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It is hard to believe that we have been dealing with the Coronavirus for over a year now. It is interesting to look back and remember the journey we have been on. I remember the early days, when we didn't know much, but concerns were high. We made decisions with the best information we had, though sometimes that information was lacking. We began to navigate this new world not knowing how long the pandemic would last or what impact it would have on us.

Now we find ourselves very near a return to normal, whatever that will look like. We seem to have the virus under control, there are vaccines available (I understand opinions vary as it relates to this), and things are beginning to open up once again. Now is our chance to do some real reflection. Who do we want to be going forward? As a church? As an individual? We have the strangely unique opportunity to begin again.

As your pastoral staff, we have been giving a lot of thought to this. We have been thinking through our strengths and weaknesses. We have given consideration to what needs built upon, and what maybe needs left behind. I say all of that to say this: Over the course of this summer, you are going to have a lot of opportunity to find areas in which to plug in. New ministry opportunities and new opportunities to serve.

As we have looked at where we would like to go as a church, one thing has become very clear. It is going to take all of us. We will not make it to where we want to go with only 20% of the people pulling the load. In fact, I think we will need somewhere between 60-80% of our people plugged in. So I have this simple request, when you hear of teams we are recruiting, information meetings we are holding, or trainings we are doing – come and be a part.

Whether you have grown up at Northside or have only joined in the last six months, this is your church. Part of being a member is to not only receive, but to invest. Yes, investing financially is important, but it is also important to invest your time and energy. I am looking with optimism to the days ahead. At Northside our tag line is, "Journey Together." I hope that is more than a simple phrase, I hope it is a commitment.

Honored to be your pastor,



AT A GLANCE

Sunday 9:30a Worship Service
May 9 9:30a Sunday Morning Bible Study
11:00a Worship Service
11:00a Sunday Morning Bible Study
11:00a Kid's Church
No evening activities

Tuesday 6:00p Celebrate Recovery
May 11 6:00p Zumba for Women

Wednesday 6:00p Wednesday Night Connect
May 12 6:00p Student Midweek
6:00p Awana Awards
7:00p Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 9:30a Ladies Bible Study
May 13 6:00p Zumba for Women
6:15p Trail Life

Saturday 9:00a Upward Soccer Games
May 15

Sunday 9:30a Worship Service
May 16 9:30a Sunday Morning Bible Study
11:00a Worship Service
11:00a Sunday Morning Bible Study
11:00a Kid's Church
5:00p Sunday Evening Service
5:00p Ecclesia
5:00p Summit Huddle
5:00p Praiz Kidz
5:00p GroupLife

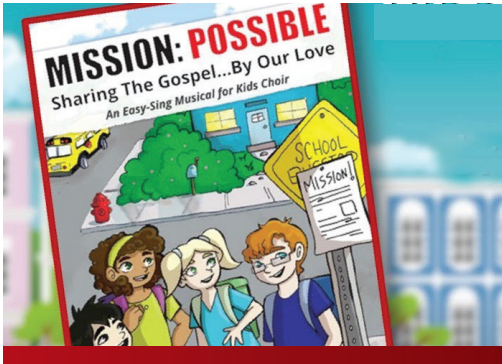
Tuesday 6:00p Celebrate Recovery
May 18 6:00p Zumba for Women

Wednesday 6:00p Wednesday Night Connect
May 19 6:00p Student Midweek
6:00p Extreme Kids Live
7:00p Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 6:00p Zumba for Women
May 20 6:15p Trail Life/AHG

STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

ALL CALENDAR ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE



MISSION: POSSIBLE

Praiz Kids present *Mission: Possible* on Sunday, May 23, at 6:30pm. Don't miss this musical that shows you that your mission field is closer than you think.

Praiz Kids, Jr. will be singing that evening also.

These kids have been learning about worship and God all year. Come hear what they have learned.



REGISTER NOW FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS registration is open on our website event tab. VBS is June 13 - 17 from 6:00pm to 8:30pm. Exiting Kinder through 4th grade are invited to attend.

We have a separate VBS for 5th grade. It is the same date and time, just a little different. Register for **Merge** on our website.



