

The Communicator

January 2019

North Hills Community Baptist Church

Rev. Dr. Tim Spring, Pastor



Happy New Year

Join us after worship Sunday, January 13 as we celebrate and thank JoAnn Swihart for her 7 years of service as our Director of Pastoral Care. We'll gather in the Cafe for a special presentation. We are grateful to God for how JoAnn has touched so many of us in her ministry.

The NHCBC Annual Meeting will be held
Sunday, January 27.

There will be a potluck lunch following worship and the meeting will
begin at 1:00 P.M.

Those whose last names begin A-L are asked to bring a main dish.
Those whose last names begin M-Z are asked to bring a side dish.

The meeting will include the election of Board and Committee members for
2019, approval of the budget, and other business.

We hope you can attend!



The Mission Board would like to thank everyone who participated in the special offerings over the last year. Our church had a phenomenal year, and American Baptists around the globe will be able to do so much ministry with the money you have given. May God bless each of you with a prosperous and happy New Year.

SAVE - THE - DATE For NICARAGUA July 13-21, 2019

If you've ever thought I'd love to go see what AMOS is all about, 2019 is your year! We have secured our week for a trip to stay on the AMOS campus for an urban trip (on the outskirts of Managua and near the local hospital.) Preliminary plans for this week will include building a wall around the AMOS complex and working in Nejapa at their health clinic, making improvements and helping with projects they are doing.

More information will be available soon, so please start praying to see if this is your year to go!



Director of Pastoral Care Job Search

North Hills Community Baptist Church is presently searching for a candidate to fill the position of Director of Pastoral Care. It is a part-time position, expected to require 10 hours per week. Clearances are required. The salary for 2018 was \$10,861 a year, plus mileage reimbursement.

The Director of Pastoral Care reports to and works directly for the Pastor. Job responsibilities are designed to aid the Pastor in carrying out his responsibilities in the area of pastoral care. Duties will include, but are not limited to:

- Attend weekly staff meetings with the Pastor and church secretary
- Share, along with the Pastor, in visitation of hospitalized and travel-restricted members
- Share in visitation of the general church population
- Be available to members and others in times of crises and at other times when pastoral care is needed, particularly in the absence of the Pastor
- Be intentional about pastoral care to new members and visitors.

To apply, please send a letter of interest to: North Hills Community Baptist Church; 7801 Thompson Run Road; Pittsburgh, PA 15237. Please contact the Church office for additional information.

APPS

Young Adult Gathering

Monday, January 7, 2019

6:00 p.m. - 9ish in the Cafe

You won't want to miss the chance to gather with old and new friends!

You are welcome to bring an appetizer or dessert to share. You are also welcome to bring a game or a friend along.

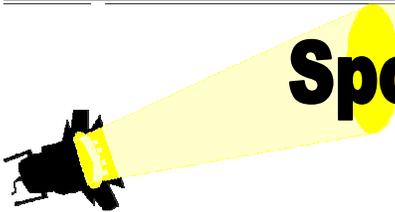
Hot chocolate and marshmallows provided!

Young adults: adults aged about 18-30, also may include high school seniors looking toward graduation.

Questions?
Contact Kendra at skdetwiler@verizon.net



For those writing annual reports, they are needed January 6.



Spotlight on Christian Education

We are on our way through a new year where the unknown awaits us. It can give us a feeling of exhilarating anticipation or it can be a scary and uncertain expectation.

When the disciples first encountered Jesus and then left everything to follow him, I wonder which of the above reactions each held in their hearts for this was a new and daring leap into the unknown.

Starting January 8th the Tuesday Bible study group will be taking a close look at Peter. We will be reading Simon-Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple by Adam Hamilton. “Simon-Peter went from an ordinary fisherman to a quick-tempered disciple who left everything to follow his teacher, but continued to struggle with doubt and fear.” We will learn how “Christ led him from cowardice to courage—and how his passion changed the world.” (Summary from Abington Press)

If you would like to join us on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Cafe to explore Peter’s development through his journey with Christ contact Linda Wagner at lwagner22@verizon.net.

Linda Wagner, for the Board of Christian Education



Faithbuilders (grades 2-5) Sunday, January 6th, 12:30-3:00 p.m.

Lunch and games at the Detwiler home. Lunch provided. You are welcome to bring a snack to share.

Thank you to everyone who helped the Faithbuilders with their bake sale. And, thank you for your donation of gifts for Rankin Christian Center and Pleasant Valley Shelter. Because of your generosity we were able to share many gifts for those served by these missions.

