



Narberth Presbyterian Church

March 20, 2022

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude		Paul Mortilla, Piano
Welcome and Family News		Danielle Kauffman
Special Recognition	<i>Jennifer Toland & Dee Fulginitti</i>	<i>Virginia Davis</i>
Call to Worship	Mark 10:13-16	
	Dee Fulginitti & granddaughter, Lenore Mullen	
Hymn	<i>"This Is My Father's World"</i> (2 Stanzas)	Linda Pilacik, Organ
Prayer of Invocation		Pastor Debbie
Scripture Reading	2 Timothy 1:5, 3:14-17	Jennifer Toland
Testimony:	Kirsten Sams, Kindergarten Enrichment Teacher, Preschool Mom	
Slideshow		
Worship Songs	<i>"I Will Call Upon the Lord"</i> <i>"The Goodness of God"</i>	Sarah & Worship Team
<i>(Children and Youth dismissed for Sunday School)</i>		
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer		Pastor Debbie
<i>Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings</i>		
Offertory		Sara & Vera Comstock
Doxology and Prayer of Dedication		Linda Pilacik, Organ
Scripture Reading	Mark 5:21-34	
Sermon	"When You Lose Heart: Grow Up Like A Child"	Pastor Steve
Hymn #20	<i>"Joyful, joyful, We Adore You"</i>	<i>Ode To Joy</i>
Benediction		Pastor Steve
Postlude		Paul Mortilla, Piano

Today is the third 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. <https://savealifeintl.org/>

Our search for Associate Director for Intergenerational and Youth Ministry is well underway. Our team, led by Dave Bellamy, includes Pam Fleming, Jack Comstock, Linda Behmke, Jan Kennedy, Danielle Kauffman, Lisa Hoffman, Kim Ishmael, Dave Ishmael has met and is already reviewing potential candidates. Please pray that God would send us just the right person to minister intergenerationally with special focus on our youth, youth families, and youth staff. If you know someone we should talk with, please email dbellamy@narberthpres.org.

We are also looking at you (YES, YOU) to see if you might be interested in a part time paid position as **Intergenerational Assistant for Volunteer Coordination.** This dynamic position is one of the keys to our new intergenerational ministry team, led by Danielle Kauffman. You would work just 6 hours a week to help find and care for our many ministry volunteers. If you have been around for a bit and don't mind reaching out to others, we'd love to talk to you about it. Just reach out to Danielle.

Approved by Session: Make Masking Optional for 2-to-5 Year Old Children

Throughout the pandemic, NPC Covid-19 policies have been driven by science. Just recently, as reported on by the CDC, the Chester-Montgomery-Delaware county area improved from "moderate" to "low" transmission levels for Covid-19, meaning the CDC no longer recommends masking for anyone regardless of age. For this reason, our Preschool leadership asked Safety and Security to review the policy of requiring 2 to 5 year old children be masked and change that to masking is optional, as it is for all other age groups at NPC. Meanwhile, indoor masking may be continued by caregivers of the pre-school children at their individual choice. Session, in a unanimous vote at their meeting on March 15th, adopted this motion to become effective on Sunday, March 27th. Masking will be optional for all beginning March 27th. Please see Friday's Church newsletter for details.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S NEWS

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.

All Church Bowling is Back! Come out for a "striking" time at Wynnewood Lanes (2228 Haverford Rd, Ardmore) from 2:30pm-4:30pm on Sunday, April 3rd. The cost is \$20 per family or \$10 single bowler. Snacks, drinks, and shoes provided. Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org).

Holy Week in a Box! Are you looking for meaningful activities during Holy Week? Will you be traveling with your family? Then grab Holy Week in a Box to help you explore the events of Holy Week in fun and meaningful ways. Take one for your family and take another to pass on to a neighbor or friend! Materials will be available, while supplies last, in the Chapel beginning Sunday, March 27th.

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! Be a leader and give back to the program that gave so much to you! Come out and help with VBC this summer as we "Make Waves". VBC will run Monday, June 20th - Friday, June 24th from 9:00am - 11:30am. Volunteer Registration will begin Sunday, April 10th and you can find it on our church website. Even if you can only help a few days that is okay! Details on VBC Volunteer Training will be out soon.

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. This is a great opportunity for parents or grandparents of children and youth! All are welcome. Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org).

