



NORTHPOINT
CHURCH

IN-PERSON + STREAMING AT NORTHPOINT

Two Sunday services: **in-person**, inside the Worship Center and **live-streaming** on Facebook and YouTube at **9:00 a.m.**, and **in-person**, inside the Worship Center at **10:45 a.m.**

PRAYER AFTER THE SERVICE

- Need to speak or pray with someone after the service? Pastor Tony and our Prayer Team Members will be down in front of the stage to visit with you right after we are dismissed.
- You can also fill out a **Response Card** or **Care Card** at the Information Center in the Foyer. You will be contacted as soon as possible this week.

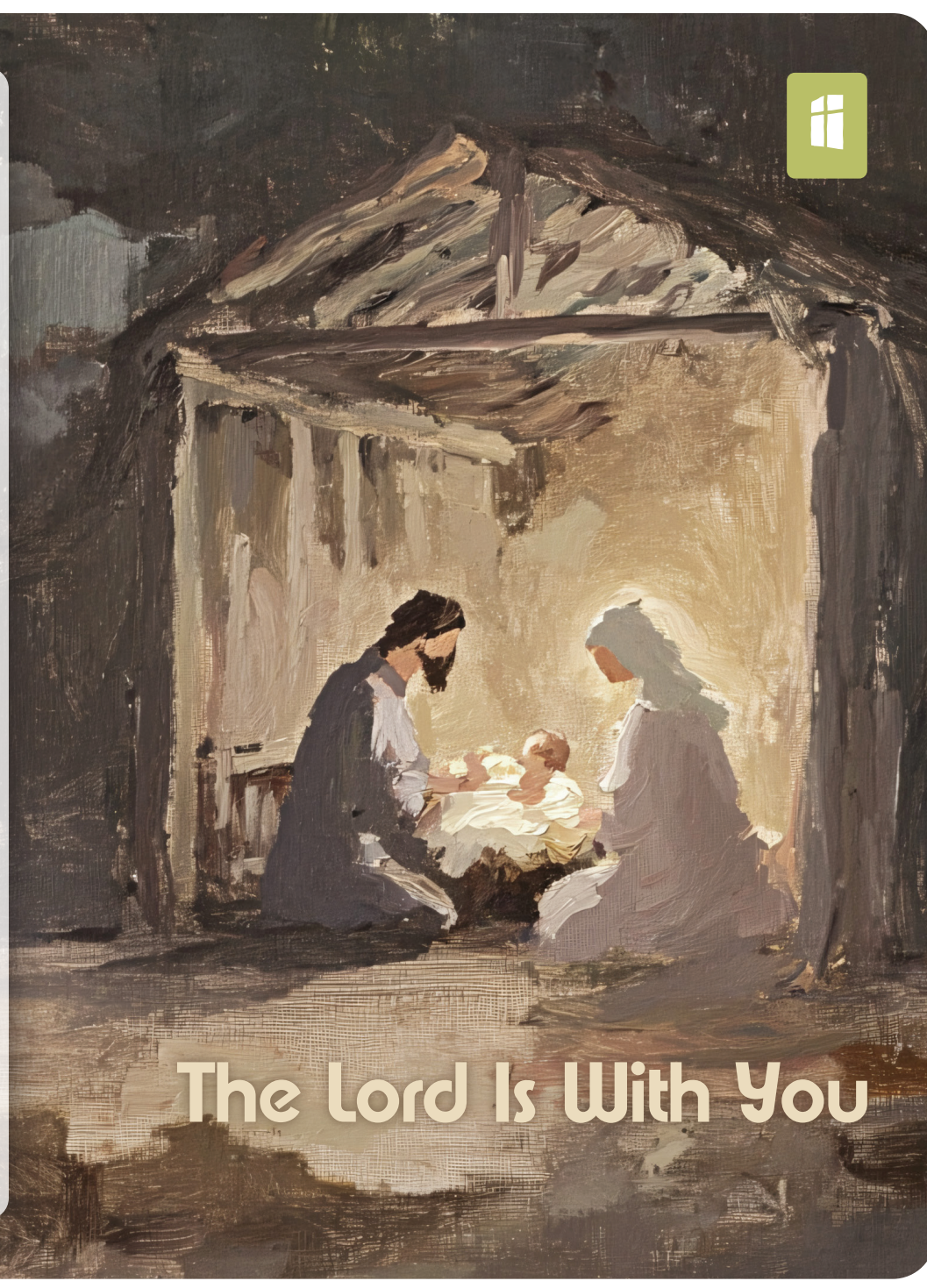
PRAYER REQUESTS AT NORTHPOINT

- **General Prayer Requests** — prayer@northpointcorona.org — for requests that will be emailed to the congregation's Prayer Chain
- **Confidential Prayer Requests** — confidentialprayer@northpointcorona.org — for private requests that will be directed to the Leadership Team
- **Need Prayer Today?** — You can pray with someone at the end of this service — prayer team members will be waiting in front of the stage

