# LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

September 18, 2016

In preparation for worship, please take time to silence all electronic devices, and quiet our thoughts, so that we all may focus our hearts and minds on the Lord.

Prelude				
Welcome and Concerns of the Church				
9:00am Call to Worsh	ip Psalm 29:1-4	Sophia Kiker		
Hymn #77	Praise to the Lord, the Almight	y Lobe Den Herren		
Prayer of Invocation				
Scripture Reading	Numbers 6:22-27	(p.215) 9:00am Thaddeus Kiker 10:45am Laura Harrison		
Reader: This is the word of the Lord. All the people: Thanks be to God!				

## Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, from the fullness of your grace, we have received one blessing after another. Yet too often, we are blind to daily mercies, we forget to say thank you, and to believe that all things are possible with you. We struggle to practice your glorious presence, and we get so wrapped up in ourselves that we do not notice our neighbor or even our family members. Please forgive us through Jesus Christ, who became one of us, and died on the cross for all. As the One who knows us the best, and loves us the most, help us to take the time to know and love others. Fill us with the Holy Spirit, that we may see others with your eyes, listen to their stories, and love them with your grace. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

# love them with your grace. In Jesus' Name. Amen. Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon Testimony of a miracle Donna Hart The Greeting Worship Song Everlasting God Brown/Riley Worship Song All The People Said Amen Maher During the 9:00am service, children up to grade 5 may be dismissed to Children's Sunday School. During the 10:45am service, children in K through 5<sup>th</sup> grades may be dismissed to the gym for Lighthouse

Kids children's church after the hymn/worship song.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer		Dr. Deborah Watson
Presentation of Tithe	s and Offerings	
Passing of Friendship	o Pads	
Offertory	<i>Power To Redeem</i> Colin & Sarah Comstock	Daigle
Doxology and Prayer	of Dedication	
Scripture Reading	Galatians 6:1,2; Philippians 1:3-6 Hebrews 4:15,16	(p.1816, 1825, 1866)
Sermon B	earing Burdens and Blessing Peop	le
	Through Prayer	Steve Weed, Pastor
Hymn #700	We Are God's People	Symphony
Benediction		
Prayer Ministry		9:00am Greg Hein

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, by Charlie & Joann Huntington.

10:45am Emma Shaw

# Thank you for being with us in worship today! To learn more about our church, Welcome Bags are available for newcomers at the front entrance.

**CDs of today's sermon** are available in the Chapel within 15 minutes after the service. Previous Sundays' sermons are available by date in the bin on the small table. Sermons are also available online at our website <u>www.narberthpres.org</u> or podcast through iTunes.

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# **SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **SUNDAY**

Prayer meeting in Steve's office each Sunday morning 8:00-9:00am.

#### Sunday School Classes:

#### 8am - Coffee, Cake, and Conversation with Debbie Watson

This class reads and discusses the scriptures chosen for that day's worship service. Some people attend regularly, while others come intermittently. All are welcome!

**10:30am** New 12-week video series on **The Sermon on the Mount,** by Sinclair Ferguson. Led by Norm Johanson, meets in the parlor.

#### MONDAY

#### 6:30-9pm – The Marriage Course (September 26th – November 14th)

This course provides husbands and wives tools to build and strengthen a vibrant relationship over time. Each Monday, a maximum of 5 couples enjoy a nice dinner at a table for two, watch a brief video presentation by Nicky and Sila Lee, and talk with each other about important issues that can get swept under the carpet in the rush of daily life. This is **not** a large group activity; rather, <u>you and your spouse work only with each other</u>. The cost for 7 weeks of dinner and the course materials is \$100 per couple. It's a bargain! So, whether you have been married a short time, or for many years, this course is a great investment in your relationship! (Childcare provided). Questions? Contact Debbie (<u>dwatson@narberthpres.org</u> or 610-664-4880 ext.114) to sign up, and check it out at

http://us.alphausa.org/Groups/1000056818/The Marriage Course.aspx#.VqiII.IrLcs

#### 7:00-9:00pm - MBR (Men Being/Becoming Real) (Music Room, NPC)

We are varied in age, background, and life situation. What we have in common is the need to be accepted, loved, encouraged and held accountable as we face trials of various sorts as fathers, husbands, employees, citizens, leaders, etc. Underneath our challenges is our faith in Christ and in the Father's provision for us to be part of a community of brothers so that we never need to walk alone. We listen to, honor and pray for one another. Every man is welcome. Questions? Contact Gene McGee at <u>amazedbygrace@verizon.net</u> or 267-446-9598.

