



# The Weekly News of the **Northeast Church of Christ**



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## **INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW**

- ✿ **Our weekly Sunday morning worship services are live streamed on our Facebook page at 10:30.** They are saved on the page for you to view at a later time.
- ✿ **Ron is conducting digital Bible studies on Wednesdays at 7 p.m.** If you are interested in joining, you need to sign up for the free Zoom app and send your email address to Ron at [olemissrebels87@gmail.com](mailto:olemissrebels87@gmail.com) no later than Tuesday so you can be added to the group. You will receive an invitation on Wednesday night to join the meeting.
- ✿ **Our building will be open every Saturday from 12-3** to pick up communion supplies, paper bulletins or speak to or pray with an elder. If you wish to continue to keep up your contribution at this time, you can mail it to the building or drop it off on Saturdays from 12-3 or on Sunday mornings from 9-12.
- ✿ If you need help with shopping, errands, or anything else, call the office or an elder and we will find a way to assist you with your needs. If anyone is willing to help those in need, please let Joe or Bill know.

## **HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN**

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died for us and rose from the dead, making salvation available as a gift (John 3:16; Romans 6:23). In order to benefit from this great sacrificial love, one must receive God's grace through faith in Christ and obedience to him (Romans 5:1-2; Hebrews 5:9). To become a Christian, the Bible teaches that we must believe in and put our trust in Christ (John 8:24), turn away from a life of sin (Luke 13:3), confess Jesus as Lord (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16). If you would like to further study this question of "What must I do to be saved?", please see our minister or one of our elders.

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## WORSHIP PLANS

Since the end of March we have been following the governor's stay-at-home executive order, taking all precautions to stay healthy amid the spread of COVID-19, and not able to meet together for Bible classes and worship services. We are pleased to share with you that our plans are to worship and fellowship together again at our building on **Sunday, May 31**. This week you will receive a letter in the mail detailing the arrangements that will be in place when we once again meet together. We are thankful for our elders and their guidance and love shown for our Northeast family during this unprecedented time. We pray that everyone has stayed healthy and safe.



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Love  
one another  
as I have loved you.

## WHEN OUR QUESTIONS ARE NOT ANSWERED

By Gary Henry

***“The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law” (Deuteronomy 29:29)***

Not every question we might ask or wish an answer to is going to be answered. It is presumptuous to think that God must grant information on every question we might ask, and we need to be very cautious about issuing subpoenas to the Ruler of the Universe. In particular, questions about why things are as they are and questions about what is going to happen are often queries that, from His perspective, we'd be better off not knowing about. We may think we need to know and may even become demanding in our prayers, but the questions are still met with silence. About many things, God's word simply says . . . nothing.

Do you remember the freedom with which you asked questions as a child, and the firmness with which your parents often had to say that certain questions were not ones they felt it wise to answer? The eagerness with which children ask questions is not a fault. Indeed, it is refreshing, and God must surely look with paternal love on this aspect of our childishness. But we must be careful not to push past childish inquisitiveness into the realm of irreverent insistence and demandingness. We must be willing for Him to correct our notions of what is important for us to know.

Moses said to Israel, “The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.” It takes trust to accept God's decision about the “secret things,” and it also takes courage, for it's often frightening to be left without information that we think is essential to our survival. Yet if we trust Him, we will do this. When we don't have all the information we want, we must be content to have Him. He is all we have to have. What God says is important. But what He does not say is also important, and if we respect His statements, we should also respect His silences. In fact, it's probably true that our foolish fascination with certain unanswered questions is the result of our failure to be nourished by the truths that have been revealed. If we'll digest it, what God has already said will more than meet our needs.