#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### All-Church Retreat 2025 | Weekend and Saturday Passes



October 24-26 / Camp Brookwoods in Alton, NH

We're excited to gather again to worship, learn, and play together for the weekend. Weekend and Saturday-only passes are still available. Today is the final day to register for the weekend-hope you'll join us!

#### Connect 1 | Today!



September 28 | 12:15pm | Friendship Hall

Are you new to NSCBC or interested in learning more about who we are as a church? Connect 1 is a relaxed opportunity to share a meal, meet some of our pastors and leaders, and hear about the vision and direction of our church family. It's a great first step to getting connected and asking any questions you may have.

#### **Church Leadership Nominations Now Open!**



Due Sunday, October 12

The Nominating Committee invites you to recommend church members (including yourself) who might be a good fit for the Elder Board, Deacon Board, Nominating Committee, or Audit Committee. Your recommendations help us identify and prepare candidates for the ballot at our next annual meeting. Please complete the nomination form on Church Center or use the form available at the Hospitality Desk by Sunday, October 12. Visit nscbc.org/nominating-committee.

#### Join the Mom Community!



Every other Thursday, 9-11am

MomCo (formerly MOPS) Meetups have started again! We encourage and equip moms of young children to realize their potential as mothers, women, and leaders. The meetups include engaging speakers, interesting discussions, childcare, and coffee! Registration for the fall semester is open at **nscbc.org/momco**.

#### **Call for Devotional Writers**

"In the Fullness of Time"-Our 2025 Community Advent Devotional

Each year during Advent people from our church family lead us in reflections on Scripture as we prepare for the coming of Christ, the Light of the World. This year our theme focuses on Jesus' family tree as shown in Matthew 1. Would you like to offer your voice through a brief (400-500 word) devotional? If so, please contact Adam at adam@nscbc.org.

### **CHURCH CENTER**





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 (9/28)  | First Worship Service   Sanctuary  | 9:15am       |
|---------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
|               | Second Worship Service   Sanctuary | 11:00am      |
|               | Connect 1   Friendship Hall        | 12:15-1:30pm |
| Monday        | Pick-up Volleyball   Family Room   | 7:00-9:00pm  |
| Thursday      | Choir Rehearsal   NSCBC            | 7:00pm       |
| Sunday (10/5) | First Worship Service   Sanctuary  | 9:15am       |
|               | Second Worship Service   Sanctuary | 11:00am      |

#### STAFF AND LEADERS

#### Church Staff

Senior Pastor | Bobby Warrenburg | bobby@nscbc.org Associate Pastor | Richard Wallace | richard@nscbc.org Minister of Worship Arts | Adam Kurihara | adam@nscbc.org Minister of Children and Families | Laura Range | laura@nscbc.org Youth Minister | Julie Funderburk | julie@nscbc.org Min. Assoc. of Emerging Gen. | Amanda Lemieux | amanda@nscbc.org Office Manager | Carl Kraines | office@nscbc.org Bookkeeper | Ruth Feins | bookkeeper@nscbc.org Assistant Bookkeeper | Maria Reiss | bookkeeper@nscbc.org Caretaker | Will Funderburk | caretaker@nscbc.org

#### Elders Deacons

| Russ Tuck (Chair) | Natalie Crowson (Chair) | Janet Bjork    |
|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Nate Sidmore      | Ryan Berger (Finance)   | Porter Sprigg  |
| Bobby Warrenburg  | Clay Range (Facilities) | Marcia Sidmore |
| Russ Bjork        | Jon Rodgers (Personnel) | Nancy Stallard |
| Andrew Rennekamp  | Kristin Gelinas         | Katie Alcott   |
| Antuan Weeks      | Laura Gallant           | Lissa Whitley  |
|                   |                         |                |

Treasurer | Jim Maden

#### **North Shore Community Baptist Church**

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# NORTH SHORE

COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 28, 2025

# The Lord is Generous

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth." Matthew 5:5

#### REFLECTION FOR WORSHIP

"I Me Mine"

-George Harrison, from the Beatles' 1970 album, Let It Be

"O greedy men, what will satisfy you, if God Himself will not?" -Augustine, in Augustine of Hippo: A Biography by Peter Brown

"In seeking God's own glory, God merely insists on being towards human beings the God who gives." -Miroslav Volf, Free of Charge

"These inward trials I employ, From self, and pride, to set thee free; And break thy schemes of earthly joy, That thou may'st seek thy all in me." -John Newton, "I Asked the Lord that I Might Grow"

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

#### FIRST SERVICE | 9:15 AM

- Nursery (Birth-2.5 yrs): Drop off before service in Room 208
- Preschool Worship (2.5-4.5 yrs): Drop off before service in Room 205
- Children's Worship (4.5 yrs-2nd grade): Children begin the service
  with their families, then will be invited partway through to the sanctuary
  foyer, where leaders will bring them downstairs to Room LL1 in the
  new Children's Wing.

#### **SECOND SERVICE** | 11:00AM

- Nursery (Birth-2.5 yrs): Drop off before service in Room 208
- **Sunday School (Preschool–5th Grade):** Children should arrive before the service to their classrooms:
  - Preschool: Preschool Room (across from nursery)
  - **PreK/K:** Children's Wing, Room LL4
  - **Grades 1–2:** Children's Wing, Room LL2
  - **Grades 3–5:** Children's Wing, Room LL3

#### **PRAYER**



#### **Congregation Focus:**

We pray for **Jessi Rennekamp's father**, as his cancer continues to advance, asking for God's comfort and strength for him and his family.

We lift up **Ryan Berger's father, Robert**, who has been moved to hospice care due to his declining health. We pray for peace, God's nearness, and support for the family.

We grieve with the **Solberg family** in the passing of Sarah's grandfather, praying for peace and comfort.

We ask for God's sustaining grace for **Heidi Duncan-Murray** as she continues to undergo chemotherapy. We pray for endurance and encouragement.

We ask for continued healing for **Paul Sidmore** as he recovers from heart treatment.

#### **World Focus:**

Please pray for **Chau and Siok Wai** as they continue to adjust cross-culturally in North Carolina. Pray for continued growth in their mentoring relationships with workers in North India and for potential new opportunities opening up for Christian workers in Central Asia and South Asia

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

#### God Gathers Us to Himself

\*Gathering Hymn Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (#448) CWM RHONDDA
\*Call to Worship Richard Wallace
\*Praise There Is One Gospel CityAlight (2022)

I Have Found at Last the Savior Tindley (1906)

Confession & Assurance Richard Wallace

\*Praise His Mercy is More Boswell/Papa (2016)

Prayer for Children (First Service)

\*Passing the Peace

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

Life of the Church: Offering and Announcements

Adam Kurihara

Nominating Committee Jessi Rennekamp

Porter Sprigg, Deacon

Kingdom-Centered Prayer Richard Wallace

## God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture Reading Genesis 13 Lyndsy Weeks
Sermon The Generous Test Bobby Warrenburg

# God Moves Us to Respond

Prayer of Response Bobby Warrenburg
\*Song of Response God I Look to You Bethel (2010)

#### God Sends Us Out to Serve

\*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**

# THIS SUNDAY @ NSCBC

#### Welcome!

Visiting? Please fill out a connect card and drop it in the offering plate when it comes by.

**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.