

From The Pastor's Heart

As we approach Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 26th, let me encourage you to take the time to thank God for what He has done in your life. Each year I try to take some time and write down the things for which I am grateful. 1 Thessalonians 5:18 tells us to "give thanks in all circumstances." No matter how this message might find you, let me encourage you with the message that has encouraged me – give thanks in all circumstances!

I am particularly grateful to God this Thanksgiving...

For the ability to see, hear, think, speak, play sports, work outside on occasion and move around;
for an occasional respite from all the day to day things that occupy my time;
for my home;
for medicine that controls health issues;
for having a 30th birthday.

For a Christian upbringing and a great church;
for a wonderful wife who has brought so much joy into my life and who I believe to be a gift from God;
for a loving brother who's love is unfailing;
for friends who walk with me down the road of life, celebrating the good times and joining together in the bad times;
for a loving mother who has exemplified love in ways I will never be able to;
for a deliberate father who is intentional in his acts and in the examples he sets;
for grandparents who are more supportive of me than I could have asked for;
for individuals whom I know who keep no record of wrongs and who show me forgiveness.

For a wonderful job at the hospital, great colleagues and a commute to work that affords me some much needed quiet time with God.

For the freedoms and prosperity of our country;
for those serving overseas and here at home to protect my freedoms;
for the colors and coolness of this season;
for opportunities to meet and know good people;
for being able to visit interesting places and
to serve God, His people and those who do not know Him yet.

For Jesus Christ our Savior, for the blessed Holy Spirit,
for Christian brothers and sisters locally and universally,
for the privilege of pastoring the most creative, committed and caring church I have ever heard of,
and for the fellowship and encouragement of my church family both locally and around the world.

Thank you God. Amen.

- Pastor Adrian Dixon

Thanksgiving Day Outreach

Have any Thanksgiving Day plans? If not, come join us at the Circus Family Restaurant in downtown Raleigh as we prepare and serve a Thanksgiving Day meal to those who are in need or alone this Thanksgiving. We will be providing a Thanksgiving dinner complete with all the fixin's on Thursday, November 26th. This is a great opportunity to let hurting and hungry people know they are not forgotten!

Last year we served over 450 plates of food to individuals in our community. We need your help again this year! There are sign-up sheets at the church for different shifts and responsibilities. We will begin feeding at 11:30 am and serve until the food is gone. If you will be out of town this Thanksgiving, be on the lookout for ways you can help. If you have questions, please see either Glenn Mitchell or Pastor Adrian. Make this Thanksgiving one to remember!



Discover Northside/Partnership Class-

Discover Northside is an information and partnership class held after a morning worship service. This will be an opportunity for you to ask questions and learn about Northside's structure, strategy and vision. You will also have the opportunity to join the church as a partner. The next class will be Sunday, December 6th following the morning worship service. Please sign up in the lobby if you would like to attend. Lunch will be provided.



Thanksgiving Dinner

Mark your calendars for NCC's 5th annual Thanksgiving dinner and praise service. We will be having a covered dish dinner on Sunday night, November 22nd at 6:00 pm at the church. Please bring your favorite Thanksgiving dish. After dinner, we will have a time of worship and opportunities for people to share a testimony of thanks. This was a GREAT event last year, so invite your friends, family and neighbors and let's share some thanks together!



Community Thanksgiving Service

Northside will be participating in the Knightdale Church Alliance's Community Thanksgiving Service. The service is scheduled for Monday, November 23rd at 7:00 pm at the new Knightdale United Methodist Church. We are asking all who attend to bring a bag of nonperishable food items for the Knightdale Community Pantry. Don't miss this opportunity to worship with our brothers and sisters in the Knightdale community.



Church Schedules—November

Refreshments

1 st Sunday	Ed & Frances Rogerson
2 nd Sunday	Debra Dixon Shoshannah Dixon
3 rd Sunday	Tom & Sue Bodette
4 th Sunday	David & Fern Vinston
5 th Sunday	Jesse & Joyce Poole

Greeting

1 st Sunday	Ed & Frances Rogerson
2 nd Sunday	Carl & Heather Richardson
3 rd Sunday	Tom & Sue Bodette
4 th Sunday	Sue Wade & Nellie Griner
5 th Sunday	Ed & Frances Rogerson

Cleaning

George & Liz Watson
Frank Pritchett

NCC's Fall Festival SATURDAY

November 14th

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

We need You!!!

Volunteers ~ Donations

Sign up sheets are in the lobby



November Birthdays

Joe Thomson	November 6th
Dalton Soles	November 10th
Ginny Thayer	November 11th
Jeremy Thompson	November 11th
Jessica Jones	November 14th
Greg Murray	November 22nd
Ruth Quakenbush	November 22nd
Austin Bodette	November 27th
Frances Rogerson	November 28th

**Did we miss yours?
Please let us know!**



Church Loan Update

November 2009

Northside Community Church is aggressively paying down a loan used to plant the church as well as acquire property. This loan is interest free and as it's paid back, these monies are being used to plant and build other churches. If you would like to contribute to help meet this need, please note your gift for "loan repayment" and mail it to:

Northside Community Church
PO Box 1139

Knightdale, NC 27545.

