



NORTHTOWN CHURCH

Bringing people together and to God

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Are you FEASTING on the WORD of God?

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.

Parents Night Out

Don't forget: The youth group will be hosting free childcare services on Saturday, February 13 from 6 to 10 PM. This event is for Valentine's Day. Adult supervisors will be Anne Redford, Lana Fox and Teresa Thomas. If you would like to take advantage of this generous offer, please sign up on the Youth bulletin board in the foyer no later than Sunday, February 7. For questions, call Anne at (262) 501-9381.

Girls' Event

There will be a meeting of youth group girls and their parents for approximately 30 minutes after worship on February 7 in the nursery about a girls' program being planned at Northtown. See Renee Russell if you have questions.

A Year of Building

At our recent annual meeting, the budget was presented for 2010. Please take time to look over the plans for this year, and contact one of the elders if you have any questions or concerns about the budget before it is approved in February.

Soupfest Sunday!

Our "Soupfest" Potluck luncheon is TODAY! Please feel welcome to stay and share in some warm soup on a cold winter day!

Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibit

A group trip for Northtown members to see "**Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible**" exhibit at the Milwaukee Public Museum is planned for Saturday, March 6 beginning at 10 AM. For those wishing to carpool, meet at the building by 9:15 AM; otherwise, meet at the museum no later than 10 AM in the lobby to receive your tickets. Entry into the exhibit is set by your ticket time so be prompt!

Cost for tickets is: Adults - \$24; Seniors (60+) - \$22; Children (under 12) - \$17. (Audio tour is extra \$6).

A sign up sheet will be posted in the lobby until Wednesday, February 17; please indicate how many tickets you & your family want. Tickets must be ordered two weeks in advance; **once purchased, there is NO refund.**

The Dead Sea Scrolls contain Biblical texts that date from 200 BC to 100 AD – an amazing discovery that adds validation to the accuracy of the Scriptures. Don't miss it!

Loose Change for Haiti

The Youth Group will be asking you to donate your loose pocket change during February to help those affected by the earthquake in Haiti. Please ask a youth how you can support them in this worthy effort!

Wedding Feast

In the Parable of the Wedding Banquet, Jesus tells of a harsh verdict imposed on "them," and also includes a word of warning for "us." "Them" is the A-list people who spurn the King's invitation. This was a grievous insult, and the fact that all the invited people did it absolutely reeks of sedition and rebellion. When we Christians listen to this part of the parable, we find ourselves quite comfortable with the harsh punishment received by those who dishonored the King.

So the banquet proceeds with some rather ordinary folks rounded up on the highways and the street corners. But when the King enters the banquet hall, he finds one of the guests "without wedding clothes." This guest could not have had the fine clothes that the elite types did, but he clearly had better, if modest, clothes and by not wearing them he was showing disrespect to the King.

The hodgepodge of guests, rounded up here and there, are we Christians. We have been honored by an invitation to the feast, but we are to show due respect to the King. Not all who are called to be part of the Kingdom do that.

- John McAdams

Servants for Service

This Week – January 31

Next Week – February 7

Speaker: Keith Brumley
Announcer: Dave Spenner

Keith Brumley
 JerMaine Bryant

Communion: Duane Rhodebeck

Ed Wewel

Prayer: Jerry Fox

Roger Root

Tiny Tykes Teresa Thomas, Kiera Russell,
 Azariah Bryant

TBA

Children's Church: No Children's Church

Ken Koch, Katie Koch

Greeters: Tim & Regina Anderson

Corwin & Renee Russell

Ushers: Bob Monroe, Farshad Maltes

Brian Crum, Greg Davis

Calendar of Events

1/31 Soupfest Lunch
 2/13 Parents Night Out
 2/19-21 Teen Winterfest in TN
 3/6 Dead Sea Scrolls trip

Birthdays / Anniversaries This Week

1/31 Emily Gibson
 2/3 Kameron Crum
 2/4 Cedric Wolter
 2/5 Shakilah Nizer
 2/6 Ed & Cindy Wewel
 2/6 Michelle Gill

Our Giving

Offering Last Week: \$2,248
 2010 Average: \$3,220
 2010 Budget: \$3,500

•MAKING DISCIPLES•SAVING THE LOST•
 •OBEYING OUR CHRIST•

Our Fellowship

Attendance Last Week: 134
 2010 Average: 141

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

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Children's Memory Verse for January:

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of
 wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is
 understanding.

Proverbs 9:10