April 23, 2023

find your destiny in Christ

Pastor

Dr. Bill Blanchard

Guest Speaker

Mr. Mark Heffelfinaer

Worship Leader

Mr. Thomas Matthews

Ministers

Every Member

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

9:15 a.m. Bible Study/Sunday School

10:30 a.m. **Morning Worship** 10:30 a.m. Children's Church **FAMILY WORSHIP -**

(Last Sunday of Month) Northway Community Church

This is the Lord's place, and all who are seeking Him are welcome! We strive to make a relationship with God as intelligent as science, as appealing as art, as vital as a good day's work, as intimate as a healthy home, as inspiring as genuine love, and as redeeming as God's grace!

Remember in Prayer

Betty Belcher, Mulligan Park, Tallahassee Carolyn Bergquist, Carrollton Club **Dale Braswell**

Evelyn Cantrell, Presbyterian Home, Quitman Shirley Cantrell, Pruitt Health, Crestwood Mayra Colon

Pamela Hendley

Cleo Kapilla, Pruitt Health, Lakehaven Bonnie Segerstrom, Fellowship Home

Out-of-town Senior Adults:

Sharon Morgan Bob & Suzy Scheuring

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Preschool Andrea and Josh Huguley

CUSTODIAL MINISTRY

April 23 - 29, 2023 Mike Columna

April 30 - May 6, 2023 Sue Long and Becky Parker

BUILDING FUND \$197,200

MESSAGE NOTES

UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT FALLS

John 12:23-26



UPCOMING DATES



Please join us for an evening filled with fun and fellowship and a time of sharing Gods word and prayer.

Bring your favorite finger-food.

Coffee, tea and water will be provided.

April 30th

Quarterly Church Conference



June 9-10

Vacation Bible School

Contact Information

Church Location:

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FOUR REASONS FOR PRIVATE WORSHIP: #2 OF A SERIES

Reason #2—You and I need distance from distractions.

In Exodus 33, Moses pitches a tent "far" outside the camp where he goes to meet with God. He called this place the "tent of meeting." This tent was the location where Moses could connect with God without distractions. Similarly, we need distance from the world's distractions, both physically and metaphorically.

We often get caught up in situations where distractions are prevalent. These distractions can be as simple as social media. These platforms, and others, have been set in place to take our focus away from God by keeping our attention primarily on them. This is why we must, figuratively speaking, pitch our tent far away from distractions in order to have the alone time we need with our God. It's the only way for us to be able to face the storms of life that are swelling up all around. Without this form of worship, we are vulnerable for attack and will often fail. The goal, like we learned this past Sunday, is to keep our focus on our True Anchor, Jesus Christ, so we can stand against the wiles of the enemy who never stops throwing his fiery darts. So, when we have our priorities correct in the attitude of genuine worship, we find the fight isn't so bad. Worship is a way of life. A lifestyle is a daily commute. When we have our alone time with God, we find that our fruit is good.

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will" (Romans 12:1-2, NIV).

An attitude of Worship is the beginning to a fruitful Christian Life God Bless You All!

Thomas Matthews, Worship Leader



Chili Cook-Off

We need volunteers to enter this competition.

Cake Auction

We need volunteers to donate cakes for our Auction

Volunteer to help with this fund-raising event. See Marilu Cantrell (229) 834-0534 or Bryan Shover

Giving is an Act of Worship

Northway Community Church believes giving to your local church should be a planned and willful act of worship. Normally, we do not take up an offering as part of our worship services. Instead, we have an offering box located on the desk near the front door. Gifts to Northway (a non-profit corporation) qualify as tax deductible gifts. If you would like credit for your gift in your name and receive a contribution statement at year end, simply fill out and use our contribution envelopes as a means of depositing your gift into our offering box. Gifts to Northway are an act of worship between you and the Lord. As such, only a few from our accounting department know the giving records of our families. We do not want knowledge of contributions to impact or sway our staff's effectiveness in ministering to the body.

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