

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

February 12, 2017

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 *Prelude on "Joy in the Morning"* *arr. Raney*

Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Video **Invitation to VBC (June 19-23)**

Call To Worship

Hymn #92 *Crown Him with Many Crowns* *Diademata*

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading Psalm 13 (p.852)
9:00am Godfrey Louie
10:45am John Chaffee

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you have given us many reasons to pray - the example and teaching of Jesus, the promises of your word, your goodness and generosity as our heavenly Father. So, why don't we pray more often? Why don't we ask others to pray? Please forgive us for losing heart. Lord, we do believe, help our unbelief. We struggle with prayers that don't seem to be answered. Help us to trust you during times of dryness and waiting. Help us to believe that your grace is sufficient for us. Show us today what prayer request we are to start praying again with new vigor and hope. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

The Greeting

Worship Song *All The People Said Amen* *Maher*

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

During the 10:45am service, children in K through 5th grades may be dismissed to the gym for Lighthouse Kids children's church after the hymn/worship song.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord, blessed be Your name (repeat)

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name (repeat)

Benediction

Prayer Ministry

9:00am Meg McKinley
10:45am John Furlong

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Forrest Pierce, by his wife, Kathleen.

Sermons on “Too Busy Not To Pray”

Jan 1 What Are Your Spiritual Goals in 2017?
Jan 8 Why Pray?
Jan 15 Needing To Pray – Like Jesus!
Jan 22 Praying With Our Eyes Open
Jan 29 Learning To Pray In A World of Distraction
Feb 5 Compassion And The Power of Prayer

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.

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

Congregational reading for this week, “Too Busy Not To Pray”: Ch. 11-12

On Monday nights,* from 7:00-8:30pm, Debbie Watson is leading a small group focused on the book, Too Busy Not to Pray, for all who would like to grow in their understanding and experience of prayer. We meet in the parlor. (Debbie's class will generally follow the same outline as Pastor Steve's previous Wed. class. Feel free to rotate according to scheduling needs.) (Class NOT meeting this Monday, Feb 13)

On Sunday mornings at 9:30am, Carrie Robinson is leading an adult Sunday School class on Too Busy Not To Pray. It meets in the Parlor

In this season of church life emphasizing prayer, three regular weekly prayer groups are ongoing and all are welcome: Sundays 8-9am (Steve's office), Mondays 7-8pm (Chapel), Tuesdays 11-12noon (Parlor).

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Sunday Morning Schedule

Infants and Toddlers

- 9:00am-12:15pm: *Nursery* provided in the *Nursery Room* downstairs near the restrooms, and a separate crying/changing room is directly across from the bottom of the stairs.

2 to 3 Year Olds

- 9:00-10:30am: *Hands On Bible, Blue Door Room* downstairs.
- 10:45am-12:15pm: *Spinners!* class, *Red Door Room* downstairs.

4 to 5 Year Olds

- 9:00-10:30am Sunday School *Red door room* (Kindergarten students may attend *Lighthouse Kids*, see below)

Grades 1-3:

These children attend the first part of the worship service with parents and are *dismissed half-way through* to attend:

- 9:30-10:30am: *Rotation Sunday School, Brown Door Room* downstairs.
- 10:45am-12:15pm: *Lighthouse Kids*, downstairs in the *Gym*.

Grades 4-5:

These children attend the first part of the worship service with parents and are *dismissed half-way through* to attend:

- 9:30-10:30am: *Tweens Class*, downstairs in the *Gym*.
- 10:45am-12:15pm: *Lighthouse Kids*, downstairs in the *Gym*.

Grades 6-12:

- 9:30 Youth Sunday School:
- 4:00pm HS Youth Group
- Youth Fellowship - Wednesday 6-8pm

Upcoming Youth Events

- High School Youth Group 4:00pm each Sunday
- Middle School Fun Nite February 17 6:30-9:00pm with special guests
- March 13 NPC Parent and leaders night 7-8:30pm
- For all youth-related questions, please contact John Chaffee 610-664-4880 x112 jchaffee@narberthpres.org

TONIGHT: Parents vs Youth Jeopardy 5-7pm. Our plan is for this to be a potluck. You may notice the time is through dinner. For the first half we will be on one side of the Gym for dinner, and the second half we will be on the other side doing trivia in teams. The family is welcome, and you are free to invite other families from outside the church. Please bring foods according to your last name, here is the breakdown: A-F for appetizers, G-L for an entree, M-T for desserts, U-Z for a beverage.

