How can we pray for you?

I would like a pastor to contact me or follow up regarding this request.

Please keep this request confidential (ministry staff only).

Comment/question/keyword:

Please contact me:

I want to learn more about becoming a Christian.

I recently received Jesus as my Savior! What do I do now?

I would like to take the next step into membership.

How can I get more involved in ministry here at Friends?

Other:



WELCOME TO FRIENDS



Please stop by our **Welcome Center** to receive a small gift for joining us and find out how you can get further connected in ministry at Friends.

Two Worship Styles: Whether you join us for our more modern service at 9:15 (*AWAKEN*) or our more traditional worship at 11:00 (*THRIVE*), we know you will be blessed, encouraged, and challenged for the upcoming week.

Friends Café: Join us between services in the Family Life Center for fellowship and refreshment. As our guest, please enjoy a complimentary beverage and snack as you enjoy meeting others and learning about us!

Get Connected

Check out <u>noefc.org</u> for information about our ministries and Sunday morning sermon audio (also available on CD).

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Like us on Facebook! /northolmstedefc Engage with our posts during the week and view a live stream of services.

We encourage everyone to be involved in a home growth group or discipleship class. Visit <u>noefc.org/adult-</u> <u>discipleship</u> for more.





Fixed Eyes

JESUS, THE PIONEER AND PERFECTER OF OUR FAITH PASTOR GEOFF SCHULTZ Hebrews 12:1-3



March 15, 2020

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FRIENDS

This Morning

8:45 am - Sunday Morning Prayer Group (Adult Classroom 2)

<u>Awaken - 9:15 am</u> – Family Room (Children's Wing) | Children's Sunday School (Children's Wing): Nursery, Age 0-18 mo. | Tiny Tots, Age 19 mo.- 3 yrs. | Pre-K, Age 4 yrs.- Pre-K | Grade K | Grades 1-2 | Grades 3-4 | Adult Class: Journey to the Cross (Conference Room)

<u>10:15 am</u> — Friends Café (FLC)

<u>Thrive - 11:00 am</u> – Family Room (Children's Wing) | Children's Classes (Children's Wing): Nursery, Age 0-18 mo. | Tiny Tots, Age 19 mo.- 3 yrs. | Pre-K, Age 4 yrs.-Pre-K | Kids Church, Grades K-4 | Club 56, Grades 5-6 | Youth Discipleship Classes (Upper Room), Grades 7-12 | Adult Class: Maundy–Washing Feet (Conference Room)

Coronavirus Updates

We are taking many steps as a church to exercise caution and show love to others during the COVID-19 outbreak.

DURING WORSHIP

While we may have moments of greeting during worship, we recommend you greet each other with warm smiles, waves, and elbow bumps instead of handshakes, hugs, and holy kisses.

We will not pass offering plates/bags during the service, but we will have offering boxes available in the Atrium on the way out of the Sanctuary. We recommend that you give your tithes and offerings online at <u>www.noefc.org/giving</u>.

CLEANLINESS

Hand sanitizer is available in key areas of the church. Children's areas, including classroom surfaces and toys, will be wiped down before and between services with disinfectant wipes. Volunteer teams will be opening exterior doors.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Beginning Monday, all regular group meetings at the church will be suspended for the following three weeks. As of now, we plan to continue to conduct Sunday worship. Check your email and visit <u>noefc.org/corona-virus</u> for the most updated information.

Modified Church Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 9:00 am–1:00 pm For a full, detailed list of our upcoming events visit <u>noefc.org/calendar</u>

| Giving | | | |
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| General Budget YTD | | | |
| General Offerings YTD | | | |
| Building Fund YTD | \$22,098.87 | | |

CELEBRATE // CONNECT // CARE

OUR MISSION IS Loving people to life in Jesus Christ!

Let's focus our prayers as a congregation on God's Word for ourselves, our families, and our church. We invite you to pray **Hebrews 12:1-3** throughout the week, especially:

- To strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up -Growing People Change Within
- To run with endurance the race God has set before us—Loved People Don't Do Life Alone
- To fix our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith Alive People Worship Jesus

| Prayer by Name | | | | |
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| Phyllis Baker | John Bartos | Barb Berndsen | Mike Bunaisky | |
| Marc Chokan | Linda Cole | Kinkus Family | Tom Krucek | |
| Mason Family | Dick McClement | Millen Family | Tom O'Brien | |
| Becky Raczkowski | Nancy Rote | Don Sabo | Savage Family | |
| Swartz Family | Bill & Maria Todl | Linda Wiant | | |

Upcoming Events

FAMILY MISSION SUNDAY & BLOOD DRIVE // March 29 // For Family Mission Sunday we are hosting a blood drive at NOEFC from 10 am-1 pm. Give the gift of life during the Lenten season! Sign up at the table in the Atrium or click the Spotlight on <u>noefc.org</u>.

NIGHT IN NEW YORK // April 4 // Enjoy an evening of live music, dinner, games, and dancing! The Youth Group will host this couples date night as a fundraiser for the upcoming mission trip to New York City. The evening is "1920s New York" themed, and the bestdressed couple gets a prize! Tickets are \$25 a couple, and childcare is available if requested. Visit the table in the Atrium or the Spotlight on <u>noefc.org</u> to buy tickets.

EGGSTRAVAGANZA // April 11 (a) 10 am // Calling all kids! Join us for an Easter egg hunt, games, activities, and a brief message from Mr. Adam. We also need volunteers at the event and donations of candy and other supplies (no eggs needed). If you can help, write "Egg Hunt" on your Connect Card, or drop off donations at the Kids Check-In Desk.

BAPTISMS // April 12 // We plan to perform baptisms on Easter Sunday. There's no more appropriate time to proclaim and celebrate your new life in Christ! Write "Baptism" on your Connect Card or contact any ministry staff member for more information.

WOMEN'S RETREAT // May 1-2 // Ladies, you won't want to miss our retreat at Lakeside in Marblehead. For more info or to register, visit the table in the Atrium today.

Connect Card

| March 15, 2020 |
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| (Please fill out and place in offering plate) |
| Name(s) |
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| Phone |
| Email |
| Address |
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| Which service did you attend? |
| 9:15 11:00 |
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| Regular Attendee |
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Connect with us!

This card is designed to help us connect with you better, whether you are a first-time guest or have been attending for many years.

We want you to engage with our church in a way that encourages you and provides opportunities for you to grow and serve in our life and ministry together.

If you provide your email address, you may get an average of one to two emails per week about events at NOEFC, but we will not share your information with any other organization without your consent.