**7:30-9:00pm – Men's Bible Study –** Led by Chuck Lewis and John Purring, we are studying the book of Galatians, using a guide by Tim Keller. All men are welcome to join at any time. We meet in the Resource Room (next to Steve's Office) every Monday evening. Questions? Contact Chuck Lewis at <u>siwelc2@yahoo.com</u> or 610-645-0691.

**7:00-8:00pm – Prayer Group** This group meets for prayer in Steve's Office, open to all. Contact Dana Kaminstein at <u>dkamin@wharton.upenn.edu</u> or 610-664-2016.

# **SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES**

### TUESDAY

**7:00-8:10am Men's Sermon Discussion & Prayer Group** welcomes all men for friendly conversation based on the previous Sunday's sermon, and prayer. We will meet in the Resource Room next to Steve's Office. (David Fraser)

**11:00am-12:00noon Prayer Group** An opportunity for prayer each Tuesday morning, led by Faithe Hornung, open to all, starts on Sept. 13 and meets in the Parlor. The Lord encourages us to walk and talk with God in a very personal way. Learn to pray specifically for yourself, your children, your families, and in your jobs.

**WEDNESDAY** (Childcare is provided for all Wednesday night groups) **5:45-8:00pm** Beginning Wednesday, September 14, dinner and classes for all ages will resume. Come see for the first time or return after many times. Good food, friendly conversation, excellent teaching for all ages.

Adult class: 7-8pm: Follow-up Bible Study and prayer on movie "War Room", led by Gene and Becky McGee. (Chapel)

## FRIDAY

**9:30-11:30am** Starting September 16th, the **Friday Morning Moms' Group** returns! Join us from 9:30 to 11:30 am every other Friday in the Parlor for coffee, prayer, and Bible study. Whether you're looking for encouragement in parenting, fellowship with a group of faithful women, or free childcare and coffee to combat a tough morning, we've got what you need. Contact Jo-Anne Kaplan (jrgarrid@yahoo.com) or Jess Gaffga (jessicagaffga@yahoo.com) with any questions.

#### 10-11:30am Women's Bible Study (In the Parlor/Chapel)

Each week we sing and pray, and then study a passage from the Bible. This Fall we will be studying the Psalms. Newcomers are always welcome! Questions? Contact Isabel Lally at <u>aberdeenbell@msn.com</u> or 610-659-6663.

**6:30 – 9pm Young Adults** (September 23<sup>rd</sup> – November 11<sup>th</sup>, in the Gym) Are you in college, grad school, or working? Are you single, married – with or without children? You're all invited to enjoy dinner, a video, and discussion based on *All the Places to Go*, by John Ortberg. The theme is learning to discover open doors, and how to respond to the options set before us. Guidance, discernment, knowing and doing God's will in the everyday. After the video, we will have the opportunity to engage in discussion in small groups. Meet new friends and be inspired. (Dinner & childcare provided) Questions? Contact Debbie Watson at dwatson@narberthpres.org or 610-664-4880 (x114)

# FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

#### Sunday Morning Schedule

#### Infants and Toddlers

• 9:00am-12:15pm: *Nursery* provided in the *Nursery Room* downstairs near the restrooms, and a separate crying/changing room is directly across from the bottom of the stairs.

### 2 to 3 Year Olds

- 9:00-10:30am: Hands On Bible, Blue Door Room downstairs.
- 10:45am-12:15pm: Spinners! class, Red Door Room downstairs.

