

# *Shore Lines of the Northfield Church of Christ*

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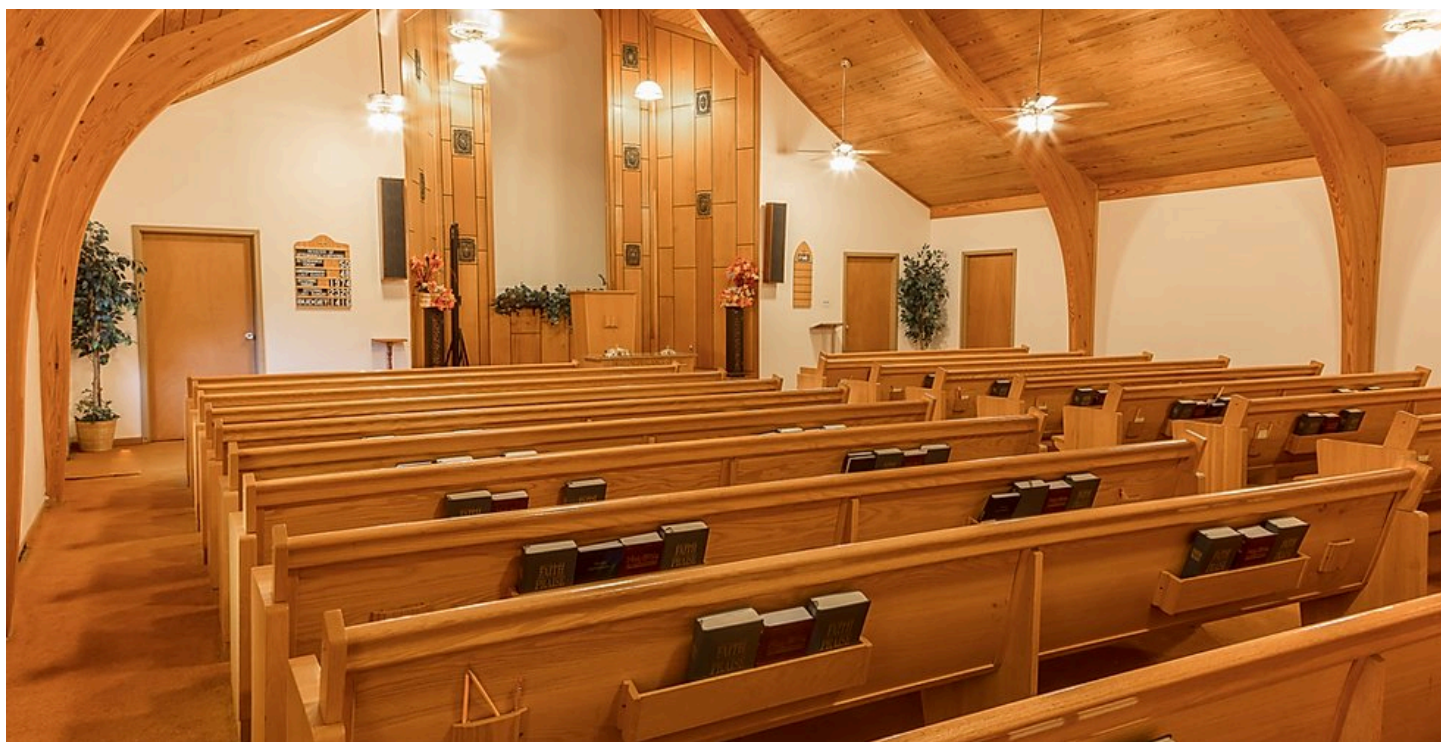
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**All Services Streaming/Available on YouTube**

**(Click for link)**

**Sunday Morning Bible Study @ 9:30AM (Auditorium only)**

*Bill Wills is finishing the OT book of Amos, chapter 8-9*

**Sunday Morning Worship Service @ 10:30AM**

**Sunday Evening Youtube Service @ 6:00PM**

**Tuesday Night Women's Class (See Noreen Wills)**

**Wednesday Bible study @ 7:00PM**

*Steve is leading a study from the book of Acts*

***(We are not meeting @ the building, study is ZOOM only @ this time!!!)***

***(Request Zoom info from Steve Robertson @ [guinsdad@yahoo.co](mailto:guinsdad@yahoo.co))***

**If You Are High Risk or Feeling ill, PLEASE STAY AT HOME!**

**We are not requiring mask.**

# What to say to Visitors

So, as you walk through the church building or when sitting in a pew you see a person who is a visitor. What do you say to them? It may be an awkward moment, but it is obvious that saying the right thing is so important. Below are seven ideas of what each of us can say to cause visitors to return again. These ideas are not original (I found them in a blog by Thomas Rainer), but they might help you become a person God can use in an amazing way.

