



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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The Brown Family!



Our Adoption

The Highest Privilege of the Gospel

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 enjoy a special message, *Our Adoption: The Highest Privilege of the Gospel*, from the New Testament book of 1 John. There, in the third chapter, we'll see that being called God's child through adoption in Jesus Christ is essential to Christianity.

SERVICE ORDER



AUG 2, 2026

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

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| Prelude - The Love of God | _____ | Worship Band |
| Call to Worship | _____ | Craig Mulari, Worship Leader |
| <i>Psalm 68:3-6</i> | | |
| ▲ Congregational Singing | _____ | Worship Team + Congregation |
| <i>Come Praise and Glorify + Child of Love</i> | | |
| Welcome + Announcements | _____ | Sierra Lemen, Student Ministry |
| ▲ Congregational Singing | _____ | Worship Team + Congregation |
| <i>I Am His and He Is Mine</i> | | |
| Scripture Reading + Prayer | _____ | Mark Blincoe, Northpoint Elder |
| <i>1 John 2:28-3:11</i> | | |
| ▲ Offertory | _____ | Worship Team + Congregation |
| <i>I'm So Blessed</i> | | |
| Today's Message | _____ | Dr. Taylor Mendoza, Associate Pastor |
| <i>Our Adoption: The Highest Privilege of the Gospel - 1 John 3:1</i> | | |
| ▲ Closing Song | _____ | Worship Team + Congregation |
| <i>How Deep the Father's Love for Us</i> | | |
| Benediction | _____ | Craig Mulari, Worship Leader |
| <i>John 14:15-21</i> | | |
| Postlude - Redeemed | _____ | Worship Band |

WHAT TO DO NOW? SCAN HERE!



We believe our greatest need is to be connected to God and to His family, the church. Connect with NP by scanning the QR code to fill out an online **Guest Card** or by talking to us down front after the service. Want more? Connect through **weekly small groups**, **Sunday school**, and our quarterly **Get to Know You Lunches** and **membership classes**.

THIS WEEK AT NORTHPOINT *

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| 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)
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
Living the Truth, <i>A Study of Romans</i> , (Sunday School Class), 10:45 a.m., Heritage Hall |
| Monday | | Weekly Prayer Time (Men and Women), 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Commons |
| Tuesday | _____ | JH & SH Hot Summer Nights Gathering, 6:45 p.m.-9:00 p.m., Off Campus |

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

LOOKING AHEAD AT NORTHPOINT *



Did you miss it? At last Sunday's Congregational Meeting, the Northpoint family voted to affirm **Mark Blincoe** and **Joel Willson** as elders! Welcome to the team, guys.



JOEL Willson + Tina



MARK Blincoe + Kristen



Also at last Sunday's Congregational Meeting, the Northpoint Elders announced the **Principal Reduction Project**, a campaign to pay off the Worship Center mortgage. If you would like to donate to the fund, above and beyond your normal Northpoint giving, you can do so online, by check, or with cash. Here's how:

Online

To give toward the Principal Reduction online at our secure giving site, please visit northpointcorona.org/giving/ and tap or click the "**Click Here to Give Online**" button. Or, to bypass our website entirely, visit shelbygiving.com/app/giving/northpoint. Once on our secure giving page, choose "**One Time**," "**Fund**," and then in the dropdown, choose "**Principal Reduction**." Then, add your gift to the "**Amount**" box. That's it!

By Check

You can make financial donations to the fund by dropping a check in the offering baskets during Sunday services or at the Church Office, Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Make checks payable to "**Northpoint Church**" and write "**Principal Reduction**" on the memo line.

With Cash

Place cash in a sealed envelope labeled "**Principal Reduction**" to make donations to the fund. Drop the sealed envelopes in the offering baskets during Sunday services or at the Church Office, Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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

LOVING GOD • LOVING ONE ANOTHER • REACHING HIS WORLD



Our Adoption: The Highest Privilege of the Gospel

- 1 John 3:1

Dr. Taylor Mendoza, Associate Pastor

Overview: Throughout the book of 1 John, the apostle John goes back to the basics. Speaking to an audience that struggles to define true Christianity, John warns of false teachers who deny parts of the gospel, live however they want, and don't obey the Scriptures. Above all, they do not love others in the church all throughout Asia Minor (modern-day Turkey). One of John's most important correctives is to clearly define what true Christianity looks like. Essential to Christianity is being called God's child through the adoption in Jesus Christ. As theologian J. I. Packer once said, "If you want to judge how well a person understands Christianity, find out how much he makes of the thought of being God's child, and having God as his Father."

Three Features of our Adoption:

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1. John begins with a command to look: "See what kind of love the Father has given to us." The word "kind" carries the sense of something foreign, unlike anything we produce. What would change on Monday morning if you were sure the Father's love was settled before you ever performed?

2. Adoption tells us something about the adopter before it tells us anything about the adopted. What does it say about the character of God that He was not content merely to pardon rebels, but determined to bring them into His house and give them His name?

3. Justification answers the courtroom question: Am I guilty? Adoption answers the family question: Do I belong? Which of those two questions troubles you more often, and why? Where have you been living like a pardoned criminal—released, but keeping a safe distance from the house—instead of a child seated at the table?

4. In John 8:44, Jesus says of the old house, "Your will is to do your father's desires." Children resemble their household. Name one desire, habit, or reflex you still carry over from the house you were brought out of. What is one concrete way the Father's household would reshape that this month?

Recommended Reading: Russell, Moore. *Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families and Churches*, updated and revised (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2015).

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