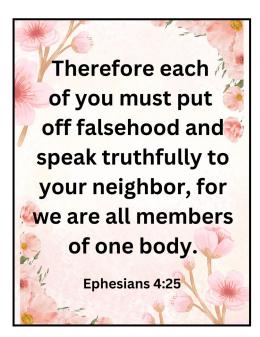
# North Hills Community Baptist Church



### April 6, 2025 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

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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

#### SONGS OF PRAISE Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing How Deep the Father's Love For Us You Are My All in All

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Jeremy Hall

SPECIAL MUSIC Es Por Tu Gracia

### OFFERING INVITATION AND PRAYER

\* Children are dismissed for children's church

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

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:33-37 (Page 959) Jim Binz Matthew 25:16-22 (Page 983)

MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Jeremy Hall "Radical Honesty"

#### COMMUNION

CLOSING SONG Blest Be the Tie That Binds

#### 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.

Jim Binz

**Emmanuel Berrido** 

Jim Binz

# Announcements

#### **Prayer Request Cards**

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

#### **Holy Week Events**

April 13—Palm Sunday, Procession of Palms During 11 a.m. Worship April 14, 15, 16—Devotional Videos From NHCBC Staff

April 17—Maundy Thursday Family-Style Communion\*

April 18—Good Friday Zoom Discussion at 7:00 p.m.

April 20—Easter Sunday, Breakfast at 9:30 a.m., Worship at 11:00 a.m. \* To sign up for Maundy Thursday Family Style Communion, please use the sign up sheet located at the back of the sanctuary, or email/call the church office to schedule a time.

#### Easter Breakfast at NHCBC

Join us Sunday, April 20, at 9:30 a.m. for Easter breakfast! Those with last names A-I are asked to bring a pastry to share; Those with last names J-Z are asked to bring a fruit dish to share.

#### **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 <u>https://my.simplegive.com/app/giving/nhcbc</u> or click the QR code and specify 'college student ministry' in Notes section



**Walk MS is April 12!** Join Catalyst Youth in supporting the Zuk family in their fight to end MS. The walk will take place at Point State Park with the opening ceremony beginning at 8:45 a.m. and the walk kickoff at 9 a.m. Please consider joining the family for the walk or donating to their team. Check News and Notes this week for the family's donation link. We hope you can join us in supporting all those who struggle with MS, including one of our own!

Catalyst Youth will be selling **pierogies from the Pittsburgh Pierogi Truck**. See us at the Welcome Desk, order online using our QR code, or with the link in News and Notes to place your order by April 13. Orders will be available for pick up Sunday, May 4.



#### Shaler Area High School Lid Collection has now ended.

Thank you for supporting their efforts to provide a bench for Rainbow Raccoon Park in Shaler Township.

**Connect** will meet Thursday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. Connect gets together the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month with students in grades 5 - 7 for games, fellowship, and a look at what the Bible has to say about our hunger and being filled.

#### **Continued Discussion on Membership and Inclusion**

WHEN:

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

Session 3: With special guest, Dr. David Gushee, May 18<sup>th</sup> 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. Our next gathering will be on April 27<sup>th</sup> for a deeper dive into what the Bible says, and on May 18<sup>th</sup> 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!

NHCBC's Rummage Sale will be back this summer on Saturday, June 21! The Mission Board will be collecting gently used items to sell in early June (check your Communicator or News and Notes for details and collection times), and will need lots of help before and during the sale. From 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. that day, we will need volunteers to help with the actual sale. But we will also need volunteers to help set up and price in the days before (Wednesday evening through Friday night). If you are able to help, see any member of the Mission Board to sign up. Thanks in advance for your help!!

**Deacons Fund Collection -** The Deacons Fund is managed by the Board of Deacons and exists solely to provide people who are experiencing a dire, financial emergency with aid on a temporary basis. Not limited exclusively to church members, and entirely confidential, the funds you contribute have helped many people over the years at NHCBC. Make your contribution in one of the envelopes provided in the pews, mark "Deacons Fund" on the envelope and place in the offering plate. The Deacons thank you for this special gift.

### Service<sub>a</sub> Teams

Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025

#### Worship and Music:

Song Leaders:	Sue Clark, Jonathan Jones
Praise Band:	Jonathan Jones (guitar/voice) Emmanuel Berrido (keyboard/voice) Mark Mendicino (drums)

#### <u>Tech:</u>

#### **Hospitality:**

Childcare:	Devin Porterfield
Ushers:	Suzi Hines
	Shannon Porterfield

### Serving next week (April 13<sup>th</sup>):

Caitlin O'Neil (childcare), Christine O'Neil (usher) 1 more usher is needed; please let us know if you can help!

### **Coming Up This Week**

Today:	12:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Deacons Board Meeting Mission Board Meeting Catalyst
Tuesday:	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Bible Study Church Council Meeting
Wednesday:	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Prayer Group (virtual) CE Board Meeting
Thursday:	6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal Connect Group
Next Sunday: (April 13 <sup>th</sup> )	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Praise Band Rehearsal Choir Rehearsal Sunday School Worship Catalyst