

#### **Elders**

Harold Carman ❖ John Durkota Bob Keen ❖ Ray Rowan John Schmitt ❖ Ross Mackenzie

#### **Evangelists**

Tom Brown ❖ Jeff Hickman Jordan Massey ❖ Kendall Knight

## Women's Ministry

Kelly Brown ❖ Lin Ottenweller LaToya Massey

## **Missions Teacher**

Dr. Douglas Jacoby

#### Worship & Creative Arts Ministry Sherwin & Debbie Mackintosh

Youth & Family Ministry Chase & Sarah Mackintosh

# **Campus Ministry**

Jordan Massey & Cody Porter

#### Children's Ministry Melissa Tulloch

Administration

## Vivian Hanes ❖ Megan Famodun

YES! Ministry

# Jasmine Jackson Supporting Mission Efforts In:

Africa, Auburn-Tuskegee, Chattanooga, Europe, Knoxville



#### Communities

#### Central

Jeff & Kristi Hickman Dennis Pickens

#### East

Jacinto & Rochelle Hall

#### **East Cobb (Sandy Springs)**

Tom & Kelly Brown Stephen & Susan Adkins

#### Intown

John & Vivian Hanes

#### Northwest

(Kennesaw, Acworth)
Sherwin & Debbie Mackintosh

#### Marietta Square

Alex & Jasmine Jackson Adeoye & Megan Famodun North Marietta

(South Woodstock)
Matt & Enid Tchir

#### South

Gary & Dena Adams

## West Cobb

(Smyrna, South Cobb) Teregi & Anne Coleman

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# Christmas Candlelight Service: Born is the King!

#### **PROGRAM**

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing! ~ North River Choir and Band

Born Is The King (It's Christmas) ~ Nora Mackintosh (solo), Chase Mackintosh,

North River Choir, Band, and Orchestra

Please Sing Along!

#### PRAYER and SCRIPTURE READING

Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King ~ Chase Mackintosh and North River Band and Orchestra

## Please Sing Along!

Who Would Imagine A King? ~ Amber Williams (solo) and North River Band, and Orchestra

#### MESSAGE

Jeff Hickman, Evangelist

#### **CANDLE LIGHTING**

Silent Night ~ Congregation, led by Sherwin Mackintosh and the Worship Team

Please join us in lighting your candles as we sing "Silent Night"

- \* Adults only with candles please \* Be careful when tilting candles to avoid wax spillage \*
- \* Ushers will start at the end of each row \* Please raise your candles during the third verse \*
  - \* Please extinguish the candles when directed after the singing of the song \*

#### **COMMUNION**

NeedYou More ~ Chase Mackintosh and North River Choir, Band, and Orchestra Please Sing Along at the End

## **OFFERING**

Take Me To The King ~ Nicha Hilliard (solo), North River Choir, Band, and Orchestra

### **CLOSING**

The Hallelujah Chorus ~ North River Choir, Band, and Orchestra

# Holiday Celebrations

# Pop-tarts & PJ's



Please join us for North River's 2019 Pop-Tarts & PJs Family Sunday as we "pop" into a new year and celebrate all the blessings we have in Jesus! The children are encouraged to come to this family time in pajamas and will receive an organic Pop-Tart after this abbreviated, fun family-friendly service.

# 2020 Vision NYE



The Charlotte singles are hosting a New Year's Eve weekend called "2020 Vision." Registration ends TODAY. Limited housing is available as well! Once you register, just email your request to our event e mail cltsinglesnye2020@gmail.com with the subject line: NYE Housing. Find registration details at shorturl.at/cvEMN.

#### New Year's at North River!



College students, young marrieds, and young professionals are invited to join us here at North River for a New Year's Eve Black Tie Party to raise money for kids to go to school in Kenya!

Register and pay at the door or online. If you have any questions, please email <a href="mailto:nick.shoff@nrcoc.com">nick.shoff@nrcoc.com</a>.

