

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

May 27, 2018

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 *Hail The Day That Sees Him Rise* *arr. Hopson*

Welcome and Concerns of the Church **Steve Weed,**
Pastor

Call to Worship **Responsive Reading**

L. Hear, O Israel. Hear O Narberth Pres

C. The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

L. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

C. These words that I command you today shall be upon your heart.

L. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk about them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

C. You shall tie them as symbols on your hand, and bind them on your forehead.

L. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house, and on your gates.

C. Take care, lest you forget the Lord.

L. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

C. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but so that the world might be saved through him.

Hymn #473 *And Can It Be That I Should Gain?* *Sagina*

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading Matthew 16:5-12, 26:57-58, 69-75 (p.1523,-45,-46)

9:00am Diane Chen

10:45am Tabby Gaffga

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Faithful God, Scripture tells us that you have written our names on your hand; that you never will forget your people. If only this were true of us where you are concerned, but we do forget you, Lord. We forget you, we forget who we are in you, and we do not think or speak or act as children of the Living God, or as followers of your Son. Forgive us, merciful God; give us sound minds to remember you, and what you say is most important – about you, about us, about others, so that we might move forward with you, living in ways that remind others that you are present, and at work for good in this, your world. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray, amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

The Greeting

Worship Song

Good Good Father

Tomlin

Worship Song

Let This Heart Not Wander (New)

Marshall

During the 9:00am service, children up to grade 5 may be dismissed to Children's Sunday School.

6th grade and up meet in the Youth Room for Sunday School.

During the 10:45am service, children in K through 5th grades may be dismissed to the Brown Door Room for Sunday School after the hymn/worship song.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Steve Weed

Passing of Friendship Pads

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

For All The Saints

arr. Hopson

Sherry Beebe

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Matthew 27:62-66; Matthew 28:16-20

(p.1549-50)

Sermon

Remembering and Moving Forward

Dr. Deborah Watson,

Pastoral Associate

Hymn #792

This Is A Time To Remember

Dudley

Benediction

Prayer Ministry

9:00am Isabel Lally

10:45am John Furlong

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of two people:

Nancy Donadio by her family; (daughter) Laura & Joe and Lily Freeman, and (son) Matt & Angela and Gracie Donadio.

And **William Procopiow**, by Julie Todd, in loving memory of her dad.

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

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.

Next Sunday at the 9:00am service, we have the privilege of welcoming 19 children to the Lord's Table. Then, in-between services, we will gather in the gym where 2 of our children will be baptized by immersion.

June 10 Historic Congregational Meeting and Vote

On Sunday, June 10, 2018, following a combined worship service at 9:00am, the congregation will meet and vote to ratify the dismissal agreement. Your attendance is highly important. The Presbytery requires a 50%+ quorum, or about 240 active members present in order to convene the meeting.

Please RSVP by using the card from the mailing, or call the office. Refreshments and childcare provided.

As of Friday morning, approximately 260 people have RSVP'd that they will attend. Registration begins at 10:15am and the meeting will start as soon as everyone is registered. **Note:** All young people who are confirmed are eligible and encouraged to vote.

We mailed a letter from Session and FAQs to Members recently. Copies and additional resources are available in the chapel.

Questions? Visit narberthpres.org/denomination, email denomination@narberthpres.org, or reach out to any elder, Pastor Debbie, or Pastor Steve.

Church-wide call to pray for June 10th

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." 1 Thess. 5:16-18

One of our strengths at NPC is that we are a people eager to pray and longing to follow God's leading. Years of prayer and discerning God's faithful leading have brought us to this time of transition to ECO and church-wide decision on June 10th.

As we anticipate this important day for our church, please join us in prayer---upholding our pastors, staff, elders, transition team, and all those in the Presbytery involved in this transition process—that as a church body we might be unified, confident and hope-filled in moving forward to ECO.

Opportunities for gathering in focused prayer are: Monday night 7 p.m. in Steve's office, Tuesday morning at 11 a.m. in the parlor, and Sunday morning at 8 a.m. in Steve's office.

