#### **MEET OUR STAFF**



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## SHARE THE **JOURNEY**

#### GET INVOLVED

Sunday, March 6

9:30a Bible Study 10:45a Worship Service Kid's Church 10:45a

Sunday Evening Worship 5:00p

Ecclesia 5:00p

Discipleship Groups 5:00p Summit Huddle 5:00p Praiz Kidz/Praiz Kidz, Jr. 5:00p

Tuesday, March 8

6:00p Celebrate Recovery 6:00p Circle of Hope Bible Study 6:00p Zumba Fitness for Women

Wednesday, March 9

Wednesday Night Connect 6:00p

6:00p **AWANA** 

6:00p Student Midweek

Worship Choir Rehearsal 7:00p

Thursday, March 10

9:30a Ladies Bible Study

Trail Life 6:15p

Zumba Fitness for Women 6:00p

Friday, March 11

6:00p Women's Night

CHURCH SECURITY: For security purposes, the doors to the church buildings will be open 30 minutes before a service or event. This includes Sunday mornings and Sunday evenings.

(Please note that the calendar was correct at the time of printing. Changes may have occurred after printing that would cause the calendar to be inaccurate.)

## **COUNT OUR BLESSINGS**

Budget Gifts Last Week \$ 23,294 Given Year to Date \$ 508,134 Need Year to Date \$ 523,073

## STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

Go to nbcvictoria.org/wg for a digital copy of this Worship Guide



#### ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

The week of prayer for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions is March 6 - 12. We are collecting the offering through Easter. All money collected for the Annie Armstrong offering goes to North American missions. You can pick up a prayer guide at a Connect Center on Sunday. Northside's goal is \$13,000.

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

VBS is June 12 - 16 from 6:00 - 8:30pm. VBS can't happen without your help. Sign up at a Connect Center on Sunday to teach, guide, check-in, etc. We need you. Flight School is for children exiting kindergarten through exiting 4th grade. Merge is for kids exiting 5th grade. We need help with both. See you at a Connect Center on Sunday.

#### PICTURE UPDATE

Our membership software has the ability to run directories. Please update your picture either in the app or by sending a photo to office@nbcvictoria. org. You can drop off a picture and we will scan it and return it to you.



#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

We are collecting bar soap and washcloths for OCC in the month of March. Please drop off your items at a Connect Center or the church office.

#### **PRE-TEEN CAMP**

Over The Edge Pre-Teen Camp is scheduled for July 25-29 at the Texas Baptist Encampment in Palacios, TX. Register on the events page at nbcvictoria.org. The cost is \$250. Pre-teen camp is for children who have completed 3rd - 5th grade.



#### **JELLO-MANIA**

Junior High students - get ready to get slimy. It is the return of Jello-mania. March 25 from 6:00 - 8:00pm on the playground by the basketball court is where you will slip and slide to an evening of fun. Wear old clothes. The stains may not come out!

#### **UPWARD VOLUNTEERS**

We can't host Upward sports without volunteers. Whether you can you help for one Saturday or the season, we need you. We need prayer warriors, referees, greeters, clean-up crew, concession stand workers, etc. If you are interested, please contact Dean

#### **QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE**

The next Quarterly Church Conference will be held on Sunday, March 20, at 6:30pm. Join us in the Chapel in Bldg C for infomation about the finances of the church plus other church business.

#### MARCH WOMEN'S NIGHT

March 11 is Women's Night. There will be Bible study, fellowship, and snacks. Childcare is provided if you register your children by March 9. Go to the events page of our website to register for childcare. Bring your favorite snack to share if you are able.

