



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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That You May Believe

[A STUDY THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF JOHN]

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 with our sermon series through the Gospel of John, *That You May Know*. There, we'll see the importance of recognizing Jesus for Who He is, not for who we expect Him to be.

SERVICE ORDER



MAR 3, 2024

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

- Prelude** - (*How Deep the Father's Love For Us*) _____ Worship Band
Call to Worship _____ Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
Psalm 100:1-5
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** _____ Worship Team + Congregation
Rejoice + Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death
- Welcome + Announcements** _____ Noah Gauderman, NP Pastoral Intern
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** _____ Worship Team + Congregation
As the Deer + Lord, From Sorrows Deep I Call
- Scripture Reading + Prayer** _____ Sean Eperjesi, NP KIDS Team
Isaiah 42:1-17
- Offertory** _____ Worship Team
Christ the True and Better
- Today's Message** _____ Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor
Whom Do You Seek? – John 18:1-27
From the series through the Gospel of John: **That You May Believe**
- ▲ **Closing Song** _____ Worship Team + Congregation
Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery
- Benediction** _____ Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
Colossians 1:15-20
- Postlude** - (*House of the Lord*) _____ 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*)
NP Theology III Class Continues, 9:00 a.m., Commons
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 Truth Adult Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 11:00 a.m., Heritage Hall
CBU Wind Ensemble Concert, 6:00 p.m., Worship Center - *See Below*
- 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
Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Study, 7:00 p.m., Heritage Hall
- Thursday** — Junior High Youth Group, 6:30 p.m., Youth Room Upstairs
- Saturday** — Easter Door-hanging Walk, 10:00 a.m., Northpoint - *See Below*
Corona Symphony Orchestra Concert, 7:00 p.m., Worship Center

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LOOKING AHEAD AT NORTHPOINT *



CBU's Wind Ensemble is coming to Northpoint **TONIGHT**, at 6:00 p.m., in the Worship Center to offer their concert, **A Salute to America!** Hear music by John Williams, Rodgers and Hammerstein, John Philip Sousa and others! It's **FREE!**



As believers in Jesus Christ, we are not immune to trials and temptations in this life. We need to be rooted in Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is all. We need nothing else to navigate the obstacles and the tribulations of this life other than Jesus Christ. Join us **April 26-28, 2024**, for our **biannual Women's Retreat, Rooted**, in Costa Mesa. Speakers Martha Harding and Laura Miller will walk us through the book of Colossians, teaching us how a firm foundation in Jesus is the answer to any question we may have in this life.

Sign up **TODAY** in the Foyer or scan our QR code!



NEXT weekend, we'll have two opportunities for you to reach your community for Christ during Easter. On Friday, **March 9**, we'll gather at Northpoint at 10:00 a.m., to walk the neighborhoods around the Northpoint campus and place door-hanger invitations to our Resurrection Sunday Services at as many of the homes as possible. We'll finish by 11:30 a.m. Then, after lunch on Sunday, **March 10**, join us for short workshop from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., in Heritage Hall, where we'll help you to better share the gospel during this season.

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SERMON NOTES



MAR 3, 2023

Whom Do You Seek?

John 18:1-27

Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor

Overview: John reports the arrest and initial examination of Jesus as an act of betrayal under the cover of darkness with false pretenses. Judas leads the soldiers and officers to Jesus and identifies with the enemies of Jesus as he stands alongside them. Jesus identifies Himself early, clearly, and boldly as the One they are seeking to arrest. Jesus's statement "I am He" serves as a powerful demonstration over the forces of darkness and a picture of the good shepherd preserving and caring for His own. Peter acts on impulse to defend Jesus but suddenly discovers that Jesus fully intends to surrender Himself to the authorities. The contrast between Jesus' mission and Peter's intentions become abundantly clear as Jesus stands boldly before the High Priest, whereas Peter cowers before a small crowd and servant girl. In presenting these details of Jesus' arrest, John reveals the importance of recognizing Jesus for Who He is, not for who we expect Him to be.

01. The hardness of heart in those who reject Jesus stands in stark contrast to the depth of Christ's love for all. If you have not received Jesus as Savior, consider Him again.

02. The weakness of heart in those who love Jesus stands in stark contrast to Christ's commitment to those who are His. If you have failed Jesus as your Savior, rejoice in Him again.

That You May Believe

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION & DISCOVERY

1. John states that Judas knew where to lead authorities to Jesus because "Jesus often met there with His disciples" (verse 2). How is it that someone can sit under the teaching of Jesus for so long and yet not become a follower of Jesus? What was the source of Judas' unbelief? How does his example serve as a warning to us not to assume we are believers because we have religious habits?

