

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

January 22, 2017

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 ***Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*** **Bach**
Sherry Beebe, Organist

Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Amnion Baby Bottle Invitation Alice Antonelli

Call To Worship

Hymn #52 ***I Sing the Mighty Power of God*** **Ellacombe**

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading Acts 12:1-10 (p.1712)
9:00am John Hart
10:45am John Chaffee

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, every day there are reminders of our frailty, and our need for strength beyond ourselves. Thank you for your power and your love, perfectly expressed in the person of Christ. We ask forgiveness for making prayer our last resort instead of the air we breathe. We confess that we often pray earnestly, but not expectantly. Please forgive us through Jesus Christ, who, after he prayed, gave his life on the cross. Our redemption is the answer to his prayers. This is awesome. Thank you, Jesus. We pray in your Name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

The Greeting

Worship Song ***Cornerstone*** ***Hillsong***

Worship Song ***Whom Shall I Fear?*** ***Tomlin/Cash***

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 5th grades may be dismissed to the gym for Lighthouse Kids children's church after the hymn/worship song.

10:45am Sacrament of Infant Baptism

Emma Grace Ackley
Daughter of Liesel & Micah Ackley

10:45am Hymn #60

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (1 verse)

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Deborah Watson,
Pastoral Associate

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory

The Prayers I Make

Marshall

Ruth Ellen Patterson, Soprano

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Acts 12:11-19; Colossian 4:2

(p.1713, 1835)

Sermon

Too Busy Not To Pray

Praying With Your Eyes Open

Steve Weed,
Pastor

Hymn

The Lord's Prayer

Malotte

Benediction

Prayer Ministry

9:00am Greg Hein
10:45am Emma Shaw

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Scott's mother, Patricia Todd, by Scott, Julie and the family.

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 www.narberthpres.org or podcast through iTunes.

Thank you for being with us in worship today! To learn more about our church, Welcome Bags are available for newcomers in the Narthex

Six-Week Explorers' Class on Sunday afternoons, from 3-5pm, starting today, led by Pastor Steve and our Pastoral Associate, Debbie Watson. We will "explore" our relationship with Jesus Christ, Presbyterian beliefs, and Narberth Presbyterian in particular. For newcomers or members who want a refresher. Please call the church office (610) 664-4880. Childcare provided.

Congregational reading for this week, "Too Busy Not To Pray": Chapters 6-7

TOO BUSY NOT TO PRAY

Too Busy Not To Pray

Starting Sunday mornings on January 8 and running through Sunday, February 26, Pastor Steve is teaching a series of messages on “Too Busy Not To Pray: Connecting With God In All of Life.” Who among us does not wrestle both with busyness and stress, and the desire for a deeper prayer life and connection with God?

This will be our theme as a church community for 8 weeks in January and February. Along with Sunday morning messages, many small groups and classes will focus on this theme, including Wednesday nights.

7:00-8:00pm, led by Pastor Steve

All church members and friends are also encouraged to read the book by Bill Hybels with the same title, Too Busy Not To Pray. Books are available for a donation of \$5.00 (as you are able).

ALL in our church and community are welcome to join in this spiritual journey together!

On Monday nights, from 7:00-8:30pm, Debbie Watson is leading a small group focused on the book, Too Busy Not to Pray, for all who would like to grow in their understanding and experience of prayer. We meet in the parlor for 8 weeks, beginning January 16th. (Debbie’s class will generally follow the same outline as Pastor Steve’s previous Wed. class. Feel free to rotate according to scheduling needs.)

On Sunday mornings at 9:30am, Carrie Robinson is leading an adult Sunday School class on Too Busy Not To Pray. It meets in the Parlor

In this season of church life emphasizing prayer, three regular weekly prayer groups are ongoing and all are welcome: Sundays 8-9am (Steve’s office), Mondays 7-8pm (Chapel), Tuesdays 11-12noon (Parlor).

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:

- 9:30 Youth Sunday School:
- 4:00pm HS Youth Group
- Youth Fellowship - Wednesday 6-8pm

Upcoming Youth Events

- High School Youth Group 4:00pm each Sunday
 - February 12: 5-7:00pm Family Jeopardy Night! Parents vs Youth
 - Middle School Fun Nite February 17 6:30-9:00pm with special guests
 - March 13 NPC Parent and leaders night 7-8:30pm
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- For all youth-related questions, please contact John Chaffee 610-664-4880 x112 jchaffee@narberthpres.org

Needed:

If anyone has a black or dark-color couch to give to the Youth program, we are looking for more seating in the Youth Room! Email jchaffee@narberthpres.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **New 9:30am Sunday School Class**

“Too Busy Not To Pray: Connecting With God In All of Life.” Who among us does not wrestle both with busyness and stress, and the desire for a deeper prayer life and connection with God? Here’s a small group opportunity to join in the church-wide study of this book.