# Made Alive in Christ!



Bria Marshall (second from the left), was baptized December 1, and is your new sister in Christ! She is a KSU student studying Public Health and has such a heart for people! She was met a couple of years ago on campus but the timing wasn't right. She was met again this summer when the French students were here to share

their faith at KSU and has been studying the Bible ever since. She is so driven and focused on what will be best for her walk with God. She is willing to give up anything for Him! Bria is so excited to be a part of this body and is so inspiring in the intentionality of her repentance.

Elizabeth Lowe is a fifth-year student at Georgia State University. Having grown up with knowledge of God, Elizabeth started studying the Bible over a year ago and consistently fought to truly know Jesus of the Bible. Even when life had its ups and downs, her heart continued to soften toward God all the more. She decided to go all in with making Jesus Lord of her life on December 9th. Please welcome your new sister in Christ!



Jordyn Brown is a freshman at GSU majoring in Studio Art! He is very talented not only with pencil and paper but with the saxophone as well. He first came to play death ball with a GSU family group at Georgia State. He then began to study the Bible shortly afterwards. Jordyn was extremely humble to the Word of God and didn't let anything stop him from making Jesus the Lord of his

life. Jordyn has amazing family members like his grandparents who helped cultivate that type of character in him. If you see Jordyn come say hello and welcome him to the family!

Eric DeJesus was baptized on December 6! Eric is a freshman at Kennesaw State University and a graduate of Kennesaw Mountain High School. Eric played baseball in high school and spent all semester connecting and building friendships with the guys at KSU. Eric is deep and humble, willing to ask questions, search for answers, and align himself



with the truth when faced with it. Eric is a dearly loved new brother and friend to us all at KSU!



Chikara Hasegawa (right) is a Plant Engineer at UPS. His coworker is David Alexander, who is currently a member of the Intown Ministry. In the last 10 months, Chikara has been involved with the Intown Ministry and house church as well as small group Bible studies with a few brothers. He is a man of kindness and generosity, and has grown to also be a man who

grown to also be a man who chases after God. He was baptized on December 16!



Clinton Walker (right), a sophomore at GSU studying criminal justice, was baptized on Friday night, December 7! At 6 foot 7 inches, Clinton is a friendly and gentle giant! He is one of the kindest and joyful people you will ever meet and his walk with God has been inspiring. His simple humility to obey the Scriptures and his fun presence have made a huge difference in the GSU ministry and we can't wait to see what God continues to do in his life!

Max Oliver (blue shirt) got baptized on November 19! He is a sophomore at Georgia Tech studying Aerospace Engineering. After seeing his best friend Huey baptized last spring, Max has shown an incredible heart to serve God and to do anything and everything he can to follow Jesus. Welcome to the family Max!





baptized on December 14!

Jasmine Ferrarer (middle) is a new sister in our family! She is a freshman at Georgia Tech who has spent the whole semester diving into the Word of God and humbly putting the things she has been learning into practice. Jasmine grew up learning about God, but wanted to learn more about having a personal relationship with Him! She decided last week to commit the rest of her life to following in the footsteps of Jesus! She was

Aaliyah Hawkins (blue hoodie), a freshman at GSU, made Jesus Lord of her life and was baptized Sunday, Dec. 15! Aaliyah has been a huge encouragement to the ministry since she started studying the Bible in the first weeks of school. Her perseverance, courage and humility in her journey with God is inspiring to many. Please welcome our new sister in Christ!





Adriana Williams (middle) was baptized December 11. She met Deseree Childs and quickly became an added member to the family. Adriana realized she needed to make changes in her life after attending a class at the Campus Retreat in October. Adriana has been zealous about taking her relationship with God to the next level. It has been a joy to watch her seek

God wholeheartedly and approach the scriptures with such humility and eagerness. Seeing what God has done to build Adriana's faith has been a faith-renewing experience!

