ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Governance Backyard Gathering

July 28 | 7:00-8:30pm | Wallace's House

Join us **tomorrow night** at the Wallace's home for a **special Backyard Gathering** with Pastor Bobby and current elders to discuss men and women serving as elders, and baptism and membership. All are welcome!

These conversations help shape our church's future, and your presence makes a real difference!

VBS Donation Project

This year, our VBS mission focus was **Texans on Mission**, an organization currently helping families and communities devastated by the Hill Country floods over the Fourth of July weekend. **Our kids pooled their money and raised over $1,000!** Help us "magnify" their impact by donating by August 1st! Just scan the QR code and choose "VBS Missions" from the drop-down menu.

Baptism Sunday

August 10th

If you are someone who is following Jesus and have yet to be baptized, we would love to invite you to consider baptism at NSCBC! Our next baptism will happen on August 10th. If interested, reach out to a pastor or sign up on Church Center.

Beverly City-Wide Worship Service

August 12th | 5pm BYO Picnic, 6pm Worship Service | Beverly Commons Gazebo

Join us as we worship with other North Shore Gospel Partnership churches this summer, making connections between churches and praying together for God's kingdom to come in Beverly as is in heaven.

Picnic on the Lawn

September 6th | 4:00- 7:00pm | NSCBC Front Lawn

Join us for a community picnic on the church lawn, open to all church attenders, neighbors, friends, and family. Enjoy a picnic dinner (main course provided), lawn games, and an open house tour of our new Children's Ministry space. Bring a side or dessert to share and sign up on Church Center.

All-Church Retreat 2025

October 24-26 | Camp Brookwoods in Alton, NH

Registration is still open for our next all-church retreat. We are so excited to gather again to worship, learn, and play together for a weekend away. Scan the QR code to register.

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.

CALENDAR

Today (7/27)	**Worship Service** | Sanctuary	10:00am
Monday	**Softball Playoff Game** | Green St. Field	6:30pm
	Governance Process Gathering | Wallace's	7:00-8:30pm
Sunday (8/3)	**Worship Service** | Sanctuary	10:00am
	Shine On Worship | Zoom	6:30-7:30pm

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NORTH SHORE
COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
July 27, 2025

The Lord is our Wisdom

For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.
Psalm 1:6

REFLECTION FOR WORSHIP

"Every art and every investigation, and likewise every practical pursuit or undertaking, seems to aim at some good: hence it has been well said that the Good is That at which all things aim."

-Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics*

"This is not a fulfilling life...that's something that I wrestle with on a daily basis. It's like showing up at the Masters every year; it's like why do I want to win this golf tournament so badly? Why do I want to win the Open Championship so badly? I don't know because, if I win, it's going to be awesome for two minutes."

-Scottie Scheffler, ESPN interview

"Most people, if they really learn how to look into their own hearts, would know that they do want, and want acutely, something that cannot be had in this world. There are all sorts of things in this world that offer to give it to you, but they never keep their promise. The longings which arise in us when we first fall in love, or first think of some foreign country, or first take up some subject that excites us, are longings which no marriage, no travel, no learning can really satisfy...There is always something we grasped at, in that first moment of longing, that just fades away in the reality. The spouse may be a good spouse, the scenery has been excellent, it has turned out otherwise be a good job, but 'it' has evaded us."

-C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

"I have everything to make me happy and contented, but life has become very wearisome to me."

-Charles Darwin, quoted in *Charles Darwin: A New Life* by John Bowlby

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**.

PRAYER

Congregation Focus: We pray for **Maya Long** who is recovering from a broken shoulder.

We celebrate and praise the birth of **Hannah Funderburk** to Julie and Will!

The church lifts up **Heidi Duncan-Murray** as she completes chemotherapy and goes in for surgery July 29.

We pray for **Mark and Sybil Coleman** as they mourn the passing of their grandnephew Caleb.

For **Ellie Harris** as she recovers at home from heart failure and pneumonia following a case of Covid.

We pray for **Janet Bjork** who was recently hospitalized for pneumonia.

We also lift up **Phil Bjork** as he recovers from hip replacement surgery this week.

World Focus: In July NSCBC is committed to praying for our partners who work in the region of East Africa. Please join us as we pray for a different partner each week this month

- Pray that the ongoing issue with Esther, a former member of the translation team, will be resolved through next week's meeting with the local church hierarchy, and for Esther's heart will be softened.
- Please pray that the ongoing translation work in the book of Hebrews will continue to progress, and that God will use this work to touch the hearts of the translation team, who are excited at the prospect of having a written scripture in their own heart language!

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

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.

SERVICE ORDER

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Prelude	A Gospel Medley	Sybil Coleman

God Gathers Us to Himself

*Gathering Hymn	Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (#35)	St. Denio
*Call to Worship		Betsy Crowe
*Praise	Jesus, What A Friend For Sinners	Smith (2004)
	God I Look To You	Bethel (2011)
Confession & Assurance		Betsy Crowe
Prayer for Children		
*Passing the Peace		

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

Life of the Church:	Announcements	Richard Wallace
Testimony	Chau and Siokwai Tai	
Kingdom-Centered Prayer		Betsy Crowe

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture Reading	Psalm 1	Talia Messina
Sermon	The Good Life	Bobby Warrenburg

God Moves Us to Respond

Prayer of Response		Bobby Warrenburg
*Song of Response	Be Thou My Vision	Shane & Shane (2018)

God Sends Us Out to Serve

Member Sending		Talia Messina
*Benediction		Bobby Warrenburg
Postlude	In My Heart There Rings a Melody	Sybil Coleman

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

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SERMON NOTES