

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 Children’s Wing**.

SECOND SERVICE | 11:00 AM

Through **Sept. 7**, we’ll continue our summer children’s ministry schedule during the **first service only**. Regular Children’s Sunday School (age 2.5–5th grade, 2nd service) will resume **Sept. 13**.

GIVING UPDATE		
General Fund Update For July 2026 & Budget Comparison		
	Actuals	Budget thru July 31
General Fund Income	\$ 650,920.83	\$ 616,497.69
Less Expenses	\$ 672,265.65	\$ 684,910.88
Net Difference	(\$21,344.82)	

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Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 23, 2026

Christ Is Our Contentment

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
—Philippians 4:4-7

REFLECTION FOR WORSHIP

Eurylochus: “What was the song of the sirens like?”
Odysseus: “It was the delicious itch you go to scratch but find it’s under the skin. You can’t reach it. So the delicious itch becomes unbearable. Told you what you most want, is what you most can’t have. And what you most can’t have, is what you already had, and lost. It was the song of all the promises I failed to keep. And it told me I don’t really want to go home.”
– *The Odyssey (2016)*

“God, if He was merely my accomplice, had betrayed me.
If, on the other hand, He was God, He had freed me.”
– Elisabeth Elliot, *No Graven Image*

“To know God, and yet know nothing of our wretched state breeds pride: to realize our misery and know nothing of God is mere despair: but if we come to the knowledge of Jesus Christ we find our true equilibrium, for there we find both human misery and God.”
– Blaise Pascal, *Pensées*

WELCOME!

Visiting?
Please fill out a connect card and drop it in the offering plate when it comes by, or visit nscbc.org/connect

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Picnic On The Lawn | Next Sunday!

Sunday, August 30 / 4:00-7:00pm / NSCBC
Join your NSCBC family for a relaxed end of summer picnic on the church lawn, with lawn games, live music, and good food. We'll provide the main course and beverages; please bring a side or dessert to share. **Register ASAP on Church Center** or at nscbc.org/picnic.



Congregational Building Design Review Meetings



We are making progress on our building renovation project and have updated designs to share with the church. We've planned two identical public meetings to review the latest designs.

- Meeting 1:** Today after the second service!
- Meeting 2:** Thursday, September 10 at 7:00pm
(virtual link will be provided)

NOTE: Childcare and lunch only offered for the August 23 meeting.
Please register on Church Center.

World Partner Visit: Tom & Megan

Sunday, August 23 / 11:00am / Family Room
Today, our World Partners Tom and Megan will be visiting and giving an update on their ministry in East Africa. We will gather in the Family Room at 11:00am during the second service for a presentation and a time for Q+A.

Worship Night

Thursday, August 27 / 7:00-8:00pm / NSCBC Sanctuary
Join for an intentional hour of worship and slowing down. Come as you are and rest in the Lord with us.

Burnout: A Spiritual Practice for Recovery & Resilience



A four-session cohort for anyone who wants to better understand or recover from burnout, as well as those who want to grow more resilient. Sundays, September 13 through October 18, 7–9pm at NSCBC. All are welcome, including friends and colleagues who do not attend NSCBC. Learn more and register on Church Center.

Here are some current/upcoming vacation times for church staff:

- Adam:** Aug. 17-26
- Richard:** Aug. 21-Sept. 1
- Laura:** Aug. 24-Sept. 3

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.



SERVICE ORDER

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Prelude Prelude in C Major, BWV 553a Benjamin Pajunen
J. S. Bach

God Gathers Us to Himself

*Gathering Hymn Be Thou My Vision (434) IRISH MELODY
Call to Worship Scott Hwang
*Praise Blessed Be Your Name Redman (2002)
10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord) Redman (2011)
Confession & Assurance Scott Hwang
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 Laura Range
World Partner Testimony Tom & Megan L.
Kingdom-Centered Prayer Scott Hwang

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture Reading Philippians 4:4-13 Annalise Kraines
Sermon The Secret of Contentment Bobby Warrenburg

God Moves Us to Respond

Prayer of Response Bobby Warrenburg
*Praise This Is My Father's World Babcock (1901)

God Sends Us Out to Serve

Youth Search Team Commissioning *(First Service)*
Benediction Bobby Warrenburg
Postlude Fantasia on *Slane* Benjamin Pajunen

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

**Congregation stands as able / All songs used by permission. CCLI License #329436.
Captions and translation available at nscbc.org/captions.
The sermon and service recordings are available at nscbc.org.*

CALENDAR

Today (8/23) **First Worship Service** | Sanctuary 9:15am
Tom & Megan Presentation and Q+A | Family Room 11:00am
Second Worship Service | Sanctuary 11:00am
Congregational Building Design Review | Family Room 12:30pm
Wednesday **Mid-Day Prayer** | Living Room (Room 211) 11:30am
Thursday **Worship Night** | Sanctuary 7:00pm
Sunday (8/30) **First Worship Service** | Sanctuary 9:15am
Second Worship Service | Sanctuary 11:00am
Fall Church Picnic | NSCBC 4:00pm

NSCBC is hosting our friends from Pilgrim Church as they rebuild after a fire that severely damaged their building this past fall. They will be holding their Sunday services at 11:00am in Friendship Hall.

Please keep the Pilgrim Church congregation in your prayers during this season of rebuilding, and extend a warm welcome when you see them on Sunday mornings!

PRAYER

Community Focus:

We pray for the **students** that are starting or returning to school in the coming weeks. We ask for safety for those that are traveling, and that the Lord would sustain them as they begin a new semester.

Congregation Focus:

We give thanks for the safe arrival of **Micah Zhang** to **Felix Zhang** and **Eliana Ma** on August 18. Micah joins his older brother, **Yonas**. *Sign up for their meal train at nscbc.org/meals*

We pray for those in our NSCBC family who are homebound and unable to join us each week for worship. May they know they are still a treasured part of our community, and may the Lord meet every one of their needs in Christ Jesus.

Please continue to be in prayer for our **youth search team** as they prayerfully receive and evaluate applications!

World Focus:

We thank the Lord that our World Partner's **Tom & Megan L.** are able to visit with us today, and we pray for continued safe travel.

Sign up for our **Prayer Newsletter** at nscbc.org/weeklyprayer
Submit a **prayer request** 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.