The Communicator

March 2019

Rev. Dr. Tim Spring, Pastor



North Hills Community Baptist Church

Lenten Study March 6, 13 and April 3 6:30 - 8:30 P·M·

Rev Dr John DeLancey of Biblical Israel Ministries, will be joining us for 3 Wednesday evenings during Lent Rev Dr DeLancey has led over 60 tours to the Holy Lands and he brings the Bible to life as he offers unique & life-transforming biblical teaching that focuses upon learning the Bible in the context of the land of Israel Rev Dr DeLancey will also share information about future trips to the Holy Lands

Fellowship Lunch And Small Group Sunday Everyone is invited! Sunday, March 10, Following Worship

Enjoy a sandwich and sides with your church family.

Age 12 & under - \$1.00 13 - 54 - \$2.00 55 & up - Free!

Come learn about small groups at NHCBC. (See new small groups on page 3.) Not interested in a small group? Come enjoy lunch and fellowship!

Brought to you by the Board of Deacons.



All Church Work Party — Saturday, March 30 — 8:00 A.M. until 12:00 Noon Come and help the Trustees get the church ready for Easter!



Toddler Room Worker Needed

North Hills Community Baptist Church is looking to hire an experienced and reliable Toddler Room Worker to supervise our Toddler Room (2-4 year olds) on Sunday mornings from 10:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. September - June and 9:45 to 11:30 a.m. in the summer. The pay is \$51.75 per Sunday (\$29.57 per hour). Clearances required. Interested applicants should contact the church office for more details and job application. Please share this with your friends who might be interested.

It's not too early to start your letters for our grads!

We will be collecting letters, messages, artwork, etc. to put into our graduating seniors' church memory books. This year's graduates are: Laura Bautista, Jordan Coaston, Mackenzie Gongaware, Marcus Katich and Kayleigh Lubawy. If you would like to include photos, please print them out. We will not be able to make prints from digital. Items will be due in April. You can email items to the church office: secretary@nhcbc.com or put them in the secretary's mailbox.

College Care Boxes

During the last 2 weeks of March, we will be collecting items for the College Care Boxes. Please place your donations in the box under the mailboxes. Monetary donations may be given to Adam Claus.



Microwave Popcorn, Bags of Candy, Easy Mac, Poptarts, Granola or Breakfast Bars, Boxes of Individual Drink Packets to add to Water, Snacks, Crackers or Chips, or anything a student might like!

Coming up April 14th!

The Board of Christian Education invites everyone to join us following Palm Sunday Worship for lunch and Easter fun! There will be an Easter Egg hunt for children and fun and fellowship for all ages. Bring a friend!

SAVE THE DATE!! VBS 2019! July 22-26, 6:00 - 8:30 pm Watch for kid registration forms and volunteer sign ups this spring! Questions? Please contact Kendra Detwiler <u>skdetwiler@verizon.net</u>



New Couples Group

We invite you to join us in forming a new small group. Open to couples of all ages and family sizes. All group members have a say! Let's make it our own while focusing on fellowship and fun with other couples. Babysitting will be addressed.

Caring and Sharing

To anyone that often finds themselves feeling anxious or depressed, this group will provide a place to support and to be supported. Join us for a chance to share our time, our lives, and our coping strategies, as we work toward better self-care. Each person will have opportunities to share what is helping them as well as what is tripping them up in this self-led group coming soon.

Walking in Faith

Join us for 6 walks this Spring. When the weather warms up we will venture out. There will be 3 "ordinary" walks at North Park — made extraordinary by walking with your friends from NHCBC. And, there will be 3 walks in special places such as Beechwood Farms Nature Reserve. Come, and take some time to enjoy God's creation!

Sunday, March 17, BUNCO 12:45-3:30 in the Community Café

Faithbuilders will be playing BUNCO, and they are inviting the rest of the church to join in the fun! This can be a really fun game with multiple generations. It should be a fun challenge for all, and yes there will be prizes!

12:15 - 12:45 p.m. - Enjoy lunch in the fellowship hall: bring your own sandwich and something to share. Beverages provided.

