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SHARE THE **JOURNEY**

GET INVOLVED

Sunday, December 5

9:30a Sunday Morning Bible Study Worship Service 10:45a

Kid's Church 10:45a 5:00p GroupLife

Sunday Evening Worship 5:00p

Ecclesia 5:00p

5:00p Praiz Kidz/Praiz Kidz, Jr. Senior Adults - Christmas Lights

Tuesday, December 7

6:00p

6:00p Circle of Hope Bible Study 6:00p Celebrate Recovery

Wednesday, December 8

Wednesday Night Connect 6:00p

6:00p **AWANA**

6:00p Student Midweek Worship Choir Rehearsal 7:00p

Thursday, December 9

NBS Christmas Program 6:00p

Trail Life 6:15p

Friday, December 10

Women's Night

The floral arrangement today is provided by Mike and Brenda Roell in memory of Brenda's parents, John & Ruth Nelson, and their many years of service to Northside Baptist Church.

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 \$ 22,912 Given Year to Date \$ 103,332 Need Year to Date \$ 123,076

STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

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



OH WHAT FUN!

Oh what fun it is to ride the bus to Cuero! Senior Adults, come take a ride on the Northside bus for a tour to see the Cuero Christmas lights. We will gather in the Hub tonight at 6:00pm for light snacks. Then get on board for the tour. The first 30 can ride in the bus and van. Others can caravan.

WOMEN'S NIGHT

Join other women at Northside on Friday, December 10, from 6:00 - 8:00pm for a night of fellowship and diving into the word. Bring your favorite snack to share if you are able. Register for childcare on the events page of our website by December 8.

LOTTIE MOON OFFERING

The Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions begins today and runs through December 26. All money collected goes directly for international missions. Northside's goal is \$22,000. You can mark your envelope "Lottie Moon" or give online at nbcvictoria.org.

CHURCHWIDE CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST

Join us December 19 beginning at 9:30am for our Churchwide Christmas Breakfast. Everyone is invited. There will be no Sunday morning Bible study on this date and no nursery for breakfast or worship service.

12 HOURS OF CHAOS

Students 6th - 12th grade get ready for the chaos! Starting at 8:00pm December 31 through 8:00am January 1 in the Student Center. Registration is on the events page of our website.



PRE-TEEN LOCK IN

Kids 3rd - 5th grade won't want to miss the Pre-Teen Lock In on January 14-15. The cost is \$20 and you can register now on the events page of our website.



COME BEHOLD

The Worship Choir invites you to their Christmas performance - Come Behold - Scenes of a Savior. The concert is December 12 at 6:00pm in the worship center. Invite your friends to enjoy this celebration of the Christmas season.

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Here are some "extras" to add to your December Calendar.

Dec. 9 - Northside Baptist School Christmas Program

Dec. 10 - Women's Night

Dec. 12 - Come Behold - Scenes of a Savior (Worship Choir Christmas concert)

Dec. 19 - Churchwide Christmas Breakfast (No Sunday School)

Dec. 23 & 24 - Church office closed for Christmas

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Service

Dec. 26 - Worship Service at 10:45am (no Sunday morning Bible Study)

RAD WEEKEND

Register on the events page of our website now for RAD Weekend, January 28-30, 2022. Cost is \$35. RAD is for students in the 6th - 12th grade.

ANGEL TREE

Angel Tree is a ministry that supplies Christmas gifts to children who have a parent that is incarcerated.

Like last year, children will receive a Walmart gift card, the prisoner parent's message, a Gospel presentation, and the opportunity to request an Adventure Bible.

