

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymnal Introduction Class | Today!
Sunday, December 7 | 11:00am | Friendship Hall
Our team will teach about our new hymnal—what went into the selection process, and how we hope it will bless and serve our church for years to come!

GriefShare 2025-26
Starting December 8 | 7:00-8:30pm | NSCBC
GriefShare is a weekly group offering understanding, support, and practical help for those navigating grief. Come to share, listen, and find hope alongside others who understand. **Runs December 8, 2025–March 16, 2026**

Hymns & Hops
Sunday, December 21 | 4:00pm | Backbeat Brewing Company, Beverly

Join with other believers in the North Shore for an evening of Christmas hymn singing and merriment!

College Christmas Party
Thursday, December 11 | 7:00pm | NSCBC

College students, celebrate the end of classes with us! Join us for food, games, and a fun chance to unwind after the last day of class. We’ll also have cozy study spaces open throughout the building—perfect for finishing up finals studying with friends. Bring a friend, and **be sure to RSVP on Church Center** so we can plan the right amount of food. We can’t wait to see you!

Christmas Eve Services
December 24 | Sanctuary

We will have two services: one designed especially with young children in mind, and one with choir, organ, worship band, and a Christmas message from Pastor Bobby.

4:00pm | Interactive Service for All Ages
A 30-minute service designed for our little ones, featuring kid-friendly songs, a reading from a children’s Bible, and a video from our children’s ministry. While there is no staffed childcare for this service, the Care Room will be available for those with young children.

5:30pm | Candlelight Carol Service
A service similar to our normal Sunday worship, featuring our choir, organ, and worship team, along with a Christmas message from Pastor Bobby. We’ll conclude by lighting candles and singing together, proclaiming that Christ our Savior is born.

We are currently not planning to open nursery or toddler rooms during either service. However, if this presents a challenge for your family, please don’t hesitate to reach out. **The Care Room will be available** for families with infants and toddlers during both services.

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 (12/7)	First Worship Service Sanctuary	9:15am
	Hymnal Introduction Class Friendship Hall	11:00am
	Second Worship Service Sanctuary	11:00am
Monday	Arts Feast 2 Butman St.	7:00pm
	GriefShare Friendship Hall	7:00pm
	Pick-up Volleyball Family Room	7:00-9:00pm
Thursday	Christmas Choir Rehearsal Family Room	7:00pm
Sunday (12/14)	First Worship Service Sanctuary	9:15am
	Advent Devotional Class Friendship Hall	11:00am
	Second Worship Service Sanctuary	11:00am

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NORTH SHORE
COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Second Sunday of Advent
December 7, 2025

The Lord Descends for Us

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.
Galatians 4:4-5

REFLECTION FOR WORSHIP

“In the Christian story God descends to reascend. He comes down; down from the heights of absolute being into time and space, down into humanity; down further still, if embryologists are right, to recapitulate in the womb ancient and pre-human phases of life; down to the very roots and seabed of the Nature He has created. But He goes down to come up again and bring the whole ruined world up with Him.”
- CS Lewis, *Miracles*

“For it is only in love that the unequal can be made equal.”
-Søren Kierkegaard, *Philosophical Fragments*

“I would leave if only I could find a reason
I’m mean because I grew up in New England
I got dreams but I can’t make myself believe them
Spend the rest of my life with what could have been
And I will die in the house that I grew up in
I’m homesick.”
- Noah Kahan, “Homesick”

“I’ll be home for Christmas,
If only in my dreams.” - Bing Crosby

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



Community Focus:

We pray for those who are facing **financial insecurity** during this season. May we be a community that deeply loves on those who reach out to help.

Congregation Focus:

We lift up the **Berger family** as they mourn the passing of **Ryan’s father**. May the Lord make His spirit felt among them in this time.

We pray for **Heidi Duncan-Murray** as she resumes chemotherapy.

We lift up **Mark Coleman** as he recovers from shoulder replacement surgery.

World Focus:

We lift up those impacted by the severe and deadly flooding in **Southeast Asia**

We ask God to bring relief to the war and famine taking place in the **Sudan**.

We pray for an end to the drought afflicting those in **Tehran**.

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

Second Sunday of Advent | December 7, 2025

Prelude Advent Medley Sybil Coleman

God Gathers Us to Himself

*Gathering Hymn Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent (#101) PICARDY

Advent Wreath Steve & Colleen Dagley (9:15am)
The Candle of Peace Murphy Family (11:00am)

*Call to Worship Betsy Crowe

*Praise O Come, O Come Emmanuel VENI EMMANUEL
Creator of the Stars of Night arr. Sarah Kroger (2025)

Confession & Assurance Betsy Crowe

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 Richard Wallace

Kingdom-Centered Prayer Betsy Crowe

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture Reading Matthew 1:1-17 Andrew Turnbull (9:15am)
Richard Wallace (11:00am)

Sermon The Lord Descends for Us Bobby Warrenburg

God Moves Us to Respond

Invitation to Lord’s Supper Bobby Warrenburg

Apostles Creed

Communion

*Song of Response King Of Kings Hillsong (2018)
The Wonderful Cross Lowel Mason, arr. Tomlin

God Sends Us Out to Serve

*Advent Doxology

*Benediction Bobby Warrenburg

Postlude Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow Sybil Coleman
arr. Mark Hayes

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.