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**.

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What Difference Does Faith Make?

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 take a break from our series through the Old Testament Books of 1 and 2 Kings, *For the Sake of My Servant David*, for the special message, *What Difference Does Faith Make?,* from Hebrews 4:11. There, we'll see that the legacy of a faithful worshiper endures because it points not to self but to the worth of Christ.

SERVICE ORDER JULY 6, 2025

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

Call to Worship — Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
Psalm 111

▲ **Congregational Singing** — Worship Team + Congregation
Only A Holy God + Holy Holy Holy

Welcome + Announcements — Perry Schaefer, NP Elder

Missions Moment — Dr. Tamene Menna, Executive Pastor
Cuba + Dominican Republic Mission Trips

▲ **Congregational Singing** — Worship Team + Congregation
Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

Scripture Reading + Prayer — Dave Dussault, NP Prayer Team
Genesis 4:1-12, 1 John 3:11-13, Hebrews 11:4

Offertory — Worship Team
By Faith

Today's Message — Taylor Mendoza, Pastor of Adults & Students
What Difference Does Faith Make? Hebrews 4:11

▲ **Closing Song** — Worship Team + Congregation
He Will Hold Me Fast

Benediction — Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
2 Timothy 4:7-8

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 **Get to Know You Lunches** 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 - *Off This Week*
- NP K!DS' 1st Service Program, Birth-6th Grade, (Dismissed from service during Announcements)
- Firmly Planted, Adult Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 9:00 a.m., Heritage Hall Overflow Room
- **Mandatory VBS Volunteer Meeting, After Second Service, Upstairs, Room 201**
- Faith & Friendship, Seniors' Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 10:45 a.m., Commons
- Living the Truth, *"How We Got the Bible & Why"* (Sunday School Class), 10:45 a. m., Heritage Hall
- NP K!DS' 2nd Service Program, Birth-6th Grade, (Meet in the Playground After Registering)

Monday
- Weekly Prayer Time (Men and Women), 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m., Commons
- VBS, 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (8:15 p.m. for kindergarten), Campus Wide

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Thursday — VBS, 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (8:15 p.m. for kindergarten), Campus Wide

Friday — VBS, 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (8:15 p.m. for kindergarten), Campus Wide

Saturday — Love Life Prayer Walk, 9:00 a.m., Low Park, 6927 Magnolia Ave, Riverside - *See Below*

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

LOOKING AHEAD AT NORTHPOINT *



IT'S JUST ABOUT HERE! Northpoint's **VBS 2025, *Jesus Is My Superhero!,*** is set to take over our campus **THIS** week, **July 7-11**. Registration for kids is still open and donations are still need! See details below:

1. KIDS - Register kids (kindergarten through sixth grade) for VBS 2025 by texting ***"NPVBS25"*** to **951.400.0716**, by visiting the NP K!DS' page at **www.northpointcorona.org**, or scanning the QR code to the right.

2. DONATIONS - We need **food and beverage donations** to make VBS a success! Scan the QR code at the left to see a list of items needed and to sign up to bring them. Deliver all donations to the NP K!DS' Check-in Room (this morning) or the Kitchen this week during the day beginning at 8:30 a.m.



Love Life partners with thousands of believers from local churches who gather to pray outside local abortion centers. Join them **THIS** Saturday, **July 12**, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., at Low Park in Riverside (6927 Magnolia Ave, Riverside).



Join us for a **Congregational Meeting** on Sunday, **July 27**, at 4:00 p.m. We'll review the NP budget and the financial report, vote to reaffirm new members: Julie Seuferling, Vasantha Inavolu, Santhi Inavolu, Ratnakar Paul, Shanthi Paul, Casey Blythe, Cheralyn Blythe, to reaffirm elders Steve Flood, Woody Armstrong, and Perry Schaefer for their second terms, and to affirm Tyler Van Horssen as Assistant Pastor.



Interested in a little more information regarding NP finances? Then, you're invited to a **question and answer session NEXT** Sunday, **July 13**, at 2:00 p.m., in the Worship Center Music Room.

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

LOVING GOD ▪ LOVING ONE ANOTHER ▪ REACHING HIS WORLD

SERMON NOTES JULY 6, 2025

What Difference Does Faith Make?
Hebrews 11:4
Taylor Mendoza, Pastor of Adults & Students

Overview: In a world where church often feels optional and faith is privatized, Hebrews 11:4 invites us to reconsider the essential connection between faith and worship. Through the example of Abel, we see that faith prepares the heart for true worship, demonstrates our right standing with God, and leaves a lasting witness long after we are gone. Abel's offering wasn't accepted because it was elaborate, but because it flowed from a heart of faith. Faith—not our worship—makes us righteous before God, and that righteousness frees us to worship with joy and authenticity. In a culture of convenience and spiritual individualism, biblical faith still calls us to gather, to offer ourselves wholly to God, and to trust that our worship matters. The legacy of a faithful worshiper, like Abel, endures because it points not to self but to the worth of Christ. What difference does faith make? Everything.

Outline:

1. Faith prepares our hearts to worship God well.

2. Faith, not our worship, makes us right with God.

3. Our faith speaks through a life of worship long after we are gone.

What Difference Does Faith Make?

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION & DISCOVERY

1. What are the cultural pressures or personal reasons that make church attendance feel "optional" today?

2. Reflecting on Hebrews 11:4, why do you think God accepted Abel's offering but rejected Cain's?

3. In what ways can you better prepare your heart for Sunday worship each week?

4. How can we distinguish between worship that flows from faith and worship that is merely routine or performative?

5. Have you ever tried to "work on your faith" without including worship or church community? Why do you think that happens?

6. What are some practical steps you can take to make weekly worship a spiritual priority rather than a convenience?

7. Who in your life has left a legacy of faith and worship? How has their example shaped your view of Christian faith?

For Further Reading (Available in the Bookstall):

- **Wheeler, Erin. *How Can I Make the Most of Sunday Services? Church Questions* (Wheaton: Crossway, 2025).**
- **Ash, Christopher. *Listen Up! A Practical Guide to Listening to Sermons* (London, UK: The Good Book Company, 2009).**

What Difference Does Faith Make?