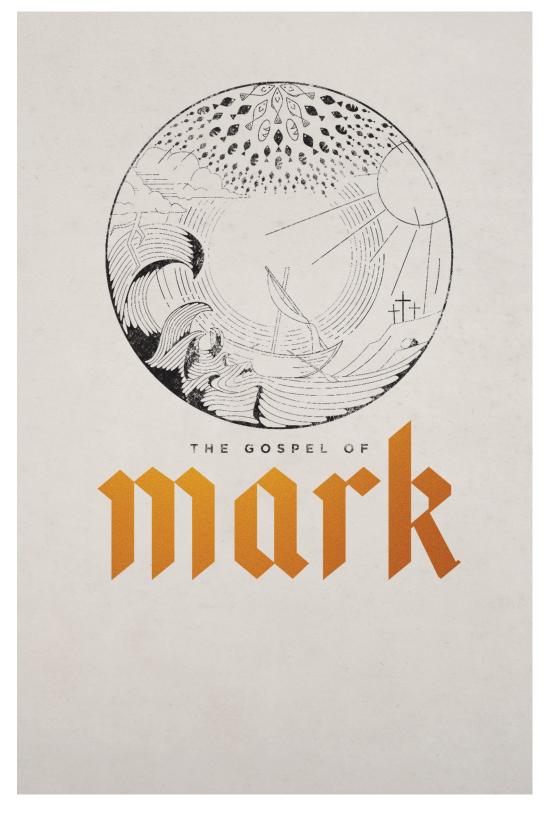


#### **SUMMIT CAMP**

This summer we go to Glorieta, NM, from June 20 - 24. Register now. A \$60 deposit is due at registration. Camp



MARCH 6, 2022



## THOUGHTS ON THE JOURNEY

One of the easiest traps to fall into is going through the motions as it relates to our relationship with the Lord. We know the disciplines that it takes to stay healthy: prayer, bible study, fellowship, and community. However, if we are not careful, we can do all the right things while missing the main thing. In a rather large-scale way, that is exactly what we are going to see in today's text.

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Specifically, the Court of the Gentiles, the place where non-Jews could come to worship, had been turned into a marketplace. Not only that, but people were being taken advantage of, especially financially. Seeing what was taking place was more than Jesus would tolerate.

We see Jesus clear the Temple of all that did not belong there. After clearing it, He states the original purpose of the Temple. He tells them that it is to be a house of prayer for the nations. It is to be a place that people can come and worship.

Interestingly enough, this story about the Temple cleansing is in the middle of another story about a fig tree. A tree that Jesus went to looking for fruit but found none. Jesus curses the tree, and it dies. The lesson of the parable is that the tree offered hope that it did not deliver upon. The tree was all leaves and no fruit. The tree stood as a parable of the Temple.

The warning to us is this, we are not to be like that tree. Our churches are not to be like that tree. We are not to be all leaves, giving off the image of being alive, but not. We must make it our prayer that we would not be like that tree, or what the Temple had become – but instead that we would be vibrant and producing fruit for the Kingdom.

Honored to be your pastor,



## WELCOME TO NORTHSIDE



## TODAY'S WORSHIP

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship (Doerksen)

#### **WELCOME & PRAYER**

There's Something About That Name (Gaither/Gaither)

What A Beautiful Name/Agnus Dei (Fielding/Ligertwood/Smith)

Your Name (Baloche/Packiam)

Jehovah Sabaoth (Lawrence) Worship Choir

MESSAGE All Leaves, No Fruit Mark 11:12-25 Darrell Tomasek

#### TIME OF COMMITMENT

*All to Us* (Tomlin/Maher/Redman/Reeves)

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

THIS WEEK AT NORTHSIDE

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship (Doerksen)

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### LISTEN ONLINE Sunday Sermons are on our website: nbcvictoria.org

## Connect @ Northside

Visit our website @ nbcvictoria.org for:

- Up-to-date Northside happenings
- Online event registrations
- Facebook
- Newsletter

# Connect with YouVersion 1. Open You Version Bible app.

- 2. Click more.
- 3. Go to Events and find Northside.

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## **SERMON NOTES**



## All Leaves, No Fruit Mark 11:12-25

**THE BIG IDEA**: Following Christ involves more than rule keeping and proper appearances, we are to bear fruit.

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If we take an honest look at our lives, would we determine that we are bearing proper fruit? What are some things you can do this week that will lead to bearing biblical fruit?