2017 MISSIONARY CAUSES

Mission

4D Ministries – Hank Paulson

Amnion Crisis Pregnancy Center

Child Evangelism Fellowship, Inc. – North Ireland

Chosen People Ministries (formerly Messiah Now) - Cruz

Cornerstone Christian Academy

Corrymeela Community – North Ireland

CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) - Darwin

CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) – Brindley (Philly Bridges)

CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) - Shenk

DiscipleMakers - Hall

Esperanza Health Center

Fellowship International Mission/Jos Seminary - Tushima

Global Mapping International - Todd

Greater Europe Mission- Loeffler

Habitat for Humanity - Camden

Habitat for Humanity –Philadelphia

House of His Creation

Interserve-USA - Kennedy

Intervarsity – Emma Shaw

Kingdom Connect - Duffy

Kirkwood Camp (Presbytery of Philadelphia)

Neighborhood Crusades Inc.

Presby’s Inspired Life

Presbyterian Reformed Ministries International

Presbyterians for Renewal (Wee Kirk)

Presbytery of Philadelphia General Mission

REAP - Granada

Servant Partners – Dan & Denise Anderson

SIM USA - Jewell

The Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota (Standing Rock)

The Philadelphia Project

The Welcome Church – Steinnagel

Timothy Academy

United World Mission - Woodbury

Wycliffe Bible Translators - Shannon

Young Life (Western Philadelphia Suburbs)

Ambassador

Helga Sauter/Margie Nathanson

Alice Antonelli

Terry Weyant

Jennifer & Tim Roykouff

Joyce Lewis

Lally / Hartsock

Kathy McLean

Jean McIntire

The Bowser Family

Bob Moore

Greg Esterhai

Scott Todd

Susan Hurst

Helga Sauter

Linda Behmke

Linda Behmke

Melissa Esterhai

Jesse Kennedy

Meg McKinley

Ken & Sally Kapner

Curt Haring

Helga Sauter

Open

Open

Steve Weed

Scott Todd

Charlie Choi

Faithe Hornung

Helga Sauter

Brint Nicolai

Sharon Shallow

Jane Murray

Georgia Ward

Helga Sauter

Carol Heller

Barbara Montgomery

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **The Shepherds Ministry of N.P.C. extends an invitation to NPC members with a heart for others!** Are you faithful, available, and teachable? Do you enjoy being with and helping others over the long haul? Are you basically content in yourself – settled internally? Can you commit to the time to pray daily and be in contact regularly with another person? Do you experience joy simply in the act of giving?

For almost 20 years, N.P.C.'s Shepherds have been Jesus "with skin on," as they have touched men and women, boys and girls with Christ-like love and regular prayer. Our Shepherds Ministry is a one of deliberate friendship in which trained and accountable members of N.P.C. are linked with one or more individuals/families for whom they promise to pray daily, be available, maintain regular contact, and try to live as good examples of growing, maturing Christians.

- † **Victor Habib, an NPC member,** graduated in December from Eastern University with a Master's in International Development, and is looking currently for a job opportunity with a non-governmental organization (NGO). Victor is hoping to work in one of the following areas: education and training, community development, community mobilization, peacebuilding, project planning and management, or biblical leadership and empowerment, but he is also open to other possibilities related to his training (and background in Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Math).

Victor is asking for renewed prayer concerning his job search. He has 40 days to find a job that will allow him to gain much needed experience. If he does not find a job before those 40 days are up, he will have to return to Egypt with his degree, but not much real-life experience. Please pray for the Lord to provide Victor with what he most needs in these next 40 days - in particular, a position which will draw on his training, experience and gifting, and peace, as he seeks both a job, and his future. Knowledge of any opportunities you might be aware will be appreciated.

