

The Journey

The Journey North Newsletter February 2024

THE JOURNEY NORTH IS AN EAGLE BROOK VIEWING CHURCH.
THE MESSAGE SERIES "MEN & WOMEN IN A KEN & BARBIE WORLD", BEGINS
FEBRUARY 18TH THRU MARCH 3, 2024. SEE EAGLE BROOK'S WEBSITE,
[HTTPS://WWW.EAGLEBROOKCHURCH.COM/MEDIA/PAST-MESSAGES/](https://www.eaglebrookchurch.com/media/past-messages/)
FOR ANY MESSAGES YOU'VE MISSED.

Who Are You Becoming through Serving and Connecting ?

**Follow Jesus | Spend Time with God | Serve Others |
Connect in Community | Live Generously**

Get connected. Meet people. And help the church feel like your church.

We are a church led by staff and run by volunteers!

Volunteers make our weekend services and small groups happen!
And we need MORE so we can continue to reach MORE people far from God!

We need YOU, but you need US too!
We need EACH OTHER!

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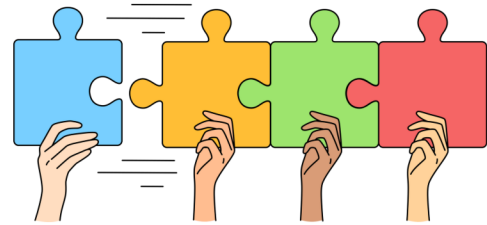
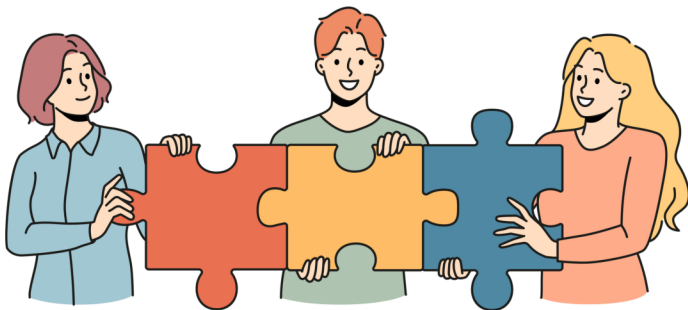
Behind the scenes: running technology to cleaning to preparing materials & spaces

Caring: for kids to leading a small group of people to praying for others

Welcoming: from opening doors to saying "Hi" to creating a warm environment

Sharing: God's truths' from Kids to Students to Adults

Come to the Next Steps area in the lobby or
email office@thejourneynorth.com during the week.
We will be in touch!



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Connect with others and grow in your faith by **joining a Small Group!**

The Winter Groups Directory Is Live on The Journey North Website

Registration open until Feb 2 | www.thejourneynorth.com | Need help?

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Winter Session: Feb 11th - April 20th

Small Groups

Sunday

Alan & Sherry Bock, 6-8pm, @ their home in Pillager, Married Couples,
"Unoffendable" by Brant Hansen (FULL)

Tuesday

Joe Wooden, 6-7:30pm @ TJN, Men, Discuss the weekend messages

Wednesday

Mark Filkins, 6:30-8pm @ home in Brainerd, Open to Anyone, The Truth Project - A
Christian Worldview Video Study

Bethany Kidrowski, 6:40-7:45pm @ Starbucks (Edgewater Dr), Young Moms, various
topics

Cari & Glen Nygard, 6:30-7:30pm @ TJN, Open to anyone, Focus of praying together

Pat & Diane Nickel, 6:30-8pm @ their home in Brainerd, Open to Anyone, Discuss
the weekend messages

Thursday

Serra Wenstrand, 6:30pm @ TJN, Young Adults, Message from The Porch followed by
discussion

Mary Wohl, 6-7:30pm @ TJN, Women, Discuss the weekend messages

Sue Miller, 6-7:30pm @ in Brainerd, Married Couples, "Signs & Secrets of the
Messiah" Rabbi Jason Sobal (FULL)

Friday

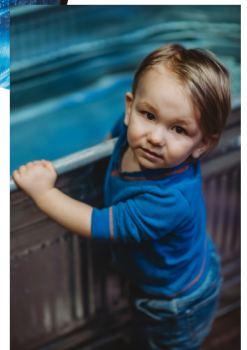
Todd Lyscio, 9-10am @ TJN, Men, various topics around faith

Saturday

Chris Geisler, 10-11:30am @ TJN, Women, Discuss the weekend messages

Baptism

January 21, 2024



Folks had the pleasure of witnessing 8 people make a public statement that Jesus Christ is the Lord of their lives!