CONNECT WITH US

- **Contact Our Leadership Team:** Do you need to contact one of our elders, pastors, directors, or support staff, or do you want to find out more about them? You can accomplish both by visiting northpointcorona.org/about/leadership-2, or by opening the camera on your phone to scan this QR code: 
- **Find Out What's Happening at NP:** Just about every Thursday, we send out **NP News**, our all-church newsletter email. In it, there's typically a short note from Pastor Tony, a calendar of upcoming events, a preview of our next Sunday service order, and all you need to know about what's happening at Northpoint. Subscribe to **NP News** by opening the camera on your phone to scan this QR code: 
- **Connect with Us on Social Media** through **Instagram** at [@northpointchurch_corona](https://www.instagram.com/northpointchurch_corona).

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The Lord Is With You

WELCOME!

We're honored you've decided to spend the morning with us. Please know that we're here to assist you in any way we can with your quest to grow closer to God. Below, you'll find what we'll be doing during today's service. On the right panel, you can get an idea of what happens around Northpoint each week and things we're looking forward to.

WHAT TO EXPECT THIS MORNING

Today, we'll start by reading a short passage from the Bible to focus our attention on God. We'll sing songs of praise to Him. We'll pray to Him. We'll again read from the Bible. We'll give to God's work with a money offering. (If you're visiting, please don't feel obligated to give.) We'll hear a message from God to us from the Bible. Then, we'll sing a closing song.

TODAY'S FOCUS

This morning, we'll continue our Advent series from the book of Luke, *The Lord Is With You*, with the message, *Blessed Be the Lord*. There, we'll be challenged to recognize Jesus for who He is and what He came to do so that we, too, can live a life fulfilled regardless of when we are called home.

SERVICE ORDER



DEC 29, 2024

▲ = When we're **standing** (as you are able)

- Call to Worship** _____ Tri Nguyen, Worship Leader
Psalm 24:7-10
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** _____ Worship Team + Congregation
Great Things + God So Loved
- Welcome + Announcements** _____ Dr. Tamene Menna, Executive Pastor
- Missions Moment** _____ Dr. Tamene Menna + Cuba Team
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** _____ Worship Team + Congregation
Good, Good Father
- Scripture Reading + Prayer**
Luke 2:22-38
- Offertory** _____ Worship Team + Congregation
Oh, Give Thanks
- Today's Special Message** _____ Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor
Lord, Let Your Servant Depart in Peace - Luke 2:22-38
From the Advent series through the Gospel of Luke: **The Lord Is With You**
- ▲ **Closing Song** _____ Worship Team + Congregation
Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Beginning To End)
- Benediction** _____ Tri Nguyen, Worship Leader
Numbers 6:24-26

WHAT TO DO NOW?

We believe our greatest need is to be connected to God and to His family, the church. Start that by filling out a **Response Card** at the **Information Center** in the Foyer, or by talking to us down front after the service. Want more? Connect through **weekly small groups**, **serving others**, **Sunday school**, and our quarterly **Pizza with the Pastor** gatherings and **membership classes**. Visit northpointcorona.org/media/get-connected/ for more.

THIS WEEK AT NORTHPOINT *

- Today** — Preservice Prayer, 8:00 a.m., Worship Center Prayer Room
In-person Services at 9:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. & Live Streaming at 9:00 a.m. on Facebook/YouTube
Student Ministry (Senior & Junior High) Sunday Gathering, 9:00 a.m., Upstairs - *Off This Week*
NP KIDS' Sunday School, Birth-Kindergarten, 9:00 a.m. - See below for Details
Firmly Planted, Adult Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 9:00 a.m., Heritage Hall Overflow Room
Living the Truth, Adult Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class) 10:45 a.m. - *Off This Week*
Faith & Friendship, Seniors' Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 10:45 a.m. - *Off This Week*
- Monday** — Special Office Hours: 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Weekly Prayer Time (Men and Women), 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Commons
- Tuesday** — Special Office Hours: 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
JH & SH Youth Group, 6:45 p.m.-9:00 p.m., Youth Room Upstairs - *Off This Week*
- Wednesday** — **Church Office Closed for New Year's Day**
- Thursday** — Special Office Hours: 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

* For the latest each week, contact bbrown@northpointcorona.org to receive the NP all-church email, **NP News**.