**“Thank you for being here.”** Imagine the impact that saying these simple words would have on visitors to our services. Especially if they heard them many times when they come.

**“Let me help you with that.”** From the moment visitors arrive at our services, the warmth of these words can have a profound impact when they come. It might be helping them carry items into the building—purses, books, diaper bags, coats, etc. The fact you were there, saw their need and offered to help will not be forgotten.

**“Please take my seat.”** Covid-19 and social distancing have created some unusual situations. Imagine a family with two or three children arriving at services and are having trouble finding seats. It would be far easier for you or you and your mate to move to another pew and give your seats to them.

**“Here is my email address. Let me know if I can help in any way.”** These words spoken from your sincere heart reflect the life of Jesus. Newcomers

likely have several questions you can answer.

**“Can I show you where to go?”** Visitors find themselves in a new place not knowing the location of restrooms, nurseries or classrooms. When you see them struggling, go out of your way to help them.

**“Let me introduce you to \_\_\_\_\_.”** Bring them to one of the preachers or elders. If you learn where they are from or where they work, make sure they meet members who share this in common with them. You will be amazed how “passing a visitor” along to another member will impact their lives.

**“Would you join us for lunch?”** Almost every week you eat out, perhaps with other members, inviting them to go with the group quickly introduces them to others. Our young adults do an excellent job in this area. Think of how often Jesus ate with others. Studies show what a great impact this has on those who visit.

What would you add to this list? What have you said to visitors which has impacted them? I’d like to hear from you with your ideas we can share. Just put yourself in the place of a visitor and think of what could be said that will help them see Christ’s likeness in the church. Let’s work on this together.

## **Hebrews 13:2 (NIV)**

*Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.*



What do you say to visitors?



## SERVING TODAY

**Bible Class:** *Bro Bill Wills*

**Song Leader:** *Bro Lee Christensen*

**Announcements:** *Bro Mike Walsh*

**Opening Prayer:** *Bro William White*

**Communion:** *Bro Bill Wills*

**Sermon:** *Bro Mark Seim*

**Closing Prayer:** *Bro Bart Diguglielmo*

## Worship Order

**Call to Worship** (*Himno*)

**Announcements**

**Opening Prayer** (*Oracion*)

**Hymn** (*Himno*)

**Lord's Supper** (*Santa Cena*)

**Hymn** (*Himno*)

**Reading-** *Gen.37:13; 39:8-9; 41:16; 45:4-8*

**Sermon-** *Learning Character From Joseph*

**Invitational Hymn** (*Himno*)

**Closing Hymn** (*Himno*)

**Closing Prayer** (*Oracion*)

## Here Am I

**Genesis 37:13** And Israel said unto Joseph, Do not thy brethren feed *the* flock in Shechem? come, and I will send thee unto them. And he said to him, *Here am I.*



## CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

### Baby Shower

Everyone, both male & female are invited to a "welcome" baby shower for Sory & Jose on

**Sunday, Dec. 19th** immediately after worship service in our Fellowship room.

We are having a soup & sandwich luncheon along with their shower. Call Jane (609)652-1151 so you can help with the food. Sory is registered at (Target.com The Gift Giver.)

Please bring a gift for a baby girl & plan to eat & celebrate with us...mark

### Food Bank/Clothing

- ★ Available to those in need.
- ★ Please bring in non-perishable items to help keep it stocked.
- ★ There is a portable clothing rack in the kitchen area in which you can bring in clothing you wish to share.
- ★ **Free Book** is still available "*Muscle and a Shovel*".

👤 Please take a book & when finished pass it on to someone you know who would benefit.



## WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED ?

Both Jesus and the apostles (guided by the Holy Spirit) taught that to be saved, it is necessary that one:

Hear

Romans 10:13-17    John 6:45  
Revelation 1:3

Believe

John 2:30-31    Hebrews 11:6  
Acts 16:31

Repent

Luke 13:3-5    Acts 2:38  
Acts 17:30-31

Confess

Matthew 10:32-33  
Romans 10:9-10

Be Baptized

Mark 16:15-16    1 Peter 3:21  
Acts 2:38    Acts 22:16

Live Godly

Titus 2:11-14    Romans 12:1-2  
2 Peter 1:5-11

# LEARNING CHARACTER FROM JOSEPH

Genesis 37:13; 39:8-9; 41:16; 45:4-8

This morning we will see why we can learn much about character from the "*character of Joseph*." We will examine why his life is worthy to be emulated. In him we find nobility of character and purity of heart and life. We'll look at his magnanimity as a ruler and a brother and see that he more than any other Old Testament character, an illustration of that type of man which Christ was to give to the world in perfection.