- Gabriel Hall
- Creanna Hall
- Derek Bahr
- Thomas Hoefflerle
- Scott Sjolund
- Kari Johnston
- Jeremy Johnston
- Joshua Jensen

Congratulations All!

Photos courtesy of Bethany Kidrowski



New TJN Members

as of January 28, 2024

Derek Bahr, Samantha Bahr, Jonathan Breen, Glen Nygard, Cari Nygard, Pat Nickel, Diane Nickel, Todd Nickel, Amy Nickel, Laurie Miller, Michelle Sjolund, Scott Sjolund, Jennifer Simota, Tim Simota, Mary Wohl, Audrey Bock, Kevin Littman, Stacy Littman, Erv Holder, Jo Marie Holder, Kari Johnston, Jeremy Johnston



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Meet Tammy Solberg! Tammy began attending TJN in 2007 when it was still housed at the Franklin Arts Center. After she started attending, she met Brett Richmond, the Children's Ministry Pastor at that time, and he asked her if she would like to help with Preschool. Tammy said yes and, after 16 years, is still here serving. She became a TJN member shortly after she started serving in Children's Ministry.

Tammy is a Mom of 3 and a Grandmother of 8. She is employed with Essentia Health, working in the Lab. We truly appreciate all you do, Tammy and we thank you so much for your dedicated service at TJN!

From the Executive Pastor

Todd Lyscio

Giving Statements:

By now, many of you have received your Giving Statements for 2023 in an email from the church office. If for some reason you did not receive a statement, it is possible we do not have your correct email address on file. If you would like to obtain a giving statement, please contact us at the office and we will generate a copy for you. Also, if you would like to receive giving statements via email in the future, please provide us with your email address and we will include you in future giving statement communications.

