

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS Work Night

Monday, June 2 at 7:00pm / Friendship Hall
Everyone is invited to a VBS work night (regardless of whether you are involved during the week of VBS) **June 2!** All skill levels are welcome as we work on decorations. If you are volunteering but weren’t able to make the training meeting, this is another opportunity to pick up material and talk to Debbi Tuck about your class.

Summer Game Nights

June 5, July 3, and August 7 / 6:00-9:00pm
Join us this summer for fun, family-friendly evenings of board games! All are welcome, so bring your favorite game or just show up and jump in—there’s always a seat at the table. Email calebwilley@gmail.com for info, or just show up to the Family Room!

Church Softball

Did you know NSCBC is part of an inter-church softball league this summer? Our next game is **Friday, June 6**, against Community Church of East Gloucester. Come cheer on the team from **6:00–8:00pm** at **Riverside Elementary School** in Danvers. It’s a great way to connect and support our church community!

Connect 2

Sunday, June 22 at 8:30am / Friendship Hall
Our next Connect 2 class will be held on Sunday, June 22 before the main service. If you’re looking to take a next step into Gospel community at NSCBC, we invite you to join us for Connect 2. Richard Wallace will share about the identity and mission of our church and how you can get involved.

PRAYER



Submit prayer requests in the Church Center App or at nscbc.org/pray

Community Focus: We pray for ongoing preparations for VBS.

Congregation Focus: We pray for those who grieve the loss of loved ones, especially **Melissa Zaldivar**. We lift up all who are sick, especially **Russ Bjork, Tim Morris, Cliff Harris**, and **Linda and Moe Olmstead**. We join **Lianna Sours** in praying for her mother, **Christine**, who is currently recovering from an extensive cancer surgery. We also pray for **Shawn Murphy** as he recovers from surgery.

World Focus: **Johnny Paul-Faina** will be serving in Munich, Germany during June and July. Please pray for him as he shares the gospel with international students, that he would depend on the Lord, and that he would approach his internship with wonder and awe at His work in Munich and in him.

Support the mission of our church through giving online at nscbc.org/giving or leave a donation in our offering boxes located by the sanctuary doors.

CALENDAR

Today	Worship Service Sanctuary	10:00am
	Exploring Scripture Group Friendship Hall	11:20am
Monday	VBS Work Night Friendship Hall	7:00-9:00pm
Thursday	Game Night Family Room	6:00-9:00pm
Friday	Softball Riverside Elementary School	6:00-8:00pm
Sunday (6/8)	Worship Service Sanctuary	10:00am

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NORTH SHORE
COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Ascension Sunday
Seventh Sunday of Easter
June 1, 2025

The Ascended Christ
Brings Humanity into the
Presence of God

And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:6- 7

REFLECTION FOR WORSHIP

“The dust of earth sits on the throne of heaven.”

-John Duncan, Scottish theologian and missionary

“But one day as I was passing into the field, with some dashes on my conscience, fearing yet that all was not right, suddenly this sentence fell upon my soul, ‘Your righteousness is in heaven.’ I thought I saw with the eyes of my soul Jesus Christ at God’s right hand. There was my righteousness. Wherever I was, or whatever I was doing, God could not say of me that I lacked His righteousness, for that was ever before Him. Moreover, I saw that it was not my good frame of heart that made my righteousness better, nor yet my bad frame that made my righteousness worse, for my righteousness was Jesus Christ Himself, ‘the same yesterday, today, and forever’...Now did my chains fall off my legs indeed. I was loosed from my afflictions and irons, my temptations also fled away. From that time those dreadful Scriptures of God quit troubling me; now I went home rejoicing for the grace and love of God.”

-John Bunyan, *Grace Abounding to the Chief of Sinners*

THIS SUNDAY @ NSCBC

Welcome!

Visiting? Please scan the QR code on the back of the pews and fill out our online connect form! **Need a Bible?** See an usher to receive a gift Bible. Large print and children’s Bibles are available for use during the service. **Have questions?** Find someone with a name badge or visit our Welcome Desk by the parking lot.

Children Children’s activities/bulletins are available in the foyer.

Nursery (Birth-2.5years)

Please bring your child to **Room 208** before the service begins.

Preschool Worship (Ages 2.5-4.5years)

Please bring your child to **Room 205** before the service begins.

Children’s Worship (Ages 4.5-2nd Grade)

Children start the service with their families in the Sanctuary. Partway through the service, they will be invited to the sanctuary foyer where they will be led downstairs to the **Friendship Hall**.

Exploring Scripture Groups



11:20am in Friendship Hall | Learn more or sign up on Church Center

All are welcome to join our Exploring Scripture Group **this morning** as we start the first of three sessions of the Baptism & Membership series.

Exploring Scripture Groups are small groups gathering to study key topics as part of our church governance discernment process.

CHURCH CENTER

Join our online community portal for events and more.



This icon indicates a sign up or more information on Church Center. Join us at nscbc.churchcenter.com or download the Church Center app to get started.



SERVICE ORDER

Ascension Sunday | Seventh Sunday of Easter | June 1, 2025

Prelude

God Gathers Us to Himself

*Gathering Hymn	Rejoice, The Lord Is King (#177)	DARWALL
*Call to Worship		Betsy Crowe
*Praise	Come Christians Join To Sing	MADRID
	Christ Our Hope In Life And Death	Getty (2021)
Confession & Assurance		Betsy Crowe

*Praise	Before The Throne Of God Above	Bancroft (1863)
*Passing the Peace		

Children ages 4.5 - 2nd grade are invited to children’s worship

Life of the Church: Announcements	Richard Wallace
Kingdom-Centered Prayer	Betsy Crowe
Invitation to Offering	

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture Reading	Colossians 2:13-23	Sarah Rumeau
Sermon	The Reality is Christ	Bobby Warrenburg

God Moves Us to Respond

Invitation to Lord’s Supper		Bobby Warrenburg
*Apostles’ Creed		
Communion	Come All Ye Pining	Steele (1716-1778)
	There Is A Redeemer	Green (1982)

God Sends Us Out to Serve

*Doxology		
*Benediction		Bobby Warrenburg
Postlude		

Our prayer team is located in the back of the sanctuary to pray for you after the service.

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SERMON NOTES