



**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](mailto:prayer@northpointcorona.org) — for requests that will be emailed to the congregation's Prayer Chain
- **Confidential Prayer Requests** — [confidentialprayer@northpointcorona.org](mailto: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

Email the Northpoint Leadership Team at [leadershipteam@northpointcorona.org](mailto:leadershipteam@northpointcorona.org), the Elders at [elders@northpointcorona.org](mailto:elders@northpointcorona.org), or individual Pastors at the following addresses:

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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 symbolically celebrate Jesus' life, death, and resurrection with Communion. We'll hear a message from God to us from the Bible. We'll witness baptisms. Then, before being dismissed, 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, Paul shows us how sound theology comforts us in our grief and confirms us in our blessed hope.

## SERVICE ORDER



NOV 13, 2022

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

- Prelude** (Untitled Hymn [Come to Jesus]) \_\_\_\_\_ Worship Band  
**Call to Worship** \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director  
1 Corinthians 15:54-58
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** \_\_\_\_\_ Worship Team + Congregation  
*Holy Is the Lord w/ Living Hope + Because He Lives*
- Welcome + Announcements** \_\_\_\_\_ Perry Schaefer, NP Elder
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** \_\_\_\_\_ Worship Team + Congregation  
*And Can It Be*
- Communion** \_\_\_\_\_ Dave Dussault, NP Prayer Ministry
- ▲ **Congregational Singing** \_\_\_\_\_ Worship Team + Congregation  
*Turn Your Eyes*
- Today's Message** \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor Tony Chute, Lead Pastor  
*Encourage One Another* – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18  
From the series through 1 Thessalonians: **STANDING FAST IN THE LORD**
- Baptisms** \_\_\_\_\_ 1st - Vиноj Zachariah, Elder + 2nd - Pastor Taylor Mendoza  
1st Service - Jinu Zachariah + 2nd Service - Jordan Drew
- ▲ **Closing Song** \_\_\_\_\_ Worship Team + Congregation  
*In Christ Alone*
- Benediction** \_\_\_\_\_ Steve Dahlgren, Worship Director  
*Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17*
- Postlude** (Praise the King) \_\_\_\_\_ 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/](http://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 Ticket Sales Continue, 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 Drews' Home, 7256 Piute Creek Dr., Corona
- 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 - Off This Week  
CBU Jazz Ensemble Concert, 7:00 p.m., Worship Center - See Below
- 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 - Off This Week  
Women of the Word (Women's Bible Study and Small Groups), 9:00 a.m., Heritage Hall  
Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., Heritage Hall
- Thursday** — Junior High Youth Group, 6:30 p.m., Youth Room Upstairs
- Friday** — Student Ministry PIZMOGO Night, 6:30 p.m., Campus Wide
- Saturday** — Men's Breakfast, 8:00 a.m., Heritage Hall - See Below  
Pieces of Love Quilters' Group, 9:00 a.m., Music Room  
Thanksgiving Worship Night, 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Heritage Courtyard - See Below

\* For the latest each week, contact [bbrown@northpointcorona.org](mailto:bbrown@northpointcorona.org) to receive the NP All-Church email, **NP News**.

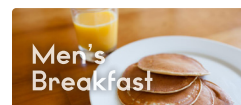
## LOOKING AHEAD AT NORTHPOINT \*



The **CBU Jazz Ensemble** will be at NP to present their **FREE** concert, *The Art of Swing and Sync*, featuring classic jazz big band pieces from the last 20 years, **TOMORROW** evening, **November 14**, in the Worship Center, at 7:00 p.m. Join them!



**Winter Camps** for our junior and senior highers and 4th-6th graders happen over the weekend of **January 6-8, 2023**. Register for each camp by visiting the respective **Student** and **NP KIDS'** pages at [northpointcorona.org](http://northpointcorona.org).



Gentlemen! Our next **Men's Breakfast** happens **THIS** Saturday, **November 19**, at 8:00 a.m., in Heritage Hall. We'll share a meal, fellowship, and hear an encouraging message from our own Doug Mazza.



