



Northway Community Church

December 7, 2025

find your destiny in Christ

Pastor

Dr. Bill Blanchard

Worship Leader

Mr. Thomas Matthews

Ministers

Every Member

Remember in Prayer

Betty Belcher, Tallahassee, FL

Edward Blanchard

Dale Braswell

Sammy Long

Out-of-town Senior Adults:

Sharon Morgan

Bob Scheuring

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)

Welcome
to
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!

PRESCHOOL MINISTRY

TODAY

Rick and Roni Williams

December 14, 2025

Aaron and Keri Darnell

CUSTODIAL MINISTRY

November 30 - December 6

Mike Columna

December 8 - 13

Marc McLain and Doug Parker

BUILDING FUND

\$217,840

MESSAGE NOTES

"The Hinge of History"

Luke 1:1-45



Contact Information

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CHRISTMAS AND A GENEROUS HEART

Generosity is at the heart of Christmas. First and foremost, Christmas is centered around God's generosity toward us that was demonstrated when He gave us His one and only Son that we might find new life in Him.

Because of this truth, as we are now in the Christmas season, this is such a wonderful time to remember that we need to be developing this attitude of generosity (II Corinthians 8:12) too. And please remember that generosity isn't so much about your wealth as it is about your willingness to honor God and show your love to other people.

In II Corinthians 9:7, God gives us three specific characteristics of an attitude of authentic generosity: "You must decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." This kind of biblical generosity is:

- **Always thoughtful.** "You must decide in your heart how much to give..." You need to think about how much you are going to give. Don't just do it impulsively or emotionally. Rather, pray about it, think about it, make up your mind, plan it, and do it.
- **Always voluntary.** "Don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure." Never give simply out of guilt. When you do, it won't grow your faith.
- **Always cheerful.** "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." The word "cheerful" in the Bible is the Greek word for "hilarious." So, God is saying that He loves a hilarious, cheerful giver!

So, be generous in your giving, especially during the Christmas season! And it's not always about the amount you give, and sometimes it doesn't even involve money, because you can also be generous with your time and abilities and service. But, whatever you give, do it thoughtfully, voluntarily, and cheerfully.

Devotedly your pastor,

Bill Blanchard

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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