## I. JOSEPH AS A SON IN CANAAN

### (A) Hated By His Brothers

(1) Genesis 37:2-11, 12-36,

### (B) Faithful To His Father

(1) Genesis 37:13

## II. JOSEPH AS A SLAVE IN EGYPT

### (A) An Overseer In Potiphar's House

(1) Genesis 39:1-6, 8-9

### (B) Overseer In Pharaoh's Prison

(1) Genesis 39:21-23; 40:8, 20-23

(2) Genesis 41:16, 25, 32-36

## III. JOSEPH AS A PRINCE IN EGYPT

### (A) Wise In His Service To Pharaoh

(1) Genesis 41:38-49, 50-52

### (B) Merciful In His Treatment Of Older Brothers

(1) Genesis 42:1-45

(2) Genesis 46:16-20, 28-34; 47:1-12

(3) Genesis 45:4-8; 50:15-21

### (C) Believing In The Providence Of God

(1) Genesis 50:20; 24-25

**Conclusion...** In the life and story of Joseph, we see the value of a character centered in faith and trust in God. He was devoted to serving God and man with honor and responsibility and was unwilling to be deterred by the hatred, betrayal, and forgetfulness of others. He was willing to forget the wrongs committed by others and was able to see the "big picture," God's workings in the affairs of men. I hope that the character of Joseph will serve to inspire us to develop our character as well, that in some small way we too can be, "*an example to believers in word, in conduct, in spirit, in faith, in purity.*" (1 Tim.4:12).

## THOUGHTS TO PONDER ON!!

Never regret being good to people who have wronged you. Your behavior says everything about you and their behavior says a lot about them. It's sometimes hard to smile, or turn the other cheek (you only have two), we should just remember that you are a child of GOD...a Christian who wants to make heaven their home. (**Matthew 5:38-48**)

You need to let people lose you. Let them go along with what others think of you, and let them believe what they want to believe. Let people sleep on their perception of you because until people get to know you their thoughts of you will be THEIR own thoughts. In due time they will realize the error in their thoughts about you and enough time for you to realize either you are better off without them, or they will realize they were wrong. Be the CHRISTIAN that GOD COMMANDS us to be and we will be okay.

### **Proverbs 23:7**

*For as he thinks in his heart, so is he.*

*"Eat and drink!" he says to you,*

*But his heart is not with you.*

\*\*\*When we see or hear something is wrong go to the scriptures and see what God says about it then address it with Godly love because we will have enough to answer for at the judgement\*\*\*

## PREACHER'S CORNER!

- Russell continues to improve at home. There are many others on our prayer list, so consult the bulletin to know who they are.
- For additional information, go to our website or Facebook Page.
- Thanks to Mike for maintaining the website, & Terry for handling our Facebook Page.
- The Sunday morning Bible class before worship is completing the book of Amos.
- Wednesday night class via ZOOM is in the 20th chapter of Acts.
- Noreen conducts a ladies class at the building each Tuesday night.
- You can "attend" Sunday night worship via You Tube at 6:00PM.
- If you know anyone who might benefit or enjoy receiving a morning devotional via email, see Lee or myself.

# ***PRAYER REQUESTS***

*Continue to pray for those who request prayers—James 5:16*



## **CONTINUAL PRAYERS FOR HEALTH**

- Debbie Shurig; it was nice to see her at church services this past Sunday.
- Debi R-R as she struggles with her health.
- Melida Arbaiza as she continues to battle with her health.
- Teri Clevenger for better health
- Elsie Thompson for spiritual strength
- Tim Height
- Derrick and Anna
- Russell Weems as he continues to make progress from his surgery
- Elsie for spiritual health.
- New converts.
- Let's pray for all our congregational family.

## **FRIENDS & RELATIVES**

- Noreen's father Rit Crema & her family as they deal with his health.
- Natalie's good friend & her family as they battle with COVID-19.
- Paul Denson' family for spiritual strength.
- Linda Meredith' sister as she undergo chemo treatments.
- Oneida' friend in Mexico is doing better along with her brother in the D. R., Also pray for her son Benji who also suffers with some health issues.
- Natalie' good friend Sue & her family contracted Covid-19.
- *Michael Hammer* who was baptized here has moved to Washington township.

## **CONTINUAL CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS**

- Toms River Church of Christ
- Cape May Courthouse Church of Christ
- D. R. – Ministry Growth
- Zambia (Continued Relief)

## **WEBSITES FOR CHURCH OF CHRIST ARTICLES/STREAMING**

<https://www.christiancourier.com>

<https://churchofchristarticles.com/blog/>

<https://gbntv.org>

