the dutiful and faithful life of our servant-hearted Queen. It seems that her prayer from the start of her reign has been answered."

In Him Who first loved us, Dennis



Friday and Saturday

October 21 & 22

9am-9pm each day

This month, our monthly prayer emphasis will be **Friday and Saturday, October 21 & 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. both days.**

I hope you will make plans to join in the October 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
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Church Conference

Wednesday, October 12 at 6:30pm in the sanctuary



Tina Jimmerson
*Interim Minister of Children
and their families*

Fall Outreach - Mark your calendar

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 30th from 4:00 - 6:00pm

AWANA News

Wednesday nights - 6:15-7:30

Bring a friend and earn extra points

October 12 **AWANA parents meeting**
6:30pm in the Journey classroom

October 19 **Team Night**
(dress in your favorite team t-shirt)

November 16 **Thankful Night**
This will be our last AWANA meeting until January.

Wednesday Night activities through the end of the year

November 23 Closed for Thanksgiving
November 30 Practice for the Kid's
Christmas Program

December 7 Practice for the Kid's
Christmas Program

December 14 Kid's Christmas Program
in Sanctuary



October Joy Club

Monday, October 17 at 10:45am in the fellowship hall. Come join us for this time of great food and fellowship. Our special guests will be **Cathy Schwartz. Come and enjoy Cathy playing the handbells!** Contact Judy Rothfuss at 483-0709 to let her know you will be coming. **The deadline for reservations is Wednesday, October 12.** If you make reservations and don't attend, you must pay for your meal.



Operation Christmas Child packing party will be held on Saturday, October 22 at 2pm in the gym. Pick up a box or two at the church and fill it.

Everyone is invited to help us pack the boxes. We thank all of you for the donation of items and money to send the boxes.



Jonathan and Ashleigh are expecting a baby girl! We will have a drop-in baby shower for them on Sunday, October 9 from 2-3:30pm in the fellowship hall. Ashleigh is registered at Amazon and Target. Gift cards are welcomed.



ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, October 3

4:00-8:30pm

**See Judy Rothfuss or
call her at 864-483-0709.**

ONLINE GIVING

You may give online by scanning the QR Code. The scanned code should take you to Northgate's website. Click on the "Give" icon.

