

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

June 23, 2019

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 *Be Thou My Vision* **arr. Hopson**

Welcome and Call To Worship **John 20:21,22**

Hymn #20 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* **Ode To Joy**

Prayer of Invocation

Family News

9:00am Welcome and Introduction of New Members **Rebecca Willgruber
Walter and Pam Kubiak**

Scripture Reading Exodus:19:3-6; Acts 2:17-18;
1 Peter 2:9-10 (p.116, 1692, 1888)
9:00am Noelle Wren
10:45am Wanda Brown

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, through faith in your Son Jesus Christ, the ground at the foot of the cross is level. We are your children, and we can all come boldly into your presence. Despite this amazing gift of royal access, we confess missed opportunities to know you and to love you. Forgive us for being so full of ourselves that we have not cared for the people around us. Please forgive us and cleanse us from our sins. By the Holy Spirit, empower us to be your priests and servants in this world, and a true friend to our neighbors. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

9:00am Special Recognition **Charlie Choi,**
Chair of Missions Committee
Ashley Reed,
Moderator of the Deacons

9:00am Children's Message **God Is Good!**
Danielle Kauffman, Safari Rob (John), and the VBC Children

Greeting

VBC Song

I'm Trusting You

Stocker

VBC Song

I Will Not Be Afraid

Stocker

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Deborah Watson,
Associate Pastor

Passing of Friendship Pads

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Be Still My Soul/In You I Rest

arr. Kari Jovi

Ron Pennington, vocals & guitar, Andrew Pennington, guitar
Linda Pilacik, piano

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Galatians 6:7-10; Colossians 3:23,24

(p.1816, 1835)

Sermon

Holy Spirit Commissioning:

You Are A Priest And You Have A Parish

Steve Weed,
Pastor

Hymn #356

All Creatures of Our God and King (1,2,4,5)

Benediction

Prayer Ministry

9:00am Linda DiLullo

10:45am Scott Todd

The Altar Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her father, Toshio Hashimoto, by Izumi Woolley.

***Walter & Pam Kubiak** live in Narberth. Walt is a recently retired attorney and has worked extensively with Sunday Breakfast Rescue Mission, and Pam works as a Labor & Delivery Nurse at Hahnemann University Hospital. They come to NPC from Grace Chapel in Havertown.

***Rebecca Willgruber** is a nanny and a nursing student at Widener and lives in King of Prussia. She comes to NPC from Hope Community Church in King of Prussia.

Thank you VBC Volunteers!

What an incredible week of VBC and it was only possible because of the amazing youth and adult volunteers. I appreciate each of you so much! Enjoy your summer! Blessings, Danielle

Thank you for being with us in worship today! To learn more about our church, Welcome Bags are available for newcomers in the Narthex, the entrance area at the front doors, and at the Windsor Ave. 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 www.narberthpres.org or podcast through iTunes.

Narberth Presbyterian Church is grateful for your gifts. You may give in the offering plate with cash or a check, online at narberthpres.org/give, or via text message by sending the amount you wish to give to 610-642-4831.

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Animal Safari - Children's Sunday School Curriculum! Beginning Sunday, June 30th! Put on your sunscreen and get out your cameras. Rising Kindergarten through 5th grade will be on an animal safari through the Bible! Lions, Zebras, Monkeys will help bring our Bible Stories to Life.

2 year olds & 3 year olds enjoy an age appropriate lesson in The Blue Door Room (RM #105) during the 9:00 service only and meet in The Red Door Rm (RM #107) at 10:45.

4 year olds through PreK meet in The Red Door Room (RM #107) during both the 9:00 and 10:45 services.

Our Nursery is available at the 9:00 and 10:45 worship services. This room is best for infants through 23 months.

Please sign your child in and out of each classroom

Summer of Service for Children - Save the date for these new and exciting ways to serve! RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org)

Wednesday, June 26th - KIDS COOK IN! Rising 2nd - 5th graders are invited to the church kitchen as we prepare meals for our homebound and other special people. We will begin at 3:30 pm. Please RSVP your child.

Monday, August 12th - Memory Project! This project invites young artists around the world to create portraits as special gifts for children facing challenges. It is best for rising 4th - 8th grade. More details soon!

Save the Date:

Saturday, June 29th - Hershey Park Field Trip

Sunday, July 14th - All Church Picnic

Sunday, July 21st - Laser Tag

Upcoming Youth Events

TODAY!! Car Wash/Bake Sale Fundraiser (and Color War) @12pm -

This year, for our annual fundraiser, we will change it up just a little bit... With a car wash staffed by our youth on Windsor Ave and a Bake Sale in the parking lot while people wait for their car to finish being washed! Then, for all those involved, we will have a Color War in the parking lot... You know, just for fun. More details to come!