12:45 - 3:30 p.m. - BUNCO in the café

RSVP by Saturday, March 16 at 6:00 p.m. so we can have enough tables and chairs set up. This game requires one chair per person as well as card tables. If you have a card table we might borrow, please contact Kendra Detwiler at <u>skdetwiler@verizon.net</u>.

New Sunday School Study

Does the Bible overwhelm you? Do you struggle to know what is where in the Bible? A new Sunday School topic has begun. The young adults are taking on the challenge of going through all the books of the Bible. If other adults would like to join in, we would love to have you join us. The class involves some video, a study guide, and your Bible!

We meet Sunday mornings on the lower lever, room L4. If you have any questions, please contact Scott and Kendra Detwiler

Spotlight on Christian Education



If you swing by my house on a weekday around 7:05 in the morning, you will find a young family in a state of chaos. It is likely that my 2-year-old is asking for the pink shoes, which of course, I can't find. She will not accept the blue shoes that I am holding. My 5-year-old is taking his time getting his coat on, and both kids want waffles, not the toast that Daddy made. I'm making lunches, getting dressed, and of course, have to get the coffee made! After 5 days of this, we are all ready for the weekend. We intentionally set aside Saturday mornings for relaxing with pancakes and cartoons. And then, on Sunday mornings, we repeat much of the getting ready routine, albeit an hour or two later, as we rush to get to Sunday School on time. Sometimes I've wished we could just have 2 relaxing mornings at home over the weekend (and occasionally, we do). But most of the time, I am so grateful for the opportunity for the four of us to attend Sunday School, and it is MORE than worth another morning of rushing. So why do we make it a family priority to attend Sunday School each week?

My daughter wakes up on Sunday morning, asking where we are going for the day. When I tell her we are going to church, she squeals with delight, "Yay! Me love church!" and starts naming the friends and Sunday school teachers. Gammie, Miss Cindy, and Miss Shannon have taught her to sing, "God Made Libby". She proudly exclaims over dinner one night, "God made everyone!"

My kindergartener is falling in love with the Bible stories I enjoyed as a child, and still return to for comfort and instruction in daily life. He asks me deep questions about the character of God, and it challenges and encourages me to listen and learn with and from him. He prays to God each night, as if talking to a friend, and joyfully gives thanks for his friends and family, and prays for healing for loved ones. We discuss the Sunday school stories he learns each week, and I am amazed at the details he recalls.

My children are learning that church is a safe place, filled with people who love them, and those people are reflecting the Love of God to them. They learn songs and prayers, stories of Jesus, and are building relationships that will grow throughout their lifetimes.

I'd come to Sunday School just for my kids, but it has also been a time of growth and inspiration for me and my husband. We attend the Bible class, which meets off the Fellowship Hall. I co-teach along with Gary Claus, Ryan Bushmeyer, and Pastor Tim. The class starts with some chit-chat, "How was your week?," then the sharing of prayer requests. Our class has become a community where we share each other's joys and burdens. The facilitator leads us in prayer, and we pray the Holy Spirit leads us in our discussion through the Bible. We talk about the reading for the week, sharing personal stories and asking. What does this passage mean? How does this apply to my life? We have Bible scholars and new Christians, people intimately familiar with the Biblical texts, and others looking at it with fresh eyes. We respect and learn from each other. This class and the relationships I've built in it have been a blessing in my hurried life. I know my husband can say the same.

And so, I invite you to join us at Sunday school. Classes meet each Sunday at 9:45 am, and there is a class for everyone, infants through adults. You are never too young, or too old, to grow in your faith and build relationships with your church family. Sunday school is just one of the ways to do this at NHCBC, and while I may be biased. I think it's one of the best parts of our church. Hope to see you! I'll be the one rushing in a bit late, herding a couple of kids to class, coffee in hand, but relieved and grateful to be here. :) -Brianne Claus

Adult Classes: Immersion Bible Study: Facilitators - Pastor Tim, Brianne Claus, Gary Claus, Ryan Bushmeyer (meets in the Fellowship Hall annex). Our class will be finishing our study of the Gospel of Luke, and will begin a new study of James, 1 & 2 Peter, 1, 2, & 3 John, and Jude on March 10th.

Young Adult Class: Facilitators - Scott & Kendra Detwiler, meets in the lower level classroom L4. This class encourages those in their 20s/30s to build relationships, and studies topics of interest to them. The young adults are taking on the challenge of going through all the books of the Bible. The class involves some video, a study guide, and your Bible.

Social Justice Class: Facilitators - Dave Spence, Ryan Brooks, meets in the Cafe. This class discusses Biblical responses to social issues in today's culture.

A Class For Women: Facilitators - Lynn Berney, Joyce Katich and Pauline Spring, meets in the Pastor's office. This class digs through Scriptures using book studies to unearth life experiences and helps participants to infuse their lives with holy passion and purpose.

Discipleship Class: Facilitators - Jim Binz and Paul Hatala, meets on the lower lever classroom L3. Using DVD-based studies, topics such as prayer, purpose and hope are addressed.

March 2019

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| 3 9:00 Reg. Sunday Schedule 6:00 p.m. Board Meet- ings/Youth Group | 4 6:30 p.m. Frauencore Rehearsal | 5 10:00 a.m. Bible Study | 6 6:30 p.m. Lenten Program Ash Wednesday | 7 6:30 p.m. Choir | 8 7:30 p.m. Cropping At The Corner | Dress Give- |
| 10 9:00 a.m. Regu- lar Sunday 12 Small Group Lunch 6:00 Youth Group | 11 6:30 p.m. Frauencore Rehearsal | 12 10:00 a.m. Bible Study | 13 6:30 p.m. Lenten Program | 14 6:30 p.m. Choir | 15 | 16 9:00 a.m. Frauencore Rehearsal |
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| 24 9:00 a.m. Regu- lar Sunday Schedule Comm. Art. Due 6:00 Youth Group | 25 Happy Birthday, Heidi! | 26 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:00 Pleas- ant Valley Shelter | 27 | 28 6:30 p.m. Choir 8:00 p.m. A Capella Ensemble | 29 | 30 8:00 a.m. All Church Work Party 9:00 a.m. A Capella Ensemble |
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YOU"RE INVITED... For the trip of a lifetime!!!

That's right, if you want a life changing trip, join the delegation traveling to Nicaragua this summer! JULY 13-21 the delegation will travel to and stay at the AMOS compound to work on projects at its home base. That's right, an urban trip is planned this year (complete with comfy beds and close to hospitals). We'll work on some projects to improve the AMOS headquarters facility in order to improve the care given there. We are planning to complete the compound wall, build a bathroom and watering station near the front gate for those waiting to get into the clinic, and do work to further the CYBERBOX - the computer lab/libraryministry for the community kids. (This may include adding a bathroom and/or teaching computer classes.) A day trip to the nearby village of San Onofre is planned to see how their health promoter/health committee/ community works in action.

So if you've always wanted to go to Nicaragua, but haven't wanted to travel to the remote villages or had fears of being too far from a hospital (or city life), THIS IS YOUR YEAR!!! The approximate cost of the trip is \$2,000, but scholarships and fundraising help make this a VERY affordable trip. Several participants in the past have fundraised to pay for their entire trip! And we have people here to help you get that done! The trip commitment date is March 31 - so don't delay, contact Ryan Buschmeyer, Joyce Katich, Amy Mendicino or Pastor Tim for a complete informational packet or with any questions you may have. Follow your heart and this trip will change your outlook on life!

Psalm 65: 2: " O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come."

Psalm 91: 15: "He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble. I will deliver him, and honor him." Job 22: 27: "Thou shalt make thy prayer unto Him, and He shall hear thee, and thou shalt obey thy vows."



Isaiah 30: 19: "For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem; thou shalt weep no more, He will be very generous unto thee at the voice of thy cry, when He shall hear it, He will answer thee."

Isaiah 65: 24: "And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer and while they are yet speaking, I will hear."

Matthew 6:6: "But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly."

Matthew 7: 7-8: "Ask and it shall be given you, seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened. For every one that asketh, receiveth; and he that seeketh, findeth; and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened."

Matthew 21: 22: "And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." John 14: 13-14: "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye ask anything in my name, I will do it."

I John 5:14-15: "And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us, and if we know that he hears us, whatsoever, we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him."