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

May 6 is the National Day of Prayer. Northside will host a service at 6:30pm in the Worship Center. Trail Life and American Heritage Girls will lead this service.



EXTREME KIDS LIVE

Wednesday evenings are full of exciting fun beginning May 19 because that is when Extreme Kids Live returns. Kids entering kindergarten through exiting 5th grade can join Pastor Dave at 6:00pm for radical fun. Bring your friends. You won't want to miss this!



FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

May 1 was Darrell Tomasek's fifth anniversary at Northside Baptist Church. We are taking up a love offering for Darrell in celebration of this anniversary. You can mark your envelope "Love Offering" to designate your gift, or you can give online by choosing the Love Offering option. Deadline is May 16.



OVER THE EDGE PRE-TEEN CAMP

Over the Edge Pre-teen camp registration is now open. Pre-teen camp is for kids completing 3rd - 5th grades. It is a little earlier this year - July 1-5. The cost is \$300. You can contact Dave Benefield if you have any questions.

:::SHORTLINES:::

MAY SCHEDULE: There will be no evening activities on Sunday, May 9. There will also be no evening activities on Sunday, May 30.

CHILD DEDICATION: Sunday, May 9, is Mother's Day. We are having a Child Dedication during the 11:00am worship service. Pray for these families and their children.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS: A Victoria family is offering three \$1,000 scholarships to Northside students planning to attend college in the fall. Applications are available in the church office. Deadline: July 2.

DATE NIGHT: May 7 is Date Night. Childcare is provided at Northside from 6:00 - 10:00pm. The care is free if you are attending a Northside Fellowship. The cost is \$10 per child if not. You can register online for Date Night at nbcvictoria.org - events tab. You must register your child by May 6.

HYPE: May 7 is the last HYPE of the season. HYPE is for kids in the 3rd - 5th grade. It is from 7:00 - 9:00pm. Bring the kids for a great time with Pastor Dave. No registration required.

DEEPLY ROOTED: Summit Girls will meet on Monday, May 17, in the Student Center at 6:00pm for a night of baking.

VBS VOLUNTEERS: If you have signed up to volunteer for Vacation Bible School you need to come to a short meeting on Sunday, May 30, right after the 11:00am worship service. The meeting will be in Bldg D. Contact Dave if you cannot attend.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS: If you would like to know more about why we do things the way we do here at Northside, you should come to the Membership Class on June 6. The class is immediately following the 11:00am worship service. A meal will be served so we are asking you to register for the class. Registration will open soon on the events page of our website.

PRAY FOR STUDENT CAMPS: Cody is asking for prayer warriors for student camps. He would like 3 people for Junior High Camp and 3 for High School Camp. These warriors would commit to praying for the students before, during, and after camp. Please call Cody for more information.

UPWARD SOCCER: Games are Saturdays at 9:00am through May 15. Come cheer the teams on. Only two more weeks to watch the games.

NORTHSIDE BAPTIST SCHOOL: The school is taking registrations for the 21-22 school year. The school offers classes for 2 year olds through 5th grade. Contact the school office at 578-5601 for more information.

PRAYER: We would love to pray for you. You can fill out a prayer request form found in the pews or Welcome Center with your prayer request. You can also request prayer on our website. It's under the "About" tab.

THE RECORD SPEAKS

MINISTRY ACTION PLAN

Received April 25

Budget Receipts	29,458.56
Designated & Other:	1,761.19
Total Weekly Receipts:	31,219.75

Received May 2

Budget Receipts:	35,448.36
Designated & Other:	6,757.85
Total Weekly Receipts:	42,206.21

Year-to-Date Need:	852,110.00
Year-to-Date Received:	807,295.56

BIBLE STUDY

WORSHIP

April 25	167	April 25	346
May 2	186	May 2	423

"But be on guard and watch yourselves closely so that you don't forget the things your eyes saw and so they never leave your mind as long as you live. Teach them to your children and your grandchildren."

DEUTERONOMY 4:9



IN
FOCUS

Happy Mother's Day
from Northside
Baptist Church



journey ▲ together

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Sundays
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11:00am Worship

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