

Good afternoon, Church Family.

Were any of you tricked into thinking that we had missed Robert's message: Christianity Part 1? The point of Christianity Part 2 is that the issue of our sanctification is tied to our salvation. What is sanctification? Read the article or watch the brief video at Got Questions.org. When we believe the Gospel, our journey toward Christ-likeness begins, our journey of sanctification. The fight against our flesh and sin is real and can be discouraging. However, Jesus is our ultimate example of how to resist. [Matthew 4:1-11] Let's all strive together to live lives pleasing to God. Let's encourage each on to greater maturity (present) as we look forward to the day (future) when we will once and for all be separated from the presence of sin. 2 Corinthians 4:16,17 says, "16 Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer person is decaying, yet our inner person is being renewed day by day. 17 For our momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison,"

- Here are a few things going on this week:
- The Anchor Crew kickoff event was Tuesday evening. We had a fun evening hanging out with the kids and eating hot dogs with all the fixings and some spectacular s'mores! There is a small banner at the top of our website that can be used for registration. See pictures below. First Anchor Crew is next Wednesday September 10th.
 - The Men's Committee met this week and is planning a kickoff event on September 25th. Men, mark your calendars. More details to follow.
 - Ladies, be planning for the baby shower for Ashley and Torryn Baum this Sunday afternoon at 2:00 at the Jerred home, 21800 NW 112th Street, Valparaiso.
 - Axis kicked off this week with a good turnout!
 - This Sunday we welcome Pastor Kerry Dinkins to our pulpit.

Please continue to pray for Ben and Melissa DeWaard and their family as they are adjusting to being displaced from their home after the recent storm. Let's pray specifically that the process of working through the insurance claim will go smoothly and without any delays.

Now is the perfect time to get plugged into a Life Group. There are four groups meeting on alternating Sunday evenings, one on alternating Thursday evenings and one on alternating Saturday afternoons. Look for more detailed information on the NCC website. A new group that will be studying the Ted Tripp book, *Shepherding a Child's Heart* will be starting soon and will meet at the best time for the new participants. Please contact Dan Jerred if you have any questions or would like to get plugged in.

NCC Website: northwestcommunity.org

Blessings on your week!

Dustin, Dan S., Lonnie, and Dan J.

See the preaching schedule through early October below:

- September -- Pastor Kerry Dinkins
- September 7 "Who needs a Doctor." Luke 5:27-32
- September 14 "Christianity is a team Sport" Romans 12:4-8
- September 21 "The Hall of Faith – Part 1" Hebrews 11:1-13
- September 28 "The Hall of Faith – Part 2" Hebrews 11:14-34
- October 5 Missions Sunday



2025 Anchor Crew Fall Semester Dates

September 2025	October 2025	November 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• September 10• September 17• September 24 - No Crew	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• October 1• October 8• October 15• October 22• October 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• November 5• November 12• November 19

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or scan the QR code to go straight to the form.

