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*Encourager*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH PARK  
CHURCH OF CHRIST

*October 2022*

## POSING

A bodybuilder was visiting an African tribe and the tribal chief was amazed at his physique. So, the chief asked the muscle builder, *“What do you do with all those muscles?”*

The bodybuilder said, *“It’s easier to show you than to explain.”* So, he went into all the different presentations of his physique to show off the different groups of muscles - the biceps, the triceps, and the obliques.

After the presentation, the chief said, *“Now, that was impressive! But I have to ask, “What else do you do with all those muscles?”*

The bodybuilder said, *“Well, that’s pretty much it. I work out to pose.”*

The African chief said, *“What a waste. What a waste.”*

Christians should not work out only to pose. We shouldn’t carry our Bibles, come to church to worship and praise God only to leave and never use what we’ve learned.

Spiritual exercise should have only two main objectives: (1) To grow closer to God, and (2) To equip us to win the world for Christ!

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# THERE IS STILL MUCH TO DO IN 2022

Please join us for First Cup!



First Cup is a chance for newcomers to learn more

We meet at 8:45 downstairs in the kitchen area.

## The Story of Scripture

*Listen to  
My Voice*

Don't miss these daily readings of Scripture from NPCC members. They will be posted online in various places, every weekday morning.

## UPCOMING SUPER SUNDAY NIGHTS SCHEDULE

### OCTOBER

10/2 - Life Groups begin

10/9 – Trivia Night: Timed questions, the team/group that answers the most correctly wins!

10/16 Question Box Night: Submit questions to the Question Box.

10/23 Service Project Sunday: Service Project TBD

10/30 Table Fellowship Sunday

ATTENTION: If you are listed to serve and are unable to, please contact Wayne Morris to let him know as soon as possible.

Those to Serve –October 2, 2022

Worship Director: Ken Maupin  
Opening Prayer: Steve Adkins  
Preside: Sid Long  
Ann/Closing Prayer: Ken Maupin  
Scripture Reading: Justin Reese  
**Greeters: Tate's & Marcia Randolph**  
Class Attendance: Jaye Lavern  
Usher #1: Ron King  
Usher #2: Doug Soter  
A/V Booth: Tim Barton  
Security: Jaye Lavern  
Church Mailbox: Joan Wadsworth, Joan Schmidt  
Nursery: Valerie Nicosia

Those to Serve –October 9, 2022

Worship Director: Ken Maupin  
Opening Prayer: Ken Lynch  
Preside: Jose Cervantes  
Ann/Closing Prayer: Ken Maupin  
Scripture Reading: Marcus Cassady  
Greeters: Joe and Valerie Nicosia  
Class Attendance: Marcus Cassady  
Usher #1: Steve Adkins  
Usher #2: Stan Gregory  
A/V Booth: Scott Weir  
Security: Ken Maupin  
Church Mailbox: Joan Wadsworth, Joan Schmidt  
Nursery: Mignon Soter

Those to Serve –October 16, 2022

Worship Director: Ken Maupin  
Opening Prayer: Scott Seigrist  
Preside: Simon-Peter Broughton  
Ann/Closing Prayer: Ken Maupin  
Scripture Reading: Wayne Morris  
Greeters: Reeses  
Class Attendance: Jaye Lavern  
Usher #1: Mark Murray  
Usher #2: Mike Dye  
A/V Booth: Adam Zomok  
Security: Wayne Morris  
Church Mailbox: Joan Wadsworth, Joan Schmidt  
Nursery: Elizabeth Soter  
Private Prayers: Jeff Hagerman

Those to Serve –October 23, 2022

Worship Director: Sid Long  
Opening Prayer: Jeff Hagerman  
Preside: Marcus Price  
Ann/Closing Prayer: Ken Maupin  
Scripture Reading: Ron King  
Greeters: Maupins  
Class Attendance: Marcus Cassady  
Usher #1: Scott Seigrist  
Usher #2: Mike Cirrincione  
A/V Booth: Justin Reese  
Security: Joe Nicosia  
Church Mailbox: Joan Wadsworth, Joan Schmidt  
Nursery: Pat Seifert  
Private Prayers: Jeff Hagerman

## COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT SERIES

For the months of October - December we invite anyone interested in attending or helping to be a part of this special series. Please help us get the word out by inviting and by posting the flyers around town. A meal will be served each week at 5:30 with the class beginning at 6:00 pm. Childcare is provided free of charge.



