

Christmas Outside The Box: Injustice

Pastor Steve Poe

Luke 4:18-19 (NLT) "The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, and that the time of the LORD's favor has come."

Psalms 12:5 (NLT) The LORD replies, "I have seen violence done to the helpless, and I have heard the groans of the poor. Now I will rise up to rescue them, as they have longed for me to do."

Psalms 35:10 (NLT) With every bone in my body I will praise him: "LORD, who can compare with you? Who else rescues the helpless from the strong? Who else protects the helpless and poor from those who rob them?"

Isaiah 1:17 (NLT) Learn to do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed. Defend the cause of orphans. Fight for the rights of widows.

Isaiah 59:15b-16 (NLT) The LORD looked and was displeased to find there was no justice. He was amazed to see that no one intervened to help the oppressed. So he himself stepped in to save them with his strong arm, and his justice sustained him.

Amos 5:11a, 12 (NLT) You trample the poor, stealing their grain through taxes and unfair rent. For I know the vast number of your sins and the depth of your rebellions. You oppress good people by taking bribes and deprive the poor of justice in the courts.

Mark 7:6-8 (NLT) Jesus replied, "You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you, for he wrote, 'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship is a farce, for they teach man-made ideas as commands from God.' For you ignore God's law and substitute your own tradition."

Matthew 23:23 (NIV) "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cummin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former."

Micah 6:8 (NIV) He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

What is God saying to me through this message?

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[nvcl.org/
carmelstaff](http://nvcl.org/carmelstaff)

Service Times:
Saturday
4:30 & 6:15 p.m.

Sunday
9 & 10:45 a.m.

Tuesday Prayer
In Chapel, 7-8 p.m.

Capstone Cafe &
Bookstore Hours
M-Th 7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Fri 7 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sat 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Sun 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Northview University/NU-Kids (New)

The winter semester is held Thursday, Jan. 14-Feb. 18 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Some of our classes include: *S.H.A.P.E., Financial Peace University, What Does it Mean to be a Christian?, Passionate Prayer, Bible Study Lab, 2012 and Beyond, and Sports and Ministry.* Class info is available online at nvcl.org/nu. FMI visit the lobby cart or contact Stan Kille-

GUEST INFORMATION

We're Glad You're Here

Thanks for joining us today. We hope you feel comfortable and connected. You can be confident that we will give you as much time as you need to get to know us better. Our hope is that your experience here is meaningful.

Name Tags

We wear them because there are a lot of us. If you'd like one, just fill out a request at our Info Counter in the lobby.

Media

We record our services and may use them for commercial purposes. Also, any music and/or media we use in a service is for illustrative purposes only and is not an endorsement of any artist, musical group, film or television program.

Attention Parents

We have a fully-staffed children's ministry for newborn to 5th grade in every service. If your child is with you and becomes disruptive, please be considerate and take the child out of the service. We have a Parents Room (M104) with toys where you can listen to the service. We also have a room for nursing mothers (M102). Both rooms are located right inside Studio 6.7.

Communion

Communion is available in the Chapel on Saturdays, 5:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. and Sunday, 10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

brew at stan.killebrew@nvcl.org or 846.2884.

Hilltop Sports Fitness Classes

We have two new additions to our fitness classes starting on Monday, Jan. 4. Walk, Talk and Pray at 9:30 a.m. FMI contact Caitlin Dunlevy at cndunlevy@gmail.com or 473.5039. Turbo Kick Fitness at 6:30 p.m. FMI contact Katie Bautz at 846.2884 or katie.bautz@nvcl.org. Check the Web site calendar for information on any of our fitness

classes or you may contact Michele McKay at michele.mckay@nvcl.org or 846.2884.

Membership Q&A (New)

Membership class is Sunday, Jan. 3 at 10:45 a.m. This class will answer all your membership questions. Attending one of these classes is a prerequisite to membership. FMI contact Lynn Rupp at lynn.rupp@nvcl.org or 846.2884.

Alpha Course

Begins Monday, Jan. 11 at 6:30 p.m. for 12 weeks. This course is designed to allow people to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed setting. FMI contact Bryan Williams at 694.2790 or blwilliams2003@yahoo.com.

Dynamic Marriage

This nine-week course begins Sunday, Jan. 17, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$145. Register online at nvcl.org or contact Scott and Leisa McDonald at 427.8340 or scottwmcdonald@yahoo.com.

Christmas Eve Services

Christmas Eve Services will be held Thursday, Dec. 24 at noon, 1:30 p.m., 3 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Please pick up your free tickets in the lobby.

Glowing Memories

If you would like to honor and remember loved ones who are no longer with us, join us for Glowing Memories on Monday, Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. FMI contact Doug Kizer at 846.2884 or doug.kizer@nvcl.org.

Hilltop Sports Men's Basketball

This is the last weekend to sign up. League play is Monday nights January through March at The Fieldhouse in Fishers. You must be at least 19 and out of high school. FMI visit the lobby cart or contact Mel Arnold at musclesmel@gmail.com or 714.7193.

LOCAL AND GLOBAL OUTREACH Good Neighbor

Here are some of the organizations in the community that need your help this week: Life Centers.

For volunteer opportunities, please visit www.nvcl.org/volunteer.

Parent Information Meeting

If you have a high school student interested in attending a spring break mission trip in April, there is an information meeting on Dec. 20 at 5 p.m. for parents and students to learn more about the upcoming trips to Nicaragua and Brookside. FMI contact Dave Choutka at 846.2884 or dave.choutka@nvcl.org. See the calendar and volunteer opportunities for weekly dates and opportunities to serve.

NORTH BEACH STUDENT MINISTRY

See the calendar and volunteer opportunities for weekly dates and opportunities to serve.

STUDIO 6.7 CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

See the calendar and volunteer opportunities for weekly dates and opportunities to serve.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, Dec. 20

Sunday Morning at North Beach
(6th Grade) at 8:45 a.m.
Sunday Night at North Beach
(High School) at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 21

Glowing Memories at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 22

Men's Bible study at 9 a.m.
MOPS Date Night at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 23

No special events scheduled

Thursday, Dec. 24

Christmas Eve Services

Friday, Dec. 25

No special events scheduled

Saturday, Dec. 26

No special events scheduled

Please check monitors for event locations.