

MEET OUR STAFF



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SHARE THE JOURNEY

GET INVOLVED

- Sunday, June 25
- 9:30a Bible Study
 - 10:45a Worship Service
 - 10:45a Kid's Church
 - 5:00p Sunday Evening Worship
 - 5:00p Ecclesia
 - 5:00p Student Huddle
 - 5:00p Kid's Bible Study

- Tuesday, June 27
- 6:00p Celebrate Recovery
 - 6:00p Zumba Fitness for Ladies
 - 6:30p Circle of Hope Bible Study

- Wednesday, June 28
- 6:00p Connect
 - 6:00p Student Midweek
 - 6:00p Extreme Kids Live

- Thursday, June 29
- 6:00p Zumba Fitness for Ladies
 - 6:00p Senior Adult Dinner

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	\$20,019.70
Given Year to Date	\$972,590.73
Need Year to Date	\$1,040,919.00

STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

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



VALLEY MISSION TRIP

This summer, July 10-14, we will be going to the Valley for a mission trip. We will be leading a construction project, life skills classes, sports camp, and evening outreach movie nights. As a church we will need to provide \$30,000 to fund the projects. If you would like to contribute, please mark your gift "Valley Mission Trip".

If you are going on the summer mission trip on July 10-14, Buckner needs each member to register specifically with them. Please go to nbcvictoria.org on the Events page and register today.



SENIOR ADULT QUARTERLY DINNER

Join us this Thursday, 6/29/23, at 6pm for dinner and fellowship. We will provide your choice of chicken spaghetti or beef & cheese enchiladas. Bring your favorite side dish to share.

STCH iCARE CONFERENCE

STCH is hosting the iCARE conference on August 1 from 8:00am- 5:00pm. CEU credits will be given for participating. It is \$30 per person with breakfast and lunch included. Topics include: Healthy boundries, grief, joy through trials, victim to survivor, suicidality in teens, helping teens, anxiety, and more. To register go to www.stchm.org/icare-victoria. For questions call STCH at 361-575-5151.

NORTHSIDE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is open! Our school is for 2 year olds through fifth grade and offers extended care hours until 5:30pm. We have certified teachers in Kinder - 5th grade, small classes, and a Christian atmosphere. Call 578-5601 or check out the website, nbsvictoria.org, for more information.



FREEDOM WEEKEND

Mark your calendars for July 2 at 5:00pm for our Freedom Celebration Weekend. There will be burgers and music. We will also have outdoor baptisms. Sign up at a connect center or contact the church office if you would like a pastor to talk with you about baptism. Get your favorite homemade ice cream recipe ready for the Homemade Ice Cream Contest. You don't want to miss this time of fellowship!

LORD'S SUPPER

Today we will be observing the Lord's Supper. A benevolence offering will be collected at the end of the service. Those gifts can be given at the door as you exit. If you would prefer self-contained elements, they are available at the Welcome Center in the foyer of the Worship Center.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

A Victoria family is offering three \$1,000 scholarships to children or grandchildren of a Northside Baptist Church member. You can pick up an application at the church office. All applications are due back to the church office by July 3 at 4:00pm.



UPWARD FOOTBALL AND CHEER

Early Registration for Upward Football and Cheer is open! Early registration is \$110 and will increase to \$125 on July 1. Register today at nbcvictoria.org on the Events Page.

If you are interested in volunteering as a coach or referee during the Upward Football season, register today on the Events page.



June 25, 2023



THOUGHTS ON THE JOURNEY

Why do bad things happen to good people? From a far-off view, we can answer this question pretty easily. We live in a fallen world where God gives us the freedom to choose our actions. Sometimes people choose well and sometimes they do not. When people choose poorly, it can affect other people. Simple enough.

“Do not allow other things to take priority over the Lord. Draw near to Him so that when the trial does come, you can turn to Him immediately.”

However, whenever we transfer that thinking to “bad things” that have hit much closer to home it is not so easy to explain. Why did my uncle get killed by a drunk driver? Why was the child next door abused? Why did someone take sexual advantage of my loved one? While the answer may be the same, it is not so easy to accept.