Daijah Lawton (right), a sophomore at GSU, was baptized into the kingdom Friday, December 13! It has been amazing to see God transform her heart and increase her faith. God will use her soft heart to change many lives in the future. Please welcome our new sister in Christ!





Kherby Jean (right), a junior originally from Miami studying Architecture, began attending the Tuskegee University Bible Talk at the beginning of the fall. The campus ministry was handing out popsicles with invitations, and a young woman who came as a result brought him with her. Kherby started to attend church, and by the third

week, asked to study the Bible. "He knew God was telling him he needed a Godly community," said Bryce Outten. Kherby enjoyed the studies and took them seriously. When Kherby got to the conversion study, he struggled when he realized he was not a Christian, yet he was determined to seek out the truth. Kherby wouldn't move until he could confirm things through the Bible. He hung right in and got baptized on November 25, joining the Tuskegee Ministry!

# **RevivEasternEurope Mission Team**



RevivEE is a program designed to invigorate the faith and growth of our churches in Eastern Europe, which consists countries, 270 of 21 million people, and 24 fellowships with 3,000 brothers and sisters. There are 12 countries without church or a fellowship of less than 100 disciples. Shawn and

Wooten have spent more than 27 years planting and leading churches in the Former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. They are looking to build teams that will move to a specific country for 10 months, to help build a critical mass of growth and faith.

Is God calling you to change the vector of Christianity for a country? We are praying for you to consider Eastern Europe! The deadline to apply for Phase 1 is **February 15**, **2020** with a planned start date of August 15, 2020. There are also opportunities planned through 2022. Pray... Consider... to be a part of helping revive Christianity for a nation! Visit <a href="https://www.reviveeasterneurope.org">www.reviveeasterneurope.org</a> to see all the details, timelines and to apply to be a part of a life-changing team.



A Brother Restored: John Sanchez was baptized in the Atlanta church about 22 years ago. After a few years he drifted away.

However, he kept in contact with Norman Encarnacion. Over time, like the Prodigal Son he decided to head back home! Jeff Hickman, Norman Encarnacion, Phillip Laurent and others have had the privilege to assist in this journey of restoration. Luke

15:24 says "For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found. So they began to celebrate." Welcome home, John!



Kingdom Marriage: Daylen and Kayla Stone were married December 14 and will be moving to Columbus, GA. They are currently part of the Intown Community.

#### Restoration of the Heart

"The story of your life is the story of the long, brutal assault upon your heart by the one who knows what you could be, and fears you." -John Eldredge



Everyone has a story. The events and relationships in our story have shaped who we are, how we think about God. Not everything we experience is "God's Will." There is an enemy that means to harm us. He uses events and others to break our hearts. No matter how much we want to love God with all our hearts, those wounded parts of our hearts keep

us from loving God the way we want. There is an aching, a longing in us to be healed, to be whole.

Join us at the **Restoration of the Heart**, where we will model how to experience healing from Jesus. Healing can result in freedom from the addictions and distractions we sometimes use to numb the longing for the life we sense is just beyond our reach. God desires to heal us and bring us into that life. Save the date for this weekend, February 7-9.

# Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Weekend Event



Michael and MyCresha Burns are disciples in the Two Cities Church in Minneapolis. Michael is a biblical teacher who has done workshops around the world, including over 70 on culture, race, and the Kingdom of God. Michael serves on the ICOC Social, Cultural Unity and Diversity Team and helps direct Ministry Training Academies in Johannesburg, Nairobi, Lagos, and Abidjan. He is also the author of 12 books, including Crossing the Line: Culture, Race, and Kingdom and All Things to All People: The Power of Cultural Humility.

North River Church of Christ and Bridge Pointe Church are excited to welcome them to Atlanta for a special Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend event. There will be childcare during these sessions as we would love everyone to be there, so mark your calendars for these meaningful classes Friday night and Saturday.

