



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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*Christ, Our
Hope Fulfilled*

Advent 2023 at Northpoint



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 begin a new Advent sermon series, *Christ, Our Hope Fulfilled*. There, we'll see that Jesus Christ is not only central to our faith but also the centerpiece of history.

SERVICE ORDER



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

- Call to Worship** — Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
Psalm 98
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** — Worship Team + Congregation
Crown Him (Christmas)
- Welcome + Announcements** — Taylor Mendoza, Pastor of Students + Adults
- Missions Window** — Dr. Tamene Menna + Bruce Camp, Missionary
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** — Worship Team + Congregation
O Come, O Come Emmanuel (with Even So Come) + King of Kings
- Lighting the Advent Candle** — 1st - The Dominguez Family & 2nd - The Eperjesi Family
"The Prophets' Candle: Isaiah 9:2-7"
- Scripture Recitation + Prayer** — Tigist Menna, Women's Ministry
Ephesians 1:1-14
- Offertory** — Worship Team
Sing We the Song of Emmanuel
- Today's Message** — Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor
The Seed of the Woman - Genesis 3:15
From the Advent Series: *Christ, Our Hope Fulfilled*
- ▲ **Closing Song** — Worship Team + Congregation
Come Thou Long Expected Jesus
- Benediction** — Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director
Romans 15:13

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 *

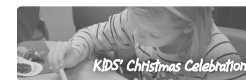
- Today** — Preservice Prayer, 8:00 a.m., Worship Center Prayer Room
In-person Services at 9:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. & Live Streaming at 9:00 a.m. on Facebook/YouTube
Student Ministry (Senior & Junior High) Sunday Gathering, 9:00 a.m., Youth Room Upstairs
NP KIDS' Sunday School, Birth-6th Grade, 9:00 a.m. (*Dismissed from service during Announcements*)
Firmly Planted, Adult Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 9:00 a.m., Heritage Hall Overflow Room
Living the Truth, Adult Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class) 10:45 a.m., Heritage Hall
Faith & Friendship, Seniors' Discipleship Group (Sunday School Class), 10:45 a.m., Commons
- 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 (Christmas Fellowship Gatherings), 5:00 p.m. & 6:15 p.m. - *Off Campus*
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 (Christmas Fellowship Gatherings), 9:00 a.m. - *Off Campus*
Children off the Word (COW), 6:30 p.m., Campus Wide
- Thursday** — Junior High Youth Group, 6:30 p.m., Youth Room Upstairs

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

LOOKING AHEAD AT NORTHPOINT *



NEXT Sunday, December 10, at 5:00 p.m., we're gathering for **Carols & Cookies in the Courtyard!** We'll sing some of your favorite Christmas Carols together, hear Scripture that tells the Christmas story, and enjoy milk and cookies for the kids and hot cocoa and cookies for the older "kids-at-heart."



The **NP KIDS' CHRISTmas Celebration** (ages 2 through sixth grade) happens Sunday, **December 17**, at 9:00 a.m. (during first service). There will be a special Christmas story and gifts!



Please plan to join us for an **evening of Christmas Worship** happening on Sunday, **December 18** at 6:00 p.m., in the Northpoint Worship Center.



NP wants to again honor loved ones and remember special occasions by collecting donations for **red Christmas Poinsettias** to enhance our worship areas for the Christmas season. To find out how it works or to purchase your poinsettias, pick up a flyer at the Information Center or scan our QR code here:



This Christmas, Northpoint is again partnering with the **City of Corona and Mercy House** to provide a Christmas dinner and gifts for previously homeless neighbors who became residents at the **Harrison Hope Center (Mercy House)**.

We plan to collect financial donations to help purchase items to provide Christmas dinner for 50 residents and also individual gift basket items for 30 male and 20 female residents. To donate, see the flyer in today's program or scan our QR code here with your phone:



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

LOVING GOD • LOVING ONE ANOTHER • REACHING HIS WORLD



The Seed of the Woman

Genesis 3:15

Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor

Overview: Known as the “*protoevangelium*,” Genesis 3:15 is the earliest declaration of the gospel in the Bible. God has pronounced a curse on the serpent for deceiving Adam and Eve, but He does not curse humanity, which He intends to redeem. God declares that He will put enmity between the serpent and the woman until the seed of the woman crushes the serpent and ends all his works. Thus, the life and death battle which has begun in Genesis will continue throughout human history until the seed of the woman reigns victorious. Embedded in this declaration is the need for a child to be born who will fulfill this mission. As history unfolds throughout Scripture, it is clear that Jesus Christ is the subject of the promise and the object of our faith. The announcement of this promise at the beginning of history and the fulfillment of this promise at the end of history indicates that Jesus Christ is not only central to our faith but also the centerpiece of history.

