



**NORTHTOWN**  
**CHURCH**  
Bringing people together and to God

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## Yes, Again

Today I had to load the dishwasher, run it, then unload it, just like I did yesterday. The carpets needed vacuuming, the bedsheets needing changing, and someone needed clean underwear again – all tasks I had done just last week.

Today I took a shower, brushed my teeth, and combed my hair – again – a routine I've done close to 20,000 times. From a marketer's viewpoint this may be cause for alarm. There is nothing new, improved or trendy about the repetitive tasks of daily living; in short, it sounds boring.

Yet....

Today God made the earth turn and made the sun come up, again. He made the rain fall, the grass grow (which then had to be mowed!), and the flowers bloom, just like last week. Oh yeah...and don't forget that bit about keeping the planets in orbit and maintaining the order of the universe – over and over for eons.

Today God created the life of a new human being somewhere; and today He forgave me – *again*.

So, I am thankful that some things are "boring," and that God is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow – again.



- Liz Rhodebeck

## ***Welcome to Northtown Church!***

*"Bringing people together and to God"*

Come as you are. That's our request and welcome to you. You don't need to pretend anything while you are with us -- we accept you wherever you are on your spiritual journey. Open your heart and stay awhile and seek His truth together with us. We can have confidence that God is with us and He is in control. May you experience the joy and strength of Christian community as together we grow closer to God. Please be our guest, and come as you are.

### **The Quiet Room**

If you desire to have an elder pray with you about any need in your life, you are invited to come to The Quiet Room in the southwest corner of the auditorium immediately after worship on any Sunday.

### **Talk With the Leadership**

Open a conversation with the Leadership of Northtown Church! Perhaps you have a request, a suggestion or a question. If so, then contact us. Call any elder or minister – their names and phone numbers are on the back of this bulletin. We are always ready to talk with you, whether you're a guest here or a member.

### **Life Chain**

On Sunday, October 4th, from 2:00 – 3:30 PM, there will be a LifeChain in Milwaukee to peacefully protest the killing of innocent children. For those of you who are not familiar with LifeChain, a human cross of people is formed in a city. Individuals stand on sidewalks and hold signs like "Abortion Kills Children", "Jesus Forgives and Heals", and "Adoption is the Loving Choice". Individuals are encouraged to pray for this nation, our courts, our elected officials, the doctors who perform the abortion, and the parents who are considering abortion. If you would like to participate in the LifeChain, please contact Ken Zinkgraf so enough signs can be ordered.

### ***Proverbs 24:11***

*Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter.*

*If you say, "But we knew nothing about this," does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who guards your life know it? Will he not repay each person according to what he has done?*

## **Friend Day!**



Next Sunday, September 13th is our annual **Friend Day** right after our worship time together. We'll have grilled brats, hamburgers, roasted corn and more for a lunch outside, weather permitting. Check the sign-up lists in the foyer to see what you can bring to make this a wonderful time of fellowship with our friends and neighbors. Be sure to invite someone and be the salt and light of the Lord.

## **Women's Outreach & Tee Shirts**

The women of Northtown will be volunteering at the Sojourner House of Peace (a women's shelter) on Saturday, September 26 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM. If you would like to help, please see Renee Russell.

Ladies, if you would like to order a Northtown tee shirt for the outreach, please let Liz Rhodebeck know what SIZE shirt to order for you by SEPTEMBER 9TH. Prices range from \$10-\$15, depending on size. Contact Liz. (NOTE: If there are not enough responses by the deadline, the shirts will not be ordered at this time.)

## **Youth Group**

All youth group members (7th – 12th grade) are invited to the Brumley's house, 8226 N. Celina, Milwaukee, for a night of fun, food & fellowship on September 18. The activity starts at 6:30 PM; parents can pick up their kids at 9:30 PM.

## **Men's Breakfast**

Beginning in October, on the third Saturday of each month, all Northtown men (and their friends) are invited to a Men's Breakfast. Not only will we enjoy eating breakfast together, but we will also learn to be authentic men of God through the teaching of Dr. Robert Lewis (on DVD). In October, we will focus on our role as godly husbands learning to "Engage Our Women Successfully." Brothers, if you want to learn your wife's 'love language' and how to speak that language to meet her needs, join us beginning at 8:30 AM on October 17th. Bring a buddy!

## **Big Thanks!**

Family, I want to thank all who helped make the Northtown Neighborhood Carnival a wonderful success last Saturday! Despite the chilly weather (but no rain!) we had between 300-400 men, women, and children who visited us, and handed out 200 bags of school supplies. We also collected a barrel full of food for our pantry! We obeyed our Lord and reached out to the "last and least" in our backyard. Well done!

## **Military/College Students**

If you have a family member in the military or in college, please post a photo and mailing address on our designated bulletin board so we can keep in touch with him or her. See Liz Rhodebeck if you have questions.

## Servants for Service

This Week – September 6

**Speaker:** Keith Brumley  
**Announcer:** Craig O'Leske

**Communion:** JerMaine Bryant  
**Prayer:** Bob Monroe  
**Children's Church:** No Children's Church  
**Greeters:** Peggy Love, Mary Read  
**Ushers:** Greg Davis, Brian Crum

Next Week – September 13

Keith Brumley  
JerMaine Bryant  
  
Ed Wewel  
Jerry Fox  
Ken Koch, Katie Koch  
  
Ken & Lindy Zinkgraf  
Corwin Russell, Roger Root

### Calendar of Events

9/13 FRIEND DAY!!  
9/18 Youth @ Brumley's, 6:30 PM  
9/26 Women's Volunteer Day  
10/4 Life Chain, 2 PM  
10/17 Men's Breakfast, 8:30 AM

### Our Giving

Offering Last Week: \$4,356  
2009 Average: \$3,365  
2009 Budget: \$3,650

### Our Fellowship

Attendance Last Week: 136  
2009 Average: 133

### Mowing/Shoveling Schedule

9/6-9/12 John McAdams, Keith Brumley,  
Ken Koch  
9/13-9/19 Ken Zinkgraf, Michael Geenen

### Children's Memory Verse for September:

Look to Me, and be saved, All you ends  
of the earth! For I *am* God and there is  
no other.

*Isaiah 45:22*

### Birthdays / Anniversaries This Week

9/6 Grace Zinkgraf  
9/7 Jaren & Leslie Klett  
9/7 Clarence/Joyce Lauenstein  
9/7 Wayne North  
9/8 Brandon Miller  
9/8 J.R. Vazquez  
9/10 Shelly Skorik  
9/11 Belinda North

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Sunday Bible Class: 9 AM  
Sunday Worship: 10 AM  
Wednesday Class: 7 PM

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