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SHARE THE **JOURNEY**

GET INVOLVED

Sunday, December 13 9:30a Sunday School Worship Service 9:30a 11:00a Sunday School Worship Service 11:00a Kid's Church 11:00a 6:00pChristmas Program Behold the Lamb of God

Tuesday, December 15

6:00p Celebrate Recovery

Wednesday, December 16

6:00p Rewind 6:00p Awana

6:00pStudent Christmas Party

Thursday, December 17

Trail Life/AHG 6:15p

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.

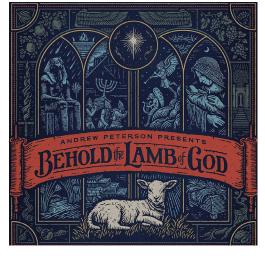
(Please note that the calendar was correct at the time of printing. Changes may have occurred after printing that would cause the calendar to be inaccurate.)

We want you to be safe while at Northside. Please wear a mask when you are walking around the campus. You are free to remove your mask once you are in class or the Worship Center (if you want to) as long as you can practice social distancing.

COUNT OUR BLESSINGS

Budget Gifts Last Week \$ 49,849 Given Year to Date \$ 160,726 Need Year to Date \$ 191,580

STOPS ON THE JOURNEY Go to nbcvictoria.org/wg for a digital copy of this Worship Guide



BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD

The music ministry of Northside Baptist Church will present "Behold The Lamb of God" TONIGHT at 6:00pm in the Worship Center. Mark your calendars now for this Christmas event.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

The Annual Christmas Eve Service will be December 24 at 5:00pm in the Worship Center. Help keep Christ in Christmas by worshiping with us in this special service.

ANGEL TREE

Thank you for your generous donations to Angel Tree. We were able to sponsor 30 kids and also give their caregivers gifts with the money that was donated.



SUMMIT CHRISTMAS PJ PARTY

Students are all invited to the Summit Christmas PJ Party on December 16 from 6 - 8pm. There will be fun, fellowship, and food. Bring a gag gift (\$10 or less) for the gift exchange.



LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is an annual offering collected by believers around the world to support international missions.

This offering is unique from other mission offerings in that 100% of the gifts provide for missionaries all over the world. This offering is vital to reaching the vision of a multitude from every language, people, tribe and nation knowing and worshiping our Lord Jesus Christ (Revelation 7:9).

Northside's goal is \$22,000 and we will be collecting through the month of December. Mark your envelope "Lottie Moon".

DECEMBER CALENDAR

We are all so busy in December we wanted to give you the Northside events so you could mark your calendar:

Tonight at 6:00pm Behold The Lamb of

God

December 16 at 6:00pm Student Christmas

Party

December 20 at 9:30am Churchwide Breakfast

(No Sunday School, one worship service, no Kid's Church)

December 20 No evening activities December 23 No evening activities December 24 at 5:00pm Christmas Eve Service December 24 & 25 Church office closed December 27

One worship service at 11:00am (No Sunday School) No evening activities

December 30 No evening activities

CHURCHWIDE BREAKFAST

Everyone is invited to the Christmas Breakfast on December 20 at 9:30am. There is no Sunday School that morning. This year will be a Continental breakfast to keep things safe.

PRE-TEEN LOCK IN

The Lock-in is scheduled for January 8 - 9. Watch for more details on this fun event for 3rd - 5th graders.





DECEMBER 13, 2020



THOUGHTS ON THE JOURNEY

Christmas is truly a time of beauty. From the way we decorate our houses, to the way we decorate our worship centers, to the way people decorate their yards – it is all a time of beauty. There is other beauty that exists as well. Christmas seems to bring out the best in people. During Christmas we see people demonstrate generosity like no other time of the year. We see people treat others with a kindness that is unique to the season. And we see a demonstration of love that is truly unique. All of it is beautiful.

However, in all of the beauty that surrounds Christmas, we must not lose the most beautiful part of it all. Our Heavenly Father loved us so deeply that He was willing to send His one and only Son to die for us, that we might have eternal life. All gifts involve sacrifice, but none like this. God gave His very best that we might experience the life He has for us.

John 3:16 tells us that "God so loved the world, that he gave his only son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life." Two words stand out to me in that verse. The first is, "whoever." I am a whoever. You are a whoever. Our Lord draws no distinctions and makes not qualifications. His love and redemption are for, "whoever."

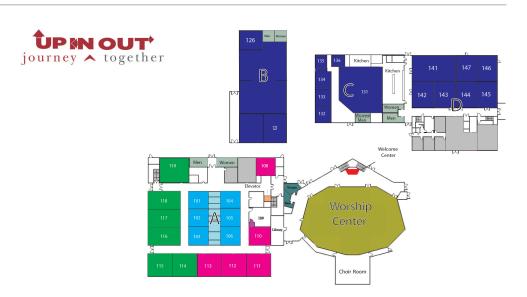
The second word is, "believes." The one step you and I must take is to believe in the person of Jesus Christ and trust in the work He has done. We must come to the point that we recognize who Jesus is and that we trust his redeeming work on the cross was sufficient for our salvation. This belief is the key to accepting God's free gift of salvation.

In this Christmas season, I hope that you will enjoy the beauty that is all around. Take time. Pause. Soak it in. But don't forget that the greatest beauty of all rests in God's work through Christ for our salvation.

Honored to be your pastor,



WELCOME TO NORTHSIDE



TODAY'S WORSHIP

Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy) (Tomlin/Cash/Gilder) Praiz Kidz (11:00am service only)

WELCOME & PRAYER

ADVENT READING

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You (Dyke/Beethoven)

Angels, from the Realms of Glory (Montgomery/Smart)

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (Sears/Willis)

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks (Peterson) WORSHIP CHOIR

> **MESSAGE** Good News: God Gave His Only Son John 3:16-18 DARRELL TOMASEK

TIME OF COMMITMENT

Turn Your Eyes (Lemmel/Romanacce/Winebarger/Stiff/Trout)

THIS WEEK AT NORTHSIDE

Sing We the Song of Emmanuel (Boswell/Papa/Townend/Getty)

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There are wooden boxes next to the Welcome Center for your tithes.

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Visit our website @ nbcvictoria.org for:

- Pastor's Blog
- 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



God Gave His Only Son John 3:16-18

THE BIG IDEA: God's love for humanity moved Him to make an extraordinary sacrifice that we might experience true life.

The Gift of God...

1.	was motivated by	·
2.	is available to	
3.	was rooted in	_•
4.	is eternal in	
5.	is specific in	
6.	is not without	



- 1. What is the most memorable gift you have ever received from another person?
- 2. What makes a gift special to you?
- 3. How do you feel about the fact that God gave His only Son
- 4. What makes the gift of Christ so special?
- 5. What do you hope this Christmas season will bring?