

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

February 5, 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

Toccata

Thygerson

Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Call To Worship

Hymn #669

God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 10:14-19; Proverbs 21:13 (p.291, 1015)

9:00am Isabel Lally

10:45am Tom Patterson

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Gracious God, we thank you that because of your great love, we are not consumed, for your compassions never fail, they are new every morning. Through Jesus Christ you love us freely, but we have withheld ourselves from others. In these challenging days in our culture, we have allowed fears and enmity to divide us. Too often in our praying, we have not allowed you to change our attitudes and actions toward others, and especially the poor. In your mercy, please forgive us and cleanse us. Lead us to the cross, where the ground is level for every human being, and we receive the gift of your peace. Out of your great love for us, help us to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with you, our God. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

The Gloria Patri

The Greeting

Worship Song

Your Grace Is Enough

Tomlin/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 5th 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

Deborah Watson,

Pastoral Associate

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory

How Can It Be

Ingram

Jennifer Fisher, Soprano

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Matthew 9:35-10:1

(p.1510)

Sermon

How We Treat Others:

Compassion And The Power of Prayer

Steve Weed,

Pastor

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Worship Song

In Christ Alone

Townend & Getty

Invitation To Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, eternal and triune God, whom we worship as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In Jesus Christ you spoke the word that brought the world into being. By the Holy Spirit you brought order out of chaos and breathed life into your creatures.

In his ministry on earth, Jesus cared for all, forgiving their failures, healing their hurts, and nurturing their faith, giving himself in utter sacrifice for those he loved. He inspired ordinary people to Spirit-filled living, and displayed in his life, death, and rising again the power of your Spirit.

Nurture us at this table, O God, that we may grow to the stature of Jesus Christ. By the Holy Spirit, help us surrender more of ourselves to you, that we might know the freedom of your will. Help us to love you above all else and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves.

Keep us faithful in your service until Christ comes in final victory and we shall feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal realm. Amen.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again. Amen.**

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

10:45am Communion Music

Kathleen Pierce

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn #697

In Christ There Is No East or West

St. Peter

Benediction

Prayer Ministry

9:00am Isabel Lally
10:45am Linda Behmke

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

Congregational reading for this week, "Too Busy Not To Pray": Ch. 11-12

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. (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 Pot luck supper and 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

- † **Victor Habib, an NPC member**, graduated in December from Eastern University with a Master's in International Development, and is looking currently for a job opportunity with a non-governmental organization (NGO). Victor is hoping to work in one of the following areas: education and training, community development, community mobilization, peacebuilding, project planning and management, or biblical leadership and empowerment, but he is also open to other possibilities related to his training (and background in Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Math).
Victor is asking for renewed prayer concerning his job search. He has 40 days to find a job that will allow him to gain much needed experience. If he does not find a job before those 40 days are up, he will have to return to Egypt with his degree, but not much real-life experience. Please pray for the Lord to provide Victor with what he most needs in these next 40 days - in particular, a position which will draw on his training, experience and gifting, and peace, as he seeks both a job, and his future. Knowledge of any opportunities you might be aware will be appreciated.
- † **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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† Drivers Wanted – Can you help?

There are times when members and friends of NPC need transportation for such things as medical tests, doctors' appointments and when they are temporarily disabled by injuries. Do you have a servant's heart and a warm car to transport individuals when such needs arise? If so, please contact Omar Mehdi, Deacon in charge of the Transportation Ministry at mehdi.omar@gmail.com. You will be a blessing to these individuals. Thank you.

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

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday on January 22 marked the beginning of Narberth Presbyterian Church's annual fund raiser for Amnion Pregnancy Center. Baby bottles are 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!

† **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.

† **Also needed: flower vases** for delivering Sunday's flowers to those who are sick, or to families with new babies or simply to say hi! You can drop them off in the office or contact Isabel Lally. Thanks!

† **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, February 5

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor

9:00am Worship Service-Communion

Super Bowl Offering and Poll

9:30am Sunday School class,

“Too Busy Not To Pray”, Parlor

10:30am Sunday School, Parlor

History of the Reformation

10:45am Worship Service-Communion

Super Bowl Offering and Poll

NO HSYG today – enjoy the game!

Monday, February 6

6:30pm Bell Choir rehearsal

7:00pm: 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, February 7

6:30am Men’s small group

7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at

Narberth Diner

11-12noon Study & Prayer group, led by Faithe

Hornung, Parlor

7:00pm Deacons’ Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, February 8

9:30am Staff Meeting, Parlor

5:45pm Wednesday Night Dinner at the

Fellowship Café (Gym) Menu:

Mac & cheese/Stewed tomatoes

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, February 9

9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym

7:30pm Basketball, Gym

Friday, February 10

9:30am Moms’ Bible Study, Parlor

10:00am Women’s’ Bible Study, Chapel

7:30pm Young Adults Bible Study

Saturday, February 11

Sunday, February 12

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

History of the Reformation

10:45am Worship

5:00-7:00pm Pot-luck Supper and

Jeopardy: Youth v. Parents! Gym

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: jlmpsy@hotmail.com

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

Feb 17 6:30pm Middle School Fun Night
Feb 23 9:30am All-Day Quilts for Comfort event, Parlor
Feb 20 6:30pm Bell Choir rehearsal
Feb 28 7:00pm Knitters’ group, Resource Room
Feb 27 7:00pm Missions Committee, Parlor
Mar 3 6:30pm Parents’ Night Out, Gym
Mar 4 9:00am Shepherds’ Meeting, Parlor