These are just a few verses from the King James Bible that tell us God hears and listens to our prayers and answers them. God knows whether or not we believe, and if we are in doubt, why we are doubting. Yes, he/she is Omnipotent as well as All-Knowing.

Prayer group meets in room 4 most Sundays immediately after the Worship Service. If you have a special request that you wish to share with us and for some reason have missed putting it in the Joys and Concerns on Sunday morning, you may give it to anyone of the Prayer Group. Cynthia Binz, Jennifer Bond, Joyce Katich, Jeanie Nipaver, Jane Prytherch and Mary Michalek. Anyone who would like to join the prayer group at anytime is always welcome.

Thank you to our Board and Committee members for 2019!

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If you do not see your name, please contact the church office and you will be added to a list. Thank you! **Cropping at the Corner** will meet Friday, March 8. 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, March 21 at 9:30 a.m. All women are welcome.

Music in March!

Praise Band/Song Leader Rehearsal: Saturday, March 2, 9:00 a.m.

Frauencore: Ladies 14 years and older are welcome to join this women's choir.

Frauencore Rehearsals: Monday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 11 at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 16 at 9:00 a.m. Performance Sunday, March 17

<u>A Capella Ensemble Rehearsals</u>: Thursday, March 21, 800 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 28, 8:00 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 30, 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Performance Sunday, March 31



Anchorpoint Counseling Ministry Presents Celebration of Hope

Thursday, May 2, LeMont Restaurant, 5:30 P.M. Join us for dinner and storytelling as we honor Kevin Colbert, General Manager of the Steelers. Proceeds go toward faith-based counseling and support

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 <u>nhcbc.com/communications-request-form</u> and fill out the Communications Request Form. Thank you!

Pill Bottles Being Collected

We continue to collect empty pill bottles for St. Andrew's Church in Panama City, Florida (where Ryan Buschmeyer grew up). Bottles are sterilized and used by their free medical clinic which is especially busy since Hurricane Michael. There is a collection box across from the church mailboxes. We have already sent 2 large boxes of bottles to the church. North Hills Community Outreach Food Bank Collection for March Crackers

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 <u>Tuesday, March 26</u>. 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.

Sympathy & Christian Hope are extended to Pauline Spring, Pastor Tim, Erika, Timothy, Pauline's mother Florence Ringeisen and the Ringeisen family on the death of Pauline's father, Bill Ringeisen February 10.



And to Garry and Kim Anderson and family on the death of Garry's brother, Barry Anderson February 10.

Updates:

New Address: The Ammer Family; 108 Sunnyhill Drive; Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Phone Numbers: Krystal Brooks 512-593-0290 Ryan Brooks 908-310-9198

Email: Jennifer Duncan: jnnfrduncn@gmail.com

New Address: Morgan Miller; 1 Morrow Way; Residence Hall F; Room 421; Slippery Rock, PA 16057

New Address: Sally Blyth 109 Kingsfield Drive; Mars, PA 16046 412-585-5656



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Attendance

| | Sunday School | Worship |
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| January 27 | 61 | 131 |
| February 3 | 82 | 151 |
| February 10 | 87 | 161 |
| February 17 | 93 | 163 |

Board Meetings - Sunday, March 3, 6:00 p.m. Church Council - Sunday, March 17, 6:00 p.m.

Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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

Financial Information may be found in the copy room.

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

March

- 2 Jesse Parker 3 Kara Dering 3 Shannon Dering 4 Elizabeth Claus 4 Natalie Marinack 9 Damon Hopkins 10 Ray Fosnight 10 Brad Hopkins 11 Dwayne Allen 12 Dean Smith 12 Marion White 16 Jasmine Beshimovi 16 Jason Topnick 16 Michael Wertz 17 Matt Clark 17 Lukas Dayieb
- 19 Jane Prytherch
 20 Jencie Hartberger
 21 Sidra Quinn
 21 Trenton Tunnell
 24 Jennifer Bond
 25 Heidi Clark
 25 Leslie Faulhaber
 25 Salma Nixon Fernandez
 26 Jay Ammer

18 Marcy Braunstein

18 Jason Hartberger

- 26 David Spence
- 26 Aaron Yeager
- 31 Emily Ammer
- 31 Richard Hopkins



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