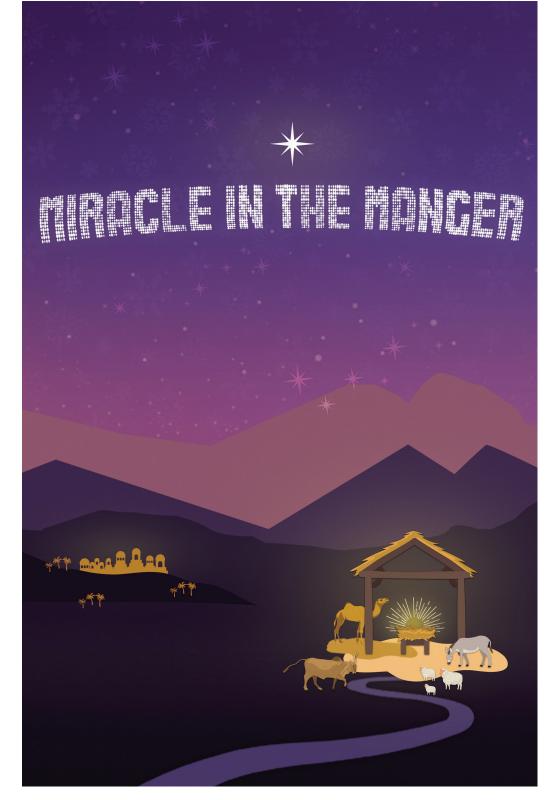
You can help by donating money to purchase the gift cards. Northside has been given 30 kid's names. We are trying to collect \$1,000. If we collect more, the money will be used for other mission projects. Simply mark your envelope "Angel Tree." You can also donate online at nbcvictoria.org. Deadline for donations is December 19.

THE CHRISTMAS CODE

It's not too late to join us in reading The Christmas Code. Pick up your copy at a Connect Center today. The December sermon series will be based on these devotionals.



DECEMBER 5, 2021



Worship Sundays at 10:45am

MULTI-GEN MULTI-ETHNIC journeying ^together

THOUGHTS ON THE JOURNEY

During this Christmas season, we have challenged you to read *The Christmas Code* by O.S. Hawkins. Each day this devotional gives us a code word. This code word is just a simple and fun way to give us something to meditate on each day. Well, today I would like to give you a code word for our time together. The code word is FOCUS. Simply put, we must make an effort to focus on the right things.

As we get closer to Christmas, the number of things for us to worry about is going to increase. There will be a number of gifts that we need to buy. There will be meals that need to be planned. There will be family that is either coming to visit or must be visited. There will be trips to coordinate and guests to accommodate. All of this can bring a certain kind of stress that drowns out the real meaning of this season.

As we will discuss today, we must come to a point that we are able to focus on the main thing and allow all else to just be. When you consider Christmas, remember that our real focus ought to be on the fact that our heavenly Father sent His son, Jesus Christ, to dwell among us that He might redeem us. As we consider this, I would hope that we would consider the high cost and great blessing of our salvation.

Over the next few days, remember to take some time to just stop and reflect. Consider the great gift that our God has given to us. Give thanks for the fact that when we were helpless to do anything about our situation, God stepped in with redemption. Share with others the great salvation that you have known and the blessings that have proceeded from that salvation. Let's make this Christmas one of the most significant, spiritually, that we have ever known.

Honored to be your pastor,



TODAY'S WORSHIP

ADVENT READING - HOPE

Today Is the Day

Lead Me To The Cross

Rising Sun (Leonard/Lee/Jordan/Mabury)

ADVENT READING - PEACE

The Old Rugged Cross (Bennard)

MESSAGE

Miracle In The Manger Christmas Croppings Luke 2:1-7 Darrell Tomasek

TIME OF COMMITMENT

Come As You Are

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing (Wesley/Mendelssohn)

THIS WEEK AT NORTHSIDE

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(Brewster/Baloche)

WELCOME & PRAYER

(Ligertwood)

(Crowder/Maher/Glover)

WELCOME TO NORTHSIDE



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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.

To get wi-fi in the Worship Center, choose the northside mar network. The password is john 316.

SERMON NOTES



Christmas Croppings Luke 2:1-7

THE BIG IDEA: During the Christmas season, we must make every effort to stay focused on the main thing.

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- 1. What things become the greatest stressors for you during the holidays?
- 2. In the past, how have you dealt with these stressors?
- 3. What do you plan to do differently this year that will make things different?
- 4. At the end of the holiday season, what do you hope things will look like?