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# KOINONIA

*"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship (Koinonia) of the Holy Spirit be with you all."*  
2 Corinthians 13:14

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**NORWIN ALLIANCE CHURCH**

**JULY 2016**

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Be responsible to grow in the Lord this summer as you see God growing crops and fruit all around us. Jesus in the following means of grace is 100% sufficient to provide for those seeking growth in Christ:

Jesus in Sunday church	Jesus in prayer
Jesus in actions of love	Jesus in serving
Jesus in fellowship	Jesus in evangelism
Jesus in Wednesday church	Jesus in missions

The myth is Jesus and the gospel is not sufficient to provide significant repentance and the fruit of His Spirit in us. God's Word calls Jesus:

Life	Peace	Living One
Food	Passover	Refuge
Clothing	Light	Resurrection
Head	Truth	Foundation
Hope	Shepherd	Savior
Example	Shield	Treasure
Strength	Righteousness	Song
First	Last	Door
Song	Wisdom	Teacher
Friend		

Get responsible † Get growing † Get the free gift



The following were discussed/approved by the Elder/Ministry Boards at their June meetings:

- † Rev. Dan Wolf will preach on July 17
- † Approved proposed DMC council members
- † List of DMC workers was approved.
- † Approved the following small groups: Ladies Bible Study, FLEEK, Praise Partners, Widows.
- † Approved various dates for DMC activities
- † Approved various publishers to be used by the DMC
- † There will be no Elder or Ministry Board meetings in July
- † 2 benches and planters have been purchased for the entrance of the church "In Memory of Loved Ones".
- † The re-sealing of the parking lot is complete.

If you ever have any concerns to be brought before the boards, please contact Harold Lawhorne or Yvonne Blair, our Board Members-at-large.

## CONNECTION SERVICE

**Sunday, July 10, 2016**

**6:30 pm**

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Message:

**MORE THAN JUST A  
FIRE ESCAPE**

Speaker:

**Joe Cox**

Worship:

**NAC Worship Team**





NAC  
WIDOW'S  
MINISTRY

This Small Group will meet the 2nd Thursday of each month from 10:30 am – Noon at NAC .

If you are a widow, please join us for support, encouragement, and fellowship.

Please contact Ruth Long or Betty Kunkle if you have any questions.

1st Annual We Got Your BACKpack event  
August 6, 2016 from 10AM-2PM at Irwin Park  
Hosted by the Norwin Ministerium



We Got Your BACKpack is one step in the efforts to reach out to our community. Our hope is to provide a backpack full of school supplies, free of charge, to the children of the Norwin Community on a first come first serve

basis while supplies last. In addition to the backpacks, the children and their families will be invited to enjoy a few hours of fun in the park at no cost to the family. We would like to provide entertainment including: live local youth bands, performances/demonstrations from local organized youth organizations (ex. dance, cheer, karate, sports teams), carnival type games, inflatables, and concession style refreshments.

**WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!**

**Would you please consider donating supplies to fill each backpack?**

Backpack, Pencils, Notebooks, Binders (3 ringed, any size), Folders, Lined paper, Scissors, Crayons, Markers, Colored pencils, Glue Sticks, Pens (blue and red), Highlighters, Rulers, Erasers (pencil top), Kleenex (pocket packs), Toothbrushes, Toothpaste (travel size), Combs, Hand sanitizer (travel size)

*Supplies can be donated in any amount as no amount is too small!! Please return supplies by placing them in the donation box located in the Narthex*

For more information about how you can help, visit [facebook.com/norwinbackpacks](https://facebook.com/norwinbackpacks) and like our page or email us at [wegotyourbackpack@gmail.com](mailto:wegotyourbackpack@gmail.com).

NAC Contact information: **Carrie Stelma – 724-787-7600, Stacy Radecki – 724-244-1172**



Meeting/Lunch/Entertainment  
Thursday, July 28th at 11:30

Lunch Menu: Pot Luck (Bring your favorite dish)

Entertainment: Brandon Kerr will sing his special musical arrangement

Devotions: by Marty Smith

Our meeting in May we had Chalk Artist / Gary Means draw a beautiful picture. The picture was given away and the winner was Lois Kerr.

Our program in June was *"Revelations Illustrated"* presented by artist Pat Marvenko Smith.

Looking forward to a special meeting of all our members and sharing each others wonderful dishes for lunch.

