We All Need a Priest Hebrews 7,8 Wes Hoffmire

Who needs a priest?.....We all do! Our God is a holy God, which means He cannot tolerate sin, and that's a good thing. We don't want a God who "winks" at sin. We want a righteous God who will be just. The problem is.....we ourselves are sinful. Thankfully Jesus, our High Priest, intercedes for us. Jesus advocates for us.....He brings us to God. Jesus is the only way to God.

<u>OT Levitical Priesthood</u> - Began during the Exodus from Egypt, from the tribe of Levi, set apart to offered continual animal blood sacrifices and intercessory prayers, included 1 "high priest" with special responsibilities, Moses' brother Aaron the first "high priest". Played an important role but were themselves sinful eventually died. Imperfect priesthood (Hebrews 7:11)

<u>Melchizedek the Priest</u> - Abraham acknowledged him as a king & priest. There was no genealogical record of his birth or death. He was a symbol of the coming Christ. (Hebrews 7:1-10)

"Priests Today" - Can point us to God but they cannot make us right with God.

#### Jesus our High Priest/Advocate -

A permanent priest. (7:24)
Saves completely and always intercedes for us. (7:25)
Holy, blameless, pure, set apart, exalted. (7:26)
His sacrifice good once for all. (7:27)
Still serving as our high priest today and offers a new covenant (Ch 8)

Next week:

Napoleon: Levi Stuckey (Hebrews 9:1-28) Wauseon: Matt Boyers (Hebrew 9: 1-28)

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# Welcome to Crossroads ONE CHURCH | TWO LOCATIONS

Sunday, November 1, 2015

# **Welcome to Crossroads!!**

On behalf of everyone at Crossroads Church, we want to welcome you to our worship service. We're glad you are here and hope you have a meaningful and enjoyable experience. Inside this program we have provided some information to let you know who we are and what we are about. We would welcome the opportunity to meet you and answer any questions you might have. Our contact information is on the back. Should you want to provide us with your contact information, you can fill out one of the "Connecting at Crossroads" cards from the seat back in front of you and put it in the offering plate. If you're new to Crossroads, that's all we want you to put in the offering plate. We're not looking for your money. Sit back and relax. We have prepared this service for you and appreciate your coming.

-Pastors Wes & Levi





## A FEW WORDS TO OUR GUESTS...

**Child Care Available** — We take serving your children seriously. While your children are always welcome to stay with you, a safe and fun place has been created for your young children in second grade and younger. Children can be checked in at the table located just outside the nursery. (Follow the hallway signs past the café.) Check-in can begin as soon as you arrive. Babies and toddlers may be dropped off at our nursery beginning at 10:15 a.m. Children age 3 through 2nd grade will be dismissed following our worship time during the service.

**Offering** — As part of our worship service we do take an offering. If you are a guest, you do not need to put anything in the plate. We're not after your money. Folks who regularly attend Crossroads faithfully support the church financially.

**Connecting at Crossroads** — Should you want to provide us with your contact information, you can fill out the "Connecting at Crossroads" card and drop it in the offering plate.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHILD DEDICATION -** Tad and Brittney Hanson are dedicating their daughter, Briella Jane Hanson, to the Lord this morning. Pray for these parents.

**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC DONATIONS** - The DR trip is coming up. Please bring donations of toiletries, medications, vitamins, and toothbrushes so they can be sent along. These are simple items for us to obtain but very difficult for the people our team will serve to afford. Anything you donate will make a difference.

OCC - Operation Christmas Child boxes and information are coming soon!

**YOUTH GROUPS** - All regular youth group activities will take place this evening. <u>Grades 3-8</u> meet at the church from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. <u>Sr. High</u> will meet at the Stuckey's at 6:00 p.m. (1030 Clairmont Ave.).

**MEN-CHURCH LEAGUE BASKETBALL** - Any men interested in playing on a church league basketball team should contact Caleb Nafzinger, (the bald guy you see playing bass some Sundays with the awesome red "lumber jack" beard). You can reach him at: 419-551-0481 or calnafziger@hotmail.com.

**LADIES EVENT** - "Current for Women" is a weekend event that will take place from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Friday, November 6 and from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 7 at the Pettisville Missionary Church. Tickets are \$59.00. Informational brochures are at the info table. You may register online or get more details at "fullsail.org". Contact Taryn Meyers with questions: (keithtaryn@roadrunner.com)

"Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them." Hebrews 7:25

## STUFF THAT'S IMPORTANT TO US:

# Personal Authenticity —

We believe God intends us to live life honestly; not afraid to admit our faults, not pressured to pretend we're someone we're not. We believe God accepts people right where they are and lovingly moves them to where He desires them to be. We're committed to living authentic lives with God, ourselves, and each other.

## Loving Relationships -

We believe that spiritual growth happens best in caring relationships, where people actively participate in a small community that encourages, challenges, prays, serves, and learns together to form a church that is a purposeful, loving community.

#### Being Culturally Relevant -

We believe God wants to reach people in ways that are meaningful to them. Our style is contemporary. We're not interested in passing fads or gimmicks, we simply want to use the clearest, most effective means possible to communicate God's message. We are committed to communicating the truths of Christianity in a creative and relevant manner.

## Unapologetically Biblical -

We believe the Bible is true; that it is authoritative and applicable to every part of our lives. While we are progressive in our methods, we are grounded securely to the truths of Christianity. We study, teach, and follow the Bible as our sole authority and guidebook for life.

#### Outreach Oriented -

We believe the answers for all of life and eternity are found in a restored personal relationship with God through faith in Christ. We are committed to spreading His love to those who don't yet know it.

#### Grace Focused -

We believe the central force in our lives is the unmerited grace and love of God. We believe that God's grace alone is responsible for producing lasting change in an individual's life. We are committed to focusing on and celebrating that grace, and fostering an environment that reflects it in our lives and relationships.

\*\*Please join us each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. for coffee, juice and homemade goodies. You're welcome to enjoy them during the service. Feel free to sit at the tables during the service if you like.

#### **ATTENDANCE & GIVING**

Sunday, October 25, 2015

## Tithes & Offerings:

General Fund Goal \$ 3,500.00

Received: \$ 4,283.35

Difference: + \$ 783.35

Building Fund Goal \$ 500.00

Received: \$ 835.00

Difference: + \$ 335.00

TOTAL: \$ 5.118.35

#### Attendance:

Napoleon: 156 Wauseon: 528