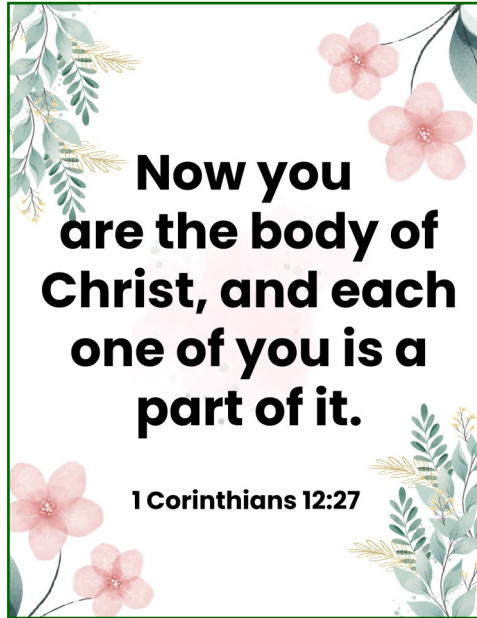


North Hills Community Baptist Church



March 16, 2025

11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Rev. Dr. Jeremy Hall, Senior Pastor

Rev. Felicia Zamora,

Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care

Christine O'Neil, Director of Youth Ministries

Emmanuel Berrido, Director of Music

Greta Zewe, Sanctuary Production Manager

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Welcome Guests!

We are excited to have you worship with us today! If you are a first-time or returning guest, we would like to connect with you. Please take a minute to either scan the QR Code to the right with your phone camera or complete the “We’re Glad You’re Here” card found in the pew racks, and place the card in the offering plate when it comes around.



Order of Service

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Jeremy Hall

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Heidi Clark

SONGS OF PRAISE *Hosanna (Praise is Rising)*
 I Speak Jesus
 Holy Spirit Rain Down

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Jeremy Hall

OFFERING INVITATION AND PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Heidi Clark

* Children are dismissed for children’s church

OFFERING MUSIC *Lead Me to the Cross / Crown Him*

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 9:35-38 (Page 964)*

Rev. Dr. Heidi Clark

MESSAGE

Rev. Mark Mahserjian-Smith
“The Laborers Are Few”

INSTALLATION OF REV. DR. JEREMY HALL

CLOSING SONG *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

BENEDICTION

* Children’s Church

Children ages 4 through 2nd grade are invited to children’s church.
A snack is provided. Please see an usher with any allergy concerns.

Announcements

This morning we welcome Rev. Mark Mahserjian-Smith. Mark earned his bachelor's degree from Eastern University in 1985 and a Master of Divinity from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1988. After graduating from seminary, Mark served as a local church pastor for nearly 20 years, spending five years at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Batavia, NY, and 15 years at Hepburn Baptist Church in Cogan Station, PA. He has been involved with ABCOPAD for 25 years, initially volunteering in 1999 with data entry while serving as the Pastor of Hepburn Baptist Church. In 2001, Mark became a part-time staff member focused on Technology and Communication, and in 2008, he was called to serve full-time as the Central Area Minister. When the Region adopted a new model for regional ministry in 2010, Mark became the Regional Pastor for Mission and Communication. In 2022, he was appointed Acting Co-Regional Executive Pastor, and in February 2024, he assumed the role of ABCOPAD Regional Executive Pastor. Mark has been married to his wife, Susan, for nearly 40 years, and they have been blessed with a large, blended family that includes multiracial and special needs children. His passion for U.S. and overseas mission work has taken him across the country and around the world, from New Jersey, Texas, and Puerto Rico to Mexico, Nicaragua, and Uganda. Mark states, "I am forever grateful to Jesus, who allowed me to become an adopted child in God's family through His death and resurrection."

Prayer Request Cards

Prayer request cards are available in the pew racks and in the narthex.

