

THE VISION



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**PALM
SUNDAY**
MARCH 29 AT 10:30 AM

WORSHIP SERVICES
EVERY SUNDAY AT 10:30 AM



**GOOD
FRIDAY**
APRIL 3 AT 6:30 PM



JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF WORSHIP

ENGAGING
IN WORSHIP

GROWING
IN GROUPS

SERVING
IN MINISTRY

EASTER
APRIL 5 AT 10:30 AM



 **NORTHSIDE**
BAPTIST CHURCH



Worship in Heaven FAQ

by Alex Darnall, Associate Pastor of Worship

When we talk about heaven, questions naturally follow. Scripture does not answer everything, but it gives us enough to fill us with hope and expectation. Here's some answers to some frequently asked questions about worship in heaven.

Will we sing in heaven?

Yes. The Bible describes voices lifted together, declaring salvation and proclaiming the worthiness of the Lamb. Singing is not something we grow out of. It is something that continues into eternity.

Will worship be nonstop?

Yes, but worship in heaven is not endless repetition. It is continual response. You will not be playing a harp on a cloud for all of eternity. As we see God more clearly, worship flows naturally from hearts overwhelmed by His goodness and glory.

Will worship feel familiar or new?

It will be both. The themes of holiness, redemption, and praise will be familiar to God's people, yet the fullness of His presence will make everything feel fresh and alive.

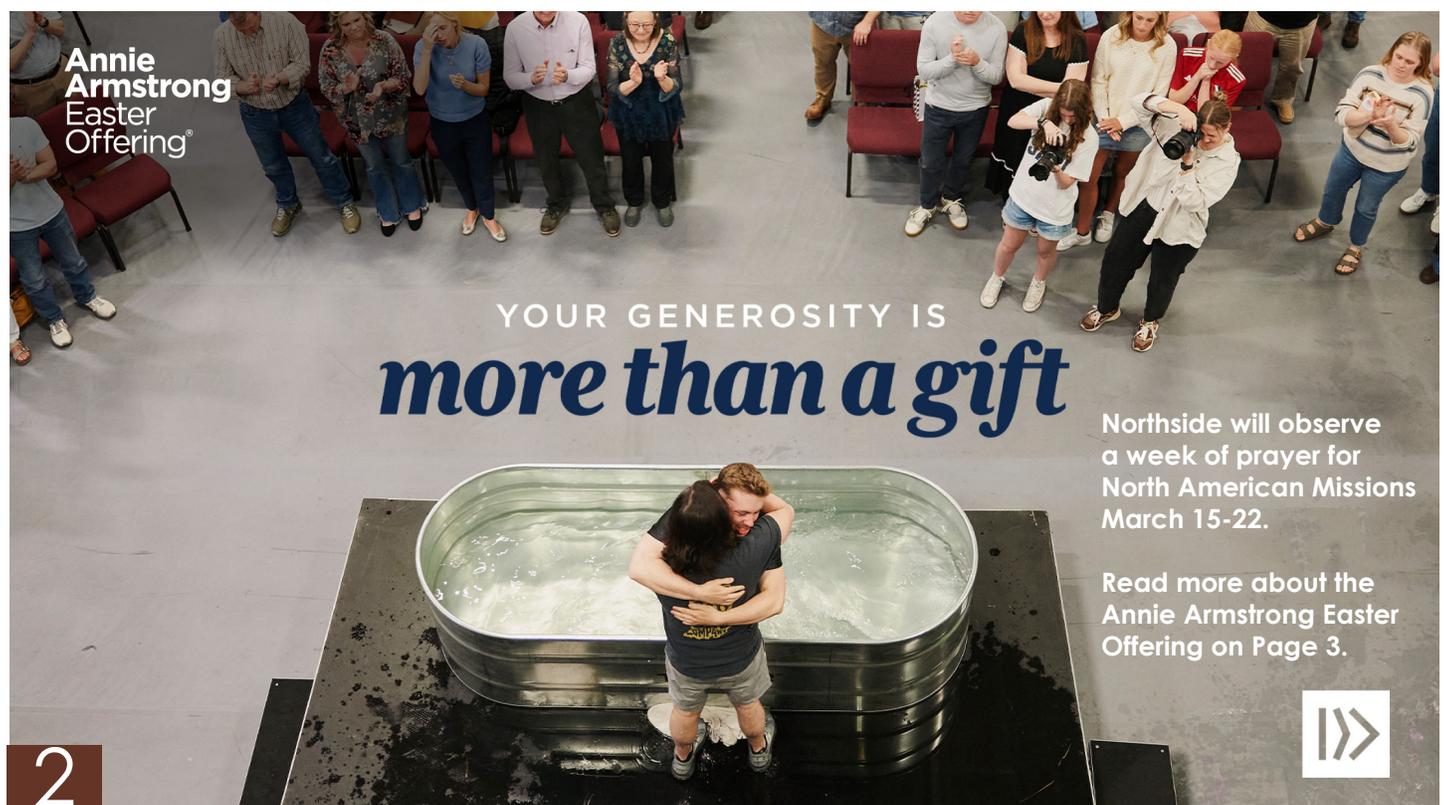
What will we be focused on?

We will not be focused on ourselves, the selected music or the preacher's attire. Our focus will be on Jesus, the One who was slain and now reigns forever.

AND THEY SANG A NEW SONG:
"WORTHY ARE YOU TO TAKE THE SCROLL
AND OPEN ITS SEALS,
BECAUSE YOU WERE SLAIN,
AND BY YOUR BLOOD YOU PURCHASED FOR GOD
THOSE FROM EVERY TRIBE AND TONGUE
AND PEOPLE AND NATION.
YOU HAVE MADE THEM TO BE A KINGDOM
AND PRIESTS TO SERVE OUR GOD,
AND THEY WILL REIGN UPON THE EARTH."

REVELATION 5:9-10

Living in light of His return reminds us that worship is not just something we attend on a Sunday. It is something God is forming in us now, as we learn to lift our eyes toward eternity. We are learning to engage and participate in worship now so that we will be prepared for heaven!



Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering®

YOUR GENEROSITY IS
more than a gift

Northside will observe
a week of prayer for
North American Missions
March 15-22.

Read more about the
Annie Armstrong Easter
Offering on Page 3.

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How Your Gifts Resource Missionaries

\$200 for print materials for a new church plant	\$400 for a portable baptismal and heater
\$2,000 monthly worship facility rent	\$50,000 one year of support & benefits for a first-year church planter

The Mission Field of North America

- 386 MILLION PEOPLE**
- 378 LANGUAGES SPOKEN**
- 291 MILLION DO NOT KNOW JESUS**
- 161 UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS**

Your Gifts At Work

NAMB and Southern Baptists came together to add **964** NEW CONGREGATIONS IN 2024

Since 2010, Southern Baptists have planted more than **11,000** CHURCHES ACROSS NORTH AMERICA

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

Ephesians 3:20-21

We live in a culture obsessed with limits.

- How much time do I have?
- How much money can I spare?
- How far can I go before I burn out?

The language of limits shapes so much of our lives. And yet, in Ephesians 3:20, Paul explores those categories with one phrase: "Now to him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us ..."

God is not limited. He is more than able.

That's why this year's Annie Armstrong Easter Offering theme is **"More Than a Gift."** When God's people pray, give, and go, what we offer is never just money, never just time, and never just effort. It is joined to the limitless power of God.

In Paul's day, the church faced what seemed like an impossible barrier. The gospel was spreading from Jerusalem to Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth, just as Jesus promised. But as Gentiles came to faith in the Jewish Messiah, the church was faced with a massive question: Could Jews and Gentiles truly be one family?

That cultural divide threatened the very glory of God in the church. And yet, Paul didn't wring his hands in despair. He dropped to his knees in prayer, anchoring himself in God's limitless power and love.

Our generation faces barriers too—unbelief, apathy, secularism, brokenness, and division. The task of reaching North America feels overwhelming. But like Paul, our hope is not in what we can do but in what God can do.

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is one way we declare hope. Every dollar given, every prayer prayed, and every effort made is more than a gift. It is an act of faith in the God who is more than able.

REVOLUTION

FOLLOW JESUS NOT THE WORLD

LARGE GROUP ACTIVITIES



**NORTHSIDE YOUTH
D NOW 2026**



SCAN TO SIGN UP

**MARCH 13-15
GRADES 6-12**

DISCIPLE NOW (D NOW) IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GO DEEPER IN YOUR WALK WITH GOD AND ENJOY DEEPER FRIENDSHIP WITH OTHERS.

\$20 PER STUDENT
INCLUDES ALL MEALS
STARTING WITH
DINNER ON FRIDAY.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR YOUTH PASTOR, JARED BARHAM AT JBARHAM@NORTHSIDEINDY.ORG OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 317-255-6692.



D NOW SPEAKER: CALEB HEAD

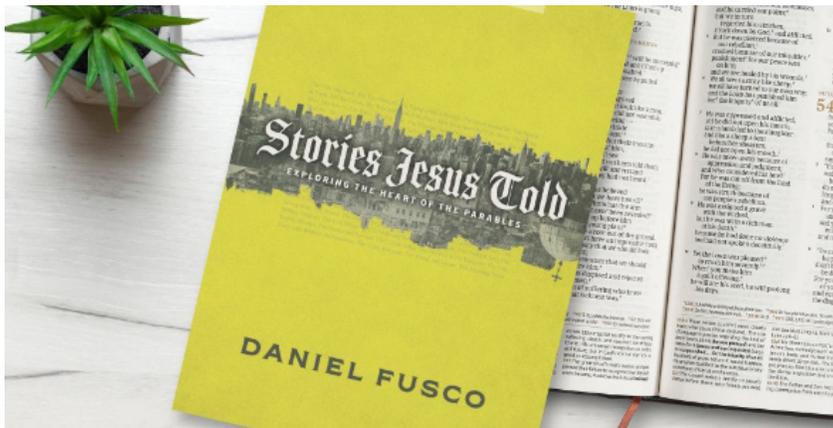


FUN & GAMES

D NOW SPEAKER: CALEB HEAD
CALEB SERVES THE STATE CONVENTION OF BAPTISTS IN INDIANA (SCBI) AS THE ASSOCIATE TEAM LEADER FOR CHURCH AND LEADER MOBILIZATION. HE HAS A PASSION FOR CONNECTING FOR KINGDOM ADVANCEMENT AND HAS BEEN AN INDIANA BAPTIST FOR MOST OF HIS LIFE.

**Middle School
Home Bible Study
Begins March 1
Barhams' House
5-8 PM | No Cost
Dinner Provided**

Stories Jesus Told: Exploring the Heart of the Parables provides a guided process to walk through the parables of Jesus. This is a six-week study that includes personal study as well as group study and discussion.



HABITS of the HOUSEHOLD

PRACTICING THE STORY OF GOD IN EVERYDAY FAMILY RHYTHMS

Habits of the Household

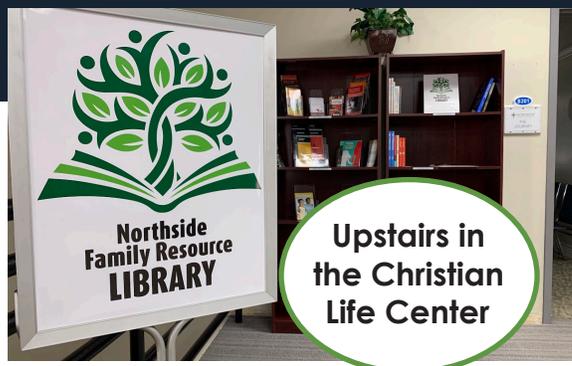
Book Review by Jared Barham,
Associate Pastor of Youth

The great thing about this book is that you can read it and apply as much of it or as little of it as you are able.

It graciously introduces and enforces the idea of habits which are norms and not rules in which grace is real and not theoretical.

Take what you can get out of it (such as the habit of waking up in a time of knelt prayer by your bed) or even a quick family prayer in the mornings before everyone goes their separate ways.

What's great is that the book acknowledges and admits that you don't have to try everything at once but one small change can have big spiritual impact of your life and the life of the family.



The author (Justin Earley) is open and authentic about how his parenting isn't perfect and his house is a mess, so there isn't a pressure to feel shame or guilt when reading this book and thinking of all the things you aren't doing "right" or need to "improve". Grace abounds in this book.

Each chapter ends with a recap of the main points and consolidates all of the practical takeaways in one neat section for quick reference. I am encouraged by these and will find them very useful in the years to come!

**JUNE 1-5, 2026
9 AM TO NOON**

AGE 4 - GRADE 6

SHINING A LIGHT ON
WHO JESUS REALLY IS

**ILLUMINATION
STATION** JOHN 8:12

ONE WEEKEND, THREE SPECIAL EVENTS MARCH 21-22

**SCBI Illumination Station VBS
Volunteer Training: March 21**

The State Convention of Baptists in Indiana (SCBI) will be here at Northside on Saturday, March 21 to conduct a statewide VBS clinic, 10 AM to 4 PM. All VBS volunteers are invited to attend. Our specific Northside training will be at 3 PM. If you can't make it for the whole day, come just for the 1 hour Northside specific training to get your teacher packet, manual, and decorating ideas! No cost. **Please RSVP to Dani Root.**

- 10:00 AM**
Arrival, Welcome, Worship
- 11:00 AM**
Base Session Preschool/Elementary
- 12:00 PM**
Lunch
- 12:45 PM**
Session 1: Breakouts: Crafts, Decorating, Missions, Snacks and Recreation
- 1:35 PM**
Session 2: Breakouts: Crafts, Decorating, Missions, Snacks and Recreation
- 2:30 PM**
Closing Rally & Giveaways

**Northside VBS
Volunteer Training:
March 21, 3-4 PM**

Immediately following the State Convention training at Northside, our church's VBS volunteers will gather to focus on our specific implementation of the Illumination Station theme.

Come to the Fireside Room for a 1-hour supplemental training at 3 PM on March 21.

Scan the code above and sign up to be a teacher or volunteer.

JESUS is 
THE PROVEN 
SON OF GOD

**Northside Sunday Morning
VBS Launch: March 22**

Vacation Bible School is an annual outreach event for our Northside Kids ministry. Illumination Station is for kids age 4 through grade 6, 9 AM to Noon each day, June 1-5.

This year's theme is "Shining a light on who Jesus really is." This is drawn from the Bible verse, John 8:12 which says, "Jesus spoke to them again: 'I am the light of the world., Anyone who follows me will never walk in the darkness but will have the light of life.'"

The motto of Illumination station is: Jesus is the Light of the World.

On Sunday morning, March 22, we invite the congregation to support this outreach effort through prayer, generosity and volunteering.

JESUS is
THE LIGHT 
of THE WORLD

Northside Kids Ministry News

by Danielle Root, Children's Director

Kids Community Groups at 9:00 AM on Sunday

Our store will be open on March 1 from 9-9:15am. This is a chance for kids to spend the stickers they've earned each week! We have completed our study through the Old Testament and we begin a new study starting in March that takes us through the New Testament. We have classes for babies through grade 6, please join us!

Community Group Calendar

March 1 The Old Testament Points to Jesus, Luke 1 & John 1

March 8 Jesus was Born, Matthew 1 & Luke 1-2

March 15 Jesus was Dedicated, Luke 2

March 22 Wise Men Visited Jesus, Matthew 2

March 29 Jesus at the Temple

Bible Explorers at 10:30 AM on Sunday

March 1 Bible Explorers joins the Main Worship Service

March 8 The Ten Lepers, Luke 17:11-19

March 15 Triumphal Entry, Matthew 21:1-11

March 22 Cleansing of the Temple, Matthew 21:12-17; Mark 11:15-18

March 29 Judas Betrays Jesus, Luke 22:1-6, 39-53; John 13:1-17



Fusion Kids: Salt & Light

July 14-17, 2026 for Grades 3-6
at Highland Lakes Baptist Camp

This summer, kids will discover what it means to shine bright for Jesus and make a lasting impact in the world around them! Inspired by Matthew 5:13-16, Salt & Light invites students in grades 3-6 to explore how they can be the flavor and brightness this world needs—sharing God's love boldly, living with purpose, and reflecting His light in everyday life.

Through exciting games, creative activities, powerful Bible teaching, and unforgettable worship moments, campers will be challenged and equipped to live as the salt of the earth and the light of the world—right where they are. Let's make this summer one to remember—full of faith, fun, and following Jesus!

Camp Speaker: Matt Flanagan

Matt Flanagan has served as the Children & Student Ministry Consultant for the Kentucky Baptist Convention since 2018. He served in student and discipleship pastor positions at four churches for 27 years prior to joining the KBC. Matt is passionate about equipping and encouraging leaders in children and student ministries

Please email Dani Root: droot@northsideindy.org to get the \$100 discount code and registration instructions by March 31.

and helping churches reach and disciple the next generation. Matt graduated from Centre College with a BS in mathematics and physics and a Master's in Theology from Campbellsville University. He is currently pursuing a Doctor of Ministry in Student Ministry from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He married his wife Felicia in 1997, and they are proud parents of Caleb (married to Emma) and Eli. Matt and Felicia are members of the First Cedar Creek Baptist Church in Bardstown. Matt enjoys disc golf, camping, and talking sports.

Worship Music: CU Worship

CU Worship is the student-led worship ministry of Campbellsville University, dedicated to helping others encounter Christ through music. The team leads in camps, campus events, and churches, while equipping students for a life of worship leadership grounded in faith and excellence. CU Worship – Maroon is made up of Owen Tipton, Skylar Norton, Hayden Behmke, Andrew Pike, and Sydney Cotter. This team is led by Dr. Jamie Lawrence, adjunct professor of Worship Arts.

Skate Night Photo Album



Northside hosted a multi-church skate night in the gym on February 20. Kids of all ages had a great time and it was a wonderful fellowship for families across our local area.





A Tale of Two Trees

The Doctrines of Sin and Salvation

Wednesday Nights

Catalyst for adults is in the Fireside Room at 6:30 PM.

Assemble for grades 6-12 begins at 6:15 PM in the Youth Room.

Awana 6:15 PM in Kids Cove for age 3 through grade 6.
Childcare is available for younger kids.

New Catalyst Study: A Tale of Two Trees

by *Jeremy Couture, Senior Pastor*

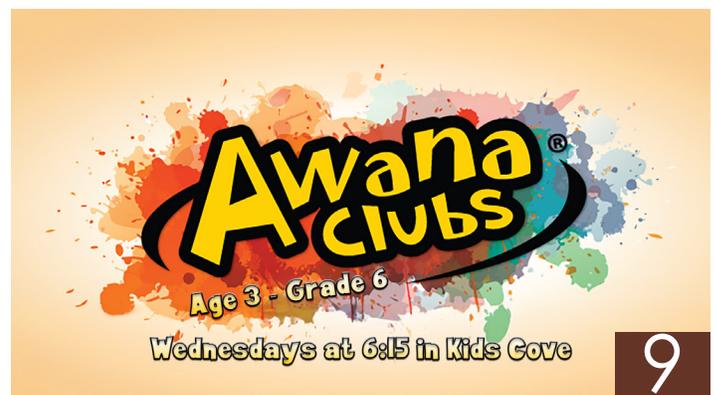
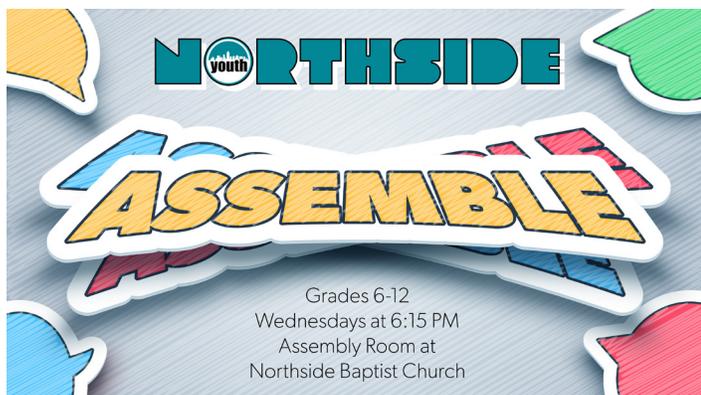
A Tale of Two Cities begins with one of the most famous opening lines in all of classic literature – “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times...”. In it, Charles Dickens goes on to tell a captivating story centered around the cities of London and Paris during the French Revolution. The drama is intensified by the difference between the safety and stability of London and the violence and chaos of Paris at that time.

The biblical story of redemption involves a similar contrast between locations. One spot is the Garden of Eden, where Adam and Eve fell into sin. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil cast a long shadow as the first couple rebelled against God and tasted its fruit. Another important place is “The Place of the Skull” outside of Jerusalem, where Christ was crucified. Galatians 3:13 describes it this way: “Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us - for it is written, ‘Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree.’” The Old Testament quotation is taken from Deuteronomy 21:23, and the final word can be translated as “tree” or “cross,” since they are both made out of wood. In other words, this second location also involved a tree – a tree shaped like a cross.

These places (and the events that happened there) changed the course of human history. They also serve as focal points for studying the twin doctrines of hamartiology (sin) and soteriology (salvation). The name for the first doctrine comes from the Greek word hamartia, which means “to miss the mark.” The name for the second doctrine comes from soteria, the Greek word for “salvation” or “deliverance.” When taken together, these branches of theology walk us past these two important trees – from the Garden of Eden to Golgotha.

You are invited to join this exciting teaching series in Catalyst on Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM. Starting on March 11, we will try to help believers gain a biblical view of the world, including their nature as created but sinful beings, and God's plan to provide redemption. We will also support believers in their study of humanity's great problem and God's great solution – sin and salvation.

Good theology is essential for good discipleship and spiritual formation, so I hope to see you there!





Interested in learning more about membership at Northside? Come to this special one-hour class on Sunday morning, March 8, 2026 at 9:15 in Room D103.

NORTHSIDE Women Deepening our Relationship with God and with other women

Join us for our **Bible Study Workshop**
 March 14
 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

JOY Luncheon: Soup & Salad

Bring soup. Salad provided.

March 19
 11:30 AM
 Fireside Room



Northside's senior adults (Just Older Youth) will restart monthly JOY Luncheons beginning Thursday, March 19 at 11:30 AM in the Fireside Room. Bring your favorite soup to share. Salad will be provided. A guest speaker will talk about foot health for senior adults.

Thank You!



We're thankful for everyone who supports our Covenant Foods ministry. This month we received food drive donations from (left) Cathedral High School (in honor of Rick Shadiow) and from Creative Living Bible Study. (above)



DISASTER RELIEF
 VOLUNTEER TRAINING

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

SCAN ME!

OR USE LINK:
<https://scbi.org/event/disaster-relief-volunteer-training-2/>



 **APRIL 18, 2026**

 **8:00 AM - 2:30 PM**

 **NORTHSIDE BAPTIST**
 3021 E 71ST ST.
 INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46220

Cost:
 Orientation \$45.00
 Recertification \$25.00
 *Free if certification is current

Must be 18 years old to register

March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:15a Community Groups 10:30a Kids Worship 10:30a Worship		7:30a Men's Coffee, Fellowship & Prayer 4p Covenant Foods	9:15a Creative Living Bible Study for Women 6:15p Assemble 6:15p Awana 6:30p Catalyst	7p Creative Living Bible Study for Women		
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Palm Sunday 9:15a Community Groups 10:30a Kids Worship 10:30a Worship		4p Covenant Foods				

Daylight Saving Time begins March 8



Spring FORWARD
SET YOUR CLOCK AHEAD ONE HOUR

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Sunday Morning

Groups and Classes - 9:15 AM
Worship - 10:30 AM

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**COMMUNITY GROUPS:
SUNDAYS AT 9:15 AM**

The Journey
Alex Darnall
B201
Bible Studies for Life

Parents & Professionals
Couture, Donaldson
& Kern in B203
Bible Studies for Life

Moran Group
Jim Moran
D114
Various Topics

James 1:22
Pittman/Dickerson
D110
Explore the Bible

Living Stones
Christie, Schlotterbeck
& Greenly in D109
Bible Studies for Life

Legacy Ladies
D100
Various Studies

Senior Women
Donna Kreke
D102
Explore the Bible

The Brethren
Jim Myers/Nick Laurino
D113
Various Studies

Grades 6-12
Upstairs CLC

Elementary/Preschool
Kids Wing

Welcome, New Members!

Mackenzie Carter
Kim Krull

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Text GIVE to
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