

# LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

October 13, 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** *Rigaudon* *Campra*

**Welcome and Call To Worship** *Psalm 85:4-7*

**Hymn #77** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* *Lobe Den Herren*

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Family News**

**Scripture Reading** 1 Peter 1:3-9 (p.1886)

9:00am Donald Vangore

10:45am Cathy Callaway

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All the people: Thanks be to God!**

**Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until we find our rest in you. Please forgive us for digging wells that hold no water, and for laboring so hard for what does not satisfy. Too often we forget our identity in Christ and the saving power of the cross. Please forgive us. Remind us deep inside that we are saved by grace, not by our achievements, or how we compare with others. By the Holy Spirit, renew our love for you and others, and restore to us the joy of your salvation. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

**Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon**

**Greeting**

**Worship Song** *Who You Say I Am* *Fielding/Morgan*

**Worship Song** *Great Are You Lord* *Leonard/Ingram*

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer** *Deborah Watson,*  
Associate Pastor

**Passing of Friendship Pads**

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory** *Goodness of God* *Johnson*  
Claire Vesper

**Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

Scripture Reading

Romans 3:21-24; 5:1,2

(p.1750,-52)

Sermon

**Preparing for Spiritual Renewal:  
The Foundation of Joy**

**Steve Weed,**  
Pastor

Hymn #519

*It Is Well with My Soul*

*Ville Du Havre*

Benediction

Prayer Ministry

9:00am Clara Louie  
10:45am John Furlong

**The altar flowers today** are given to the glory of God by Deborah Miller, in loving memory of her mom, Mary Weir Miller.

**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](http://www.narberthpres.org) or podcast through iTunes.

**SERMON SERIES.** We continue a series of messages on Spiritual Formation, "***Called To Flourish: How Christ Is Formed In Us.***" We are considering the process by which Jesus Christ shaped Simon to become Peter, the "Rock," and how Christ is likewise formed in each of us.

September 1	Identity: How Does Jesus Look At You?
September 8	Saying YES To Jesus: Whole Life Discipleship
September 15	Water Walking 101: Fear, Faith and the Presence of Jesus
September 22	Who Is Jesus In A Secular World?
September 29	The Mountaintop And The Valley
October 6	Grace Turned Inside Out

# FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

**ACTIVATE Your Faith!** - Children's Sunday School Curriculum! Elementary-aged children will begin to put their faith into action this fall. Get ready to Walk in Wisdom, Love, Truth, and Faith! AND with many new and exciting service projects!

**2 yr olds & 3 yr olds** meet in The Blue Door Rm (#105) during the 9:00 service.

**4 yr olds through PreK** meet in The Red Door Rm (#107) during the 9:00 service.

**\*\*Please note the younger classes combine during the 10:45 service in RM #107\*\***

**Our Nursery** (Rm #104) 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\*\***

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**Children's Sunday School Offering!** Now through the end of October, the children of NPC will be collecting items to help support Our Friend's on the Parkway. You can leave your donations in the boxes on the stage in the gym. **Items Needed:** backpacks, rolling suitcases, sleeping bags, reusable shopping bags, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, small bottles of shampoo/conditioner, lotion, underwear, socks, sneakers

All are welcome to ACTIVATE. Sunday School takes place during the 9:00 and 10:45 services.

## **INGREDIENTS OF A GODLY LIFE! New Wednesday Night Programming**

Wednesdays, children up to 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to explore the ingredients that go into a godly life, while they help "cook up" some food and fun!

Children will have unique opportunities to be in the kitchen and create delicious meals and snacks. Children's program begins at 7:00pm and we meet in RM #107 (Red Door Room). Hope to see many of you there

## **Save the Dates:**

Friday, October 18th - Sunday, October 20th - Spiritual Renewal Weekend

Friday, Nov. 1st - Sunday, Nov. 3rd - The Philadelphia Project BLITZ Weekend

Wednesday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> - Kids' Cook-In, beginning at 4:30pm

Friday, Nov. 15th - Intercession Prayer Night for Children and Youth at 7:00pm



*Can God use your pain for his purpose?  
Can your joy be restored and sustained?  
Do you want time to connect with your friends at church?*

*You're Invited to*  
**Narberth Presbyterian Church's  
Spiritual Renewal Weekend**  
October 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>

This in-house, church-wide Spiritual Renewal Weekend is for you!  
is a chance for all of us to set aside time to dig into prayer, worship,  
connection - and fun - together as a church family.

All members and friends are welcome!

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Help us plan for the childcare, food and fun  
and ensure that everyone has a great experience!

