

Welcome to New River!

Come on in and look around a little. Take some time to ask some questions. If you'd like something to drink or eat, stop and pick that up as well. While you are here, relax. We hope you feel comfortable, accepted, engaged, and inspired.

Worship Service Times:

South Campus

6pm Saturday
10:15am Sunday

North Campus

9:15am Sunday
11:15am Sunday

What do we have for kids?

Kidz Kove is for your **Preschool** aged children. It's a clean and secure environment where they will be well taken care of and taught a practical and easy to understand lesson from the Bible.

River Kidz is for your **Elementary School** age children in grades K-5. Here they will sing, play games, and learn the Bible from well trained leaders in small groups.

Middle School or High School, bring them on into worship with you. We have **The Plunge** on Friday Nights for Middle School Students and **The Well** on Sunday Nights for High School Students. Be sure to check www.nrcc.net each week for specific dates, news, and info.

Wondering what happens in worship?

We usually start our time of worship together by singing. Don't know the songs? Don't worry. We didn't know them either at first. After we sing, one of our pastors will teach from the Bible. If you didn't bring a Bible with you, and you'd like to follow along, we'll project the scriptures so you can. After our time of teaching we usually sing another song or two. If there is anything we can help you with, please swing by our Information Desk in the Lobby. *Our Mission is to lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.*

Community Group Questions

What is a Community Group?

Community groups are small gatherings of people (Christian and non) that meet regularly for friendship, accountability, study, prayer, laughter and occasionally tears. These groups are an essential expression of the mission of New River.

Community groups are the place where we wrestle with the truths of the Bible and encourage one another toward the life that God intends for us. They are a place where we learn more about growing in our relationship with Jesus, and lives together.

Each community group is unique, shaped by the people who attend. At the heart of each community group is the desire to see authentic community marked by love for Jesus, one another, and the community. For more info on joining a community group, email dan@nrcc.net.

Quick Overview

My takeaway from this message is:

This week I am going to:

Looking back over your sermon notes, was there any particular point or passage of scripture that most challenged, confused, or caught your attention?

Sharing

1. What is your favorite Christmas tradition that you celebrate?

Exploring

1. If Jesus had never been born, how would the world be different? How would your life be different?
2. In the past, what has scared you about God?
3. Why do you think so many people are afraid of God but are drawn closer to Him at Christmas?
4. How has God brought peace to your life?
5. *Read Isaiah 9:6-7.* This passage is one of the Old Testament passages that foretells the birth of Jesus. Of the four titles of Jesus mentioned in verse 6, which one is most important to you? Why?
6. *Read 1 John 4:18.* How have you seen Jesus' perfect love drive out fear in your life?

Next Steps

1. Share with your group how you hope to change in your walk with Jesus this Christmas.
2. Pray for someone you know to come to know Christ this Christmas.
3. Memorize 1 John 4:18