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

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UPCOMING EVENTS

3/20 – Sunday School – Youth Sunday School in the Youth Room.

3/20 – High School Youth Group – 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at the Hoffman's! Join us for food, games and small group discussion. Contact Lisa for more info at lisa.hoffman1@verizon.net

3/23 – Middle School Youth Group – 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Youth Room. Fun, hang out time and group games followed by Bible study.

3/27 – Sunday School – Youth Sunday School in the Youth Room.

3/27 – High School Youth Group – 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at the Hoffman's! We'll have dinner and walk to get some Rita's. Then wrap up back at the Hoffman's for small group discussion. Contact Lisa for more info at lisa.hoffman1@verizon.net

4/2 – Day of Service at Cornerstone Christian Academy – Volunteer opportunity for all youth and families as well as anyone from NPC. See below for details.

FOR PARENTS:

Friday, April 29 is the Messy Family Project!

Parents, join us for a parenting seminar on Friday, April 29 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm in the gym hosted by guest speakers Mike and Alicia Hernon, founders of The Messy Family Project. Our focus for the evening will be "Leaving a Legacy of Faith". We will discover how parents can best share their faith with their children/youth. Please RSVP to Lisa (lisa.hoffman1@verizon.net(link sends e-mail)) or Danielle (dkauuffman@narberthpres.org).

Save the Date:

March 25-27 - High School Retreat at Spruce Lake

April 22-24 – Possible Philadelphia Project Blitz Weekend

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Saturday, April 2 - Day of Service at Cornerstone Christian Academy

Join us for an outdoor day of service as we complete a spring clean-up on Cornerstone's ground and in our surrounding community. We are partnering with our neighbors, the Francis J. Myers Recreation Center, the Southwest Strong Community Association, and Rep. Joanna McClinton's Office to beautify our block, pouring love and light into our neighbors. Register directly and let Lisa know if you want to go together. Register online at cornerstonephiladelphia.com/service

Confirmation Class – This class is open to any student in grades 6th -12th and will begin the week of April 24th and culminate on Pentecost Sunday June 5th. Please contact Lisa Hoffman at lisa.hoffman1@verizon.net to register your student, or for more information.

Baptism – Are you interested in being baptized? If so, please let Pastor Steve know as we are planning a Baptism ceremony along with Confirmation in June.

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 dwatson@narberthpres.org.

"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)

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Tech Room volunteer – Virtual worship is having a huge impact in our community and beyond. We have people watching from all over the world and also especially those local members who can't come to church. Help out with projection or learn how to run the cameras for our online services and special events. Learn some great skills, get some volunteer hours in and hang out with some cool people! Contact Matt Weed to sign up.

Prayer Focus: 2022 Greater Europe Mission (Liz Loeffler)

Please pray for Liz Loeffler, who has been based in Colorado Springs since 2009, where she works with Entrust (with Greater Europe Mission remaining her sending mission) as Project Administrator, for the Women to Women Ministry Training (WWMT). In addition to these responsibilities, Liz serves as a facilitator, worldwide, in their training, a she has since the early 90's.

The training has included both nationals and missionary women from a number of different countries and agencies, including GEM, where they have used the training successfully in France, Germany, Portugal, Italy and Latvia.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, March 20 – 3rd 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**
6:00-7:30pm **HS Youth Group Mtg. at the Hoffman's**

Monday, March 21

Tuesday, March 22

7:00pm **Missions Meeting** (Parlor)

Wednesday, March 23

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)

Wednesday night menu:

Pasta (Vegetarian Broccoli Salad with/without cheese) LeBus Bread, Fruit & yogurt.

Each Week

Christian Pre-School – 610-664-8890 x118

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

Counseling: Dr. Janet Moore: cell: 484-686-6630 email: jlmpsych@hotmail.com

Thursday, March 24

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

Friday, March 25

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

Saturday, March 26

Sunday, March 27 – 4th Sunday in Lent

*****Holy Week in a Box***

8:15am **Sunday School** (Parlor)
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream (Pre-school Sunday)
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11:15am **Sunday School**
6:00-7:30pm **HS Youth Group Mtg. at the Hoffman's**

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Lisa Hoffman, Interim Youth Ministry

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Paul Mortilla, Director of Music

Linda Pilacik, Interim Organist

Matt Weed, Worship Tech. Coordinator

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