## Being the kind of Family that Lives the Story of God



Discover simple ways of living for your family

A new discussion-based class for adults who are currently parents and those interested in this concept. Sundays @ 9:30 am, downstairs. Starting in October 2.

As a Marriage & Family Therapist, Roddy understands the tension between how you long to parent and what your daily life actually looks like. In this class, Roddy gives you the tools you need to create structure--from mealtimes to bedtimes--that free you to parent with purpose. Learn how to:

- Develop a bedtime routine to settle your little ones and ground them in God's love
  - Discover a new framework for discipline as discipleship
  - Acquire simple practices for more meaningful family mealtimes
- Open your eyes to the spirituality of parenting, seeing small moments as big opportunities for spiritual formation  
And more!

BOOK OF THE MONTH - The October book of the month is **Zephaniah**. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board after you have completed reading this book.

## Pantry Sub List

Justin Reese	815-299-0762	Jaye Lavern	815-608-4465
Elizabeth Soter	815-721-0405	Jeremy Schulz	630-418-0371
Cameron Maupin	815-978-3362	Ken Maupin	815-262-1487
Mary Riley	815-988-7440	Sara Maupin	815-262-0303
Tammy Weir	815-751-0866	Naomi Gibson	815-742-2291
Katie Schulz	630-418-0372	Liz Willis	815-494-0595
Maxine Bowers	815-494-2512	Brenda Mohler	815-505-7205
Joan Schmidt	815-708-3993		
Pat Seifert	815-871-7236		

# Prayer List

**Jason Willis**  
**Helen Holland**  
**Myrtle Williams**  
**People of Haiti**  
**People of Ukraine**

**Donna Fincher**  
**Earline Nipps**  
**Joan Wadsworth**

**Sue Ann Diaz**  
**Dustin Arreguin**  
**Gregory Willis**

**Lucy Chamberlain**  
**Kevin Sircloumb**

**Brandi Ostergard** – friend of Wendy Williams who is recovering from cancerous tumor surgeries (7-27-2022)

**John Parker** – having low dose treatments every 3 weeks to shrink cancerous lymph nodes (9-14-2022)

**Mary Ann Sircloumb's niece** – recovering very well from burns, may not even scar (9-17-2022)

**Ellie Krepfle** – daughter of a former student of Gloria Gregory, born with Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrome and recently found out that she has cancer in her kidneys and is now done with her first round of a 6 month course of treatment (9-17-2022)

**Marsha Herndon** – awaiting results after her most recent round of treatments (9-1-2022)

**Cathy Oswald** – friend of Gloria Gregory, at home but remains under hospice care after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer (7-27-2022)

**Billee Jo Schmidt** (Tracey Meinert's friend) - father has prostate cancer that has spread to his bones (9-17-2022)

**Bonnie Cole** – in a nursing home with multiple health issues (9-17-2022)

**Hans Hausfeld** – husband of a close friend of Sara Maupin's who has been diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma, has had a miraculous recovery after his recent heart issues and is restarting his Multiple Myeloma treatments (9-14-2022)

**Martha Johnston** – friend of Simon-Peter Broughton's who is awaiting gallbladder surgery (9-17-2022)

**John Purington** – friend of Simon-Peter Broughton's who has been diagnosed with dementia and Parkinson's disease (9-14-2022)

**Floyd Barton** – Tim Barton's father, recovering from heart surgery (9-17-2022)

**Veronica Fuller** – friend of the Youssis who has recently been diagnosed with cancer (9-17-2022)

**Ned Riffle** – recovering from hip replacement surgery (9-17-2022)

**Family of Bill Thompson** – mourning Bill's passing

**Maxine Bowers** – at home recovering after surgery to repair a detached hamstring. The surgery went well but she is dealing with quite a bit of pain (9/22/2022)

**Joan Letsinger** – was not able to have the heart surgery scheduled for earlier this week due to other serious health complications that have developed. She will remain at Swedish American Heart Center on the Charles St. side, room 418, through Monday and will go home Tuesday, where she will be placed into the care of hospice. She is currently in good spirits and she likes visitors at the hospital so please feel free to visit.

