

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Connect 2 
Today at 11am / Friendship Hall

If you’re looking to take a next step into community at NSCBC or are considering membership, we invite you to join us for Connect 2 today at 11:00am! Pastor Richard will share about the identity and mission of our church and how the church can equip and support you in the ways God has gifted you.

An Evening of Dialogue: Women and Men in Eldership 
October 22 / 7:30pm / NSCBC

As we continue our discernment process regarding women and men serving together as elders in our church, we’re pleased to welcome two guests—Derek Baker, Pastor of Center Grace Church in Beverly, and Jason Myers, Professor of New Testament at Gordon College—who will help us explore the Scriptures from different perspectives in a spirit of generosity and respect. Please RSVP on Church Center. If you are unable to attend but wish to join us via Zoom, you can sign up to receive the link.

Family Meetings 
November 9 (after services): Membership and Baptism
November 23 (after services): Elder Qualifications

Each meeting will include a brief presentation from the elders on their forthcoming recommendation. After that, the focus for the time together is allowing the congregation to discuss and provide feedback. More information to come!



What is the congregation saying?

Scan the code to view a report of the congregational input captured at the September 20th Governance Forum. You’re invited to add your own voice to the conversation!

Children’s Ministry Volunteer Appreciation Lunch
Sunday, November 2 after services

Join us for a Volunteer Appreciation Lunch catered by Rev Kitchen. We’ll share a meal, enjoy some fun activities, and give thanks for all you do! You’ll also have time to connect and “huddle” with your ministry team as we look ahead to the coming year. Please RSVP soon on Church Center! Childcare is provided.

Sweater Weather Trivia Night
November 18 from 7-9 pm at Old Planters Brewery, Beverly

Join us for a cozy evening of fun and fundraising. Test your knowledge, enjoy great drinks, and support Fostering Hope, a charity dedicated to making a positive impact on the lives of foster children. Invite friends and build teams of 6 people, or be matched with a team when you arrive! Optional: Wear your most festive fall sweater!

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 (10/19)	First Worship Service Sanctuary	9:15am
	Second Worship Service Sanctuary	11:00am
	Connect 2 Friendship Hall (<i>downstairs</i>)	11:00am
Monday	Pick-up Volleyball Family Room	7:00-9:00pm
Thursday	Choir Rehearsal NSCBC	7:00pm
Sunday (10/26)	**One Worship Service** Sanctuary	10:00am

One Service Next Week at 10:00am!

Next Sunday, October 26, we will be having only a single worship service at 10:00am, as a good portion of the congregation will be away on the Church Retreat.

STAFF AND LEADERS

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Bobby Warrenburg	Clay Range (Facilities)	Marcia Sidmore
Russ Bjork	Jon Rodgers (Personnel)	Nancy Stallard
Andrew Rennekamp	Kristin Gelinax	Katie Alcott
Antuan Weeks	Laura Gallant	Lissa Whitley

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Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
October 19, 2025

The Lord is our Hope

“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.”
Isaiah 41:10

REFLECTION FOR WORSHIP

“Do not be deceived, Wormwood. Our cause is never more in danger than when a human, no longer desiring, but still intending, to do our Enemy’s will, looks round upon a universe from which every trace of Him seems to have vanished, and asks why he has been forsaken, and still obeys.”
—C. S. Lewis, *The Screwtape Letters*

“Cease to hope and you will cease to fear . . . just as the same chain fastens the prisoner and the soldier who guards him, so hope and fear, dissimilar as they are, keep step together; fear follows hope . . . each alike belongs to a mind that is in suspense, a mind that is fretted by looking forward to the future.”
—Seneca, *Letter V*, ca. AD 60

“Lord, thou hast much to make me yet—
Thy father’s infant still:
Thy mind, Son, in my bosom set,
That I may grow thy will.
My soul with truth clothe all about,
And I shall question free:
The man that feareth, Lord, to doubt,
In that fear doubteth thee.”
—George MacDonald, *The Poetical Works*

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 lift up **Tim, Pam, and Nathaniel Morris** after the fire that destroyed their home last Sunday. We thank God that everyone was safe and we pray for ongoing peace and wisdom in these challenging days.

We continue to pray for **Cliff and Ellie Harris**. We ask that they would know God’s presence and peace as Ellie has transitioned to hospice care at CareOne in Beverly and Cliff is now home receiving 24/7 medical care.

As **Jessi Rennekamp** and her family grieve the passing of her father, we pray that God’s steadfast love will surround and comfort them.

We ask God to grant peace, healing, and guidance to **Marcia Sidmore** who was hospitalized this week with heart problems. **Paul Sidmore** is also still recovering from recent heart treatment.

World Focus:

Our current prayer focus is East Asia. **Bethany T.** has recently had opportunity to study Scripture with new families among the Alagwa people. Pray for deep understanding as they compare their experience of Islam with Jesus and the gospel of grace.

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 My Shepherd (arr. Peter Vantime) Melody Chan

God Gathers Us to Himself

*Gathering Hymn How Firm A Foundation (#224) FOUNDATION
Choirs of NSCBC and First Congregational Church Hamilton

*Call to Worship Julie Funderburk

*Praise All Creatures Of Our God And King LASST UNS ERFREUEN
The Solid Rock SOLID ROCK

Confession & Assurance Julie Funderburk

Anthem Amazing Grace arr. Keith McCutchen
Choirs of NSCBC and FCCH; Elena Lazaridou, Soprano

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

Governance Update Russ Tuck, Elder

Kingdom-Centered Prayer Julie Funderburk

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture Reading Genesis 15:1-21 Jessi Rennekamp (9:15)
Katherine Horvath (11:00)

Sermon Courageous Hope Bobby Warrenburg

God Moves Us to Respond

Prayer of Response Bobby Warrenburg

*Song of Response King Of Kings Hillsong (2018)

God Sends Us Out to Serve

*Benediction Bobby Warrenburg

Postlude As the Deer (arr. Marilyn Ham) Melody Chan

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.