# Let Us Pray...

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved. — 1 Timothy 2:1-4a

# December 22, 2019—January 4, 2020

22 9a & 11a Services 9a New Teacher Orientation	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day!	26	27	28
Huntsville, AL	Charlotte, NC	Clemson, SC	Charleston, SC	Triangle, NC	The Path	Greenville, SC
29 9a & 11a Services	30	31 New Year's Eve Jamquest Party	1 New Year's Day NO MIDWEEK	2	3	4
MGCC, Macon	Piedmont Triad	Pray for All	Auburn/Tuskegee	Chattanooga	Myrtle Beach, SC	Cornerstone

## Midweek Time Update

We tried 7 pm midweeks for several months to see if it would make it easier for families to come on All-Church Wednesday nights. As the overall children's attendance was not impacted, we plan to switch back to 7:30 pm starting January 8 to make it easier for our more distant communities to be able to attend. Every midweek in January will be an All-Church Midweek for all communities and their children starting at 7:30 pm. Thank you to all who offered their valuable input during this process. No final decision has yet been made about All Church Midweek start times after January.

## For Your Future Calendars:

Jan. 18-20: Michael Burns Diversity Weekend
Feb. 7-9: "Restoration of the Heart" Weekend
Jan. 8: All-Church Midweek at 7:30PM
July 2-5: World Discipleship Summit, Orlando

Holidays @ the Swamp DEC 29 - JAN 1 Grades 7 - 12

So your kids can have a safe and happy New Year's... and so can you!

#### **Price Includes:**

8 Meals, 3 Nights Lodging, Awesome Fireworks Display
New Year's Eve Party with DJ, Great Bible Classes for the New Year,
Another Swamp Memory

All for just \$175 per camper \$50 deposit required to reserve spot

Check in from 4:00-6:00 PM in Hart Dining Hall Concludes 12:30 PM final day Register at www.campswamp.com

# **Attendance and Contribution**

Average Giving in November was \$50,444 Weekly Goal in December is \$47,000

Date	Attendance	Contribution
Dec. 1	1,091	\$50,534
Dec. 8	1,312	\$42,185
Dec. 15	1, 118	\$37,697

# **Weekly Bible Studies**

Bible Studies for the Tuesday Women's, Tuesday Men's, and Wednesday Spanish-speaking groups will resume the week of January 6. Thanks for all who have volunteered to teach, prepare food and invite friends to these great opportunities to get into The Word!

# **End-of-Year Tax Statements**

Thank you for your generosity this year to the North River family. A last reminder that all donations must be received at the church office by Sunday, December 30 to be included in the 2019 tax year. Any post-dated checks mailed before midnight on December 30 (according to the IRS) will be included in 2019 tax year. However, please do not delay in giving your year-end contributions.

# **Full-Time Job Opportunity**

There is a job opportunity in Kennesaw for anyone looking for full-time work. The company is looking for 3-4 individuals to work construction on the I-75 bridge. No experience required. If anyone is interested, they can contact Alexis Esquijarosa at 786-355-3892 or via email at aesqu002@qmail.com.

### Lost & Found Bibles!

Please check the Lost & Found closet in the lobby and reclaim your Bible. Any Bibles remaining in the closet after January 12 will be removed and donated. Send a text to Marianne Elliott at 404-229-9837 with any questions.

# Something Missing in the Newsletter? Not Getting Church Emails?

For the full newsletter, check the online version to find more important news, updates, prayer requests and resources. Visit <a href="www.nrcoc.org">www.nrcoc.org</a>, click "Resources" (tab and then "Newsletters." If you are not receiving church updates through email, please check your spam folder (these messages most often come from <a href="mailtoma



<u>marietoussaint@nrcoc.com</u>) or contact your community leader to get your name added to the list.

# North River's Vision Statement

We are a diverse family of believers who answered the call to be disciples of Jesus Christ. We are being transformed by God's Word, His Grace, and the Holy Spirit. Through small groups and deep relationships with one another, we join in Jesus' ministry and mission to make and mature disciples while we care for the needs of people. We do this to save as many as possible for the glory of God.

