



**NORTHWEST** Christian Church  
A Growing Family Journeying Together To Be More Like Jesus

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**FREE INDOOR TRICK OR TREAT TRAIL**

**Cake Walk**

**Prizes**

**Food**

**Games**

**Oak Grove Elementary**

**October 31st 6-7:30PM**

# SWORD



Fall Youth Groups  
Sundays (6:00-7:30)

As Christians, we rely on the Bible: we study it, discuss it, and strive to live by it. But what is it really? What sets it apart from other important books? What does it mean to say that it's inspired and inerrant? How can we be sure that things haven't been lost in translation over the years? Join us this Fall at youth groups on the Lower Level as we explore God's Word and discover why it's so trustworthy and true. Fall youth groups will meet on Sundays from 6-7:30 pm on the Lower Level; students who are in 6th through 12th grade are invited to join us!



## Volunteer Spotlight: Trevor Bagley

After growing up in the youth ministry at Northwest, Trevor came back to work with our students. He plays drums in the worship band and leads discussion groups for Jr. High on Sunday evenings. He also drives multiple students to and from youth groups every week!

## Youth Group Costume Party Sunday, October 28th



Who will you be?

We'll celebrate Halloween on the Lower Level this year with our annual Costume Party! Students are invited to come in costume on Sunday, Oct. 28th from 6-7:30 pm. We'll have a great time hanging out, playing games, and voting on prizes for the best and most creative costumes.

Events calendar:

## October

**7th: Youth Groups (6-7:30 pm)**

*6th-12th grade meet on Lower Level*

**14th: Youth Groups (6-7:30 pm)**

*6th-12th grade meet on Lower Level*

**21st: Youth Groups (6-7:30 pm)**

*6th-12th grade meet on Lower Level*

**28th: Costume Party (6-7:30 pm)**

*6th-12th grade meet on Lower Level*

**Nov. 4th: Youth Groups (6-7:30 pm)**

*6th-12th grade meet on Lower Level*



Missions



# Operation Christmas Child

It is shoebox time and our kickoff for the boxes is Sunday, October 14. These boxes filled with simple gifts give hope and the love of Jesus to hurting children around the world.

Last year 3,672 boxes were collected from our area, then together with Springfield, 40,788 boxes were sent to the Minneapolis processing center. Shoebox postage is again \$9.00 and toothpaste and candy can no longer be included in the box. Shoeboxes are available in the foyer and each box contains a "Beanie Baby" and the Operation Christmas Child brochure. Stocking caps and scarves are also available. Any questions or in need of assistance in shopping--contact one of the Shoebox Ministry Team--Dorothy Greenlee, Lavina Knackmuhs, Harlene Rathert, Marilyn Whitehurst or Suzi Wiegard.

Final collection date is Sunday, November 11.



## Win-A-Couple Class Party

**Friday, October 19**  
**12 Noon**  
**Northwest Christian Church**

### Contact Us

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### Staff

Steve Higgs, **Minister**  
Scott Monette, **Youth Minister**  
Robert Gerton, **Director of Worship**  
Michelle Oberheim, **Children's Ministries**  
Connie Honigs, **Adm. Assistant**

## Monthly Financial Information

146Date	Attendance	Giving	Now is the Time	Budget
9/2	155	\$4515.75	\$1300.00	\$7052.50
9/9	119	\$6222.50	\$510.00	\$7052.50
9/16	131	\$6036.75	\$490.00	\$7052.50
9/23	141	\$4816.64	\$1882.00	\$7052.50
9/30	127	\$5371.50	\$1620.00	\$7052.50

### Elders

Jim Seggerman, Chairman  
**Zone 1** - Jay Dexter  
Steve Wiese  
**Zone 2** - Brent Owen  
James Zelhart  
**Zone 3** - Pat Owens  
Travis White

# OCTOBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 9am Food Pantry 10am Staff Mtg 6:30pm Women's Bible Study	3 6pm Praise Team Practice	4 7pm Committee Mtgs	5	6
7 FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6-7:30pm Youth Group	8	9 9am Food Pantry 10am Staff Mtg 6:30pm Women's Bible Study	10 6pm Praise Team Practice	11 7pm Elders' Mtg	12	13
14 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6-7:30pm Youth Group	15	16 9am Food Pantry 10am Staff Mtg 6:30pm Women's Bible Study	17 6pm Praise Team Practice	18	19 12pm Win a Couple Class Party	20
21 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6-7:30pm Youth Group	22	23 9am Food Pantry 10am Staff Mtg	24 6pm Praise Team Practice	25	26	27
28 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6-7:30pm Youth Group	29	30	31 6pm Fall Festival @ Oak Grove	27	28	29

## October's Birthdays

04 .....	Mary Bell	23 .....	Marsha Walters
04 .....	Janie Ward	25 .....	Sabrina Behrends
09 .....	Tim Mink	26 .....	Bonnie Barding
13 .....	Trevor Bagley	29 .....	Bonnie Bagley
14 .....	Mitch Behrends	29 .....	Jim Frazier
14 .....	Larry Hughes	19 .....	David Honigs
21 .....	Gabrielle Orme		