LOOKING AHEAD AT NORTHPOINT *



TODAY, and **NEXT Sunday, January 5**, are one-service-only (9:00 a.m.) **Family Sundays**: students grades 1-12 are in each service with their families. The Early Childhood is as usual.



DECEMBER 31, 2024

End-of-the-year gifts to Northpoint are a blessing and help ministries all around the world. If you are planning a year-end contribution to count as a tax deduction for 2024, please deliver it to the Church Office by Tuesday, **December 31** (see Calendar above for Office hours), or by mail if postmarked by **December 31**. Gifts received in January, 2025, even if backdated, **will count as 2025 tax deductions**.



SH/JH Camp

2025 WINTER CAMPS ARE COMING UP!

Over the weekend of **January 3-5, 2025**, our senior and junior highers and our NP KIDS are going to their respective Winter Camps! Scan the appropriate QR code for details and to register.



KIDS' Camp



Men! Join us for a **Boys Night Out** on **January 15**, in Heritage Hall, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. **Aurelio Barreto**, founder of Dogloo, C28, and NOTW Clothing, will be our guest speaker. We'll also enjoy a TEXAS Roadhouse chicken dinner!



There is still time! **Women of the Word (WOW)** returns from the Christmas break on Tuesday, **January 14**, and Wednesday, **January 15**. We'll be diving into the book of James to spend time looking at how God's Word produces wisdom, faith, and perseverance in our lives. If already registered last fall, just show up! If you are not yet signed up, please register by scanning the QR code:



* For more ways to connect with the Northpoint family, see the back of this program.

LOVING GOD • LOVING ONE ANOTHER • REACHING HIS WORLD



Lord, Let Your Servant Depart in Peace

Luke 2:22-38

Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor

Overview: Forty days after Jesus was born, Joseph and Mary bring Him to the temple to present Him to the Lord. Their humble means are on display as they offer the minimal requirement in keeping with the Law of the Lord. Simeon and Anna are also at the temple. Luke describes Simeon as "righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel." Anna is described as "advanced in years . . . not departing from the temple, worshipping with fasting and prayer night and day." Both Simeon and Anna recognize the baby Jesus as the Christ, the fulfillment of God's promise for the redemption of Israel. Simeon takes Jesus into His arms and blesses God, stating that his time on earth can now come to an end because he has seen the salvation of the Lord. Simeon then blesses Joseph and Mary, confirming in their hearing that Jesus is appointed for the rise and fall of many in Israel, noting also the painful price that must be paid. May the Lord enable us to recognize Jesus for who He is and what He came to do so that we, too, can live a life fulfilled regardless of when we are called home.

01. Jesus' incarnation reminds us to give thanks to God for parents and others who take care of our needs and raise us to walk with the Lord.

02. Joseph and Mary's presentation of Jesus reminds us to dedicate ourselves to the Lord and to serve Him in the early stages of our adult life.

03. Simeon and Anna's consolation remind us to serve the Lord daily and for the long haul as we anticipate seeing our Lord face to face.

1. What was the purpose for Joseph and Mary bringing Jesus to the temple in verse. 22-24? What does this passage suggest about their commitment as a couple to walk with the Lord in obedience to His Word? What does this passage indicate about their financial standing, according to Leviticus 12:6-8? Take time to thank God for young families at Northpoint who are just starting out together and serving the Lord at this stage in their lives.

2. How does Luke describe Simeon and Anna in verse 25 and verses 36-37? What characteristics do they share? What expectations did they have? If you are "advanced in years" (verse 36), are you growing in the Lord like Simeon and Anna? Are you eager to see what the Lord is doing in your lifetime and in the generations that follow?

3. What was Simeon promised, according to verse 26? How might this promise have affected his everyday life? How did the fulfillment of this promise inform his prayer in verses 29-30? Are you praying for the Lord to do anything in particular in your lifetime with reference to the gospel? Are you praying for someone you know and love to be converted? Are you praying for revival and the spread of the gospel?

4. Anna is described as a "prophetess" in verse 36. What other prophetesses are mentioned in the Bible? (See Exodus 15:20, Judges 4:14, 2 Kings 22:14, and Isaiah 8:3). How does her life, as described by Luke, enhance her standing as a prophetess? What message does she share in verse 38? How can you share the good news about Jesus with others?

For Further Reading: Trevor Burke, *The Message of Sonship: At Home in God's Household* (IVP, 2011)

The Lord Is With You

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GREAT THINGS

Verse 1

Come let us worship our King
Come let us bow at His feet
He has done great things
See what our Savior has done
See how His love overcomes
He has done great things
He has done great things

Chorus

O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
O God You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom awake and alive
O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high
O God You have done great things

Verse 2

You've been faithful through every storm
You'll be faithful forevermore
You have done great things
And I know You will do it again
For Your promise is yes and amen
You will do great things
God You do great things

Chorus

O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
O God You have done great things

We dance in Your freedom awake and alive
O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high
O God You have done great things

Bridge

Hallelujah God, above it all
Hallelujah God, unshakable
Hallelujah You have done great things
(repeat)

You've done great things

Chorus

O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
O God You have done great things

We dance in Your freedom awake and alive
O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high
O God You have done great things

Ending

You have done great things
O God You do great things

GOD SO LOVED

Verse 1

Come all you weary
Come all you thirsty
Come to the well
That never runs dry
Drink of the water
Come and thirst no more

Verse 2

Come all you sinners
Come find His mercy
Come to the table
He will satisfy
Taste of His goodness
Find what you're looking for

Chorus

For God so loved the world
That He gave us
His one and only
Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Verse 3

Bring all your burdens
Your stubborn rebellion
Come lay them down
At the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there
With open arms

Chorus

For God so loved the world
That He gave us
His one and only
Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Chorus 2

The power of hell
Forever defeated
Now it is well
I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved
God so loved the world

Bridge

Praise God, praise God
From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, praise Him
For the wonders of His love

His amazing love

Tag

For God so loved the world
That He gave us
His one and only
Son to save

Chorus

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**GOOD GOOD FATHER
GREAT ARE YOU LORD**

Verse 1

I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper of love
In the dead of night
And You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Chorus

You're a good, good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am

Verse 2

Oh and I've seen many searching
For answers far and wide
But I've known that we're all searching
For answers only You provide
'Cause You know just what we need
Before we say a word

Chorus

You're a good, good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am
(repeat)

Bridge

You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us
(repeat)

Verse 3

Oh this love so undeniable
I, I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable
I, I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still into love, love, love

Chorus

You're a good, good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am
(repeat)

Bridge

You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us
(repeat)

GREAT ARE YOU LORD

Bridge

All the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing
Great are You Lord
(repeat 2x)

Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
Pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only
(repeat)

OH GIVE THANKS

Verse 1

We were wandering in the desert
With our souls so starved and weak
We were hungry for a homeland
We did not know how to seek

But we lifted up our voices
To the only One who hears
And the God of mercy came and brought us near

Chorus

Oh give thanks to the Lord
For His love endures forever
We were wandering and lost
And our Father brought us home
To a safe, dwelling place
To a feast of joy and laughter
Oh give thanks to the Lord
For He is good

Verse 2

We were locked out of the garden
And our backs bend down with pain
In the shadow of death's darkness
We were slaves to sin and blame

Then we cried out in our labor
To the only One who hears
And the God of mercy wiped away our tears

Chorus

Oh give thanks to the Lord
For His love endures forever
We were wandering and lost
And our Father brought us home
To a safe, dwelling place
To a feast of joy and laughter
Oh give thanks to the Lord
For He is good

Verse 3

We were fools in our rebellion
With our hunger strike of pride
We were sick and growing closer
To the death we should have died
Then we heard of our condition
And He called us by our name
And the God of glory took away our shame

Chorus

Oh give thanks to the Lord
For His love endures forever
We were wandering and lost
And our Father brought us home
To a safe, dwelling place
To a feast of joy and laughter
Oh give thanks to the Lord
For He is good

Verse 4

We were far out on the ocean
Making wealth and chasing dreams
But the waves of great destruction
Brought us trembling to our knees

And we cried like drunken sailors
To the only One who hears
And the God of comfort took away our fears

Chorus

Oh give thanks to the Lord
For His love endures forever
We were wandering and lost
And our Father brought us home
To a safe, dwelling place
To a feast of joy and laughter
Oh give thanks to the Lord
For He is good
(repeat)

**GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS
(BEGINNING TO END)**

Verse 1

Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changes not, Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been
Thou forever will be

Verse 2

Summer and winter
And springtime and harvest
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Chorus

Beginning to end
My life in Your hands
Great, great is Your faithfulness

You never let go
This one thing I know
Great, great is Your faithfulness

Verse 3

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside

Chorus

Beginning to end
My life in Your hands
Great, great is Your faithfulness
You never let go
This one thing I know
Great, great is Your faithfulness

Chorus 2

Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning
New mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand has provided
Great is Thy faithfulness
Lord unto me