# **Prayer Requests**

"Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus." 1 Thess. 5:16

Have any prayer requests? Email Newsletter@NRCOC.com

# 2020 Biblical Study Tour



Travel to Turkey (Ephesus, Attalia, Laodicea, Istanbul) with our teacher Douglas Jacoby and brothers and sisters from around the world to go on a journey that will bring the world of the Bible to life. It is over a year away, but spaces go

very fast. For more information, visit www.douglasjacoby.com.

October 19-26, 2020 (Pre-tour: October 16-19)

## **New AIM Course**

Don't miss out on this great opportunity starting now! An all-new cohort of students in the Athens Institute/ ASOM Bible study with an emphasis on careful teaching (2 Tim. 2:15), constitutes nearly 40% of the AIM course. Register at <a href="https://www.athensinstitute.org">www.athensinstitute.org</a>.

To register, send an email to dj@douglasjacoby.com.

First Course: NT Survey (January —March)

# **Great Books, Great Gift Ideas!**



This month, you can take advantage of discounts most of Douglas Jacoby's titles. For the month of December, most books and CDs are 25-50% off. These make great Christmas gifts compact, inexpensive. and wholesome. And you still subscribe to can Douglas' newsletter to get

more insights from around the world. Text the word "disciple" to 66866 to join his newsletter, and stop by the book table to get a new book today!

# **Hot Off the Press**



Our AIM teacher and Bible scholar, Douglas Jacoby, has co-written a book with friend and fellow teacher Joey Harris (Augusta, Georgia). Informed: Untangling Destructive Interpretations of Scripture was released by IPI Books and contains an array

of helpful information that is both relevant and practical. Get your copy in the North River book area or click here at <a href="mailto:ipibooks.com">ipibooks.com</a>. Here's a sampling of the chapters:

•Health & Wealth: The Gospel of Materialism

Signs & Wonders: History and Hysteria

•Visions & Dreams: It's All About Me

•Rapture & Tribulation: Exiting Earth?

•Bow & Pray: The New-Fangled Doctrine of 1835

# WITW: Where In the World is Douglas Jacoby?

	2019	
Dec. 29	Edinburgh, Scotland	

# **Lighthouse Update**



We are excited to share the progress with the Lighthouse. Construction is just about complete, and we are now in the final stages, going through safety inspections and furnishing the building thanks to our members' generous donations. Thank you for your dreams for this new light on our campus. We look forward to sharing with you soon when the actual opening will be. Right now, we are planning a grand opening in the new year, but we hope to be able to use the building much sooner than that. Please continue to pray for how God is preparing to use the Lighthouse in Atlanta!

# Learn Sign Language!







Are you interested in learning American Sign Language (ASL). To be added to the group and join us for our next session, please contact Shay Rowe (678-920-3838), Jamie Mullis (770-366-1881) or visit <a href="https://forms.gle/EXDodCSg6P66W81j9.">https://forms.gle/EXDodCSg6P66W81j9.</a>

# Join the Deaf Ministry ICOC

My name is Ruthanna Reardon. I'm a disciple in Athens, GA. I am writing to inquire if you have any deaf/hard of hearing (HH) disciples in your ministry, or any disciples who know American Sign Language (ASL), whether they are CODA/KODAs (child/kid of deaf adult) or ASL interpreters, or on the path to become ASL interpreters. We would like to extend an invitation for them to be a part of the Deaf Ministry ICOC (DMICOC). Please contact us if you have any questions. - Ruthanna Readon, Dmicoc.org.