The Faithbuilders also received this note from Rankin:

WOW what a great way to teach children to give back to the community! I am certain that your generosity will make everyone’s Christmas brighter, and they will be touched by the Christmas spirit because of you!

Thank you again,
Darlene McGregor for the Rankin Christian Center

Thank you to the following families who purchased Christmas Poinsettias to decorate the Sanctuary:

Brenda & Ron Blough
Janet Brogan
Buschmeyer Family
Donna Corsello
Roberta & Bill Griffith
Sheenan & Paul Hatala
Katich Family
Gail & Tom Litwiler
Amy & Mark Mendicino
Mary Michalek
Joyce & Bob Shinko
JoAnn & David Swihart

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| North Hills Community Baptist Church Regular Sunday Schedule 9:00 A.M. Praise Band/Song Leaders Practice 9:15 A.M. Jr. & Sr. High Breakfast Club 9:30 A.M. Coffee Fellowship/Community Café 9:45 A.M. Sunday School For All Ages 11:00 A.M. Worship 12:00 Noon Prayer Group | | | | | | |
| 6 9:00 Reg. Sun. 12 Take Down Deco- rations 12:30 Faithbuild- ers/Annual Reports Due 6:00 Boards | 7 6:00 p.m. APP College & Career | 8 10:00 a.m. Bible Study | 9 | 10 6:30 p.m. Choir | 11 7:30 p.m. Cropping At The Corner | 12 9:00 a.m. Praise Band/ Song Leaders Re- hearsal |
| 13 9:00 Regular Sunday Schedule 12:00 Re- ception 6:00 p.m. Youth Group | 14 | 15 10:00 a.m. Bible Study | 16 | 17 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Break- fast Club 6:30 Choir | 18 | 19 |
| 20 9:00 Regular Sunday Schedule Communi- cator Ar- ticles Due 6:00 Youth Gr. | 21 | 22 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Pleasant Valley Shelter | 23 | 24 6:30 p.m. Choir | 25 | 26 |
| 27 9:00 Regular Sunday Schedule 12:00 Lunch & Annual Meeting | 28 | 29 10:00 a.m. Bible Study | 30 | 31 6:30 p.m. Choir | | |

*There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under heaven.
Ecclesiastes 3:1*





Baptist History & Polity Online Course
Friday, January 11 & 25, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 12 & 26, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Academy of Christian Training and Service (ACTS)
trains called men and women to fulfill their potential in
service to Christ.

This course explores the origins, development and basic beliefs of Baptists, emphasizing an appreciation for the importance of knowing our rich Baptist heritage. There will be an examination of the association, regional and national structures of ABC-USA and of the typical organization styles and policies of the local church. Contact Rev. Ruth Moore if you are interested: rmoore.acts@abcopad.com.

The American Baptist Churches USA Biennial is coming to Virginia Beach, VA June 21-23, 2019. The convention of all American Baptists is closer to us than it's been in years! Thousands will gather to hear great speakers, engage in stimulating workshops and engage with sisters and brothers from across the country. Are you interested in going to the convention with a group of people from our church? Contact Pastor Tim at timothy.e.spring@gmail.com.

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

KJV Matthew 25: 34-40

"Then shall the king say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungered, and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger and ye took me in; naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee hungered, and fed thee; or thirsty, and gave thee drink: When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in; or naked, and clothed thee? And the king shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

We are looking forward to the beginning of a New Year. Why did Christ come? One of the reasons was to teach us how to love one another as he loved us, without finding fault. Yes, we all have faults. As the New Year rings in, let us try to remember that Jesus also came to show us the way to treat others to be kind to all, to love everyone whatever their circumstance. He hobnobbed with sinners, with lepers, with those who were disabled, the mentally ill, those having seizures. He played no favorites. Let us try to do the same each and every day. Let us make resolutions, not about or for ourselves, but how we can best help those who are in need. Let us vow to see how we can be of help to them.

Some may help by giving money. Others may act in service, but each of us must find his or her own way to help. Always, we can pray for others. Yes, prayer works.

Do what you can, when you can. That is all God asks of any of us. To give our best when and where we can.

Your future is up to you, and with God's help it is amazing what one individual can accomplish.

Prayer group meets most Sundays in Room 4, all are welcome.

