

IMPACT 2018

Fall Calendar

Events are for all students grades 6th - 12th unless stated otherwise

Visit <https://northridgefellowship.org/news-events/> to stay up to date on all NorthRidge events.

- October 6 Saturday - High School Girls Bike & Picnic
Meet at the church @ 11 or at Hassan Meadow Park @ 11:30 am
- October 6 Saturday - Middle School Boys Bonfire – Jim & Kathy Glenn’s – 6:15-10:00 pm
- October 13 Saturday - First High School Home Group – 6:30 – 8:30 pm - *Tentative*
We are still working out the details on home groups for this year.
- October 13 Saturday - Middle School Girls Bonfire 4:30-8:30 pm
Mike & Michelle Goodrich’s home – Zimmerman, MN – leaving from church
- October 17 Wednesday - Fall Retreat sign-up Deadline
- October 20 Saturday - Feed My Starving Children – leaving from church 6:15 pm
- October 31 Wednesday - **no IMPACT** – decorate a trunk and help during Trunk or Treat
Working on the date and details - HS Boys paint ball event
- November 2-4 Friday – Sunday - IMPACT Fall Trout Retreat
- November 10 Saturday – Highschool Home Group – 6:30 – 8:30 pm - *Tentative*
We are still working out the details on home groups for this year.
- November 16 Friday - IMPACT Movie Night 7-9:30 pm
- November 21 **No Wednesday IMPACT** – Happy Thanksgiving
- December 8 Saturday – Highschool Home Groups – leaving from church 6:15 - 8:00 pm
- December 19 Wednesday - IMPACT Christmas Party – 6:30-8:00 pm

Regular Programming

IMPACT 101 Sunday 9:00 & 10:30 am

IMPACT 201 Sunday 9:00 am

IMPACT Wednesday 6:30 - 8:00 pm

IMPACT 4:12 Wednesday 8:00 - 8:30 pm

High School Home Groups 6:30 - 8:30 pm the second Saturday of the month - High school students are invited to the home of one of the Wednesday evening small group leaders for an evening of fellowship on the second Saturday of the month. *(We are still working out the details of how home groups will work this year. We will send more information home with the kids, via email, and update the website once we work out details. We want to be sure everyone is included even if they don't regularly attend on Wednesday evenings.)*



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Sunday IMPACT 101

Impact 101 is our Sunday morning class for 6-12 grade students at 9:00 and 10:30. This year our kids and youth ministries are going through the major stories of the Bible in one year. During the month of October, we will be finishing our look at Genesis and beginning a summary of Exodus. If your kids miss a week, we encourage you to discuss the lessons at home to help them understand the flow of the whole story of scripture. Thanks!

Memory Verse for October: Romans 8:28 "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

October 7 God Promises Sarah Laughter

Genesis 18 & 21 God and two angels visit Abraham and Sarah. Sarah hears God promise she will have a son within the next year. Sarah is very old, so she laughs at the idea that she could have a baby. But by the next year, she has a son. She names him Isaac, which means laughter, because God brought her laughter. **Follow Up** God brings us laughter too. Whenever we laugh, the joy we feel is a gift from God. Laughter reminds us of the joy God brings to our lives.

October 14 God Brings Jacob and Esau Back Together

Genesis 27 & 32-33 Jacob is slightly younger than his twin, Esau. But Jacob tricks their dad into giving Jacob his dying blessing meant for his firstborn son. Esau is mad, and Jacob runs away. After years apart, the two reunite. Jacob sends a lot of gifts to try to make up, and Esau forgives him. **Follow Up** God helps us make things right. What is the last conflict you had? Have you made it right yet? If not, ask God for help.

October 21 God has a Plan for Joseph

Genesis 37-50 Joseph has a lot of ups and downs. But God has plan through Joseph's life of ups and downs. God has a plan for our lives as well. **Follow Up** What have been some of your greatest ups in life? Downs? How can you look back and see God working, even through the down times? How have you seen God work good things out of bad things? How have hard times helped you see God better?

October 28 God Sends Miriam to Protect Moses

Exodus 2:1-10 Afraid that the Israelites would grow too powerful for the Egyptians, Pharaoh makes a rule to kill all Hebrew baby boys. When Moses is born, his mother manages to hide him for a few months. Then God uses Moses' sister, Miriam, to help keep Moses safe as he floats in a basket in the Nile River. **Follow Up** God has a bigger plan for our lives, he wants to use each of us to show his love and care to other people. When you believe in Jesus, he gives you something called "spiritual gifts." What gifts do you think God has given you? What gifts do you think God has given the other people in your family? How can we use our gifts to help others?

Sunday IMPACT 201

Brax Carvette is teaching Impact 201 geared for 9-12 grade students and is only offered at 9:00 on Sunday mornings. Students start the morning in the Youth Room for worship and then move to the classroom in the hallway.