Join us for a special **Thanksgiving Service** **THIS** Saturday, **November 19**, at **4:00 p.m.**, outside in the new Heritage Courtyard! There will be singing, prayer, testimonies of thankfulness, refreshments, and fellowship. Sign up to bring a finger-food dessert or harvest snack to share by visiting [northpointcorona.org/this-week/](http://northpointcorona.org/this-week/) or by scanning our QR Code:



\* For all that's going on at NP, please visit [northpointcorona.org/this-week/](http://northpointcorona.org/this-week/).

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## **Encourage One Another**

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Dr. Tony Chute, Lead Pastor

**Overview:** Few things produce more anxiety in the human heart than the reality of our own mortality, and few things pain the human heart like the bereavement of a loved one. As Paul writes to the Thessalonians, he addresses their concern that those who have died may somehow miss the experience of, or the benefits from, Christ's triumphant return. In order to remove their confusion and assuage their grief, Paul reveals that when Jesus returns in triumph, those who have fallen asleep will be raised, and those who are still alive will join them to meet the Lord in the air, thus uniting all believers together with the Lord forever. By combining the doctrines of the return of Christ, the resurrection of the dead, and the rapture of the church, Paul shows us how sound theology comforts us in our grief and confirms us in our blessed hope.

**01. If you grieve over the loss of a loved one, be encouraged that Jesus Christ will not lose any who come to Him, and He will raise from the dead all who believe in Him.**

**02. If you wonder what this world is coming to, be encouraged that Jesus Christ is coming to this world; He will return in power and glory, and we will be with Him forevermore.**

# STANDING FAST IN THE LORD

1. Paul notes that the Thessalonians were "uninformed" about those who had died prior to the return of the Lord, and he addresses these issues with "a word from the Lord." Note the connection between biblical instruction and the removal of confusion. What are some examples of false beliefs about the end of life and the end of the world that can be cleared up with solid biblical instruction?

2. Note how Paul uses the words "with" and "together" throughout this text. How does the use of these terms assure the Thessalonians that the separation brought about by death is only temporary? How does Paul assure the Thessalonians in verse 14 that Jesus is capable of reversing the effects of death? Are you convinced that Jesus rose from the dead, thus guaranteeing that the dead in Christ shall rise?

3. How did the Thessalonians' ignorance of the return of Christ and the resurrection of the dead lead them to grieve in a non-Christian way? How would you describe the difference between grieving as a Christian and grieving as others who have no hope? In what ways can you offer comfort to those who are Christian but still feel overwhelmed by their grief? See 1 Corinthians 15:50-57 for further insight.

4. In what ways does the imagery of "falling asleep" seem fitting as a euphemism for death? What wrong conclusions might be drawn from using this imagery? How do biblical texts such as Luke 23:43, 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 and Revelation 6:9-11 assure us that believers enter the presence of the Lord immediately upon death?

5. Describe the return of Christ using this text. What will the return of Christ be like? Will it be silent or vocal? Will it be invisible or visible? Will it be sudden or take place over a lengthy period of time? Will anyone miss the return of Christ? How do such details bring comfort and excitement for every believer? How do such details encourage you to live faithfully for the Lord, even in the most difficult of times?

**For Further Reading: Dan Barber and Robert Peterson, *Life Everlasting: The Unfolding Story of Heaven* (P&R Publishing, 2012)**

# STANDING FAST IN THE LORD





We're excited to announce that we are once again offering an opportunity for us to honor loved ones and remember special occasions by collecting donations for **Christmas Poinsettias** to enhance our worship areas for the season. Here's how it works: Tell us how many **red poinsettias** you'd like to donate at \$10.00 each in honor of the person or occasion that you are commemorating. We'll purchase the poinsettias in bulk and display them in the Worship Center beginning **November 27**, the first Sunday of Advent. We'll include the donor name(s) and information in a program insert on Christmas Sunday, **December 25**. Then, after our Christmas Sunday service, you'll be able to take your poinsettia(s) with you if you'd like.

See the **Order Form** on the reverse side.

If you have any questions, please contact Micah Valdez at [mvaldez@northpointcorona.org](mailto:mvaldez@northpointcorona.org) or 951.734.1335.