Find us on <u>Facebook group</u> or <u>Twitter</u> @DMICOC2019

# **World Discipleship Summit: Vision**



Join us for the 2020 World Discipleship Summit July 2-5, in Orlando, Florida as disciples from around the world share God's vision to bring the love of Jesus to as many as possible. Check the website to register and to find more helpful information:

- •Singles, Youth, Women's and Men's classes
- •Artist Showcase, Worship, and Animate events
- •Chance to Dance program for those with special needs
- •ICOC (campus) and Stronger (mental health) conferences
- •How to register as an exhibitor
- •Even discounted park tickets! What parks?
  Oh you know...

You can also join in now on <u>Facebook</u> where people from around the world have been sharing their excitement for months in anticipation of this extraordinary experience.

# A Special Way to Support Camp Swamp



The holiday season is here, and you may be joining the season of giving by buying items online. With one extra step, you can support our very own Camp Swamp. Simply visit or

click on the following link, do your shopping, and upon check out, Amazon will donate a share of your purchase to Swamp Camp Services Inc. (<a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com/ch/58-2381032">smile.amazon.com/ch/58-2381032</a>). No extra fees! Shop till you drop and support Camp Swamp.

Thanks, Jeff Rorabaugh

# Follow @NorthRiverCOC



If you want to join the Media Team (social media, photography, videography, graphic design, internet outreach) please email <a href="Media@nrcoc.com">Media@nrcoc.com</a>. But you don't have to volunteer to help! Simply follow @NorthRiverCOC on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter. But don't stop there. Engage! Comments, likes, and shares increase the likelihood of people finding our church online, and we also encourage each other. Happy posting!

# **Needs in our North River Family**

"Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ"

## -1 Corinthians 12:12

With our growing church, additional building, and ongoing outreach, we have many growing opportunities to help. Please give a read of the following opportunities and see where God might want you to serve or help. Thank you for being the toes, the nose, and the elbows!

- **NEW! MUSIC LIBRARIANS:** People to help file and manage the music for the worship team. Contact Sherwin at <a href="mailto:SherwinMackintosh@nrcoc.com">SherwinMackintosh@nrcoc.com</a>.
- •SECURITY TEAM: Monitoring in and around our three buildings. Contact Megan at meganfamodun@nrcoc.com.
- MEDICAL PERSONNEL: Nurses, doctors, and EMTs who can help when needed. Contact Kristi at kfitzbei@bellsouth.net.
- •YES! PROGRAM: To do one of the regular Saturday events with your group or for ongoing help, email northriveryes@gmail.com.
- •SHEPHERDS FOR SINGLES' FAMILY GROUPS: contact JohnHanes@nrcoc.com or TomBrown@nrcoc.com.
- •WORSHIP TEAM: Thursday night rehearsals required. Contact Sherwin at <a href="mailto:SherwinMackintosh@nrcoc.com">SherwinMackintosh@nrcoc.com</a>.
- •HAVE ANOTHER IDEA OR NOT SURE HOW TO HELP? No problem! Hit me up with your interest at <a href="MarieToussaint@nrcoc.com">MarieToussaint@nrcoc.com</a>. Thx.

# Need a Place to Stay? Have a Room for Rent?



There are several people in the North River family who are looking for housing or roommates. (This includes single women, single men, and sometimes couples.)

There ALSO might be those among us who have a spare room, a basement, or an in-law suite. We would love to match people up and even help start some new spiritual households! If you would like to help or need help, please send any info to our hospitable volunteer, Sierra at <a href="mailto:sierrapierce19@gmail.com">sierrapierce19@gmail.com</a>. Pulling all together, we can meet many needs. Thank you.

# **KIDOGO Online Videos & Content**



At *ICOC HotNews*, a group of disciples took a leap of faith and began a YouTube channel they believe will help young Christians looking for advice and guidance. The channel is called <u>Kidogo</u> and is run by volunteers. Check out these helpful tools and find out how to support Kidogo at <u>www.kidogotoolbox.com</u>.