I just wanted to thank the church for such a wonderful care package! My friends and I have really been enjoying all of the snacks you sent me. Thank you for making my days at school a little brighter! Natalie Marinack

Dear NHCBC, Thank you so much for the college care package. I really appreciate it. It's so exciting getting mail!!
Love, Abby Blough

Dear Friends at NHCBC,
Thank you for thinking of me and giving me a wonderfully unexpected box of goodies! It really got me through my semester at LaRoche. It is so heart warming to know that I have a community that cares about me and appreciates me. I can never thank you enough. I am so thankful to be a part of the NHCBC community. Love, Sarah Hefferin

Praise Band/Song Leader Rehearsal
Saturday, January 12, 9:00 A.M.

Cropping at the Corner will meet Friday, January 11.
Bring your craft project to work on. See Gina Dayieb for more information.

The Ladies' Breakfast Club will meet at Panera, 7217 McKnight Road, Thursday, January 17 at 9:30 a.m. All women are welcome.



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| | January | <u>Nursery Schedule</u> |
| | 6 | Brianne Claus |
| | 13 | Kerri Buschmeyer |
| | 20 | Ginger Clarke |
| | 27 | Adam Claus |
| January | <u>Toddler Room</u> | |
| 6 | Brad Hopkins | |
| 13 | Cole Buschmeyer | |
| 20 | Zoey Allen | |
| 27 | Christopher Hopkins | |
| January | <u>Children's Church Schedule</u> | |
| 6 | Trenton Tunnell & Helpers | |
| 13 | Ryan & Krystal Brooks | |
| 20 | Adam & Brianne Claus | |
| 27 | Tom & Laura Lasky | |

**North Hills Community Outreach
Food Bank Collection for
January
Soup**
Items may be placed in the box
under the church mailboxes.

Pleasant Valley Shelter
Please check the table at the back of the sanctuary for a list of items needed to prepare dinner on Tuesday, January 22. You may sign up to bring food or volunteer to help prepare and serve the food. If you are interested see Bill Davis (412-538-9640). The Mission Board thanks you for your continued support of this ministry to provide dinner for the homeless men at Pleasant Valley Shelter.

New address: Beth, Alex and Kirsty Kurtz - 9806 Presidential Drive; Apt. 306; Allison Park, PA 15101.

**Save the Date
Sunday, February 17:
All Church Game Time**

Hosted by Faithbuilders and the Youth Group
We'll start at 12:15 or right after the morning service.

What to bring: food to share, games
Please encourage your friends young, old, and in between to join in the fun!



Be sure to check the NHCBC website and Facebook page for announcements and information on upcoming events! If you'd like for us to announce something on these channels, please visit nhcbc.com/communications-request-form and fill out the Communications Request Form. Thank you!

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Attendance

| | Worship |
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| November 25 | 161 |
| December 2 | 158 |
| December 9 | 172 |
| December 16 | 184 |



Board Meetings - Sunday, January 6, 6:00 p.m.
Church Council - Sunday, January 13, 6:00 p.m.
Via conference call

Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
The office will be closed January 1.

The Communicator is published monthly. July/August issue combined. Articles are due the next to the last Sunday of the month. Articles may be sent via the Communication Request Form to the church secretary, Beth Spence, anytime during the month up to the due date. *The Communicator* is placed in your church mailbox the last Sunday of the month.

Items are due for the bulletin on Tuesday morning at noon.
Thank you!

Financial Information may be found in the copy room.

Happy Birthday to the Following And Especially to Those We May Have Missed!

January

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| 1 Hannah Brooks | 15 Rachel Kimmel |
| 3 Ed Schneider | 16 Lucia Bautista |
| 5 Marcus Katich | 16 Donna Tempert |
| 6 Mary Michalek | 17 Marjorie Grady |
| 6 Flo Ringeisen | 18 Casey Tissue |
| 7 Linda Wagner | 19 Gregg Gordon |
| 8 Dan Gray | 19 Kevin McNally |
| 9 Nick Yeager | 20 Christopher Zuk |
| 11 Lynn Berney | 22 Virginia Houck |
| 11 Brenda Blough | 23 Diana Berarducci |
| 11 Sally Blyth | 23 Jennifer Duncan |
| 11 Charlie Miller | 26 Nicole Blyth |
| 12 Afton Rudolph | 26 B. Greiner |
| 13 Roberta Griffith | 31 Jill Gauger |
| 14 Dillon Wright | 31 Adam Serowik |
| 15 Katie Bruckman | |



If we missed your birthday, please let the church office know so we can add you to the list.