Co/Presidents Joe and Pat Beyer





### LIBRARY NEWS:

1. The library is on the lower level of the church. You can access it by using the stairs, or by driving to the back of the church and entering the lower level. The lower level is only open during church hours but if you call ahead during the week, Cindy will meet you and let you in.
  2. Thanks to many people for their help. Janice Lazzaro, tending to the library; people donating books, tapes and players.
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### Vignettes by Virginia

As residents in the United States we are so **blessed!!!** Look at the calendar and see a date in eight different months of each year. We have a "patriotic" holiday to celebrate almost every month. This year - - **2016** - - we have an **EXTREMELY** important day in **November**. The person who will be our next President for a minimum of four years needs our prayers and support.

Take consideration of the writer's following column of her personal blessings using the word **FREEDOM**.

**F** amily  
**R** eligion  
**E** ducation  
**E** conomics  
**D** eclaration (of Independence)  
**O** ccupation  
**M** ilitary  
**S** ciences

Now, take your turn and thank God for His blessings to you and your family. Psalms 33:12 reads: *"Blesses is the country with God for God; Blessed are the people He's put in His will."* (The Message version)

*"If My Peoples' Hearts Are Humbled"*, is known as a patriotic song/hymn. It was written by Claire Cloninger using II Chronicles 7:14 as the theme:

1. If My people's hearts are humbled, If they pray and seek My face; If they turn away from evil, I will not withhold My grace. I will hear their prayers from heaven; I will pardon every sin. If My people's hearts are humbled, I will surely heal their land.
2. Then My eyes will see their sorrow, Then My ears will hear their plea. If My people's hearts are humbled, I will set their nation free. If My people's hearts are humbled, If they pray and seek My face; If they turn away from evil, I will not withhold My grace.

This is a prayer written by Rev. Charles F. Stanley in his book, **Turn the Tide Real Hope, Real Change**; *"Open our eyes, Lord, to see our nation as You see it. Give us sorrow for those things that sadden Your heart. Give us the resolve to confess and repent of our sinful ways that we might draw closer to You and experience more of your presence, provision, and protection. AMEN."*

Despite all the hardships we face, we can be very thankful that God is upholding us, and **LOVES** us, and before we know it, will be returning to earth to take us home to heaven with Him. Pray for **THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. GOD BLESSES US EACH AND EVERY DAY!!**





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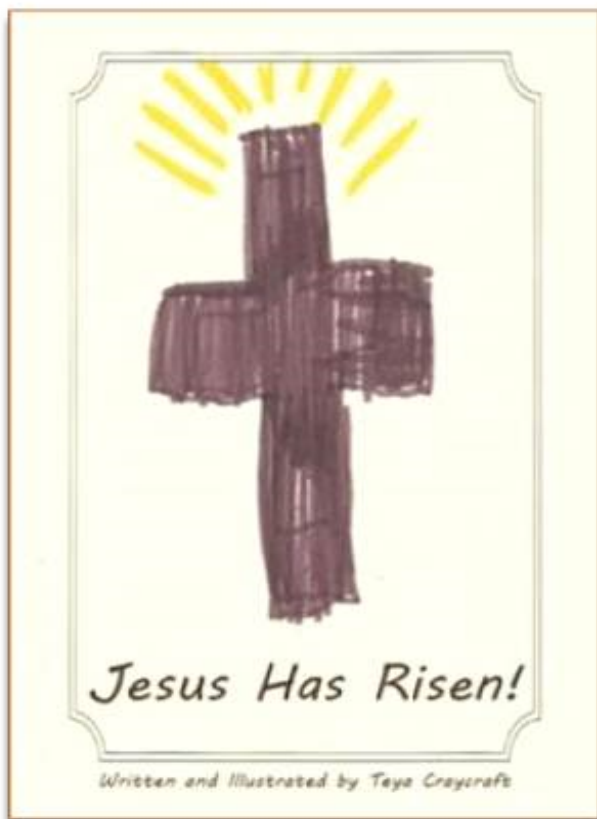
[www.hopeandpassion.org](http://www.hopeandpassion.org)

**LOOKING AHEAD****August:**

- 8th AWANA Teacher Meeting ~ 6:30 pm
- 10th Church Picnic at KOA Campground
- 13th Backpack/Diaper Giveaway
- 14th Connection Service with Connie Niedermeyer
- 21st Youth Sunday ~ Teacher Appreciation ~ Promotion Sunday ~ Luncheon
- 24th New DMC Year

Please mark these dates on your calendar ~ please pray for these events.

AUGUST 2016						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



Child author, Teya Craycraft, has written and illustrated her first book: "Jesus Has Risen!"

Her book is currently for sale at the price of \$10.00 each. Please see Bria Craycraft (724-552-3122) if you are interested in purchasing a copy!

Sneak peek at Pages 1 & 2:

