



## Purpose in Suffering: A Reflection on Last Sunday's Sermon

It may surprise you that as a pastor and a preacher I can still get surprised by what shows up in my sermons! This past Sunday is a case in point. Perhaps the most important thing that I said in the sermon was that when we as Christians suffer we are partnering with God, reminding him to bring justice. Isn't that breathtaking? Doesn't it change the way we look at suffering and immediately puts us out of step with the world?

It also points us to the cross of Christ because no matter how true the above statements are, it is not our suffering that ultimately moves God. It is Jesus's suffering.

Our suffering, no matter how

truly painful is not without justice. Think of Romans 6:23 "the wages of sin is death." It is our human sinfulness (rejection of God and his good life) that has opened the door to suffering. Suffering is a natural consequence of rejecting God and therefore is justified.

But Jesus is the one who is without sin, spot, or blemish and therefore is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (Jn 1:29). Therefore, he is the one who collects up all of the suffering in the world, all of our suffering and offers it to God to be healed and ended.

Our suffering then, when given to Jesus in worship is taken up into his own suffering and made purposeful in God's justice. Read Revelation 6:9-10 "How long, Sovereign Lord until you judge?"

### Sunday Service



#### When Things Fall Apart

A Series On the Book of Job

### Integrity in the Face of Suffering ~ Job 24:1-12

With Pastor David Schuchardt  
February 8, 2026  
Season of Epiphany

### Northview Kids & Youth Ministry

#### God's Word Light's My Path

With Pastor Natasha Frentz

#### Youth Out: Transition

Pastor Calvin Sawatzky

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## Life & Work

### English Conversation Classes

This **Tuesday, February 10th**, we will be hosting an English Conversation Class from 7:00–8:30 pm.

### Potluck Lunch

On **Sunday, February 15th** after the service we will be having a potluck lunch. If you are able, please bring a main dish that would feed your household plus some to share.

### Annual Society Meeting

Please plan on staying after the potluck on **Sunday, February 15th** for our annual Society Meeting. At this meeting we will have a review of 2025 financials, discuss and vote on the 2026 proposed budget, and elect board and nominating committee members. This meeting is open to everyone who calls Northview home and Partners will have a deciding vote.

### Shrove Tuesday Dinner

Please join us on **Tuesday, February 17th** for our annual Shrove Tuesday (Pancake) Dinner (6:00–7:30 pm). This meal marks the transition point from the Season of Epiphany to the Season of Lent and Easter.

### Ash Wednesday

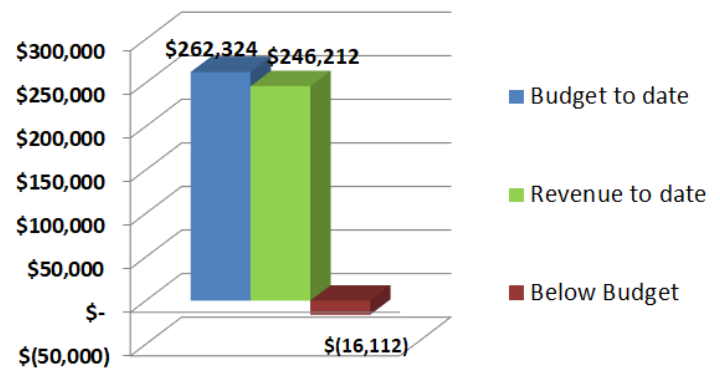
Join us on **Wednesday, February 18th at 7:00 pm** for our Ash Wednesday service. Lent is a Season where we prepare ourselves anew to encounter God's great story of salvation through the cross and resurrection of Jesus. See our Facebook page for a daily lenten devotional.

## Weekly Quote

“Suffering encountered in the love of the one who is crucified —that is the ‘extraordinary’ in Christian existence.”

~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer ~  
Meditations on the Cross

2025 Revenue to December 31st



### Five Ways to Give

- 1) Online: <https://northview.sk.ca/giving/>
- 2) e-transfer: [giving@northview.sk.ca](mailto:giving@northview.sk.ca)
- 3) tithe.ly Giving App
- 4) Preauthorized Giving (card in pocket)
- 5) Cash or cheque in offering

### Talk To Us

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### WiFi

Northview Guest Network

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## Upcoming Featured Events



### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

Tuesday, February 17th  
6:00–7:30 pm



### Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, February 18th  
7:00 pm