



NORTHPOINT
CHURCH

IN-PERSON + STREAMING AT NORTHPOINT

Two Sunday services: **in-person**, inside the Worship Center and **live-streaming** on 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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FOR THE SAKE OF
MY SERVANT DAVID
FIRST & SECOND KINGS

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, among other things, we'll read 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 symbolically celebrate Jesus' life, death, and resurrection with Communion. 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, before being dismissed, we'll sing a closing song.

TODAY'S FOCUS

This morning, we'll continue with our sermon series through the Old Testament Books of 1 and 2 Kings, *For the Sake of My Servant David*, with the message, *Solomon Excelled in Riches*. There, we'll be challenged to be thankful in both economic prosperity and adversity and to desire the riches that come from the One greater than Solomon.

SERVICE ORDER



MAR 16, 2025

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

- Prelude - (Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us)** ————— Worship Band
Call to Worship ————— Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
Psalm 24:1-5
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** ————— Worship Team + Congregation
Build Your Kingdom Here + Come Thou Fount (Above All Else)
- Welcome + Announcements** ————— Woody Armstrong, Northpoint Elder
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** ————— Worship Team + Congregation
I Surrender All (All I Am) + If All I Had Was Christ
- Scripture Reading + Prayer** ————— Barbara Schaefer, Women of the Word
Proverbs 31:10-31
- Offertory** ————— Worship Team + Congregation
Abide
- Today's Message** ————— Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor
Solomon Excelled in Riches, 1 Kings 10:14-29
From the sermon series through 1 and 2 Kings: **FOR THE SAKE OF MY SERVANT DAVID**
- ▲ **Closing Song** ————— Worship Team + Congregation
Blessed Be Your Name
- Benediction** ————— Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
1 Timothy 6:17-19
- Postlude - (Gracefully Broken)** ————— Worship Band

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** — In-person Services at 9:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. & Live Streaming at 9:00 a.m. on YouTube
Student Ministry (Senior & Junior High) Sunday Gathering, 9:00 a.m., Youth Room Upstairs
NP KIDS' 1st Service Program, Birth-6th Grade, (Dismissed from service during Announcements)
New NP Theology I Class Continues, 9:00 a.m., Heritage Hall
Firmly Planted, Adult Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 9:00 a.m., Heritage Hall Overflow Room
Faith & Friendship, Seniors' Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 10:45 a.m., Commons
NP KIDS' 2nd Service Program, Birth-6th Grade, (Dismissed from 2nd service during Announcements)
- Monday** — Weekly Prayer Time (Men and Women), 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m., Commons
Men of the Word (Men's Bible Study and Small Groups), 7:00 p.m., Heritage Hall
- Tuesday** — Women of the Word (Women's Bible Study and Small Groups), 6:00 p.m., Heritage Hall
JH & SH Youth Group, 6:45 p.m.–9:00 p.m., Youth Room Upstairs
- Wednesday** — Men of the Word (Men's Bible Study and Small Groups), 6:30 a.m., Heritage Hall
Women of the Word (Women's Bible Study and Small Groups), 9:00 a.m., Heritage Hall

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

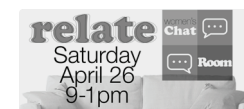
LOOKING AHEAD AT NORTHPOINT *



We want to help our kids here at Northpoint see God's heart to reach His world, so we are planning a children's program as a part of this year's **Missions Conference** in May. If you are interested in helping out with this, please contact **Staci Van New Kirk** at 951.316.6272 or stacivannewkirk@gmail.com.



Christmas Tea Auditions for actors and singers are **April 6**, at 12:30 p.m., in Heritage Hall. Interested? Scan the QR code or visit the Northpoint Women's web page—even if you've participated in the past.



Save the date! We all need to talk with someone who can truly understand what we are facing. That's what our **Women's Chat Room RELATE** is all about. Join us at NP on **Saturday, April 26**, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Scan our QR code for details:



We've restarted our **second service NP KIDS Program** for children from birth to sixth grade! If you have trouble getting your kids to first service regularly, then second service is for you! Scan our QR code for details:



The **Northpoint Hospitality Team's** goal is to help create an environment where everyone who visits our campus feels welcomed and loved. To join us or find out more, scan our 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



With Easter fast approaching, like many of us, you might be feeling a bit uneasy about inviting friends, family, and neighbors to one of our services on April 20. *Who should you ask? What should you say?* Those are common questions we ask ourselves. We get it! So, we've compiled a list of **seven ways to reach out and invite** those around you to attend a Northpoint service on Easter Sunday.

On the reverse side of this sheet, you'll find the seven items in a checklist format. Try one, check it off, and then try another. A completed checklist will get you free admission to a service of your choice on Easter Sunday!

