



NORTHRIDGE
SERVES



On November 2nd, there are two ways to serve: offsite with local mission partners and nonprofits, or onsite at Northridge by preparing items for specialty kits (cleaning supplies, student activity, staff, and faculty appreciation gifts) and/or assembling ribbon panels for mission partners.

1. What is my time commitment for Northridge Serves?

- Worship: 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- Northridge Serves Lunch: 11:00 - 11:45 a.m.
- Service Time: 12:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. (approximately)

2. What will I be doing?

- Offsite Service - anything from light cleaning, painting, sorting, or organizing donations (food, clothing, etc.) stocking shelves, light cleaning of storage rooms, restocking pantry shelves, light landscaping, serving lunch, light yard work etc.
- Onsite Service at Northridge - compiling/preparing gift bags, assembling ribbon panels. *If you have physical limitations or are concerned about your ability to serve, it's recommended that you serve at Northridge vs. at a local mission partner location. If you have specific concerns, please contact Betsy.*

3. When will I get my assignment? Can I choose my placement?

- Once registered, and you've determined whether you wish to go out or stay onsite @ NPC, you'll be assigned to a service team and have the opportunity to work with other Northridge congregants, volunteers, and friends. This is a great way to get to know each other intentionally. Each group will have a team leader who will reach out to you prior to Northridge Serves Sunday about your placement and dress code.

4. Can I work with my family or specific friends?

- Some assignments (at local mission partners) may have age limitations, however assignments will take into account each family's needs.
- Keep in mind that service assignments may be random in an effort to group work teams with similar interests and/or provide opportunities to work with others you may not already know.
- All assignments at Northridge will have no age limitations.

5. What should I wear?

- Depending on the assignment (offsite at partner location OR at Northridge), dress comfortably and in work clothes. Your team leader will reach out to you with details.
- We encourage you to wear Northridge gear while serving with your mission partner.
- If you don't have any Northridge swag to wear, there are a limited number of ball caps (white and navy) available through the church office. Reach out to Suzanne at suzanneh@northridgepc.org to get a hat!



7. How will I get there?

- Everyone assigned to a local mission partner (offsite) will be encouraged to carpool with other congregants. Google maps will be provided for volunteers to each of the local mission partner sites. Once your team leader reaches out to the group, we recommend coordinating with your team leader about transportation prior to November 2nd.

8. Will there be childcare?

- Childcare will be provided at Northridge by request only.

9. Will lunch be provided?

- Yes, but online registration is required to be added to the lunch count. Lunch will be in Quillin Hall with your work group before departing for your assignment. Lunch will last approximately 30 minutes.

10. What does it mean to be a “group photographer?”

- If you volunteer to be a group photographer, that means you’ll take pictures during your service assignment! Be sure to capture you and your group members, and then email them to Betsy Swetenburg at betsy@northridgepc.org. Smartphone photos are fine!

11. What if I have trouble signing up?

- Contact Betsy Swetenburg at betsys@northridgepc.org or Jordan Meyer at jordan.s.meyer@outlook.com.

12. What happens after we finish?

- You’re free to go home! There will not be another gathering back at the church upon the conclusion of your assignment.
- On the evening of November 2nd, watch out for some reflection questions! We would love to hear about your experience.