MS BBQ at The Philadelphia Project - Wednesday, July 24th @6pm -

The Philadelphia Project - July 21-27th

This is our annual trip with High Schoolers to The Philadelphia Project in Roxborough. Although it is close, we treat it as though it is a mission trip to far away. We will be staying at their accommodations, joining in on their numerous projects around the city, partaking in their evening services, and spending quality time together. Many of our youth come back from this trip saying how much they enjoyed it and how much it meant to them.

THE SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

Elders

As there were in Old Testament times elders for the government of the people, so the New Testament Church provided persons with particular gifts to share in governing and ministry. Elders should be persons of faith, dedication and good judgment. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel, both within the church and in the world.

It is the duty of elders, individually and jointly, to strengthen and nurture the faith and life of the congregation committed to their charge. Together with the pastor, they should encourage the people in the worship of God, equip and renew them for their tasks in the church and for their mission in the world, visit and comfort and care for the people, with special attention to the poor, the sick, the lonely and those who are oppressed. They should inform the pastor and the session of those persons and structures that may need special attention. They should assist in worship. They should cultivate their ability to teach the Bible and may be authorized to supply places that are without the regular ministry of the Word and Sacrament. Those duties that all Christians are bound to perform by the law of love are especially incumbent upon elders because of their calling to office and are to be fulfilled by them as official responsibilities. (Excerpts from the *Book of Order (2009/11)*)

Recommendations for Elder

The Nominating Committee is receiving recommendations for the offices of Elder and Deacon to begin in January 2020. In light of the description above, if you have individuals to suggest for Elder, please write them down below. Please describe briefly why you believe the individual would be suitable for this office.

It is not necessary to obtain the permission of the person you are suggesting. It is preferable for the Nominating Committee to make the initial contact should this person be nominated.

For the office of Elder:

Name: _____

Reason for recommendation: _____

Name: _____

Reason for recommendation: _____

Name: _____

Reason for recommendation: _____

(Further names may be suggested on a separate paper.)

Please put this form in the collection plate, or drop off in the church office.

Deacons

The office of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of compassion, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, of exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgment should be chosen for this office.

It is the duty of deacons, first of all, to minister to those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to any who may be in distress both within and beyond the community of faith. They shall assume such other duties as may be delegated to them from time to time by the session, such as leading the people in worship through prayers of intercession, reading the Scriptures, presenting the gifts of the people, and assisting with the Lord's Supper. (Excerpts from the *Book of Order* (2009/11))

Recommendations for Deacon

The Nominating Committee is receiving recommendations for the offices of Elder and Deacon to begin serving in January 2020. In light of the description above, if you have individuals to suggest for Deacon, please write them down below. Please describe briefly why you believe the individual would be suitable for this office.

It is not necessary to obtain the permission of the person you are suggesting. It is preferable for the Nominating Committee to make the initial contact should this person be nominated.

For the office of Deacon:

Name: _____

Reason for recommendation: _____

Name: _____

Reason for recommendation: _____

Name: _____


Reason for recommendation: _____

(Further names may be suggested on a separate paper.)

Please put this form in the collection plate, or drop off in the church office.

At our best, Elders and Deacons seek by the grace of God to be examples of Jesus Christ and models of the quality of life which God desires for the whole church. It is a great privilege and responsibility – we welcome your prayers!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **We welcome the Arabic Christian Fellowship**, who will begin worshipping here at NPC each Sunday from 6-8pm in the Parlor. Many years ago they worshipped here and now find themselves again in need of a place to gather. We are blessed to be able to share our space and our hospitality with them. Our own Selim Tawadros has been a special part of this fellowship for many years.
- † **Narberth Borough 4th of July Celebration** 
NPC has traditionally been a part of our town's 4th of July celebration at Narberth Playground. We are in need of volunteers to run a children's bounce & slide ride on the 4th, from 10am-2pm. Only a once-a-year commitment!! Please **call or text Betsy Hayden at 215-920-9015** or email: bhayden126@comcast.net
Narberth's 4th of July planners also needs some helpers to set up tents and tables on July 3rd between 6-9pm.
Please help continue NPC's presence in this festive community celebration. You don't have live in Narberth to participate. **Sign-up sheet in Chapel.**
- † **Help Needed for a Meal at The Philadelphia Project:**
Our Youth will be at The Philadelphia Project from July 21-27. We are signed up to provide the Friday (7/26) night meal and need help in preparing this meal for our youth. All contributions are welcome and all hands are welcome to help prepare the meal. I (Sharon) can be reached at **610-505-8686** or sbshallow55@gmail.com. Thank you, Sharon Shallow
- † **Save the Date! All-Church Picnic! On Sunday, July, 14th, we will again meet at the Springton Reserve Picnic Pavilion, beginning at 4:00pm until sunset.**
- † **Are you interested in being refreshed, and having your faith re-ignited? We meet Wednesday evenings, June 5, 12, 19, 26, from 7:00-8:30 in the Parlor. Childcare provided. Come expectantly! It's not too late to join us!**
- † **SAVE THE DATES!! October 18-20**
Here at NPC, we will be holding an in-house Spiritual Renewal Weekend. There will be services, small groups, prayer, fellowship activities and of course, food!