**Please RSVP to your electronic invite or visit [www.narberthpres.org](http://www.narberthpres.org).**

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**Our guest speaker, Jonathan Miller** was born in Cleveland, Ohio. He and Karin have been married 47 years and are the blessed parents of two daughters, Katie and Sarah. Jonathan graduated from Wilmington Friends School, Trinity College (CT), and Princeton Seminary. He served in the USMC prior to seminary. He then pastored churches in Red Bank, Laurel Springs, and Moorestown in NJ, and at Manoa in Havertown, Pa. But he is best known at this church for being the brother of Deborah!

**Our guest worship leader for Saturday will be Claire Vesper**, worship leader at Meadowcroft Presbyterian Church in West Chester, PA. Claire is also the daughter of NPC members Sam and Linda DiLullo.

# SPIRITUAL RENEWAL WEEKEND SCHEDULE

**FRIDAY NIGHT**, starting at 6:30 pm, we will gather for a welcome by Pastor Steve followed by a powerful introductory talk by our guest speaker, Jonathan Miller. Our children (K - 5th) will enjoy a "Praise Party" of their own during adult programming and childcare for infants through PreK will be provided as well. At 8:00 pm, the older kids will come upstairs to join us to enjoy an inspiring concert by Philly-based, singer songwriter, Joy Ike! There will be an opportunity for prayer following the concert.

6:30	Doors open / Gathering time <i>Drop off Infants to PreK (Red Door Room)</i>
7:00	<b>Welcome and Opening Prayer by Steve</b>
7:15	<i>Kids Welcome and Dismissal by Danielle</i>
7:30	<b>Introductory talk by Jonathan Miller</b>
7:50	<i>Older kids come up to sanctuary</i>
8:00	<b>Concert by Joy Ike</b>
9:00	Opportunity for prayer 9:00 pm Refreshments and fellowship

**SATURDAY** morning we will have two teaching sessions, beginning at 9:00 am with breakout groups (middle schoolers will have their own group) or prayer in between, and then have lunch together. Our children (K - 5th) will enjoy a "Praise Party" of their own during adult programming and childcare for infants through PreK will be provided as well. In the afternoon, time for fun and fellowship activities for all ages including our annual Fall Fest and free time afterwards. We'll gather at 5:30 pm for dinner followed by worship and teaching, finishing up around 8:00 pm.

8:00	Coffee and refreshments in the gym Opportunity for prayer 8:00 am-9:00 am
8:45	<i>Childcare starts - Drop off Infants to PK in Red Door Room and K-5 in gym</i>
9:00	<b>Worship Session led by Claire Vesper</b>
9:25	<b>Teaching 1 by Jonathan Miller - The Search for Joy</b>
10:15	<b>Breakout Groups - Middle Schoolers will have separate group with John Chaffee</b> Opportunity for prayer
11:00	<b>Teaching 2 by Jonathan Miller - Restoring and Sustaining of Joy</b>
11:45	Closing and Opportunity for prayer
11:50	<i>Pick up kids from childcare</i>
12:00	<b>Lunch!</b>
1:00	Fall Fest begins Opportunity for prayer 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
3:00	Free time fun begins!
5:00	Opportunity for prayer and anointing with oil 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm
5:30	<b>Dinner</b>
6:15	<i>Drop off for kids 5th Grade and Under to Red Door Room</i>
6:30	<b>Worship Session led by Claire Vesper</b>
7:00	<b>Teaching 3 by Jonathan Miller - Joy and the Shadows of Death</b>
8:00	Closing and Opportunity for prayer

**SUNDAY** morning, we will have **ONE** combined church service from 9:30 am - 11:00 am and celebrate together!

# YOUTH GROUP NEWS

## **NPCYG Fall 2019 Schedule**

### **Weekly Recurring Events**

Youth Sunday School Every Sunday from 930am-End of Services (Except first Sundays of the month)

HSYG Every Sunday from 4-6pm

MSYG Every Wednesday from 630-8pm

### **Special Events in Each Month**

#### **October**

18th-20th - NPC Spiritual Renewal Retreat (Fri.-Sun.)

#### **November**

8th-10th - [Reality High School Fall Retreat to Sandy Hill Camp Retreat Center \(Still Has a Few Open Spots\)](#)

10th - No HS Youth Group, we will have just returned from the retreat.

15th - Special Prayer Night for our Children and Youth

20th - Youth Volunteer Outing (Location is a Surprise...)