2. Why did the soldiers fall to the ground when Jesus announced, "I am He" (verse 6)? On what other occasions in John's Gospel does Jesus use "I am" language? How do these statements point us to the divinity of Christ? What does the power of Jesus' words to His foes suggest about the final judgment? Will anyone who opposes Jesus be able to stand before Him?

3. What reason does John give for Jesus stepping forward and making Himself known to the soldiers (verse 9)? What does this teach us about Jesus' care for His own? How does the willingness of Jesus to step forward in the face of danger anticipate what He intends to accomplish on the cross?

4. Why did the Jewish authorities arrest Jesus? In what way did they think they were serving God by doing so? Looking back, how can we see that their assumptions about Jesus were misguided? Why is it important for Jesus to state that He taught openly? Could they have listened to His teachings directly and reached a different conclusion, namely that He was the Messiah who came to suffer, not to conquer?

5. What do you make of Peter's denial of Jesus? Why was he so brave in one moment and yet so afraid soon after? Where do you feel most bold and open about your faith in Jesus? Where do you feel weak? Are you tempted to keep silent about your faith in Jesus? Pray for courage to be consistent in your faith and praise God for His mercy and forgiveness when you fail.

For Further Reading: Philip Yancey, *The Jesus I Never Knew* (Zondervan, 2008)

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**REJOICE***Verse 1*

Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Sing it again, we rejoice
Delight in the love He has shown us
Gratefully lift up Your voice
His gentleness among us
Will join our hearts with praise
We gather in His goodness
A family of grace

Chorus

With each breath He's given
Praise the Lord
In these times we live in
We will praise the Lord
Throughout every season I am sure
We have every reason to praise the Lord

Verse 2

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing
Praying for all that you need
Come with a song of thanksgiving
Lay your requests at His feet
His peace will fall upon us
To guard our hearts and minds
In Christ Who reigns eternal
The Shepherd of our lives

Chorus

With each breath He's given
Praise the Lord
In these times we live in
We will praise the Lord
Throughout every season I am sure
We have every reason to praise the Lord

Verse 3

Rejoice in the Lord now and always
Tell of the good He has done
Worship the Lord to remember
All of the joy yet to come
The hope that burns within us
The dark cannot destroy
With praise that's never ending
We say again, rejoice!

Chorus

With each breath He's given
Praise the Lord
In these times we live in
We will praise the Lord
Throughout every season I am sure
We have every reason to praise the Lord

CHRIST OUR HOPE IN LIFE AND DEATH

Verse 1

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand

Chorus

O sing Hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing Hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

Verse 2

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ

Chorus

O sing Hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing Hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

Verse 3

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
Christ He lives, Christ He lives
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

Chorus

O sing Hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing Hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

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AS THE DEER

Verse 1

As the deer panteth for the water
So my soul longeth after Thee
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee

Chorus

You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee

Verse 2

You're my friend and You are my brother
Even though You are a King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything

Chorus

You alone are my strength, my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship Thee

LORD FROM SORROWS DEEP I CALL

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand

Verse 1

Lord, from sorrows deep I call
When my hope is shaken
Torn and ruined from the fall
Hear my desperation

For so long I've pled and prayed
"God, come to my rescue"
Even so, the thorn remains
Still, my heart will praise You

Verse 2

Storms within my troubled soul
Questions without answers
On my faith these billows roll
God, be now my Shelter

Why are you cast down, my soul?
Hope in Him who saves You
When the fires have all grown cold
Cause this heart to praise You

Chorus

O my soul, put your hope in God
My Help, my Rock
I will praise Him
Sing, oh sing through the raging storm
You're still my God, my Salvation

Verse 3

Should my life be torn from me
Every worldly pleasure
When all I possess is grief
God, be then my Treasure

Be my Vision in the night
Be my Hope and Refuge
'Till my faith is turned to sight
Lord, my heart will praise You

Chorus

O my soul, put your hope in God
My Help, my Rock
I will praise Him
Sing, oh sing through the raging storm
You're still my God, my Salvation
(repeat)

COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

Verse 1

Come behold the wondrous mystery
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness
Now the Light of life has come
Look to Christ who consented
Took on flesh to ransom me

Verse 2

Come behold the wondrous mystery
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living, in His suffering
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hellhound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law, in Him we stand

Verse 3

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured, love untold

Verse 4

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Slain by death the God of life
But not grave could e'er restrain me
Praise the Lord, He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power, resurrected
As we will be when He comes

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Christ in power, resurrected
As we will be when He comes
When He comes!