### 4 to 5 Year Olds

• 9:00-10:30am Sunday School Red door room (Kindergarten students may attend Lighthouse Kids, see below)

## Grades 1-3:

These children attend the first part of the worship service with parents and are *dismissed half-way through* to attend:

- 9:30-10:30am: Rotation Sunday School, Brown Door Room downstairs.
- 10:45am-12:15pm: Lighthouse Kids, downstairs in the Gym.

## Grades 4-5:

These children attend the first part of the worship service with parents and are *dismissed half-way through* to attend:

- 9:30-10:30am: Tweens Class, downstairs in the Gym.
- 10:45am-12:15pm: Lighthouse Kids, downstairs in the Gym.

## Grades 6-12: Register NOW for HS & MS Retreats at narberthpres.org

- 9:30-10:30am (Grade 6-8) Youth Room on second floor
- 9:30-10:30am: Youth Sunday School. (Grade 9-12) *Youth Lounge* on second floor. Find out the best filters to view who you are and what you do in our new #NoFilterSeries!
- 4-6pm High School Youth Group Kickoff today with Jess and Dave
- Wednesday 6-8pm Catch up over dinner then fellowship and discussion with Alice Youth Room

## **Upcoming Youth Events:**

9/30-10/2 *MS Breakaway* Retreat at NorthBay Adventure camp, NorthEast MD 11/4-6 *HS Reality Retreat* at NorthBay Adventure camp, NorthEast MD

# For all youth-related questions, please contact Dave Bellamy or Jess Gaffga 610-664-4880 x112 <u>youth@narberthpres.org</u>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Calling all senior adults! This Friday, at 1:30pm, in the Parlor, Debbie Watson & Diane Chen will be sharing slides and stories from their yearly trips to England & France. Come enjoy scenes from Bath, as well as Cambridge and the City of Light! It's free, and there will be refreshments!
- Wed. night Fellowship Café is open! An open invitation to all is being extended, No reservations needed! Check bulletin weekly for the menu. Do you have some free time? We could use help in several areas, <u>'Many hands make light work'!</u> If you can help with shopping on occasion, food preparation, cooking or clean up and still enjoy fellowship with a good dinner. We actually have fun too when we cook, sometimes you can hear music playing and the cooking team singing!! Please contact Dee either by phone or email. <u>Deedleskni9@gmail.com</u> or 484-620-4157 for more details.
- **† Menu this week:** "Hanging On To Summer" Hamburgers, hotdogs, coleslaw, fruit, and always a dessert!
- + Have you seen the movie "WAR ROOM?"

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This Fall, young adults in their 20's through mid-40's will gather in the Gym each Friday night for 8 weeks (September 23 – November 11), to participate in a new video series with Pastor Steve and Debbie. We will provide childcare for those who need that, and a meal, so that no one will have to worry about dinner.

**WHO** we need  $\rightarrow$  Teams of 4-6 people to cook, set up, serve, and clean up **WHAT** we need  $\rightarrow$  Salad + Main Dish + Dessert (we'll provide drinks and rolls) You don't have to be a gourmet chef – Pick something you like to make! You don't *have* to cook – You can help with set-up, serving, or clean-up! You don't have to do it all alone – Form a team – Pick a week and ask a few friends to help out!

**If you would like to help** feed some of Jesus' sheep this Fall, please sign up in the Chapel, and join a team. The Friday night "flock" will be most grateful!

