

# The Nall Call

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TRANSFORMING  
LIVES



BUILDING  
RELATIONSHIPS



IMPACTING  
COMMUNITIES

**BLESSED IS THE NATION WHOSE  
GOD IS THE LORD; AND THE  
PEOPLE WHOM HE HATH CHOSEN  
FOR HIS OWN INHERITANCE.**

**PSALM 33:12**



## Happy Summer!

We hope you are having a wonderful summer so far! May you be blessed with moments of connection with the Lord, relaxation, time with family and summer fun!

# Upgrades at NABC by Bri Nicoletti



You may have noticed some changes happening at NABC recently! Our properties team has been hard at work! Our Air Conditioning in the Sanctuary was recently replaced, and it is nice and cool in the Sanctuary on Sunday's now! Big thanks to Tom Victorine, Richard Miller, and Robert McGowan for their hard work and dedication to get the air conditioning replaced quickly on one of the hottest weeks of the year!

You also may have noticed in the Sanctuary that we have new screens and the projectors have recently been replaced, which allows for brightly colored and clear images to be seen each Sunday! We also have an upgraded sound system in the CLC, which will make events easier and user friendly!

Many thanks to all involved in making these improvements to our church!



1st Monday of every Month  
7:30 AM  
Santa Fe Café  
No RSVP Needed



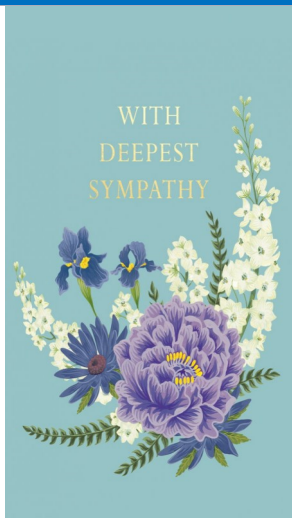
### Save the Date!

Save the Date for our church Picnic in the Park at Roe Park, August 14th following worship service. More details to come!

### Deepest Sympathies

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families and friends:

Dave and Wanda Haws' son on June 16





## Volunteer Spotlight by Bri Nicoletti

Our Volunteer Spotlight for July is our Audio/Visual Worship team! We had a few of them answer the questions, but our team is made up of Craig Piguet, Robert McGowan, Ty DeMint, Darol Phillips, Kate DeMint, Jen Basel, John Cowel, Karla Bauer-Tate and Brett Bishop along with those who step in during times of need. These folks make the sound, lyrics and livestream possible every Sunday! If you would like to join our Audio/Visual Worship team, please contact Bri in the office! Robert, Ty, Kate and John answered some questions about their volunteer service.

### Why do you serve?

**Kate:** “I serve to make sure everything runs smoothly and because I like kids and doing slides!”

**John:** “Serving as a deacon allows me to meet new people and serve in ways I may not have otherwise had the opportunity. I love to sing as a member of the praise team, and I learn new things as a member of the tech team.”

**Ty:** “It all started for me during the last church renovation of the foyer/sanctuary. We worshipped in the CLC for many months and did not have access to hymnals or printed song lyrics so we relied 100% on the slides (or memory) for our praise time. I quickly realized that Kevin and Robert could use an extra pair of hands in the back of the room so I took a spot filling the gap to help them provide a seamless worship experience to the congregation.

**Robert:** “Because God gave me the ability.”

### What is an unexpected blessing you have experienced because you serve?

**Kate:** “I have met new people who I serve with and have gotten to know them in ways I would not have before serving.”

**John:** “Hearing that something I did in my service blessed someone else.”

**Ty:** “I have noticed that my praise portion of worship in song is much more attentive when I focus on all the words to the lyrics we sing to God. But if I get too into the worship I forget to move to the next slide and people start looking at me funny.”

**Robert:** “Community.”

### “What would you say to someone who is thinking about serving in one of Nall’s ministries?”

**Kate:** “Find something that you like to do and find a way to help out! There are many ways to serve at Nall and by asking someone who is serving, you can easily help out.”

**John:** “If someone asks you to serve, please don’t let “no” be your answer right away. Take some time to pray about the request. Ask questions. You can’t imagine the blessings you will receive in serve for God’s kingdom.”

**Ty:** “No one knows your interests more than you. Find a gap that needs filling that fits those interests. God needs you somewhere or he would not have put you here even if it means learning something new. I am always learning.

**Robert:** “You won’t regret it!”



## Hope in Difficult Times by Pastor Bob Mills



Our world is plagued with stress, trauma, worriedness and a continued sense of hopelessness. These really are tough times! Henry David Thoreau said, “people are living lives of quiet desperation.”

Recently, I was reading statistics from Gallup Research and LifeWay Christian Resources that were shocking. Under the category of worried Americans (all people)

58% said they were extremely worried

26% said they were very worried.

Total of 84% who were worried.

Those that were hopeful:

24% were extremely hopeful

18% were very hopeful for a total of 42%.

There has been a steady increase in sadness and hopelessness in every state in America.

Americans say during the pre-pandemic COVID time 75% live with high stress, 72% are exhausted, 68% feel they are living defeated lives, 67% say they struggle with loneliness, and 48% say they feel hopeless.

These statistics are difficult to read and absorb. Do we have a message for the country? Is hope available? The answer is YES!

“For I know the plans I have for you”, declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13

Our hope is in Christ alone. Not government, finances, education, or anything of this world. We have a message of hope for our community, our state, the country, and the world. It is the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This week, talk to a neighbor, friend, or family member about hope in Christ. Help be a part of the solution to the above statistics!

Pastor Bob