



NORTH ARUNDEL CHURCH
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OUR PURPOSE (WHY WE EXIST)

TO BRING, TO TURN, TO BUILD, TO SEND

Our reason for existence is "to bring the unchurched into a right relationship with Jesus Christ, into the fellowship of church membership, nurturing them to full spiritual maturity and productive Christian service in the world."

OUR PASSIONS (WHO WE LOVE)

GOD, THE CHURCH, THE UN-CHURCHED

We love God because He is uniquely beautiful, infinitely worthy, and supremely valuable. We love the church because it is more than a building; it is the "body of Christ" and the "brotherhood of the saints," a collection of redeemed men and women who find common ground in their love of Jesus. We love the unchurched because God loves the un-churched and He wants to use us to make His love known.

OUR PRACTICES (WHAT WE DO)

WORSHIP, MINISTRY, MISSIONS

Because we love God, we worship Him (Father, Son, and Spirit) through relevant music and engaging preaching; knowing that He alone deserves our worship. Because we love our brothers and sisters in Christ we do ministry (acts of service by the church for the church) knowing that the world will see our love for each other as proof of our love for God. We engage in missional acts of service because we know that eternity is real and really long.

Our hope is to bring the life-changing gospel of Jesus to those who don't know God, so they can experience forgiveness and spend eternity in grateful worship of God, instead of experiencing God's wrath in the eternal torment of Hell.

Built By Jesus *Connecting The Right Dots*

GOALS:

1. To grow in relationship with God.
2. To grow in relationship with others.
3. To grow our groups and start new groups.

FACILITATOR: The questions that follow are designed to stir reflection and discussion on last week's message. Please read through them prior to your meeting, so you can be prepared to prayerfully pace your group well. And remember, a facilitator's goal is to promote increased biblical awareness, as well as individual self-awareness— a combination that with the help of the Holy Spirit, results in revelation and transformation.

ICE BREAKER: If you sat down next to Jesus on a bus, what would you talk about?

REVIEW: What is the current series? Why are we doing this? What is this week's title? Why is this subject important to study?

BIBLE STUDY AND APPLICATION:

What are some things you did in church growing up that you always questioned? Which, if any, of those things do you wish we did at NAC?

Enlist volunteer(s) to read Titus 1:1-14

- What specifically was Titus told to do? What was he not told?
- If you were in Titus' shoes, how would you feel, given Paul's instructions?
- Why are these qualifications so important to spiritual leadership?

Enlist volunteer to read 1 Cor. 12:4-7

- After reading the Corinthians passage, which gifts are *not* for the purpose of ministry?

Enlist volunteer(s) to read Matthew 23:1-12

- Based on the reading, how has the church historically handled the issue of spiritual hierarchy? Have you handled it any differently?

Enlist volunteer(s) to read Titus 2:1-3:10

- Given the price that Christ paid for us, is anything in this passage too much for God to ask of us? Which of these has the church been negligent with? Has NAC done any better?

CLOSING PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS (refer to bulletin for details):

March 1-29 – NAC Kid's Food Drive

April 5,12,19,26 Summer Semester Connect Group sign-up

April 18 – Discipleship Seminar 10-12p.m.

April 25 – NASM God's Not Dead 9-5p.m.