

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Last Call for Devotional Writers

Each year during Advent people from our church family lead us in reflections on Scripture as we prepare for the coming of Christ. This year our theme focuses on Jesus’ family tree as shown in Matthew 1. If you would be interested in contributing a brief (400-500 word) written piece or an artistic piece (visual arts or other mediums) please sign up this week. **Devotions are due Nov. 1. Reach out to Adam Kurihara for details.**

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.

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!

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!

Security Team Meeting

November 23 / 11:00am / Conference Room

We’re forming a new security team at NSCBC and would love your input! Whether you’re interested in volunteering or simply want to share your thoughts on how we can keep our church a safe and welcoming place for all, join us for this conversation. Together, we’ll explore how to care well for our community and respond wisely in the event of emergencies.



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!

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 (10/26)	One Service Sanctuary	10:00am
Monday	Pick-up Volleyball Family Room	7:00-9:00pm
Sunday (11/2)	First Service Sanctuary	9:15am
	Second Service Sanctuary	11:00am
	Appreciated and Equipped Gym	12:30pm
	Shine On Worship Zoom	6:30pm-7:30pm

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Jon Rodgers (Personnel)
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NORTH SHORE

COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
October 26, 2025

The Lord is Supreme
in Dark Times

“When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they drew back and fell to the ground.”

John 18:6

REFLECTION FOR WORSHIP

“Ascetic Christianity called the world evil and left it. Humanity is waiting for a revolutionary Christianity which will call the world evil and change it.”

—Walter Rauschenbusch, *Christianity and the Social Crisis*

“Who knows, but the God that made the world may cause that Giant Despair may die? or that, at some time or other, he may forget to lock us in? or that he may, in a short time, have another of his fits before us, and may lose the use of his limbs? and if ever that should come to pass again, for my part, I am resolved to pluck up the heart of a man, and to try my utmost to get from under his hand. I was a fool that I did not try to do it before; but, however, my brother, let us be patient, and endure a while. The time may come that may give us a happy release; but let us not be our own murderers.”

—Hopeful to Christian, *Pilgrim’s Progress*

“There are two things...that kill souls, either despair or perverse hope.”

—Augustine, *Sermon 87.10*

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

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 **Room LL1 in the Children’s Wing**.

PRAYER



Congregation Focus:

We lift up **Tim, Pam, and Nathaniel Morris** after the fire that destroyed their home. 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 continue to pray for **Ryan Berger’s father, Robert**, who is now in hospice. We pray for peace, God’s nearness, and support for the family.

We ask for ongoing healing for **Paul Sidmore** as he recovers from heart treatment, and **Marcia** as she recovers from afib.

We pray for swift healing for **Marilyn Sweet** as she recently broke her tibia and is also recovering from cataract surgery.

We pray for **Kevin O’Reilly** as he recovers from extensive heart surgery. We praise the Lord that he is in recovery.

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.

SERVICE ORDER

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Prelude Sybil Coleman

God Gathers Us to Himself

*Gathering Hymn O The Deep Deep Love of Jesus (#229) TON-Y-BOTEL

*Call to Worship Brooks Lemmon

*Praise Great Are You Lord Jordan/Leonard (2012)
Cornerstone W. Bradbury
arr. Hillsong (2011)

Confession & Assurance Brooks Lemmon

*Praise How Deep the Father’s Love For Us Townend (1995)

*Prayer for Children

*Passing the Peace

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

Life of the Church: Offering and Announcements Julie Funderburk

Kingdom-Centered Prayer Brooks Lemmon

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture Reading John 18:1-27 Rachel Brouse

Sermon An Arrest, His Cup and Our Fireplace: Witnesses in Troubled Times Davi Lin

God Moves Us to Respond

Prayer of Response Davi Lin

*Song of Response King Of My Heart McMillan (2015)

God Sends Us Out to Serve

*Benediction Davi Lin

Postlude A Wonderful Savior Is Jesus My Lord 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

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.

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.