Would you enjoy reading Scripture in the service? Please sign up now in the chapel for the summer months. Anyone at least 7 years old up to 100!
 Please leave an email or phone # for us to contact you with the scripture reference. Thank you

## + Divorce -- Someone you know is hurting

Tell him or her about **DivorceCare**, our weekly seminar/support group. DivorceCare features biblical principles and practical wisdom for healing from a marriage breakup. We begin a 13-week series Wednesday <u>October 5<sup>th</sup></u>. Contact Kate Layman or Dennis Gee at 610.664.1505, email <u>divorcecare@narberthpres.org</u>, or visit <u>www.divorcecare.org</u> on the web. **Find Help – Discover Hope – Experience Healing** 

- \* Save the Date! The Annual Cream of the Crop Luncheon is October 16, 2016. Bring your appetite!
- Join NPC's Orphan Care Ministry on Saturday, October 8th, for the annual Orphan Day 5K at Ridley Creek State Park. In conjunction with Orphan Sunday events taking place around the globe, Compassion Corps is hosting this fun event for the 6th year. Help us raise awareness and funding for school scholarships for orphans in Liberia and Uganda. Registration is at 9 am, start running or walking at 10. Contact Valerie Foley (valerie@vfoley.com) or Jess Gaffga (jessicagaffga@yahoo.com) with any questions.
- **†** Dr. Janet Moore has been serving in our Counseling Ministry for the past 10 years, working with individuals struggling with a wide range of personal and psychological challenges. Dr. Moore's perspective is that addressing mental health issues is essential to opening our hearts and minds, thereby enabling a closer relationship with God that can sustain us in an imperfect world. You may reach Dr. Moore by leaving a message on her church extension, 610-664-4880 (ext. 121), or at 484-686-6630.



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# **BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST**

Sunday, September 18
8:00an Sunday School, Parlor
9:00am Worship Service
10:30am Sunday School, Parlor
10:45am Worship Service
4:00pm HS Youth Group
6:30pm Showing of "War Room" for community and congregation, Gym Childcare provided through 5<sup>th</sup> grade

#### Monday, September 19

7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, this week, Pastor's Office
7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music office
7:30pm Men's Bible Study in Galatians, Resource Center

#### Tuesday, September 20

6:30am Men's small group 7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner

- 11-12noon Prayer group, led by Faithe Hornung, Parlor
- 7:00pm Session, Parlor 8:30 Reception of new members
- 7:30pm Praise Band rehearsal

#### Wednesday, September 21

9:30am Staff Meeting, Parlor 5:45pm Wednesday Night Dinner at the Fellowship Café (Gym) Menu: Hamburgers, hotdogs, coleslaw, fruit, dessert 6:30pm Children's classes (up to grade 5) 7:00-8:00pm Adult class: "War Room" follow-up study

#### Thursday, September 22

9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor 4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor

#### Friday, September 23

10:00am Women's' Bible Study, Parlor 1:30pm Sr. Slide show, England with Debbie and Diane, Parlor 7-9pm New Young Adult Fellowship -Dinner & Childcare provided!

#### Saturday, September 24

Sunday, September 25 8:00an Sunday School, Parlor 9:00am Worship Service 10:30am Sunday School, Parlor 10:45am Worship Service 4:00pm HS Youth Group

#### Each Week

Christian Nursery School – Jennifer Addy, Director, 610-664-8890 2, 3 & 5 Day Programs 9:00am to 11:30am & 11:30am to 3:30pm Extended Day Program, Sept.-May AA meets 12:30pm, Monday–Friday. Also, Saturday at 12:30pm & Sunday at 4:30pm Counseling: Dr. Janet Moore: cell: 484-686-6630 email: jlmpsych@hotmail.com

#### Planning ahead Information and calendar updates 24/7 at www.narberthpres.org

- Sept 26 6:30-9pm New Marriage Course begins
- Sept 27 7:00pm Missions Committee Meeting
- Oct 1 9:00am Shepherds' Meeting, Parlor
- Oct 4 7:00pm Knitters' Group, Resource Room
- Oct 4 7:30pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor
- Oct 6 1:00pm CNS Board Meeting, Parlor
- Oct 7 6:30-9:00pm Parents' Night Out, Gym
- Oct 8 9:00am Annual Orphan Day 5K at Ridley Creek State Park
- Oct 13,27 9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor

#### Oct 16 12:00pm Cream of the Crop Luncheon, Parlor

Oct 18 7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor