



KATIE GALLAHER

My family (two young adult daughters) has been attending Northshore since 2008. I currently serve on the Global Outreach team, co-lead the Adventures In Missions group and support the Prayer Team during service. Over the years I have been involved in various ministries including Women's, Kids Summer Adventure, Preschool and I am a trained Perspectives Class coordinator. I am blessed to be a part of an NCC Life Group of women that study, pray, and do life together.

The new school year marks my 29th year at Cedar Park Christian School in Bothell where I serve as the Middle School Principal. I have been so blessed by the privilege of vocational ministry where I get to use both my gifts of teaching and administration while impacting the next generation for Christ. I love my job, and I know I am doing what God has gifted me to do. I have served on the national executive board for an educational accrediting organization, providing me with opportunities to speak at conferences and provide leadership consultation for schools across the country. In 2020 I fulfilled a professional and personal dream of attending seminary and graduating from The King's University with a Master's degree in Practical Theology.

I am a lifelong Washingtonian, having always lived in the greater Seattle area. As for interests, I'm an avid road cyclist and enjoy being outdoors as much as possible. I love traveling to learn about history and to experience new cultures. In the winter you can find me curled up with a book and a cup of coffee and in the summer I am often on a walk listening to an audiobook. My passions for service and justice come as I volunteer to support the work of Papilio, an organization that works to fight modern day slavery and sex-trafficking.



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My husband Scott and I have been attending Northshore for 39 years. I have served as a Women's Retreat Leader, participated and led Be the Bridge groups, and am currently serving in Toddlers. From September through early May I lead a Bible Study Fellowship online group of roughly 15 women. I love this ministry because of the community of prayer and care that develops, and because it keeps me grounded in the discipline of consistent study of the Word.

I have worked for county governments in management positions for over 25 years and the private sector for the other part of my career. In county government, my work has focused on helping set vision, doing the work we have committed to with public dollars, listening for understanding both to staff and the public, addressing whatever limits efficient effective work wherever I can, creating a culture of purpose, respect, openness, accountability, and mutual care.

Whenever I can I love to take walks with friends and colleagues or share time over coffee or a meal. Scott and I love to boat and have explored the Inside Passage from here to Glacier Bay, Alaska over the past 35+years. We also love to spend time on the Oregon coast searching for agates. And I love to read or listen to books---for years just nonfiction especially history, but now I have learned that the aging brain does better on fiction, so who knew what fun/understanding that would open up!



KATIE
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My family and I have been attending Northshore since 1987. Northshore has played a pivotal role in the lives of my parents, my two sisters, and me, and now I am grateful for the times I get to share this church family with my nieces and nephews as well.

I work full-time for a non-profit ministry called World Concern, which does international disaster response and community development. I am the Senior Director of Programs and Transformational Development - which basically means I help guide the type of programming we do and the way we go about doing it. And I spend a lot of time on airplanes!

My hobby and volunteering come together in my 33 years of service on the Northshore worship team. Worship is a passion and a calling, and music is a great joy for me. I've also recently discovered that I enjoy writing poetry - that's a new one! And I love long walks with friends. I was a very active part of the Be the Bridge ministry, and now, in addition to continued service in worship ministry, I get to serve as part of the team that advises on the outreach budget at Northshore. I have a heart for the nations and love to soak in and savor the riches of different cultures, both here and around the world.