The reality is, we do live in a fallen world. In Genesis 3:17, as a result of Adam’s sin, we see God say, “cursed is the ground because of you.” God was not simply speaking of the plot of ground Adam tended, but literally all of creation. We live with the results of that curse and sometimes it affects us in very real ways. We do not have much choice about any of the things that happen to us, but what we can choose is how we respond to it.

In the book of Job, we see the man for who the book is named lose everything – of no fault of his own. We are told that he was “a blameless and upright man” (Job 1:8). Upon losing everything, Job turns to the Lord and prays, “Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord” (Job 1:21). Job had determined he would praise God no matter what.

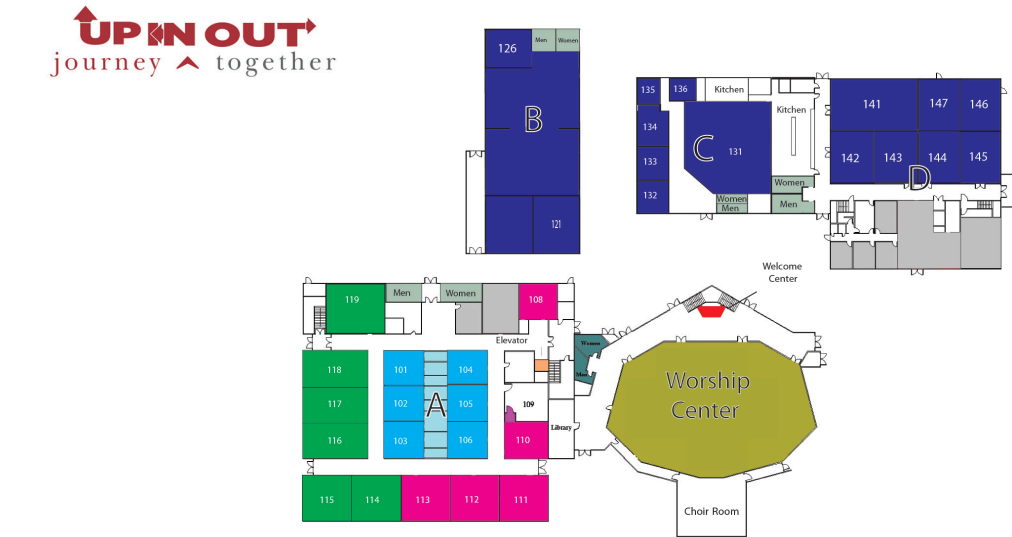
Could you respond in that way? Would you be able to immediately turn to praise God in the midst of tragedy? I know to a certain extent, this is an oversimplified question, but what kind of faith do you have? The truth is, we probably cannot honestly answer until we find ourselves in the midst of the trial. We can guess or hope how we would respond, but we simply do not know.

While we cannot know exactly how we would respond, we can have the sort of relationship with God that prepares us for such challenges. Spend time with Him daily. Read the word. Spend time in prayer. Do not allow other things to take priority over the Lord. Draw near to Him so that when the trial does come, you can turn to Him immediately.

Honored to be your pastor,

DARRELL

WELCOME TO NORTHSIDE



TODAY’S WORSHIP

God’s Amazing Love
(Mauldin)
Worship Choir

His Mercy is More
(Boswell/Papa)

THIS WEEK AT NORTHSIDE

WELCOME & PRAYER

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

On Eagle’s Wings
(Joncas/Mauldin)
Worship Choir

Goodness of God
(Fielding/Cash/Johnson/Johnson/Ingram)

MESSAGE
Why do bad things happen to good people?
Romans 8:18-30
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TIME OF COMMITMENT

Build My Life
(Yunker/Martin/Kaple/Redman/Barrett)

OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Remembrance (The Communion Song)
(Maher/Redman)

PARTING BLESSING & PRAYER

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nbcvictoria.org



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SERMON NOTES



Asking for a Friend Why do bad things happen to good people? Romans 8:18-30

THE BIG IDEA: In our most difficult seasons, we must decide whether we will trust God or not.

1. Creation _____ (vs.18-22).

2. We _____ (vs.23-25).

3. The Holy Spirit _____ (vs.26-27).

4. God has a _____ (vs.28-30).