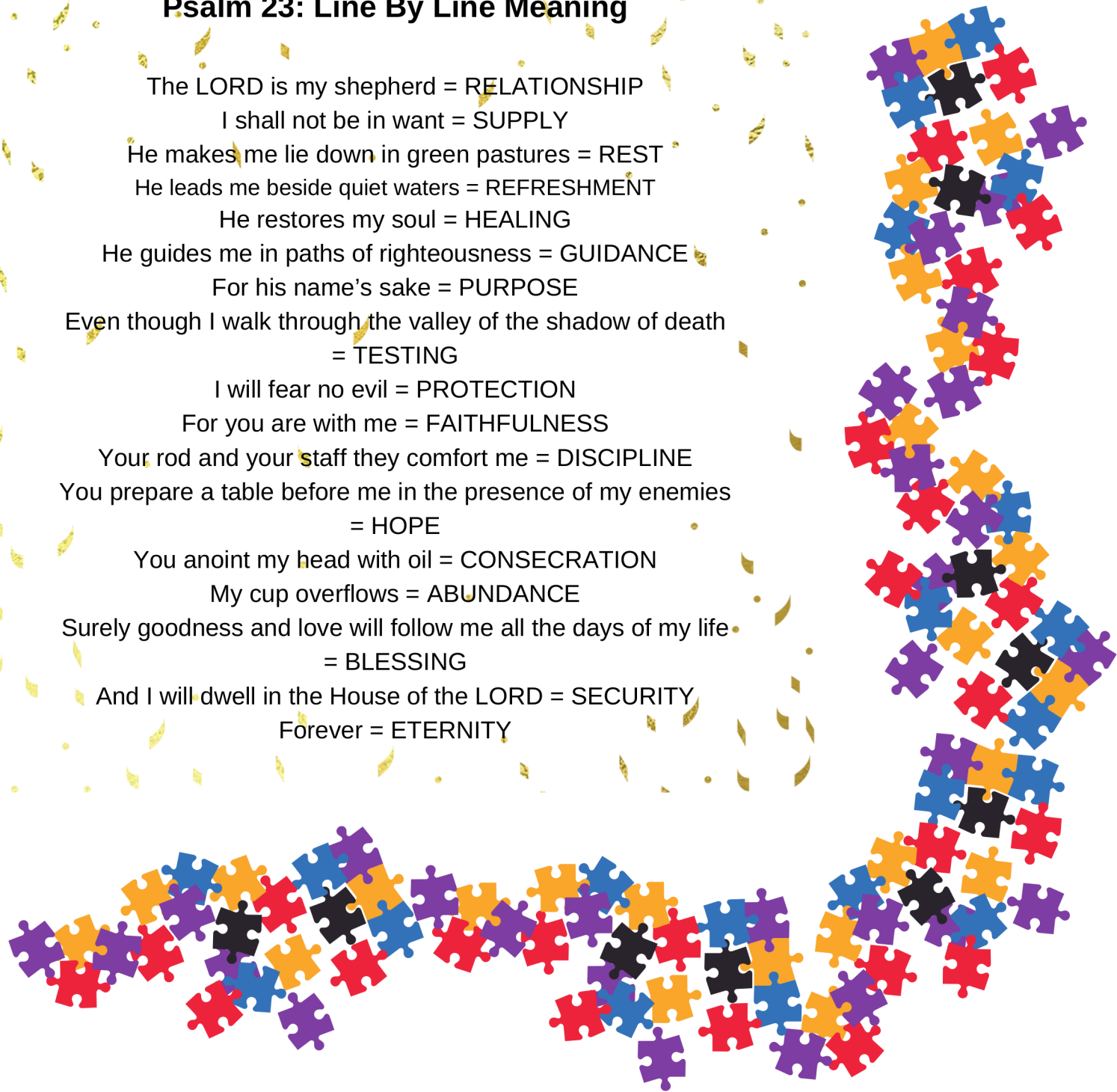
Next steps:

At our recent winter business meeting, on a membership vote of 77 to 3, the decision was made to formally dissolve the ministry of The Journey North Community Church. The 80 members in attendance either in person or participating virtually represented a quorum of current TJN members. The decision to end the 20-year run of the church was not taken lightly, but rather very thoughtfully and with a great deal of emotion. With this decision, the way is now being paved to turn the property over to Eagle Brook Church, with the hopes of a renewed vision to reach central Minnesota for Christ. While there is sadness in the ending of one ministry, there is excitement for what lies ahead for the church under a new banner. While the name on the building will change, the

mission to reach the lost will remain intact. Our hope is that all who currently call The Journey North their home will continue to support the ministry as it transitions to Eagle Brook. There is much work to be done in preparation for the transition to a new ministry and there will be many opportunities for people to help with the change. One question that may be on the minds of many is a timeline for the ministry. At this point, our best estimate has the ministry of TJN continuing into late spring or early summer, with more information to come to you in the next few weeks. I would like to personally thank you for your continued support for the church through what has been a very challenging period in our ministry's history. Connie and I have been blessed by TJN for over 18 years and we cherish the relationships we have been fortunate to develop. We look forward to see what God has in store!

Psalm 23: Line By Line Meaning

The LORD is my shepherd = RELATIONSHIP
I shall not be in want = SUPPLY
He makes me lie down in green pastures = REST
He leads me beside quiet waters = REFRESHMENT
He restores my soul = HEALING
He guides me in paths of righteousness = GUIDANCE
For his name's sake = PURPOSE
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death
= TESTING
I will fear no evil = PROTECTION
For you are with me = FAITHFULNESS
Your rod and your staff they comfort me = DISCIPLINE
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies
= HOPE
You anoint my head with oil = CONSECRATION
My cup overflows = ABUNDANCE
Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life
= BLESSING
And I will dwell in the House of the LORD = SECURITY
Forever = ETERNITY



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