Join us after worship this morning for a brief reception to celebrate the **Installation of Rev. Dr. Jeremy Hall.**

Lenten Lunch Today! After worship and the reception for Pastor Jeremy's installation, please join us downstairs in Fellowship Hall for a soup lunch provided by Catalyst Youth. In addition to soup, there will be salad, rolls, drinks and dessert. Christine will also speak to those gathered about our upcoming Alaska mission trip. A free will offering will be collected in support of this mission trip and Adventure Service Camp at Camp Crestfield.

Helping Hands

Wednesday, March 19 at 10:00 a.m. in the Café

Join the Mission Board to help plant seeds to make seedlings for the Mission Garden and to make decorations for the Hosanna Industries Christmas tree. All are welcome!

Catalyst Youth will meet from **5:00—7:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 23rd.** After games and dinner we will join in the inclusion discussion with the church from 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Continued Discussion on Membership and Inclusion

WHEN:

Session 1: March 23rd at 6 p.m. in the Café

Session 2: April 27th at 12 p.m., following the church service
(Lunch provided!)

Session 3: With special guest, Dr. David Gushee, May 18th at 9:45 a.m.

WHAT: We invite you to join Pastor Jeremy for a series of three sessions on what it means to be an inclusive church. The first session on March 23rd will serve as an introduction to why this topic matters, exploring the fruits of exclusion, defining key terms like "affirming" and "inclusion," and examining the church's history of changing its mind on important issues. Following this, we'll gather again on April 27th for a deeper dive into what the Bible says, and on May 18th we will have a special session with Dr. David Gushee, leading Baptist scholar in Christian Ethics, Professor of Christian Ethics at Mercer University, Chair of Christian Social Ethics at Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam, NL, Senior Research Fellow at International Baptist Theological Study Centre. This series is not a political discussion, but a gospel and justice issue that is essential for Christians to address. Together, let's examine why inclusivity matters and how we can live out Christ's love more fully as an affirming community.

We hope you can join us for this vital conversation!

College Student Care Project

This Spring, as our college students prepare for finals, the Board of Deacons would like to provide each with a gift card to their favorite retailer, restaurant, or coffee shop. We are asking for contributions from our church family to help make this happen. Please prayerfully consider making a donation in one of the following ways **by April 6**:

- place your contribution in the offering plate in an envelope marked 'college student ministry'
- drop your contribution in the box in the back of the sanctuary labeled 'college student donations'
- donate online at <https://my.simplegive.com/app/giving/nhcbc> or click the QR code and specify 'college student ministry' in Notes section



Faithbuilders (for children in grades 1-5)

It's time for our Easter Egg Hunt! And Game Day! Join us March 30 following worship in Fellowship Hall. We'll have pizza before our Easter egg hunt. Then, it's all games—including scooter time! Friends are welcome!

Service Teams

Sunday, March 16th, 2025

Worship and Music:

Song Leaders: Montse Briceno Mezquita, Jonathan Jones

Praise Band: Jonathan Jones (guitar/voice)
Emmanuel Berrido (keyboard/voice)
Mark Mendicino (drums)

Installation Readers: Lori Tissue, Brianne Claus, Mark Mendicino

Tech:

Livestream: Sarah Hefferin

Video Tech: Wallace

Hospitality:

Childcare: Kylie Ammer

Ushers: Amy Mendicino
Shannon Porterfield

Serving next week (March 23rd):

Meredith Wallace (childcare)

2 ushers are needed; please let us know if you can help!

Coming Up This Week

Today: 12:00 p.m. Reception for Pastor Jeremy
12:15 p.m. Lenten Luncheon Fundraiser
3:00 p.m. Choir Cantata Rehearsal

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. Helping Hands
6:00 p.m. Prayer Group (virtual)

Thursday: 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Next Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Praise Band Rehearsal
(March 23rd) 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
3:00 p.m. Choir Cantata Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. Catalyst
6:00 p.m. Inclusion Discussion