



Welcome to Church!

We are glad you chose to join us today to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We hope that your stay has been both meaningful and memorable.

Here are some activities going on with us!

☐ Upcoming Church Events

- The **Jesus and Me Children's Ministry** will hold its **annual Kid's Christmas Fellowship** on **Saturday, December 20**, at **8-12 NN** here at the Northgate Center.
- **Christmas Candlelight service** on **December 24**, at **7pm** here at the Northgate Center

☐ Discover life with our Small Groups.

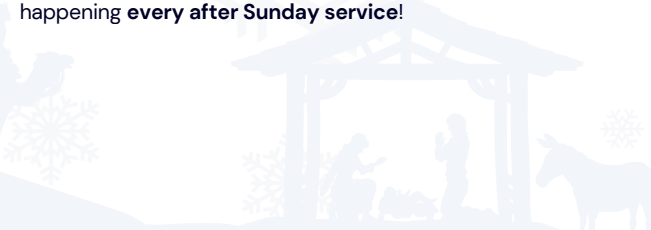
Looking for deeper connections and a closer walk with God? Our **small groups** are where we cultivate meaningful relationships and grow in faith together. Want to join? Visit our Information Booth after the service to find the perfect group for you!

☐ Stay for fellowship and refreshments.

Stick around after the service for **coffee** and **connection**! It's the perfect chance to meet some friendly faces, learn more about our small groups, our ministries, and discover all that our church has to offer. We'd love to see you there!

☐ Free Blood Pressure & Sugar Check-up

Encouraging those who wish to monitor their **Blood Pressure** & **Blood Sugar** levels to avail of our free check-up, happening **every after Sunday service**!



OUR MISSION

We are a church that seeks to bring glory to God, to build the local church through discipleship and to fulfill the Great Commission.

From Nazareth to Bethlehem

The Unexpected Road: Journeys in the Christmas Story
Ptr Nic Sy | December 14, 2025 | Luke 2:1-7

SERMON NOTES

Even when life feels out of control, it is never out of God's control.

I. GOD USES UNEXPECTED CIRCUMSTANCES TO DIRECT OUR STEPS

God can use anyone and anything, even those who do not know him, to accomplish his purposes.

God does not need ideal conditions to bring us to where he wants.

Reflection:

1. Trust God when the road shifts unexpectedly.
2. See circumstances through the lens of God's providence.
3. Remember that God's direction does not always look spiritual.

II. GOD'S PATH IS OFTEN INCONVENIENT, BUT IT IS NEVER WITHOUT PURPOSE.

How God was orchestrating his purposes:

1. God was fulfilling prophecy.
2. The journey positioned Jesus in David's royal line.

What felt like government control became God's way of publicly affirming Jesus' rightful kingship.

Reflection:

1. Your inconvenience may be fulfilling something God has purposed in your life.
2. Your inconvenience may be preparing you for future fruit you cannot yet see.

Your response to inconvenience matters as much as the purpose behind it.

Purpose isn't revealed before obedience, it's revealed through obedience.

III. GOD BRINGS BLESSINGS THROUGH PLACES WE DIDN'T EXPECT TO BE.

Four blessings that God pours out in the Christmas story:

1. The blessing of God's perfect timing.
2. The blessing of God's humble revelation.
3. The blessing of God's faithful provision.
4. The blessing of salvation itself.

The greatest blessing of God is not a change of circumstances; it is the presence of Christ in every circumstance.

Sunday Services

English Service:

Morning 10:00 AM
Afternoon 01:00 PM

Cebuano Service:

Afternoon 04:00 PM

Ways to give tithes and love gifts

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