*Invested in us to get Northside where we are today...
what we owe so that we might invest in*

others:

\$78,463.23

A Look at the Numbers... October

	Attendance	Offering
October 4th	88	\$4,391.00
October 11th	94	\$1,266.00
October 18th	85	\$1,070.00
October 25th	87	\$2,461.00

Total Amount of Tithes	\$9,188.00
Amount Needed Per Week	\$2,284.62
Average Weekly Tithes	\$2,297.00
YTD Budget Shortage	\$5,367.00
Building Fund Total	\$75,656.44

"The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to fear the Lord your God." (NLT)

Deuteronomy 14:23c

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On Sunday, October 25th, over \$14,000.00 was given for the eventual building on the church property. Thank you to all those who so faithfully gave.

News & Notes For November...

- **Men's Morning Bible Study** – The Men's morning Bible study meets every Friday at IHOP at 7:00 am.
- **Children's Ministry Performing**—The children of NCC will be singing during the 10:00 worship service on November 1st.
- **Thanksgiving Outreach Meeting** – There will be a meeting at 6:30 on Sunday, November 8th to organize our annual Thanksgiving Day outreach. All interested persons are invited to attend.
- **Fall Festival** – NCC's annual Fall Festival will be Saturday, November 14th from 11:00 am—1 pm.
- **Holy Communion** – We will be observing Holy Communion on Sunday, November 15th at the 10:00 am worship service.
- **NCC Covered Dish Dinner**—NCC's annual covered dish dinner and praise service will be Sunday night, November 22nd at 6:00 pm at the church.
- **Thanksgiving Day Outreach**—NCC will be cooking and serving meals on Thanksgiving Day, November 26th beginning at 11:30 at Circus Family Restaurant.
- **NCC Turkey Classic**—Saturday, November 28th at 12:30 at Wilmar Country Club. All guys are invited to play.

First Annual NCC Turkey Classic

On Saturday, November 28th, NCC will be having a 2 man scramble tournament at Wilmar Country Club beginning at 12:30. Cost is \$35.00 per person. A sign up sheet is located in the lobby if you would like to participate. Friends and neighbors are welcome to join as well! Please list your true "handicap" so we can pair teams equally.



Christian Sympathy

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Derrick & Nancy Burr. Derrick's brother, Dynell, passed away September 29th. Please remember the Burr family in your prayers.

Health Screening

For anyone interested, there will be a Life Line screening event at the church Saturday, November 7th. Information is located in the lobby. This event will be open to the Knightdale community, so call ahead to schedule the best times. Additionally, we would like to provide snacks and juice for the participants of this event, so if you can help, please sign up in the lobby.

Church Mailbox

Dear Northside Community Church,

I wanted to write and let you know what a privilege it was to come and share with you about Mali and how the Lord has led me there. You guys are the kindest and most hospitable people I've ever met. Your love for each other and for others was so evident. Thank you for welcoming me so warmly into your church. I look forward to getting to know you better over the years to come. I hope to come and visit again before I leave the states. God bless you all.

Jason Foster, M.D.

Adrian,

I wrote this letter to fellow church members. I was wondering if you'd be willing to pass it on. I just came from a building team meeting and I wanted to let you know how encouraged I am by the progress being made. Today we met with a local civil engineer to find out what steps we need to take next in this process. I think as a team we're trying to make sure we know each and every possible scenario that could arise so that we don't get hit with unforeseen costs. The main reason I'm writing tonight is to let you know how excited I am. I guess I really want you to get excited too. I feel like many times we get complacent and hope or trust that the teams in the church will always make the right decisions. We simply give the "okay" or the money needed. I was talking with Carl today and we were discussing what we hope to see from this "building plan." Pastor Adrian spoke in church today about how Paul planted churches. Carl and I agreed we want to do more than just "plant" a church. As a church we have the potential to do so many great things in our community. There are so many ways we can serve. I sometimes don't think we do enough as a church to serve the community. I know I am guilty of this. We need to be more visible. It's our job as Christians. By joining this team I really hoped to help build a strong foundation that will last years after I'm gone. I am by no means trying to preach to you. I just believe this a huge step we're making as a congregation. We're talking about making a pledge of 3-quarters of a million dollars. That's only part of the commitment. Most importantly, we're building a house for the Lord. That's a huge responsibility. I guess I'm hoping that the building project is something you really pray about. Ask building team members what we're up to. What developments are being made? What are we concerned about? What would we like you to pray about? Pray with us. I alone felt convicted to write this to you. No one asked me to do it. And as a member of this team, I'm asking you to take me to task. Make sure I'm making the right decisions. Pray that the team is doing God's will. That isn't my church, your church or Adrian's church. This is God's church. We can't forget that.

Your fellow servant in Christ,
Heather Peterson

Dear Northside,

I just wanted to thank everyone from the bottom of my heart who supported me in the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer this past weekend. Even though I was not able to participate in the walk because I did not reach the fundraising goal, I was able to volunteer helping out with check in and had a great time. I want to let everyone know who donated that their money went directly to Avon for the fight against breast cancer. Again, thank you so much! Your support really makes a difference. Thank you for being the best church family.

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