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† VBC Mission - Fellowship International!

This year the children of VBC raised over \$350 to help Fellowship International with their educational program for children in Nigeria. If you would like to contribute to our VBC mission please leave your donation in the offering plate marked VBC mission or you can mail it directly to the church. Please keep Fellowship International in your prayers.

† *Redeemed for a Cause*, our newest mission cause, is located in West Philadelphia, and reaches out with the love of Christ and hands-on help to trafficked women in the city. Sakinah Love is the Director. If you would like to join in their efforts to eradicate trafficking and the misery it produces, please pray for Sakinah and the women she and her colleagues interact with, and consider participating in one or both of their upcoming events: 1) Narcan training at the center on June 8. 2) A pop-up sandwich outreach, involving making, packaging, and distributing sandwiches in the neighborhood around the center. Sandwich items are needed, as are cases of water /juices to offer. During the pop-up outreach, we will be praying for, praying with, and loving on folks. Want to know more? Contact Sakinah Love at

<https://www.redeemedforacause.org/redeemedforacause> or 215-821-8353.

Save the Date: On Saturday, July 6, 2019 from 6:00pm – 8:30pm, the NPC Missions Committee is sponsoring a table at the 2 year Anniversary Celebration of *Redeemed for A Cause*. If you would like to join us in support of this anti human-trafficking ministry, which is one of our new mission causes, contact Sally Kapner sally.kapner@eastern.edu.

† Our Transportation Ministry is seeking volunteers to help get Helga Sauter to and from Sunday service. If you are willing to help in this way, please contact Kevin Cope at kevindavidcope@gmail.com or 215-510-0459.

† Justice & Mercy Ministry: There will be an open meeting for all interested on this Tuesday, 6/25, from 3:00-5:00pm in the Parlor.

Questions to think about:

What have you been involved with recently? What is particularly on your heart at this time? What would you like to see happen? Do you have any ideas how to help that happen?

† 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.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, June 23

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office

8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor

9:00am Worship Service

9:30am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

10:45am Worship Service

After the 2nd Service:

Carwash Fundraiser and Bake Sale for Youth Summer Mission TODAY after the 10:45 service by the Windsor Ave. entrance, 12-1:30pm.

Monday, June 24

7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, Steve's Office

7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music room

7:30pm Men's Bible Study, Parlor

Tuesday, June 25

7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner

11:00am Praying / Bible group, Resource Room

3:00-5:00pm Justice and Mercy: What's On Your Heart? All are welcome, meet in Parlor

7:00pm Outreach Committee, Chapel

7:00pm Missions Committee, Parlor

7:30pm College-age group, Youth Room

Wednesday, June 26

9:30am-1:00pm Staff Mini-Retreat, Parlor

3:00-6:00pm Kids Cook! Gym

7:00pm Study: The Holy Spirit (4-week Class) Led by Pastor Steve

Childcare available, All welcome any week

Thursday, June 27

9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor resumes through July, Gym

7:30pm Adult Basketball resumes, Gym

7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Friday, June 28

10:00am Women's Bible Study, Parlor

4:00pm Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, June 29

Family Field Trip to Hersey Park

4:00pm Wedding: Kubiak/Waters

Sunday, June 30

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office

8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor

9:00am Worship Service

9:30am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

10:45am Worship Service

Each Week

Christian Nursery School – 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: jlmpsych@hotmail.com

Planning Ahead-Information and calendar updates 24/7 www.narberthpres.org

July 11	9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor (Last meeting until September)
July 14	4:00pm ALL Church Picnic!
July 21-27	The Philadelphia Project YG Mission trip
Aug 12	4:00-6:00pm Children's event: "Memory Project Art"
Aug 24	10:00am-3:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive, Gym