

Attendance Last Week: 8:30am - 118 11:00am - 208 Total - 326

During the worship services a NURSERY is available for children ages 2-3 years in Room 113 and under 2 years in Room 104.

During 11:00 service: CHILDREN'S CHURCH is available for 4 yr olds - 2nd Grade in Room 119.

CLIPBOARDS with packets of crayons and papers are available in baskets at the doors for children to use during the services. Please return to the baskets at the end of the service.

Here's What's Happening!

SUNDAY: ✧ Come together to PRAY in Room 114 during 8:30 or 11:00 service.
✧ 2:00-3:00pm - High School Guys' Bible Study at the Center
✧ 4:30pm - Unite (College Ministry) meets in the Youth Center
✧ 6:30pm - College Students' Supper at Debbie Hibbs'. All college students are invited!

THIS WEEK: MON 1:00pm - Staff meeting at the Center
TUE 6:00-7:30am - Men's Fraternity meets in the Youth Center
10:30am - Men's Coffee at Augustine's Bakery, 1305 Main
7:00pm - Ladies Heart-to-Heart meets at NOCC
WED 3:00pm - Heroes For Life (for Kind. thru 5th grades)
3:00-5:00pm - 6th Grade CIA meet in the Youth Center
5:00pm - Deadline for items to be in the bulletin and requests for announcements to be made Sunday.
5:15pm - 6-8th Grade CIA Supper in the Youth Center
5:45-7:15pm - E2*10 High School Girls' Bible Study
"Wired That Way" meets in Room 123
6:00-7:00pm - Visionary Parenting meets in Room 117
6:00-7:30pm - Men's Fraternity meets in Room 119
6:00-7:40pm - 7-8th Grade CIA meet in the Youth Center
7:00pm - Count Us In prayer time in Room 112
7:20pm - Lifeguard (H.S. students) meet in the Youth Center

NEXT SUNDAY: ▷ Come together to PRAY in Room 114 during 8:30 or 11:00 service.
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▷ 6:30pm - College Students' Supper at Ken & Rachel Ediger's. All college students are invited!

COMING UP: DEC 9 - 8:00pm Finance Team meeting at the Center
DEC 12 - 5:00pm NOCC Soup Supper and Family Christmas Program at NOCC (Dinner & Show)
DEC 18 - 6:30 Meet at NOCC to go Caroling
DEC 24 - 7:00pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at NOCC. Childcare is not provided.
DEC 27 - 11:00am Combined Worship Service~~NO Sunday School
JAN 3 - 11:00am Combined Worship Service~~NO Sunday School

The Deacon On Call for November 28-December 4 is Tom Noone. If you have a need and cannot reach the church office, please call Tom.

READING PROGRAM: The Spiritual Life Team encourages everyone at NOCC to be a consistent reader of God's Word. As a growing part of this church, please read Isaiah this month and discuss with a friend. Rev. 1:3

To All Ladies of NOCC, You're invited to a Birthday Bash!

Heart-to-Heart will meet on Tuesday, December 1, at 7:00-8:00pm at North Oak. Let's celebrate Jesus, the greatest gift ever given! We will celebrate His birth, your birth, and the gift of forgiveness and our rebirth. Please give a baby picture or birthday picture of yourself to Sandi May at mailbox #90 by Sunday, November 29. Service project: baby food & diapers for First Call for Help. Please bring donations to the event. If you are unable to attend this event, but would like to be a part of the Soul Sister name exchange, please let Sandi May know before this event.

The Assimilation Team invites you to go Christmas Caroling on Friday, December 18th at 6:30 pm. Bring cookies—drinks will be provided. Meet at the church to divide into groups, go caroling and return to the church for hot chocolate, cookies and fellowship. Bring your family and friends and let's share the joy of the season with others in Hays! See you there!!! If you have questions, call Noman and Elizabeth Williams.