A growing number of church members have voiced a burden for intentional, focused prayer in the form of a **24-hour prayer vigil at the church and at home**. Join us for prayer between 8 a.m. Saturday June 9, through 8 a.m. Sunday, June 10. Specific guidelines and suggestions for directed prayer will be available. **A sign-up sheet** with one hour prayer slots is available in the chapel. For the hours at church, we are hoping for 4 people per hour, but a minimum of 2 people.

Feel free to contact Linda DiLullo, 610-453-3420, with any questions.

On Thursday, May 31, 7:00-8:30pm, and **Wednesday, June 7, 7:00-8:30pm**, Pastor Steve will lead a time of prayer following a video on "The Role of Prayer in Spiritual Awakening." (Parlor)

YOU ARE INVITED

*You are warmly invited
to the ordination and installation of*

Deborah Watson

*by Philadelphia Presbytery
to the Ministry of
Word and Sacrament
and
as Associate Pastor of
Narberth Presbyterian Church*

Saturday, June 16, 2018

1:30 p.m.

*Narberth Presbyterian Church
205 Grayling Avenue
Narberth, Pennsylvania 19072*

*Reception to follow
Come celebrate the Lord's goodness
and faithfulness*

*R.S.V.P. by June 10, 2018
Contact the church office at
610-664-4880*

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Children 9:00 Worship Service

2's & 3's - 9:00 am: Gospel Light, Blue Door Room downstairs

4's & 5's - 9:00 am: Gospel Light, Red Door Room downstairs

Grades K-2 Gospel Light, Gym (9:00 only)

Children 10:45 Worship Service

2 to 5 year olds - 10:45 am: Gospel Light, Red Door Room downstairs

Grades K-5 - 10:45 am: Gospel Light, Brown Door Room

Current and Upcoming Events:

- † **Friday, June 1 is Family Movie Night!** All are welcome to join us in the gym from 6:30-9:00 as we enjoy Disney's Coco and movie trivia! Bring your favorite lawn chair and a snack to share! If you have questions please contact Danielle Kauffman dkauffman@narberthpres.org OR John Chaffee jchaffee@narberthpres.org. Hope to see many of you there!

- † **NEW: Sunday, June 3** at 12:30pm - VBC Training! Calling ALL VBC Volunteers! We plan to come together for fun and safety before getting Shipwrecked with over a hundred children. Please make every effort to be at training! We will meet in the gym.

- † **NEW: Saturday, July 21 - ALL CHURCH PICNIC!** Come one - Come all for a picnic at Springton Reservoir beginning at 1:00. More information soon!

- † **Save The Date(s)**
 - **Friday, June 1 – Family Movie Night**
 - **Sunday, June 3 – Children are Welcomed to the Lord's Table at the 9:00am service.**
 - **Sunday, June 10 – Children sing at our ONE service at 9:00am.**
 - **Sunday, June 17 – 5th Grade Recognition & 1st Grade Bible Presentation**
 - **Monday, June 18 – Friday, June 22 – VBC 1:30-4:30pm**

If you are interested in volunteering for VBC please email Danielle dkauffman@narberthpres.org

Registration for VBC "Shipwrecked" is online at www.narberthpres.org (scroll down to the "Shipwrecked" logo and click on that)

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Youth Grades 6-12:

- 9:30am Youth Sunday School
- 4:00pm Sunday HS Youth Group

As for special events in the coming months we have...

- **Sign up for this summer's trip!**
[HS Summer of Service](#) on Sunday, July 22nd - Saturday July 28th at The Philadelphia Project.
- **Senior Recognition on June 3rd!**
- **One Service and ECO Final Vote on June 10th!** What are you doing on June 10th? If you're confirmed (or about to be), you will be voting on the biggest thing that's happened to NPC in 127 years -- changing denominations from PC(USA) to ECO!
- **Last Day of Sunday School and Youth Group on June 10th!** (Then we switch to summer mode with its set of unique events not possible during the normal school year!)

And the benediction this week is...

May you find grace in the little moments each day. May you find grace in the big moments of each day. May you then come to realize that we are constantly surrounded by grace, and may you find that the grace that surrounds us is actually the ever present God of Jesus Christ breathing life into you every moment of every day!