- † **Connect with God** - If you would like to spend some quality time with the creator of the universe, there is no better place than the Jesuit Retreat Center in Wernersville. We invite you to a weekend of prayerful silence and reflection that will refresh and renew your soul. Arrive anytime on Friday March 17 and return Sunday March 19 about 3pm. Cost of \$150 covers private room and meals. No experience necessary. Contact Dave Bellamy at dbellamy@narberthpres.org for more information. Register at www.narberthpres.org. Registration deadline is March 3.

- † **Save the Date! March 12, 2017**

On Sunday, March 12 from 12:15-1:30pm, small group leaders/facilitators will gather for a luncheon in the Parlor. We will focus on service. Please contact Debbie Watson if you have any questions.

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- † **Invitation to join the NPC Prayer Chain:** Please consider becoming a member of the NPC prayer chain with others who receive prayer requests and praises that usually are connected with the NPC community. Those who participate are asked to pray for the requests for one week, and keep the information confidential. To join, please send an email with your name and the email address where you wish to receive requests, to pray@narberthpres.org. Thank you.
- † **Drivers Wanted – Can you help?**
There are times when members and friends of NPC need transportation for such things as medical tests, doctors' appointments and when they are temporarily disabled by injuries. Do you have a servant's heart and a warm car to transport individuals when such needs arise? If so, please contact Omar Mehdi, Deacon in charge of the Transportation Ministry at mehdi.omar@gmail.com. You will be a blessing to these individuals. Thank you.
- † **Amnion's Baby Bottles** for Life Collection and Diaper Drive
Sanctity of Human Life Sunday on January 22 marked the beginning of Narberth Presbyterian Church's annual fund raiser for Amnion Pregnancy Center. Baby bottles are available to be taken home, filled with cash or checks and returned to NPC by Sunday, February 19. Donation of disposable diapers, size 3, 4, or 5, and baby wipes is also appreciated. All donations may be dropped off in the chapel or church office. Any questions, contact Alice Antonelli at arichardson1@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support!
- † **Scripture Readers needed!** Each week someone from the congregation blesses us by reading the first scripture portion for the day. We are compiling a Winter/Spring roster of people for the two services, and would be happy to have you read if you are at least 7 years old and are willing to speak a little more slowly than you probably do otherwise! Please sign up in the Chapel, and leave your e-mail so that we can get the "script" to you the Friday or Saturday before you read.



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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, February 12

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor

9:00am Worship Service

9:30am Sunday School class,
“Too Busy Not To Pray”, Parlor

10:30am Sunday School, Parlor

History of the Reformation

10:45am Worship

3-5pm Explorers' Class, Parlor

5:00-7:00pm Pot-luck Supper and Jeopardy: Youth v. Parents! Gym

Monday, February 13

No Class this week for Debbie's class-see you next week.

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

7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music office

7:30pm Men's Bible Study in Galatians, Resource Center

Tuesday, February 14

6:30am Men's small group

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

11-12noon Study & Prayer group, led by Faithé Hornung, Parlor

7:00pm Worship Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, February 15

9:30-11:30am Nursery School Parents

Connections meeting, Parlor

5:45pm Wednesday Night Dinner at the Fellowship Café (Gym) Menu:

Honey Mustard Pulled Pork bread, salad, fruit, dessert

6:30pm Children's classes (up to grade 5

7:00pm Adult class: “Too Busy Not To Pray” led by Pastor Steve.

Thursday, February 16

9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor (rescheduled from last week)

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym

7:30pm Basketball, Gym

Friday, February 17

10:00am Women's' Bible Study, Chapel

6:30pm Middle School Fun Night, Gym

7:30pm Young Adults Bible Study, Parlor

Saturday, February 18

Sunday, February 19

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor

9:00am Worship Service

9:30am Sunday School class,
“Too Busy Not To Pray”, Parlor

10:30am Sunday School, Parlor

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4-6pm HS Youth Group

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–Friday. Also, Saturday at 12:30pm & Sunday at 4:30pm

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

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

Feb 20 6:30pm Bell Choir rehearsal
Feb 21 7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor
Feb 23 9:30am All-Day Quilts for Comfort event, Parlor
Feb 28 7:00pm Knitters' group, Resource Room
Feb 28 7:00pm Missions Committee, Parlor
Mar 3 6:30pm Parents' Night Out, Gym
Mar 4 9:00am Shepherds' Meeting, Parlor