FROM THE CARE COMPASSION TEAM--The person mailing cards for the month of November is Eileen Jensen. If you know of someone who needs a note of encouragement, sympathy or get well, please call her. If you are having a baby or have surgery scheduled this month, please fill out a CARE form in the literature rack so we can better assist you.

Dinner & Show

Saturday, December 12, 5:00pm at NOCC Sanctuary

Dinner - Raise funds for NOCC Mission Trip

Show - NOCC Family Christmas Program

One tremendously fun evening of food & entertainment

- Tickets are available in the Gathering Space or at the church office.
- Please bring tickets with you that evening because they will let us know how many people are coming as well as serve as your bidder number for the silent auction.
- A freewill donation will be taken with all proceeds going for the NOCC Mission Trip.
- There will be a silent auction for gift baskets that will make perfect gifts for Christmas. If you would like to donate a basket, please sign up at the table in the Gathering Space.
- If God has given you a talent that you would like to share with the rest of the church family, please sign up your act in the Gathering Space. (Singing, Skits, Talents, etc.)
- Also, please bring your favorite Christmas snack or dessert that evening to share with everyone.

4th Annual Basket Auction: Along with the NOCC Family Christmas, Saturday, December 12, will be the annual basket auction. This fun event is one way that we can all support the mission trips taken by NOCC. You can support this project by making a theme basket and donating it for the auction. Another way to support this event is to come and purchase a basket for yourself or someone else for this Christmas. Please stop by the Basket table in the Gathering Space and sign up to bring one or more theme baskets for the evening. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Donna McKenzie. All proceeds from the auction go to NOCC Mission Projects.

Baskets of Blessings: This year there is an additional opportunity to participate in the NOCC Family Christmas event, with several baskets being prepared to randomly bless others. They will include a variety of items and services valued at approximately \$100-\$200 each. With every minimum \$5 donation, givers will be able to enter up to 3 persons/families from our local community or church family in the drawings. These people may include someone going through financial hardships, emotional stresses, grief over the loss of a loved one or it may include someone to be blessed for their time spent serving others. Ask the Lord to open your eyes and show you who might need a special basket of blessing at this time! There will be a special opportunity for those under 18 to participate with their own basket(s) of blessing. Think about blessing parents, a Sunday School teacher, grandparents, a school teacher, a neighbor. With each minimum \$1 donation, givers will be able to enter up to 3 persons/families from the local community or church family in the drawings. To assist in preparing these baskets of blessings, please consider making a small monetary donation toward the content of these baskets. Alternatively, if you own a business or work at one that might give a gift card or donate a service, that type of contribution would be greatly appreciated. We will need all contributions and gift cards/certificates by Sunday, December 6th. Proceeds from the Baskets of Blessings will be donated to the NOCC Advent Conspiracy Water Project. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Brenda Greathouse or Patty McCullick.

THANK YOU

North Oak family, Thank you for all of your thoughts, prayers and help during this past month. We so appreciate the meals, the prayers and support that everyone has showered on us.~~Dave, Kori, Cale & Larryn Braun

Thank you all for your prayers and kindness. God brings us all closer together and I am blessed to be close to you.~~Barbara, Matthew, Monte, Angel Smith and family

DECEMBER Ministry Schedules are in your NOCC mailboxes.

PRAYER MINISTRY
Week of November 29-December 5, 2009

Email your request for the
PRAYER MINISTRY INFORMATION
To nocc@northoak.net.

[WORSHIP FULLY]

REVIEW & REFLECT

Read Matthew 2:1-18 – Compare and contrast the responses that the Magi and King Herod had to the birth of Jesus.

- What are some ways in which our contemporary celebration of Jesus' birth moves us away from the responses of the Magi?
• What could you do to recapture the Magi's passion and sacrifice to worship Jesus?

Read Matthew 9:9-13 – Note particularly anything spoken (in quotes) and who said it.

- What does the calling of Matthew and what happened at his dinner party with Jesus tell us about Jesus and why he came?
• What could you do to reenact Jesus' purpose and heart in coming to earth in your celebration of Christmas this year?