For all youth-related questions, please contact John Chaffee 610-664-4880 x112
jchaffee@narberthpres.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **Check out the YoungLives Baby Bottle Campaign:** Printed information and baby bottles are in the Chapel for you to take home and fill with donations to help teen-age moms in Philadelphia experience a week of camp this summer. Please return the bottles with your donation by June 17th.
- † **Invitation to runners and walkers of all kinds – on Fridays at 6:00pm**
Are you interested in being part of a weekly running/walking group? At least a few of us are already excited about getting together once a week at Lower Merion Track on Fridays at 6:00pm. Please contact Pastor Steve if interested sweed@narberthpres.org or sign up in Chapel.
- † **Sunday, June 3 12:30pm VBC Volunteer training, Gym**
- † **Administrative coverage this summer ...** We are pleased that NPC member Curt Haring will be serving as Assistant Business Administrator while Dave McIntire is away for the summer. Curt will be working part-time from now through August to cover essential administrative and property responsibilities. He can be reached by email at charing@narberthpres.org and by phone at 610-816-4225.
- † **Habitat For Humanity ReStore:** the Habitat for Humanity ReStore truck will be in St. Margaret's School parking lot to accept donations to their ReStore facility in South Philadelphia on **Saturday, June 2 from 10:30am – noon.** Check the flyer on the table in the chapel for items accepted.
- † **Starting on Sunday, June 3,** we will be celebrating Communion at both the 9:00 and 10:45 services by intinction. All will be invited to come forward to receive communion. Those who are unable to come forward will be served in the pews.
- † **Unbound:** Personal prayer sessions to experience freedom in Christ, are available on Sundays at 10:45 am with Gene and Becky McGee and on Wednesday evenings with Dana and Maria Kaminstein at 7 pm. Sessions available by appointment only. Contact Gene (267-446-9598), Becky (215-287-3844), Dana (610-247-4825), Maria (610-247-4927).
- † **Dr. Janet Moore** has been serving in our Counseling Ministry for over 13 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.



On the Web:

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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, May 27

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor
8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office
9:00am Worship Service
9:30am Children's Sunday School, downstairs
9:30am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
10:45am Worship Service
4:00pm Youth Group

Monday, May 28

Office Closed for Memorial Day Holiday
7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, Steve's Office
7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music office
7:30pm Men's Bible Study in Gal., Copy Room

Tuesday, May 29

7:00am Men's small group, Resource Room
7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner
11:00am Prayer Group, Parlor (open to all)
7:00pm Called Session Meeting, Parlor
7:30pm Praise Team Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 30

7:00pm "Christian Liberty and the Grace of God", led by Norm Johanson, Parlor (last class)

Thursday, May 31

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym
7:00-8:30pm A time of prayer following a video on "The Role of Prayer in Spiritual Awakening." (Parlor)

Friday, June 1

9:30am Moms' Study Group, Parlor
(Last meeting until Sept.)
10:00am Women's Bible Study, Chapel
6:00pm Walk-Run Group @ Lower Merion HS Track, All are welcome
6:30pm Family Movie Night, Gym

Saturday, June 2

NPC's 127th Birthday!

Sunday, June 3

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor
8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office
9:00am Worship Service –Communion
Welcoming Children to the Lord's Table
9:30am Children's Sunday School, downstairs
9:30am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
10:45am Worship Service-Communion
HS Senior Recognition
12:30pm VBC Volunteer training, 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–Saturday & Sunday at 4:30pm
Counseling: Dr. Janet Moore: cell: 484-686-6630 email: jlmpsy@hotmai.com

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

June 5 6:30pm Deacons' Meeting, Ilonka Comstock's house
June 6 7 -8:30pm "The Role of Prayer in Spiritual Awakening."
Video and prayer time, Parlor
June 10 9:00am ONE Combined service followed by Congregational Meeting & Vote
June 14,28 9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor
June 16 1:30pm Ordination and Installation service for Deborah Watson
June 17 9:00am: 5th grade recognition, Bibles to 1st graders.
June 18-22 1:30-4:30pm VACATION BIBLE CAMP
June 24 12:15pm VBC Picnic in the parking lot, all invited
July 21 1:00-4:30pm ALL CHURCH PICNIC, food & games, Springton Lake