

## LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

March 6, 2022

Prelude Paul Mortilla, Piano

Welcome and Family News Pastor Steve

Call to Worship Matthew 11:28-30 Hudson Martin

Hymn #43 "A Mighty Fortress" Ein' Feste Burg

Pam Fleming- Organ

Prayer of Invocation Pastor Debbie

Scripture Reading Mark 4:35-41 Heather Kaplan

### **Prayer of Confession**

Pastor Steve

Gracious God, We thank you that in the storms of life, Jesus is with us in the boat. We confess that like the disciples, we often feel afraid of the wind and the waves, and we struggle to trust you. Sometimes it seems like you are asleep. Please forgive our sins and protect us from all anxiety. Help us to be still and to know that you are God. With divine authority, speak your peace into our troubled world, and by the Holy Spirit, grant us hope. In all our weariness, help us to find our rest in you. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon

Introduction of Intergenerational Ministry

Pam Fleming, Elder, Personnel Committee Danielle Kauffman, Director of Intergenerational Ministry

Worship Songs "Who You Say I Am" Sarah & Worship Team

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Ansley White, solo & ukulele

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading Psalm 121; 127:1,2 Pastor Debbie

Sermon "When You Are Exhausted: A Theology of Sleep" Pastor Steve

Apostles' Creed

**Communion Litany** 

Danielle Kauffman

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Pastor Debbie

Hymn #519

"It Is Well With My Soul"

Ville Du Havre

Benediction

Pastor Steve

Postlude

Paul Mortilla, Piano

**Prayer Ministry** 

Jim Hornung

**Today is the first Sunday in Lent** as we journey together toward Good Friday and Easter. In this special season of renewed devotion to Jesus, our theme on Sunday mornings is "Victorious Struggle."

## Special Offering (Ukraine):

For the next 3 weeks, we have the opportunity to give a special offering to benefit our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. **Save A Life** is the Ukrainian version of Amnion (since 2009). In addition to their work with young women expecting babies, they now are also aiding those fleeing, and providing shelter and support for those who cannot leave. Save A Life is Christian, Ukrainian, and already at work there. The US base is in Dresher, PA, and its founder is a graduate of Eastern University. Here is a link to their website, if you would like to learn more about them. <a href="https://savealifeintl.org/">https://savealifeintl.org/</a>

## Wednesday Night Dinner

Wednesday Night Dinners are BACK! 5:45-6:30pm, in the Gym (in the Parlor, if stairs are an issue) This week's menu: Chicken Salad, Egg Salad, Almond Slaw (vegetarian), Cheese Sticks, LeBus & G-free Bread, Fruit Come for good fellowship, food, and classes in this Lenten Season. Donations are welcome, to cover the cost of food. All are welcome! Please sign-up, by following the prompt below, or by calling the church office (610-664-4880 x119).

## Wednesday Night Lenten Classes

7:00 – Children's class with Danielle

7:00 - Middle School Youth Group with Lisa

7:00 – "Bringing God's Shalom" with Pastor Debbie

7:00 - "Spiritual Health Inventory" with Pastor Steve

## Rise and Shine Breakfast - Sunday, March 13th from 8:30am - 9:15am

As we "Spring-Ahead", join us for a delicious breakfast in the NPC gym beginning at 8:30am. Pancakes, eggs, coffee and fellowship! Hosted by NPC's Property Committee and some energetic Youth! Rise and Shine and give God the glory as we enjoy breakfast together! All are welcome!

# ADULT DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## Sunday Mornings

**8:15** am class-Please join us - live in the NPC Parlor, or via Zoom, for a time of conversation focused on the scriptures for that day's worship service. All are welcome! Contact Debbie Watson for more details <a href="mailto:dwatson@narberthpres.org">dwatson@narberthpres.org</a>.

"A People, a Place and a Just Society": New class starting March 6 @ 11:15 am Today's society struggles with issues of justice and fairness. How can we reflect God's image, God's idea of a just society? How can we enact a just society in which all people are cared for holistically? Over the eight weeks beginning March 6 (with a break for Easter) this class, "A People, Place, and a Just Society," will explore how Scripture reveals God's vision for justice from Genesis to Revelation using daily (M-F) videos, Scripture readings, and a few questions for reflection. Each participant's course content is supplied at no cost to us by our ECO Heritage Presbytery. Mark Wenger will lead this class via Zoom and at church at 11:15 each Sunday. Contact Mark (markfwenger@yahoo.com) if you would like to join us so that we can provide you with the materials for this class.

#### Wednesday Night in the Chapel with Pastor Debbie

Pastor Debbie will continue a Wednesday night video-based journey through the land of Israel/Palestine, walking with Jesus and the disciples to the cross, and beyond, to the Resurrection. All are welcome to join "Bringing God's Shalom to a World in Chaos" – in-person, and via zoom – as we grow in our understanding of God and are challenged to live as true followers of Jesus. (7:00- 8:00pm in the Chapel)

Wednesday Night Bible Study: Spiritual Health Inventory. Starting on Wednesday, March 9 at 7:00pm, Pastor Steve will lead a 6-week Bible Study focused on our spiritual health. Drawing largely from Philippians 3 and 4, topics will include knowing Christ, spiritual growth, progress not perfection, interpersonal relationships, affliction and joy, anxiety and peace, our thought life and a renewed mind, trial and contentment, and generosity. (Parlor)

# **FAMILY NEWS-CHILDREN**

# FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS: Children CHILDREN'S NEWS

Family Worship is this Sunday, March 6th! This Sunday, March 6th Kindergarten through 12th grade are encouraged to worship with their church family and participate in communion. The NPC Nursery is available for infants through preschool age children. Worship Bags are available for children in the sanctuary.

Lent to Life! New Sunday School Program beginning Sunday, March 13th! Hey kids, don't just give something up for Lent - let's bring it to life with new lessons, love letters, and crafts!

## Wednesday Night Program for Children - Playful & Powerful

**Prayer!** Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to this new program on Wednesday night. During Lent the children will discover some fun and meaningful ways to talk to God. Because spending time with God is fun! We meet from 7:00pm - 8:00pm in RM 107.

**Save the Date for VBC!** Join us Monday, June 20th through Friday, June 24th from 9:00am - 11:30am! Registration will begin on Sunday, April 10th!

God's Love in all Seasons Workshop! Moms of Little Children (age 3 and under) are invited to attend a special workshop, led by Clara Louie, on finding God's love in different spiritual seasons. We will meet 5 consecutive Sundays beginning Sunday, February 6th in the NPC Parlor from 3:30pm - 5:00pm. Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org).

Messy Family Project - Parents of children and youth save the date! Friday, April 29th from 7:00pm - 9:00pm in the NPC gym. Join Mike and Alicia Hernon from the Messy Family Project for an evening of discussion on "Leaving a Legacy of Faith". Together we will discover how we can best share our faith with our children. Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org).

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## **FAMILY NEWS-YOUTH NEWS**

# FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS: Youth MS & HS YOUTH GROUP NEWS

**3/6 – No Sunday School** – No Sunday School this Sunday. Students remain in service for Family Worship.

**3/6 – High School Youth Group** – 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at the Hoffmans! Contact Lisa for more info at lisa.hoffman1@verizon.net

3/9 – Middle School Youth Group – 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Youth Room

3/13 - Sunday School - Youth Sunday School in the Youth Room.

SAVE THE DATE:

March 25-27 -- High School Retreat at Spruce Lake

#### Sign-ups will open next week.

Experience God's beautiful creation at Spruce Lake. The retreat center's 888 acres of stunning Pocono Mountains woodlands, trails, and waterfalls are perfect for drawing closer to God and building relationships with others. You will explore nature, refresh your body & soul, and deepen your faith at Spruce Lake. Activities will include hiking, ping pong, gym, and outdoor group adventures like zip lining, high ropes or wall climbing. We'll be cooking and eating together and roasting marshmallows by the campfire. All the while sharing lessons about our Creator and learning about his love for us. Contact Lisa Hoffman at lisa.hoffman1@verizon.net for more information. And keep your eye out for an email to sign up.

## April 22-24 – Possible Philadelphia Project Blitz Weekend

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### **Prayer Focus:**

**Development Associates International** - Founded by our own Dr. David Fraser, and Dr. James Engel, Development Associates International (DAI) is committed to effectiveness, integrity, humility, partnering, mentoring, holism, biblical standards and to reaching those leaders with the least access to formal higher education. DAI works to enhance the integrity and effectiveness of Christian leaders worldwide, so that the church can fulfill its role in extending the kingdom of God. As a worldwide fellowship of leader-developers, Development Associates International (DAI) consists of a main service center in Colorado and 37 ministry centers around the globe. Most of the more than 125 staff are local believers, called to serve in their own country, and full-time employees of the organization in their country. Please pray for the Lord's ongoing provision and joy for everyone who serves in, and who is served by DAI.

## BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, March 6 - 1st Sunday in Lent

8:15am Sunday School (Parlor)

9:30am Worship Service In-person and live-stream

11:00am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

11:15am Sunday School

3:30-5:00pm God's Love in all Seasons

**Workshop!** Moms of Little Children (age 3 and under)

6:00-7:30pm **HS Youth Group Mtg. (a)** the

Monday, March 7

Tuesday, March 8

7:00-9:00pm Elder/Deacon/Staff Vision

Hoffman's

Training (Chapel)

Wednesday, March 9

5:45-6:45pm Dinner in the Gym

7:00-8:00pm Adult Bible classes (Debbie, Steve)

7:00-8:00pm Children's class with Danielle

7:00-8:00pm MS Youth Group (Lisa Hoffman &

Team)(Youth Room)

Thursday, March 10

4:00-5:00pm Kickball with the Pastor

Friday, March 11

11:00am Women's Bible Study (In-person)

Saturday, March 12

Sunday, March 13 - 2nd Sunday in Lent \*Sleepy Saints' Sunday - Spring Forward

8:15am Sunday School (Parlor)

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Hoffman & Team)(Gym)

\*\*Masking Optional to Return to Narberth Presbyterian Church, Starting Sunday, March 13 By a unanimous vote, the Session of Narberth Presbyterian Church approved a motion on Wednesday, February 23, to change from "Masking Recommended" to "Masking Optional", provided "the way be clear", meaning local health conditions continue to support this change. Full details in the newsletter.

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