## How to Get Your Kids in Children's Classes



We are thrilled to announce a new digital check-in process. Please watch the video at https://bit.ly/2Zu7Xo9 to learn how to register your kids into our program. You can access the form to sign up your child at http://bit.ly/riverkidsregistration. If you

do not re-register your kids using these forms, we won't be able to check them into class, so this is very important. Please feel free to reach out to myself or anyone on our team at childrensministry@nrcoc.com or melissatulloch@nrcoc.com with any questions!

## 3 Easy Ways to Give Online:



Online: visit

TITHE.LY https://tithe.ly/give?c=467483

- App: Download the BLUE Tithe.ly Church App, then search for North River Church of Christ!
- Text: Text the word GIVE to (470) 460-6991

You can set up recurring gifts and also cover the processing fees for your donation if you wish. If you have any questions about setting up your giving on Tithe.ly, please call the church office at 770-792-8133 or email meganfamodun@nrcoc.com.

## **Facilities and Requests**

The challenge to fit and arrange all that the membership wants to do on our campus continues!

As good stewards of all that God gives us, let us keep the following in mind:

- Treat the buildings as though they are your home. (They are!)
- To request a spot on the North River campus, please go to nrcoc.org, click on Resources and select Facility Request (http://nrcoc.org/facility-request/). Easily fill out and submit our new form from a phone or laptop.
- All private events for members weddings, birthday or grad parties, showers, etc., will incur charges.
- HVAC systems (there are six in the FLC) are programmed on Mondays for the week. That means that all requests should be in at least by the Friday of the week before your event. Most requests are processed within 48 hours.
- Don't assume all rooms are available to use if they are empty. You may get booted or those rooms may be considered off limits such as some children's ministry or staff rooms.
- Bear with each other if you don't get your desired spot - or for the time you need it. Until we get more space, flexibility is key!
- Reminder! The FLC is a NUT-FREE facility. Please keep this in mind when bringing lunch or potluck meals. Thank you for keeping those with serious food allergies safe.

Thanks for cooperating. Please send your questions to events@nrcoc.com.

## Do You Have Trouble Hearing the Service?

### FRONT-ROW HEARING NOW INSTALLED!!

North River installed a hearing loop system to deliver clear sound to users of hearing aids or cochlear implants and others who have hearing loss. The hearing loop is installed under the carpet in a section on the left side of the auditorium. Please see an usher to identify which seats are within the loop. In this section, any telecoil-equipped hearing device (most hearing aids, all cochlear implants, and some personal receivers) can receive a clear transmission of the message and music without background noise.

If your hearing device has a telecoil, then use your telecoil input when sitting in the looped section. If you do not have a hearing device with a telecoil and need hearing assistance, request a receiver from an usher, and sit in the looped section.

### **Book Corner**

To all new members: Please go to the North River book area (at the Welcome Desk) to collect your complimentary copy of THRIVE: Using Psalms to Help You Flourish, by Douglas Jacoby. You will find it under the Thrive! poster.

College students and high school seniors, your gift book is Campus Core: How to Have Impact on Your Campus, Get Good Grades, and Figure Out Your Future. See your campus minister, or Douglas (who can usually be found at the book corner between services and after second service), to receive a copy.

#### **Contact the Newsletter Team**

Like this newsletter? Have something you'd like posted here? Want to help out? Awesome! Please email: newsletter@nrcoc.com. Requests sent to other email addresses may or may not find their way to the newsletter team in time!

We try to accommodate everyone and would hate to miss an important announcement sent to an email address not checked regularly. The weekly deadline is Wednesday at midnight to <a href="mailto:newsletter@nrcoc.com">newsletter@nrcoc.com</a>. Announcements or requests received after the deadline may not be possible. Thanks, the Newsletter Team.

## **Parking Spaces!**

The leadership team has been monitoring the parking lot each service, and we are finding that spaces are filling up fast! This is a good problem to have, but when you are able, please help us keep more spaces open for visitors by parking in Howard Street Parking for All-Church Midweeks and especially for the 11am services. Thank you.