Here are seven ways to reach out and invite those around you to attend a Northpoint service on Easter Sunday:

Check the appropriate box as you complete a task -

- ☐ Pray for the people in your spheres of influence (home, extended family, neighborhood, workplace, etc.) that God will open them to accepting your invitation.
- ☐ Walk through your neighborhood, praying as you go, that God will open your neighbors to accepting an invitation to Easter at Northpoint.
- ☐ Hand out 10 Easter invitation cards (extras available at the Information Center in the Foyer) to your friends, family, neighbors, workmates, etc.
- ☐ Post a Northpoint Easter Invitation image and a personal note on the Nextdoor app, Facebook's "What's Up Corona" page, or on your favorite social media platform.
- ☐ Text three people to invite them to join you.
- ☐ Have coffee with one person and invite them to join you.
- ☐ Invite friends or neighbors to join you for one of our Easter services *and* lunch afterward.

Note: *If one of your invitations brings someone to an Easter service, be sure to invite them to our "Get to Know You Luncheon," happening on April 27, at 12:30 p.m.!*

On Easter Sunday at Northpoint, Enjoy:

- + Free donuts and coffee in the Courtyard
- + Free family photos in front of the Waterwall
- + Free childcare for nursery through kindergarten
- + Kids first grade and above in services*

**Visit northpointcorona.org for typical
Sunday morning kids' & youth programs*



For more about
Northpoint or to plan
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So, what's Easter all about? Some say new life or new beginnings. For others, it's colored eggs and bunnies. For the Christian, Easter commemorates one of the greatest events in all human history: 2,000 years ago, Jesus Christ, God in the flesh, who had died on a Roman cross three days earlier, came back to life to make a way for people to belong to Him here on Earth and then to live with Him forever in Heaven after they die. If that sounds like something you'd want, join us on Easter Sunday and find out how you can have a new life in Jesus Christ that lasts forever.

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Solomon Excelled in Riches

1 Kings 10:14-29

Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor

Overview: The author of 1 Kings presents Solomon in all of his glory with respect to his wealth and wisdom before turning his attention to Solomon's great fall in the next chapter. The annual income of gold received by him is measured by the tens of thousands of pounds, and is supplemented by explorers, merchants, kings, and governors. This level of income enables Solomon to enhance his reputation through a grand exhibition of weaponry, an overwhelming display of kingly authority, and a marvelous show of incomparable hospitality. To ensure future political and economic dominance, Solomon continues to invest in chariots and horsemen designed to protect and defend his country. Such is the wealth of Solomon that he excels all the kings of the earth and people from all over the world come to hear his wisdom. Little do they realize that the seeds of destruction have already been sown, as Solomon's wealth serves as a cover for his disobedience to the commandments of the Lord.

01. Solomon's wealth was a blessing but it was also blinding; let us thank God for our economic situation and seek to follow Him with the resources He gives to us.

02. Solomon's wealth was unsurpassed in his time but it is also non-transferable to our time; let us find our true riches in the One who is greater than Solomon.

1. Why do you think the author of 1 Kings highlights Solomon's wealth in this chapter before narrating Solomon's fall in the next chapter? Do you agree or disagree with the statement that "wealth is a blessing but it is also blinding"? Why or why not?

2. Economic disparity is a fact of life regardless of economic theory; it is also a source of discontentment for many. In what ways does the Bible present people with great wealth—negatively or positively, or both depending on the circumstances? What examples of wealthy people can you think of who are commended in Scripture? What examples of wealthy people can you think of who are condemned in Scripture?

3. What does the Bible teach about honoring the Lord with our income as it pertains to the church? What does the Bible teach about honoring the Lord with our income as it pertains to the poor and those in immediate need? What does the Bible teach about honoring the Lord with our income as it pertains to paying taxes? Pray that the Lord will enable you to be faithful in these areas.

4. Read Deuteronomy 17:14-20. What specific areas in the text suggest that Solomon was not in line with these prohibitions? How could Solomon be so wise that others sought his wisdom, while at the same time so foolish as to ignore God's commands? What does this incongruity suggest about the nature of sin and its power to deceive?

5. Jesus describes Himself as the One who is greater than Solomon, particularly with respect to His wisdom (Matthew 12:42). In what other ways is Jesus greater than Solomon? How is Jesus greater than Solomon in His riches, even though He had no place to lay His head (Luke 9:58)? What riches do we receive from Jesus that far outweigh any riches we could have in this life?

For Further Reading: John Stott and Christopher Wright, *The Grace of Giving: Money and the Gospel* (Hendrickson, 2022)