01. The enmity that we experience in our lives and in this world is the result of human sin; there is, therefore, no human solution to the end of our enmity.

02. The promise that God made at the beginning of human history is being carried forth to the end of history; there is, therefore, no reason to despair.

Christ, Our Hope Fulfilled

1. What is the true identity of the serpent? What does his true identity suggest about his intentions? What did the serpent promise but fail to deliver (Genesis 3:6)? What did the serpent say that convinced Eve to go against God’s Word (Genesis 3:4)? How does the strategy of the serpent (Satan) remain similar to the strategy of temptation today?

2. What does enmity mean? What types of enmity are found in the Bible and in our world today? What is the cause of enmity in our world? Do you agree or disagree with the statement, “there is no human solution to the end of our enmity?” Why or why not?

3. In what way is Genesis 3:15 the first declaration of the gospel in history? How does the reference to the “offspring” or “seed” of the woman locate the fulfillment of the gospel in a single person rather than all of humanity? (See also Galatians 3:16 for a similar example). What does this singular focus on Jesus suggest about the collective inability of humans to save ourselves?

4. Notice the description of how the serpent reaches his end—his head will be bruised, or crushed. What does this imagery indicate about the eradication of enmity and evil in the world? How is the cost to the seed of the woman (Christ) described in this verse? Are you mindful that the eradication of evil in the world has come at the highest price, namely, the death of the Son of God?

5. As you trace out the promise-fulfillment of this passage in the Bible, do you find that it gives you more confidence in God’s Word? Think of how God has arranged all of human history to complete the mission of redeeming us from our sins so we can have a relationship with Him. Do these thoughts encourage you to trust God more in your daily life? What other promises of Scripture do you rely on for comfort and hope?

For Further Reading: John Piper and Jonathan Edwards, *God’s Passion for His Glory: Living the Vision of Jonathan Edwards (With the Complete Text of ‘The End for Which God Created the World’)*. Crossway, 2006.

Christ, Our Hope Fulfilled

**CROWN HIM (CHRISTMAS)***Verse 1*

Crown Him with many crowns
The King who left His throne
Creator of the universe
Born to the world He holds

And with that first drawn breath
The Word has become flesh
Emmanuel has come to us
O crown Him all the earth!

Verse 2

Crowned by the angel choir
They tell His royal birth
Sing glory in the highest height
And peace upon the earth

They break the silent night
Announcing endless worth
The King of grace and love is here!
O crown Him, all the world!

Chorus

Crown Him! Crown Him!
Crown Him with many crowns
Crown Him! Crown Him!
Crown Him with many crowns
(repeat)

Verse 3

Crowned by their royal gifts
Gold, frankincense, and myrrh
Wisemen approach this manger throne
With honors from afar

Behold the Son of God
And bow down in this place
The Prince of peace has come to us!
O crown Him with your praise

Verse 4

Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own

Awake my soul and sing!
God sent His Son for me
Now hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity

Awake my soul and sing
God sent His Son for me
Now hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity

Chorus

Crown Him! Crown Him!
Crown Him with many crowns
Crown Him! Crown Him!
Crown Him with many crowns
(repeat)

O COME O COME EMMANUEL
(With Even So Come)

Verse 1

O come, o come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lowly exile here
Until the Son of God appear

Chorus

Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel
Shall come to Thee, O Israel

Verse 2

O come Thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And each's dark shadows put to flight

Chorus

Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel
Shall come to Thee, O Israel

Bridge

So we wait, we wait for You
God, we wait
You're coming soon
(repeat 2x)

Verse 3

O come Desire of nations bind
All peoples in one heart and mind
Bid envy, strife and quarrels cease
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace

Chorus 2

Like a bride waiting for her groom
We'll be a church ready for You
Every heart longing for our King
We sing
(repeat)

Even so come, Lord Jesus, come
Even so come, Lord Jesus, come
Even so come, Lord Jesus, come

O come, O come, Emmanuel
O come, O come, Emmanuel
O come, O come, Emmanuel

KING OF KINGS

Verse 1

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes

To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus

Praise the Father, Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

Verse 2

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross

For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Chorus

Praise the Father, Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

Verse 3

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death

And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint

By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

Chorus

Praise the Father, Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

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COME THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

Verse 1

Come Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find our rest in Thee

Israel's strength and consolation
Hope of all the earth Thou art
Dear desire of every nation
Joy of every longing heart

Verse 2

Born Thy people to deliver
Born a child, and yet a King
Born to reign in us forever
Now Thy gracious Kingdom bring

By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone
By Thine own sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne

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Raise us to Thy glorious throne