#### **December**

8th - Last HS Youth Group for 2019

13th - Youth Christmas Party to Get Air Trampoline Park

20th - Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker with NPCYG and Friends (We just reserved the theater, more info to come!)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **NPC's Friday Morning Moms' Group** has resumed and meets from 9:30 to 11:30 am in the Parlor every other Friday. This fall we will be studying the CS Lewis classic, The Screwtape Letters. This is a deep, welcoming, and supportive group of women who pray together, share about life's struggles and successes, and seek to grow closer to Jesus by studying Scripture and helpful books together. We are always open to new faces and encourage inviting new Christians or friends/neighbors/family members who are questioning faith. Coffee, tea, snacks, and free childcare are provided. Our next meeting will be Friday, October 25th. Please contact Jess Gaffga ([jessicagaffga@yahoo.com](mailto:jessicagaffga@yahoo.com)) or Jo-Anne Kaplan ([jrgarrid@yahoo.com](mailto:jrgarrid@yahoo.com)) with any questions.
- † **Treasurer's Update**  
Offerings for the five September Sundays, plus online giving totaled \$81,472, bringing our YTD September total to \$709,652. That equals 62% of our 2019 budget of \$1,140,000. \$430,348 would be needed in the fourth quarter to meet our budgeted expenses, though actual spending has been below budget to date. A full YTD September report will be issued once all numbers are complete.
- † **RSVP for Spiritual Renewal Weekend** - - If you either did not receive the RSVP invitation for the Spiritual Renewal Weekend, do not use email or misplaced the message, you can still RSVP. Please use the written sign-up sheet in the Chapel. When you confirm that you will be attending, it allows us to make sure we order the right amount of supplies and food. All are welcome, whether a reservation is made or not, but we are hoping for as many reservations as possible. Please see Jack Comstock if you have questions.  
You can also RSVP for the Spiritual Renewal Weekend on our website: [www.narberthpres.org](http://www.narberthpres.org)
- † **Kindergarten Enrichment at Narberth Presbyterian Church:** Would you like to find a program to compliment your child's morning kindergarten? There is still room in our wonderful kindergarten enrichment program which runs from 12-3:30PM Monday thru Friday. The curriculum focuses on science, math, language projects, crafts, cooking, drama and cultural awareness. Bussing is provided from Belmont Hills Elementary School, and other students may be dropped off by a parent or caregiver. Join us for a complimentary visiting day where you can meet the teacher and learn about the program. Email [preschool@narberthpres.org](mailto:preschool@narberthpres.org) or call 610-664-8890 to arrange your visit and get tuition details.
- † **A Justice and Mercy Opportunity**  
**Monday, October 14 at 7pm at the Warner Library Atrium, Eastern University.** The Philadelphia Commons Institute sponsors a lecture on William Penn's "holy experiment" and the origins of American liberty and his vision for a civil society. Our own Lia Howard will serve as host for this event.



**On the Web:**

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

**Sunday, October 13**

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor  
8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office  
**9:00am Worship Service**  
9:30am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room  
9:30am Children's Sunday School, Gym  
9:30am Adult Sunday School, Parlor  
**10:45am Worship Service**  
12:15-2:30pm Explorers Class  
4:00pm High School Youth Group

**Monday, October 14**

7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, Steve's Office  
7:30pm Men's Bible Study, Parlor

**Tuesday, October 15**

7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner  
9:30-11:30am Renewal Weekend Meeting, Parlor  
11:00am Praying / Bible group, Resource Room  
7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor

**Each Week**

**Christian Pre-School** – 610-664-8890 Director: Christina Platt  
2, 3 & 5 Day Programs 9:00am to 12 noon & 12 noon to 3:00pm Extended Day Program, Sept.-May

**AA** meets 12:30pm, Monday–Saturday & Sunday at 4:30pm in the Choir Room

**Counseling:** Dr. Janet Moore: cell: 484-686-6630 email: [jlmpsych@hotmail.com](mailto:jlmpsych@hotmail.com)

**Planning Ahead**-Information and calendar updates 24/7 [www.narberthpres.org](http://www.narberthpres.org)

Oct 21 6:30pm Windsor Bell Choir Rehearsal, Chapel  
Oct. 22 7:00pm Missions Committee Meeting, Parlor  
Oct 22 7:00pm Outreach Committee Meeting, Chapel  
Oct. 24 9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor  
Oct 25 9:30am Moms' Bible Study, Parlor  
Nov 1-3 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade Service with The Philadelphia Project

**Wednesday, October 16**

12-1:15pm Staff Meeting, Parlor  
12:00pm-1:45pm CPS Staff Mtg., Chapel  
**5:45pm** Wednesday Night Supper & Classes  
**Menu:** Pasta with sauce (Meat/Veg/GF) salad, dessert  
**6:30pm** Middle Sch. Youth Group, Y Room  
**7:00pm** Ingredients of a Godly Life (children up to 5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
**7:00pm 3 Adult Discipleship Classes:**  
The Least of These  
Book of Ruth  
Mere Christianity

**Thursday, October 17**

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym  
7:30pm Adult Basketball, Gym  
7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary

**Friday, October 18**

10:00am Women's' Bible Study, Chapel  
**6:30-9:00pm Renewal Weekend begins** (see page 7 for details)

**Saturday, October 19**

**Renewal Weekend Events**

**Sunday, October 20**

**9:30am ONE combined Service**