

# Northgate

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Seek. God. First.

## Thoughts from our Pastor



On June 14, 1864, the same day that Union forces crossed the Potomac River in the state of Virginia to assault Confederate forces dug in at Petersburg, Virginia, a baby was born in Markbreit, Bavaria, in Germany. That baby's name was Alois Alzheimer. Alois Alzheimer earned the Doctor of Medicine degree with a specialization in Psychiatry. He was especially interested in laboratory research of senile patients. This interest eventually led him to meet a woman named Auguste Deter. Mrs. Deter was a fifty-one-year-old with serious short-term memory problems. Mrs. Deter's family could not afford to keep her in the Fankfurt Asylum where she lived and was receiving treatment. Dr. Alzheimer came to an agreement with her family to pay for her expenses in exchange for the donation of her brain and medical records at the time of her death. Mrs. Deter died on April 8, 1906, and her medical records along with her brain were sent to the medical laboratory where Dr. Alzheimer was working. Dr. Alzheimer, along with his associates noted certain anomalies in her brain that later led Mrs. Deter to become the first person diagnosed with the dementia disease that we know as Alzheimer's.

Alzheimer's disease continues to plague many in our families causing much pain and grief. Alois Alzheimer's life and work causes us to pause and remember that every person conceived has great value and incredible God-given potential for good in this world.

No life is insignificant and every life is valuable and has wonderful potential. We never know when the next Alois Alzheimer will be born. Every life has a story, every life has value and every life has purpose. Every person is conceived on purpose and for a purpose. At the point of conception, that purpose is known only by God. **The Bible teaches in Psalm 139:16 - "Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them."**

On May 17, 1749, a baby boy was born in Berkeley, Gloucestershire, England, named Edward Jenner. Edward was the eighth of nine children. His father was a pastor. Edward Jenner became a physician and later developed the world's first vaccine. He is most famous for developing a vaccine for small pox. Dr. Jenner is often credited with saving more lives than anyone in history.

On October 28, 1914, a baby boy was born in New York City, named Jonas Salk. Dr. Jonas Salk is credited with the "Miracle cure" for a polio vaccination. Dr. Salk did not seek a patent for his vaccine so that the medicine could be distributed to people as quickly as possible.

Has the person yet been conceived who will provide a cure for Alzheimer's disease or cancer? Only God knows. Through His Word, we know that every life is critically important from conception to natural death.

**Take a stand for the sanctity of human life. Your life might one day depend upon it.**

Thanking God for His provision,

## The Gate Post

### Pastoral Staff

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Deacons of the Month  
Richard Anderson  
Don Calvert

Moving? Please notify the church office of your address change

### Deacon Ministry

Please pray for our Deacons.  
Nominations will be received  
June 4 - June 11. Forms will be  
available in the June 4th bulletin.



Come join us as we honor  
our Fathers on Sunday,  
June 18. Northgate will make  
a donation to Miracle Hill's  
Overcomers  
program for men.



The Celebration Choir will be taking a break in the months of June and July. We will be returning in August. If you are interested in joining the choir, please see Dennis Page.



We are collecting items for 2023 Operation Christmas Child. In the month of June we are collecting for 2-4 year old boys. We need toy cars, plastic tool set and wooden blocks. There is a collection box in the Sunday School hallway. If you are unable to shop, we will do it for you. See Linda Smith for details.

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

I want to give you a hypothetical challenge. Imagine for a moment that you had to drive from one side of Greenville to the other... but here's the catch. You have to make sure to avoid seeing any church buildings the entire time. Do you think you could do it? I have lived in Greenville most of my life and I can almost guarantee that I couldn't. We have plenty of churches here in Greenville. Now there are still countless Greenville residents who don't have a relationship with Jesus and even with all of the churches it's safe to say that they aren't all what we would consider healthy churches, but we can still acknowledge that finding a decent church in our community shouldn't be that difficult of a task. However, this is most certainly not the case everywhere.

This month Northgate is sending a mission team to serve in the heart of Boston, Massachusetts in the Bunker Hill/Charlestown community. This once historic Christian city is now a bastion of lostness. At present, there is only one evangelical church for every 38,000 residents. It's safe to say that you probably could drive across Boston without seeing an evangelical church without too much trouble. I personally want to thank everyone who gave to support God's work on mission through His church at Northgate. **We covet your prayers and can't wait to see what God is going to in our time in Boston.**

Not long after arriving home from Boston, I will be hopping on a Northgate bus and taking students down to Andrews, NC for youth camp at Snowbird. Again, I'm incredibly thankful for the generosity of God's church in supporting our student ministry. It will be a wild and busy month of June and we **KNOW** that God will work. So don't forget to lift our Boston team and our Youth Camp up in prayer and we can't wait to report back on everything that God has done once the dust settles!



## A Message from Dennis Page, Worship Leader

Why do we engage in congregational worship? There may be several reasons you haven't considered. I have a 30-year-old worship planner edition of "Songs for Praise and Worship". I often consult the offers "Ten Reasons for Congregational Worship". Today, let's look at the first five.

- 1. To glorify God and to enjoy Him** "He who sacrifices thank offerings honors Me" (Psalm 50:23), "You will fill me with joy in Your presence, with eternal pleasures at Your right hand" (Psalm 16:11), "To Him Who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, forever and ever!" (Revelation 5:13).
- 2. To help the people come into the presence of the Lord** "Come before Him with joyful singing" (Psalm 100:2). Be careful not to think of worship as a song service; think of it as a progression into the manifest presence of God. Lives are changed in God's presence.
- 3. To stimulate the ministry of the Word of God** "While the harpist was playing, the hand of the Lord came up on Elisha" (2 Kings 3:15).
- 4. To help get the Word of God into our minds** "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God" (Colossians 3:16). Singing God's truth is an excellent way to memorize scripture. The worship time is, among other things, a teaching time.
- 5. To celebrate the finished work of Christ and our salvation history** "To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood ... to Him be the glory and power forever and ever" (Revelation 1:5,6). The song of Moses, found in Exodus 15, is a celebration of what God has done for his people. Psalm 136 is a review of Israel's history in praise.

Why don't you read this over again, and let it sink in. I believe as we do, it will make a difference in the way we approach worship. And although worship is about Him, don't be surprised if you are the recipient of a wealth of blessings.

In Him Who first loved us, Dennis



## Friday and Saturday

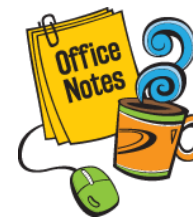
June 16 & 17

9am-9pm each day

This month, our monthly prayer emphasis will be **Friday and Saturday, June 16 & 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. both days.**

I hope you will make plans to join in the June 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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This is a reminder to let the church office know if you have a change of address, phone number or email address. We like to keep our database of members up-to-date. **Have a good summer!**



Northgate's Men's Prayer Breakfast meets 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.**



### Congratulations to:

**Lauren Lessig on the birth of Brayden Joshua Lessig on April 19. Brayden weighed 7.8 lbs. and was 20" long.**



Jake & Savanna Andrews

1003 Rutherford Rd., Greenville, SC 29609

Children: Harper, Coley and Fletcher

Tina Jimmerson  
Interim Minister of Children  
and their families



We will not have Kids Worship June to August 2 while school is out for the summer. Elementary age children will worship with their parents. A kids bulletin will be available during worship. Kids Worship will resume on August 9.

Wednesday night from 6:30-7:30pm  
June 14-July 12

Music Camp for elementary kids, led by Dennis & Peggy Page will be held in the children's department.

Adult VBS led by Barry Agnew, Sr. and Randy Mott will be held in the sanctuary. All adults welcome.

Kids Salt Camp is July 17-20 for 4th-6th graders. A parent meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 14 at 6:15 in the fellowship hall. Parents please plan to attend.

VBS—Lifeway's "Twist & Turns" is coming July 23-27 from 6:00-8:30pm. Pick up some flyers to pass out to family, friends and neighbors. **PROMOTE VBS!!**

### Thank You notes have been received from:

**Barry & Tina Jimmerson and family**

Thank you all for you many expressions of kindness during our fathers sickness and death. We are so thankful for such a loving church family. May God bless you! We love you.