9:30am in the Parlor, led by Carrie Robinson

† **New 10:30am Sunday School Class:**

It’s been 500 years since 1517 when Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the church door at Wittenberg, Germany, precipitating a cascade of events that changed history. History of the Reformation is a 12 part DVD series given by church historian Robert Godfrey, outlining the people and events that defined this period. It is both interesting and inspiring, and helps us to better understand who we are at NPC.

10:30am in the Parlor, led by Norm Johanson

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† **Connect with God** - If you would like to spend some quality time with the creator of the universe, there is no better place than the Jesuit Retreat Center in Wernersville. We invite you to a weekend of prayerful silence and reflection that will refresh and renew your soul. Arrive anytime on Friday March 17 and return Sunday March 19 about 3pm. Cost of \$150 covers private room and meals. No experience necessary. Contact Dave Bellamy at dbellamy@narberthpres.org for more information. Register at www.narberthpres.org. Registration deadline is March 3.

† **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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† Amnion's Baby Bottles for Life Collection and Diaper Drive

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday on January 22 marks the beginning of Narberth Presbyterian Church's annual fund raiser for Amnion Pregnancy Center. Baby bottles will be available to be taken home, filled with cash or checks and returned to NPC by Sunday, February 19. Donation of disposable diapers, size 3, 4, or 5, and baby wipes is also appreciated. All donations may be dropped off in the chapel or church office. Any questions, contact Alice Antonelli at arichardson1@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

† Christian Nursery School 2017-2018 Registration Days!!

- Narberth Presbyterian Church members and current Nursery School families were invited to register on Friday, January 27 in the church gym, beginning at 9:00 a.m.
- All other families are invited to register on Friday, February 3 in the church gym, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

We recommend that you register on these days, as spaces fill up quickly

† **Scripture Readers needed!** Each week someone from the congregation blesses us by reading the first scripture portion for the day. We are compiling a Winter/Spring roster of people for the two services, and would be happy to have you read if you are at least 7 years old and are willing to speak a little more slowly than you probably do otherwise! Please sign up in the Chapel, and leave your e-mail so that we can get the "script" to you the Friday or Saturday before you read.

† **To preserve the deductibility of your church contributions,** it is recommended that you do not file your 2016 income tax return until you have received a written acknowledgment of your contributions to NPC from the church, scheduled to be mailed by January 31, 2017. Some of your contributions may not be tax-deductible if you file your tax return before receiving a written acknowledgment of your contributions from the church.

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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, January 22

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor
9:00am Worship Service
 9:30am Sunday School class,
 "Too Busy Not To Pray", Parlor
 10:30am Sunday School, Parlor
10:45am Worship Service
 12:30pm Missions meeting, Parlor
3:00 -5:00pm New Explorers' Class (Parlor)
Childcare provided
 4:00pm High School Youth Group

Monday, January 23

7:00pm NEW group: Too Busy Not to Pray,
led by Debbie Watson, Parlor
 7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, Steve's Office
 7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music office
 7:30pm Men's Bible Study in Galatians, Resource Center

Tuesday, January 24

6:30am Men's small group
 7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner
 11-12noon Study & Prayer group, led by Faith Hornung, Parlor
 7:00pm Knitters' group, Resource Room
 7:00pm Missions Committee, Parlor

Wednesday, January 25

5:45pm Wednesday Night Dinner at the Fellowship Café (Gym) Menu:

bread, salad, fruit, dessert
 6:30pm Children's classes (up to grade 5)
7:00pm Adult class: "Too Busy Not To Pray" led by Pastor Steve.

Thursday, January 26

9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor
 4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym
 7:30pm Basketball, Gym

Friday, January 27

10:00am Women's Bible Study, Chapel
 7:30pm Young Adults Bible Study

Saturday, January 28

Sunday, January 29

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor
9:00am Worship Service
 9:30am Sunday School class,
 "Too Busy Not To Pray", Parlor
 10:30am Sunday School, Parlor
10:45am Worship Service
 4:00pm High School 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: jlmpsyh@hotmail.com

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

Jan 30	6:30pm Bell Choir rehearsal
Feb 1	9:30am Staff Meeting, Parlor
Feb 3	6:30pm Parents' Night Out, Gym
Feb 4	9:00am Shepherds' Meeting, Parlor
Feb 9	9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor
Feb 17	6:30pm Middle School Fun Night
Feb 23	9:30am All-Day Quilts for Comfort event, Parlor
Feb 27	7:00pm Knitters' group, Resource Room
Feb 27	7:00pm Missions Committee, Parlor