



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

LEADERSHIP AT NORTHPOINT

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STANDING FAST [A STUDY THROUGH 1 THESSALONIANS] IN THE LORD

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 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 series in 1 Thessalonians, *Standing Fast in the Lord*. There, we'll see that Paul's love for the church and longing for their growth in Christ sets a biblical pattern for churches and pastors as they serve the Lord together.

SERVICE ORDER



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

- Prelude** (*His Eye Is on the Sparrow*) ————— Worship Band
Call to Worship ————— Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
Psalm 24:7-10
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** ————— Worship Team + Congregation
Battle Belongs + God So Loved
Welcome + Announcements ————— Woody Armstrong, NP Elder
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** ————— Worship Team + Congregation
Graves Into Gardens + Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor
Scripture Reading + Prayer ————— Rich Simpson, NP Growth Groups
Psalm 84
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** ————— Worship Team + Congregation
It Is Well With My Soul
Today's Message ————— Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor
Now We Live – 1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:13
From the series through 1 Thessalonians: **STANDING FAST IN THE LORD**
- ▲ **Closing Song** ————— Worship Team + Congregation
How Great Thou Art
Benediction ————— Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
Hebrews 10:19-25
Postlude (*Because He Lives*) ————— 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** ————— 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., Youth Room Upstairs
NP KIDS' Sunday School, Birth-6th Grade, 9:00 a.m. (*Dismissed from service during Announcements*)
Firmly Planted, Adult Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 9:00 a.m., Heritage Hall Overflow Room
Christmas Tea Hostess Sign-Ups, Before and After Services - See Below
Faith & Friendship, Seniors' Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 10:45 a.m., Commons
New End Times Sunday School Class, 10:45 a.m., Heritage Hall
Revolve (Young Adults), 6:00 p.m., at the Hansons' Home, 1503 Parkridge Ave, Norco, 92860
- 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
Senior High Youth Group, 7:00 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
- Thursday** ————— Junior High Youth Group, 6:30 p.m., Youth Room Upstairs
- Friday** ————— NP Forum #1 - The Reformation, 6:30 p.m., Heritage Hall - See Below
SM Glo Mini-Golf, 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday** ————— CBU Symphony Orchestra Concert, 6:00 p.m., Worship Center - See Below

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

LOOKING AHEAD AT NORTHPOINT *



Sign up as a **Christmas Tea Table Hostess** in the Foyer **TODAY!** Hostesses get free admission and may purchase up to **5** tickets. Also, general ticket sales start **NEXT** Sunday!



The first-ever **NP Forum** is **THIS** Friday, **October 28!** Gather with us from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., in Heritage Hall, when we'll feature talks from Pastor Tony on the **Reformation!** Scan the QR Code or visit our table in the Foyer for more information, to sign up, and to reserve childcare spots.



Join the **CBU Symphony Orchestra** for their **FREE** concert, **Imagination & Inspiration**, happening **THIS** Saturday, **October 29**, at 7:00 p.m., in the Northpoint Worship Center.



The **CBU Symphony Orchestra & Choir** will be at NP to offer their **FREE** concert **NEXT** Sunday, **October 30**, in the Worship Center at 7:00 p.m. Join them!



John Pate, a former NP member, has co-written and produced the new faith-based movie **Faith Wins: The Wildcard of the Strip**, the story of a Las Vegas Headliner who loses it all and then returns to the top with a different mindset. *Faith Wins* will be showing in CBU's Wallace Theater on Friday, **November 4**, at 7:30 p.m. Call 951.343.4319 for tickets.

* For all that's going on at NP, please visit northpointcorona.org/this-week/.

LOVING GOD • LOVING ONE ANOTHER • REACHING HIS WORLD



Now We Live

1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:13

Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor

Overview: Paul's love for the Thessalonians shines as he recounts his departure from them, expresses his concern for them, announces his desire to return to them, and prays for the Lord to bless them. Since his departure was sudden and involuntary, Paul assures the Thessalonians that his heart was with them even in his absence—they were his hope, his joy, and his crown of boasting before the Lord. As such, he longed to see them again in order to ensure their growth in the Lord but was prevented from doing so by Satan himself. Consequently, Paul feared they may have reached a breaking point in light of the relentless affliction brought about by the tempter. Paul, therefore, sent Timothy to establish and exhort them in the faith. Timothy's departure came at great cost to Paul, but his return and glowing report from the Thessalonians encouraged Paul greatly and led him to pray more fervently for the Lord to bless them. The love between Paul and the Thessalonians is instructive of how we should love Christ's church and one another today.

01. Our love for the church is based on her identity as the bride of Christ where every member has been purchased by His blood, is being conformed to His image, and is destined to spend eternity with Him in heaven. Let us then speak of the church as our glory, our joy, and our crown.

02. Our love for the church is challenged by the afflictions we encounter, the temptations we face, the demands on our time, and the lure of other loves. Let us then pray for the church, invest in one another, reject unnecessary division, and commit to serve until Christ returns.

STANDING FAST IN THE LORD

1. What circumstances led to Paul's forced departure from Thessalonica (see Acts 17:1-10)? How did Paul assure the Thessalonians that his heart was for them even in his absence? What accounts for Paul's intensity for the Thessalonians as he describes them as his hope, joy, and crown? Do you feel the same about the church in general and Northpoint in particular? See Revelation 19:1-8 for further insight.

2. What hindered Paul from returning to Thessalonica? How did his inability to return weigh on his heart? How can Satan interfere with our plans even though God is sovereign? As you consider your attendance at Northpoint, what has hindered you from coming in weeks/months past? How can we minister effectively to church members who are unable to meet "face to face"? See Hebrews 10:24-25 and 1 Timothy 5:3-16 for further insight.

3. What did Paul fear might happen to the Thessalonians during his absence? Who does Paul have in mind when he refers to the "tempter" (3:5)? What do Paul's concern and Satan's afflictions suggest about the need for Christians to assist and serve one another? What would you say to someone who ceases attending church because their life has been upended by affliction? See Matthew 11:25-30 for further insight.

4. In what way was Paul's decision to send Timothy costly to him? What does this decision suggest about the need to continue serving the Lord even when we feel short-handed? What does this decision suggest about the Lord being able to use people other than Paul to strengthen the churches? See Acts 6:1-7 and Titus 1:5-2:15 for further insight.

5. Spend some time praying for Northpoint using 1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:13 as your guide.

For Further Reading: John Stott, *The Living Church: Convictions of a Lifelong Pastor* (IVP, 2011)

STANDING FAST IN THE LORD

**BATTLE BELONGS***Verse 1*

When all I see is the battle
You see my victory
When all I see is a mountain
You see a mountain moved
And as I walk through the shadow
Your love surrounds me
There's nothing to fear now
For I am safe with You

Chorus

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night
O God the battle belongs to You

Verse 2

And if You are for me
Who can be against me
For Jesus there's nothing
Impossible for You
When all I see are the ashes
You see the beauty
When all I see is a cross
God You see the empty tomb

Bridge

Almighty Fortress, You go before us
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God

You shine in the shadows
You win every battle
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God

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Almighty Fortress, You go before us
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You win every battle
Nothing can stand against
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Chorus

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night
O God the battle belongs to You

Tag

O God the battle belongs to You

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 failures
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there
With open arms

Chorus 2

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
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
(repeat)

Chorus

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

Chorus 2

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

Verse 3

Bring all your failures
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting
God so loved the world

GRAVES INTO GARDENS

Verse 1

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise and treasures that fade
Are never enough
Then You came along and put me back together
And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

Chorus

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

Verse 2

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all
And You still call me friend

'Cause the God of the mountain
Is the God of the valley
And there's not a place
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

Chorus

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

Bridge 1

You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can

Bridge 2

You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can

Tag

You're the only one who can
You're the only one who can

Chorus

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You
(repeat)

Bridge 2

You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can

Tag

You're the only one who can
You're the only one who can

CHRIST THE SURE AND STEADY ANCHOR

Verse 1

Christ the sure and steady anchor
In the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow through me
And my sails have all been torn

In the suffering in the sorrow
When my sinking hopes are few
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Verse 2

Christ the sure and steady anchor
While the tempest rages on
When temptation claims the battle
And it seems the night has won

Deeper still then goes the anchor
Though I justly stand accused
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Verse 3

Christ the sure and steady anchor
Through the floods of unbelief
Hopeless somehow O my soul now
Lift your eyes to Calvary

This my ballast of assurance
See His love forever proved
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Verse 4

Christ the sure and steady anchor
As we face the wave of death
When these trials give way to glory
And we draw our final breath

We will cross that great horizon
Clouds behind and life secured
And the calm will be the better
For the storms that we endured

Christ the shore of our salvation
Ever faithful ever true
We will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

Verse 1

When peace like a river
Attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll

Whatever my lot
Thou hast taught me to say
It is well
It is well with my soul

Chorus
It is well, with my soul
It is well
It is well, with my soul

Verse 2
Tho' Satan should buffet
Tho' trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ hath regarded
My helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood
For my soul

Chorus
It is well, with my soul
It is well
It is well, with my soul

Verse 3
My sin O the bliss
Of this glorious tho't
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross
And I bear it no more
Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord O my soul

Chorus
It is well, with my soul
It is well
It is well, with my soul

Verse 4

And Lord haste the day
When the faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound
And the Lord shall descend
Even so it is well
With my soul

Chorus

It is well, with my soul
It is well
It is well, with my soul
(repeat)

HOW GREAT THOU ART

Verse 1

O Lord my God
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds
Thy hands have made
I see the stars
I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r thru'out
The universe displayed

Chorus

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art

Verse 2

And when I think
That God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing
He bled and died
To take away my sin

Chorus

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art

Tag

How great, how great
How great Thou art
How great, how great
How great Thou art
(repeat)

Verse 3

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God how great Thou art

Chorus

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art

Tag

How great, how great
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(repeat)