October 7 Lay Up Treasures in Heaven

Matthew 6:19-21 "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Christians and non-christians go the same grocery stores, shopping malls, and websites to buy what they need and want. They deposit their earnings in the same banks. Yet Jesus demands that His followers lay-up treasures in heaven. We do this by using our money and possessions strategically and sacrificially to serve others in love and to advance God's kingdom priorities.

October 14 Go and Make Disciples

Matthew 28:18-20 "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." This is known as the Great Commission. It's been the theme of countless sermons and messages and has inspired numerous people to leave their homes, jobs, and loved ones to make Jesus known among the nations. It gives clear direction and motivation for the apostles, but also for us as Christ-followers. It includes this great and precious promise from Jesus, "Behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

October 21 Christianity and Caffeine!

This IMPACT 201 will be a time of fellowship to get to know each other a little more, have some coffee, eat some donuts, and have fun! Also, if students want to, they're welcome to bring a snack to share!

October 28 Faith and Doubt

Mark 9:22b-24 "But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" The christian life is not always one of complete faith. We doubt God's character often. We doubt the Bible's relevance to our lives. Sometimes it seems like God's word and our reality don't quite line up and doubts start to set in. What do we do with our doubts? Are they okay to have? What is the role of faith and understanding?

Wednesday IMPACT

Wednesday Night Impact is for 6-12th graders. The evening begins with large group games and student led worship. Following this middle school and high school students split into two groups for large group teaching and end the evening in small groups. **Our main goal this year is for every student to experience God's love for them in such a way that it overflows into authentic love**

Oct 3 God Loves You Unconditionally

Luke 15 The Loving Father - Our heavenly father loves us more than we can comprehend. Even when we turn away from him, his love for us remains. He is always waiting, ready to welcome us back to live in his love, like the father in this story. **Follow Up** How does understanding God's unconditional love for you impact the way you feel about God? What are some ways God shows his love to you every day? Psalm 103:8-18

Oct 10 God's Love Reaches Beyond Your Circumstances

Romans 8:35-39 There is absolutely nothing that can change how much God loves us. He has given us the ultimate expression of his love in Christ Jesus. **Follow Up** How did God show his love to you through Christ Jesus? Have you received that love by faith in Christ? Do you have an example of a time you have known God was with you in a difficult time? Psalm 139; Psalm 36:5-9

Oct 17 They Will Know We Are Christians

John 13:35 & Philippians 2:3-8 When we are filled with Christ's love we can't help but pour that love out on others. This distinguishes us as His followers. We do this by making God #1 and others #2 before ourselves. **Follow Up** What are some ways you have seen people put their own needs behind the needs of others? Who has been an example of this in your life? What is one thing you can do this week to pour out God's love?

Oct 24 The World Will Know

Matthew 5:13-16 When our love pours out to those around us people take notice. The good that we do out of love shines a light that cannot be denied by the world (Phil 2:14-15). It forces others to ask the question what makes us different. **Follow Up** Who stands out in your life as someone who loves like Christ? What does it mean to you to be a light in the dark world?

Oct 31 NO IMPACT Students are encouraged to help bless our neighbors through our "trunk or treat" outreach event.

IMPACT 4:12

IMPACT 4:12 is a group of students whose desire is to show God's love to other students, through worship, fellowship, and service.

1 Timothy 4:12 "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."

All interested 6-12th grade students are invited to be a part of Impact 4:12. 4:12 meets weekly immediately following Wednesday evening IMPACT at 8:00. Members of 4:12 contribute to the planning of weekly programs and special events throughout the year and serving on the worship team, welcome team, set up team, and other aspects of the youth ministry. For more information email youth@NRF.life or contact Teri McEachern, Family Pastor.

IMPACT Parent

We are putting together an IMPACT Parent Team. This is a group of parents who are willing to support the youth ministry by organizing and serving together at youth events throughout the year.

For more information on joining this team email youth@NRF.life or contact Teri McEachern, Family Pastor.

Small Group Leaders Are Needed

We want every student to feel welcome and known. In order to do this well, we need several additional small group leaders. For more information on serving as a small group leader on Sunday or Wednesday, email youth@NRF.life or contact Teri McEachern, Family Pastor.



Trout Lake Camp Fall Retreat
November 2-4 for 6-12th grades
Register by October 17th
\$120 per student
(If cost is prohibitive please talk to Teri McEachern.)

Invite a friend and join us at the fall retreat at Trout Lake Camps in Pine River, MN. This retreat is for students in 6th-12th grades to enjoy time together as a youth group, connect with God through worship, be challenged to grow in their relationship with Christ as they hear from great speakers, meet new friends and grow closer to the ones they already have while participating in fun indoor and outdoor activities. This year's theme is "Dominion" where kids will be taken back to medieval times to learn how **God has rescued them from the dominion of darkness and brought them into the Kingdom of His son Jesus. (Colossians 1:13-14)**