RESOURCES

To help children (and their parents) learn to worship fully:

- What God Wants for Christmas --an interactive nativity set with seven little packages for children to reveal the nativity (a short story to go with each) and the last box has a mirror at the bottom, because what God wants for Christmas is YOU! Available at: www.shopfamilylife.com
• The ADVENTure of Christmas by Lisa Whelchel --This is a book that serves as a 24-day guide relating many of our Christmas traditions back to Jesus. It is available at several web sites, but at this one you get a free advent calendar with it. Available at: www.lisawhelchel.com/shopping.htm

PRAYER FOCUS

- Pray for a fresh encounter with God during this season of Advent.
• Pray for a desire to worship more fully.
• Pray for new sensitivity to opportunities to enter into the ongoing story of Jesus and his work in this world.

DECEMBER IS PICTURE MONTH AT NOCC!!

The Assimilation Team will be taking family pictures to: assemble a pictorial directory, update the Picture Wall, give each family a copy of the picture for personal use, offer a jpeg via email for family use. We will take pictures in Room 114 on December 6, 13 and 20 between services and after the 11:00 service. We will also take pictures on December 2, 9 and 16 from 6:00-7:30pm and December 12 at the Dinner & Show. No appointment necessary, just come and have your picture taken. If you are unavailable at these times, please contact Noman or Elizabeth Williams to set up a time to get your picture taken. It is our goal for everyone attending NOCC to be included, even if you have updated your picture recently on the Picture Wall. Direct all questions to Noman or Elizabeth Williams.

A PARENT/CHILD DEDICATION Service is being planned for December 27. We will only have an 11:00 service on this day. If you are interested in dedicating your child/children to the Lord, please talk to Pastor Ken as soon as possible.

We would like to keep military personnel and their families in our prayers:

Let the church office know of any NOCC family with deployed family members.

NORTH OAK COMMUNITY CHURCH November 29, 2009 8:30am and 11:00am

“On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.”~Matthew 2:11

Welcome to North Oak! Thank you for choosing to worship with us this morning. Please take a moment to sign and pass the red Friendship Folder located in each row. All guests are invited to complete the right-hand column of the form.

Prelude "Let's Just Praise the Lord" Men's Quartet
"Just A Little Talk with Jesus"

"All Hail, King Jesus" Congregation
"Shine, Jesus, Shine"
"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" (Hymn 244)

Advent Reading and Candlelighting (8:30) Don & Sigrid Rynerson (11:00) Will & Bonnie Fadenrecht

"I Exalt Thee" (Hymn 31) Congregation

Prayer Deacon: Tom Noone

Offertory "The Lighthouse" Men's Quartet
(11:00 service dismiss to Children's Church: 4 yr olds-2nd grade in Room 119)

Bible Message "From Means to Meaning" Pastor Ken
(Matthew)

"Worthy, You Are Worthy (Hymn 280) Congregation

*Postlude

Worship Team: Carolyn Insley, Pianist; Ken Holle, Keyboard; Dave Barber, Darrell Blosser, James Mulkey, Bryan Noone, Vocalists.

Prayer Counselors: 1st Service – Ron & Gail Gallaway 2nd Service – Will Fadenrecht & Rachel Ediger

* If you would like to pray with someone, at the end of the service proceed to the front of the sanctuary and a prayer intercessor will meet with you. You may also use the Response Card in the Friendship Book to let us know of any needs.

Today's service is available on CD for \$1.00 each. Call the church office to order. The message only can also be heard after Tuesday on the website at www.northoak.net.

Following the 8:30 service, you are invited to get a cup of coffee or juice in the Gathering Space and proceed to your Sunday School class.

~~All Sunday School classes meet from 9:50-10:50am~~

Table with 2 columns: Class Name and Room Number. Includes Adult Education Classes (Count Us In, Seekers, Essentials, Authentic Living, Visionary Parenting) and Youth Education Classes (2 & 3 year olds, 4 year olds, 1st & 2nd Grades, 3rd, 4th & 5th Grades, Middle School, High School).