## Those to Serve – October 30, 2022

Worship Director: Ken Maupin

Opening Prayer: Jacob Cates

Preside: JJ Whaley

Ann/Closing Prayer: Ken Maupin

Scripture Reading: Joe Nicosia

Greeters: Holly Bertram, Lisa Warkins

Class Attendance: Jaye Lavern

Usher #1: Ken Lynch

Usher #2: Kevin Spaw

A/V Booth: Tyler Zomok

Security: Jerry Gibson

Church Mailbox: Joan Wadsworth, Joan Schmidt

Nursery: Pam Reese

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# OCTOBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> Pantry 10:00am Ned Riffle's bday Boler's ann.
<b>2</b> 9:30 am Bible Class 10:30 am Worship	<b>3</b> <b>ROMEO Club</b> Pat Williams & Sara Maupin's bday	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 10:00 am Bible Study Oliver Gregory's bday	<b>6</b> <b>6-7 pm Pantry</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> cookout at RCC @ 4pm
<b>9</b> 9:30 am Bible Class 10:30 am Worship Beckett Voigts & Chuck Mausehund's bday Rogers & Seifert's ann.	<b>10</b> Asha Price's bday	<b>11</b> <b>Blanket Ministry</b> Joey Nicosia's bday	<b>12</b> 10:00 am Bible Study <b>HHP Food Delivery</b>	<b>13</b> Sandy Yousser's bday Maupin's ann.	<b>14</b> Ian Voigts's bday	<b>15</b> <b>Pantry 10:00am</b> Greg Peck & Dylan Erdman's bday
<b>16</b> 9:30 am Bible Class 10:30 am Worship	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 10:00 am Bible Study	<b>20</b> <b>6-7 pm Pantry</b> Jerrica Hagerman, Wanda Long, John Parker & Magnolia Duckkranr's bday Kulpa's ann.	<b>21</b> Frank Rogers & Chad Kulpa's bday	<b>22</b>
<b>23/30</b> 9:30 am Bible Class 10:30 am Worship 23rd Joe Nicosia & Christa McClain-Smith's bday 30th Mary Hall's bday	<b>24/31</b> 31st <b>Trunk or Treat</b> 31st Ashley Nicosia's bday	<b>25</b> Adam Zomok's bday	<b>26</b> 10:00 am Bible Study <b>HHP Food Delivery</b> Erna Eldridge's bday	<b>27</b> Mickey Todley & Ruth Mausehund's bday	<b>28</b> Bret & Jerrica Hagerman's ann.	<b>29</b> Rick Phillips's bday



## NEWS & EVENTS

- If you would like make a donation to RCC to help with raising funds for the cabin siding, you can write a check made to RCC or you can go to this website:  
<https://rockfordchristiancamp.org/donate/>
- We will be collecting fruit cups and crackers for Shults Lewis until October 2<sup>nd</sup>. There will be a table in the coat room where you can put your donations. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make checks out to Shults Lewis
- There is a Meijer Simply Give campaign running through Saturday, October 1st. The double match day will be Saturday, September 10th
- On Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, at Rockford Christian Camp there will be a time of fellowship and worship with other area congregations who are involved at camp. The day will start at 4:00 pm and food will be provided (if you would like to contribute to the meal by making a side or a dessert, please talk to Ashley Gregory or Ian Voigts asap).
- There will be a cookout tonight, at Rockford Christian Camp. Food will be provided, but please bring a dessert. Please sign up on the list in the hallway if you plan on attending so we know how much food will be needed.
- The new quarter for Sunday Bible classes has started. Ron King will continue the class on Matthew in the auditorium and Roddy Tate will be leading a class in the Fellowship Hall titled "What Would Jesus Do in 2022?" that is geared to young professionals but anyone is welcome to come.
- Beginning this Fall, Super Sunday Nights are coming! Family activities each Sunday Night at 6 pm. Some will include food, some will include games, some will include Bible Study, some will include service projects, and all will include Fellowship and growing us closer together. Make plans to volunteer your family for service in this great opportunity for ministry!
- On Wednesday Evenings beginning this Fall we will be offering Community Enrichment Programs to our immediate neighborhood. Our desire is to make a difference in families lives and reach the homes immediately around our church building. We will be offering programs like DivorceCare, DC4K (*DivorceCare for Kids*), Marriage Classes, Parenting Classes, etc. We will need significant help from our church family providing such things as: prayer, providing meals, snacks, child care, and just warm bodies in a seat for moral support, among other things. Plan on being here on Wednesday evenings to see how YOU can make a difference in people's lives.

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The North Park Church of Christ is committed to sharing Jesus with our community and the world; while encouraging the spiritual development of our youth, strengthening the bond of our families, and serving the needs of our senior adults to build a church known by its love and message that flows from the very heart of God.

*Where Friends Learn to Live and Love Like Jesus*

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