Please use the QR code to the right to complete this form online, or use the form below. You can drop this form in the offering boxes in the Foyer on Sundays, or return it to the Church Office by Thursday, **November 15**. Make checks payable to "**Northpoint Church**" and designate in the memo section "**Christmas Poinsettia**." It is important that you PRINT your dedication CLEARLY in order to avoid errors.



**Donor Name(s):**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Quantity** [    ] X \$10.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**The person(s) you commemorating:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

**The memory(s) or occasion(s) you commemorating:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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[    ] I will pick up after Christmas Eve Service.

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**HOLY IS THE LORD***Verse 1*

We stand and lift up our hands  
For the joy of the Lord is our strength  
We bow down and worship Him now  
How great how awesome is He

*Pre-Chorus*

And together we sing  
Ev'ryone sing

*Chorus*

Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
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The earth is filled with His glory  
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The earth is filled with His glory

*Bridge*

It is rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown  
It's rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown

*Chorus*

Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
The earth is filled with His glory

*Tag*

The earth is filled with His glory

***Living Hope***

*Chorus*

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free  
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me  
He has broken every chain  
There's salvation in Your Name  
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free  
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me  
He has broken every chain  
There's salvation in Your Name  
Jesus Christ, my only hope

*Verse 3*

Then came the morning  
That sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
And out of silence the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me

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That sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
And out of silence the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me  
Jesus, Yours is the victory

*Chorus*

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Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me  
He has broken every chain  
There's salvation in Your Name  
Jesus Christ, my living hope

*Tag*

Jesus Christ, my only hope

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**BECAUSE HE LIVES**

*Verse 1*

God sent His Son  
They called Him Jesus  
He came to love, heal, and forgive  
He bled and died  
To buy my pardon  
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives

*Chorus*

Because He lives  
I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives  
All fear is gone  
Because I know  
He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives

*Verse 2*

And then one day  
I'll cross the river  
I'll fight life's final war with pain  
And then as death gives way to victory  
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He reigns

*Chorus*

Because He lives  
I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives  
All fear is gone  
Because I know  
He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives

*Tag*

Yes, life is worth the living just because He lives  
Because He lives

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**AND CAN IT BE**

*Verse 1*

And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Savior's blood  
Died He for me who caused His pain  
For me who Him to death pursued

Amazing love how can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me

*Chorus*

Amazing love how can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me



*Verse 2*

He left His Father's throne above  
So free so infinite His grace  
Emptied Himself of all but love  
And bled for Adam's helpless race  
'Tis mercy all immense and free  
For O my God it found out me

*Chorus*

Amazing love how can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me

*Verse 3*

No condemnation now I dread  
Jesus and all in Him is mine  
Alive in Him my living Head  
And clothed in righteousness divine  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne  
And claim the crown through Christ my own

*Chorus*

Amazing love how can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me

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**TURN YOUR EYES**

*Verse 1*

Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in His wonderful face  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace

*Verse 2*

Turn your eyes to the hillside  
Where justice and mercy embrace  
There the Son of God gave His life for us  
And our measureless debt was erased

*Chorus*

Jesus to You we lift our eyes  
Jesus our glory and our prize  
We adore You behold You our Savior ever true  
Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You

*Verse 3*

Turn your eyes to the morning  
And see Christ the lion awake  
What a glorious dawn fear of death is gone  
For we carry His life in our veins

*Chorus*

Jesus to You we lift our eyes  
Jesus our glory and our prize  
We adore You behold You our Savior ever true  
Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You

*Verse 4*

Turn your eyes to the heavens  
Our King will return for His own  
Every knee will bow every tongue will shout  
All glory to Jesus alone

*Chorus*

Jesus to You we lift our eyes  
Jesus our glory and our prize  
We adore You behold You our Savior ever true  
Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You  
(repeat)

*Tag*

Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You

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**IN CHRIST ALONE**

*Verse 1*

In Christ alone, my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, My All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

*Verse 2*

In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

*Verse 3*

There in the ground, His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious day  
Up from the grave, He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His, and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ



*Verse 4*

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
'Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand