



## Welcome to Worship

at Northminster | We're pleased you're with us today  
- rejoicing in God's victory of life and how that changes our lives.

## Our Mission

To share the gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, discipleship and service in his name.



## PLAN YOUR WORSHIP

We gather to praise, pray, and seek God's lessons for living our lives today! **In-person and online worship schedule:**

**8:00am – Livestream** | Children's message and praise band.

**9:45am – In Person\*\* and Livestream** | Sanctuary choir quartet and pipe organ.

**11:30am (Multicultural) - Livestream** | American/African Multilingual Expressions of Worship. Translation available.

**LIVESTREAMING** with chat on your favorite platform

[npctucson.online.church](http://npctucson.online.church), [facebook.com/npctucson/live](https://facebook.com/npctucson/live), [youtube.com/npctucson](https://youtube.com/npctucson)

### IN PERSON

**9:45am - Socially distanced seating in our Church Sanctuary with limited capacity. \*\*Weekly registration is required.\*\***

Register here: [npctucson.org/gather](https://npctucson.org/gather).

## FINANCIAL FOCUS

While we are not passing the offering plate on Sunday mornings, the ministries and mission work of the church continues. Your financial gifts are greatly appreciated and may be made in any of the following ways:

- online at [npctucson.org/give](https://npctucson.org/give)
- on Facebook at [facebook.com/npctucson](https://facebook.com/npctucson) - click "donate"
- by texting "npctucson" and a dollar amount to **73256**
- by mail to 2450 E. Fort Lowell Rd, Tucson AZ, 85719
- by sharing your offering in our drop box in the Sanctuary

## STAY INFORMED

Three of the best ways to stay connected and get the latest information are:

- Subscribe to our weekly email newsletter, Northminster News: [bit.ly/npce news](https://bit.ly/npce news)
- Opt in to receiving text messages, Text FAMILY to 5204624949.
- Follow us on Social @npctucson

## NORTHMINSTER ON RADIO

Tune in to Northminster's radio broadcast, True North, on KGMS 940AM (Sundays, 6pm; Monday-Friday, 6:30am).

## CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

### Praying for sick/hospitalized

Kathy Adger	Ana Matthewson
Betsy Bailey	Cathy Pepple
Jim Borgeson	Henny Pisano
Cynthia Brown	Silvia Roberts
Jayne Devlin	John Walker

To request an addition or update to this list, please contact the Church Office, 327-7121.

### Rejoicing

For the warm connections made as church family through the hundreds of Thanksgiving meals safely prepared and served by the Yamanaka family, our Deacons and other volunteers.

### Expressing sympathy

To the family and friends of Jane Conway (mother of Scott Conway, Jill Conway and Jan Hood). She passed away November 28, 2020. A memorial service is being planned.

### Estimates of Giving

If you have not had a chance to turn in your estimate of giving yet for 2021, you can go to: [bit.ly/npceog](https://bit.ly/npceog).

### Christmas Eve services

Join us for worship on Christmas Eve! Thursday, Dec. 24 we are planning two services, in person and streaming:

**5pm** | Youth & Praise Team, and a special guest your children will want to meet!

**7pm** | Candlelight Carols with the Sanctuary Choir.

See [npctucson.org/Christmas](https://npctucson.org/Christmas) for details.

## Ministry Contacts

**Andrew Ross**, Pastor, Seniors and Worship

**Ken Skodiak**, Associate Pastor, Men's Ministry, Missions, Care

**Pete Seiferth**, Associate Pastor, Discipleship, Multicultural Ministry

**John Brobeck**, Traditional Music

**Andee Coppel**, Office Ministry Assistant

**Sean Farrell**, Student Ministries

**Dana Graham**, Hospitality & Membership

**Julia Higgins**, Contemporary Music

**Kaylee Hui**, Kaleidoscope

**Alexis Kaneza**, Arise! Worship Coordinator and Minister

**Carla Koenig**, Interim Director, 327-2321

**Bob Krepps**, Building Maintenance

**Kathy Lee**, Church Administrator

**Kathy Mallgren**, Children's Ministry

**Amy Paegel**, Publications Coordinator

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## CONNECT

**In person or online, thank you for joining us for worship!**

Please fill out our **digital connect card** to let us know you're here and share a prayer or praise: [npctucson.org/online-welcome-card/](https://npctucson.org/online-welcome-card/) or **text the word HERE** to 5204624949.

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\***Register** each week for in-person services: [npctucson.org/gather](https://npctucson.org/gather)

**Congregational Meeting - Today**, 12:30pm on Zoom. Open to members and attenders; only members can vote. We will elect new church officers, approve our pastors' terms of call and review next year's budget together. To receive the Zoom link, go to [bit.ly/churchmtg20](https://bit.ly/churchmtg20) and **register each individual** this time, please, so we can properly establish a quorum and follow voting protocols.

**21 Days of Advent** - Join our pastors for Advent devotionals. Videos sent to your inbox daily. New subscribers click here [bit.ly/npcenews](https://bit.ly/npcenews).

## ORDER OF WORSHIP - 11:30am

**Gathering** *Song: Thanksgiving/Amashimwe* Arise!/Praise Band

**Welcome** Kaylee Hui

**Encounter** *Song: Give Me Oil in My Lamp/Mpa Amavuta*  
*Song: You Deserve the Glory/Nyiricubahiro*

**Announcements** Kaylee Hui

**Community** Children's Message Andrew Ross  
Pastoral Prayer Alex Kaneza

**Offering**

**Word** Series: Lighting Up the Dark! Andrew Ross  
Scripture: John 1:6-9  
Message: God's Reflectors!

**Response** *Song: We Give You Glory Lord* Arise!/Praise Band

**Blessing**

Connecting people with Jesus

## SERMON NOTES

The biggest reflector.

John the Baptist was God's \_\_\_\_\_.

1. John knew who ...
2. John knew who ...

Shining outward.

For this coming week:

- Who are the individuals who have shone the light of Jesus into your life?
- Do a gospel search and read about John the Baptist's life and witness. Look in the books Matthew, Mark, Luke and John in the Bible.
- How has God uniquely gifted you to reflect Jesus to others?
- John preached about repentance, baptism and change. How does that speak to you these days? How can you confess your sins and reclaim your baptism identity, as an advent act of welcoming Jesus back into your life?
- Who are some folks who you know who might need the reflective glow of your Savior?

## TRANSLATION

Yohana 1:6-9

6 Haje umuntu yatumwe n' Imana, izina ryiwe ni Yohana;

7 ni we yazanywe no kuba icabona, ngo ashingire intahe umuco, kugira ngo bose bizere kubwiwe.

8 Si we yari wa muco, ariko kwari ugushingira intahe umuco.

9 Umuco w'ukuri, wakira umuntu wese, wariko uraza muri iyi si.

**Free access to the Bible in video, audio and text in 1,652 languages -**  
<https://bibleis.app.link/KFSzTyg1Cbb>

Growing as disciples of Jesus

## GROW - resources for all ages

- ♦ **NPCKids** - on Facebook with fun activities, encouragement and a Bible Storytime: [facebook.com/groups/npckids](https://facebook.com/groups/npckids).
- ◇ **Bible BLAST Live!** - Sundays, 11:30am on Zoom. Kids through grade 5 meet online for a Bible lesson, games, music and more. One-time registration at [bit.ly/bibleblastlive](https://bit.ly/bibleblastlive).
- ◇ **Bible Explorers** - Bible Explorer groups for children grades 2&3 and 4&5 meet Sundays at **11:30am-12:30pm** at Northminster. Limited spaces. Register at [bit.ly/bexclub20](https://bit.ly/bexclub20).
- ♦ **Student Ministry** for grades 6-12 - **Sunday Groups** - meet Sundays, 11:30am-12:30pm, Youth Room 2. **Youth Group** - No Youth Group this week. For more information, connect via [bit.ly/NPC\\_Students](https://bit.ly/NPC_Students).
- ♦ **Classes/Groups for adults** - Online unless otherwise noted. See [npctucson.org/northminster-live](https://npctucson.org/northminster-live) for details and registration.
- ♦ **Free Advent Devotional** - available for download from Frontier Fellowship: [bit.ly/ffadventdevo](https://bit.ly/ffadventdevo).

## SERVE

**Advent Gift of the Heart Special Offering - Now through Sunday, Dec. 27.** This Advent season, help bring dependable transportation to two of our longtime mission partners who rely on their vehicles for their ministry work in rural areas of Mexico and Africa. We can relieve some of the financial burden caused by expensive repairs. Gifts will be divided equally between Acción Ministries in the Yucatan and Jesus to the Needy in South Africa. To learn more, go to: [npctucson.org/adventgift](https://npctucson.org/adventgift). To give, go to: [npctucson.org/give](https://npctucson.org/give).

**Deacons Angel Tree Project** - Bring Christmas cheer to men of the Center of Opportunity. **Shop** for all or some of the following: Socks, underwear (boxer or boxer briefs), beanie hat, neck scarf, gloves. Ship to the Center of Opportunity c/o Wes Shepherd or bring to the Church Office marked "Angel Tree" **by Dec.11. Or give** a gift at [npctucson.org/give](https://npctucson.org/give) and the Deacons will shop for you.

**ICS Mobile Produce Giveaway** - Thursday, Dec. 17, 8-10am, South Parking Lot. Free produce given out monthly now - April. Come by and pick up fresh produce for you and your neighbors, provided by the Community Food Bank. No-touch, drive-through format.

**Deacons Pantry gave out 89 bags** this week! Our pantry could use: peanut butter, canned ravioli, toilet paper and paper shopping bags with handles. Donations are accepted Tuesday mornings at the Multipurpose Building or Mondays-Thursdays in the Church Office. **We are also looking for new team members.** Time commitment is 8:45-11:15am Tuesdays. Contact [Deon Hill](mailto:dhill@npctucson.org), [dhill@npctucson.org](mailto:dhill@npctucson.org).

Serving in Jesus' name