LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

April 15, 2018

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 Co

Concerto #2 in G Major

Bach

Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Call To Worship

Hymn #558 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Beecher

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading

John 15:1-17

(p.1676)

9:00am Molly Burke 10:45am Joyce Lewis

Reader: This is the word of the Lord. All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

We are imperfect. You, God, are flawless. We are in time. You, God, are eternal. We are vulnerable. You, God, are unthreatened. We see problems. You, God, have plans. Forgive us, Lord, for our fears, and our failure to trust you. In all that is our life, please grow in us a trust that leads to agreement with all you *are* doing, and *will* do -in us, *among* us, *around* us - for you are GOD, and you are GOOD. We pray in the name of Jesus, who shows us what that complete agreement looks like, amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

The Greeting

Worship Song Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Tomlin

9:00am Worship Song

No Longer Slaves

Bethel Music

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

6th grade and up meet in the Youth Room for Sunday School.

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

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

9:00am Brint Nicolai 10:45am Liesel Ackley

Passing of Friendship Pads Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

9:00am Offertory Amazing Grace arr. Hopson

10:45am Offertory The Cornerstone Christian Academy Choir

My Help Everlasting God He Knows My Name

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading Colossians 1:6-12; 2:6-10 (p.1831, 1833)

Sermon Live Like A Flower:

From the Inside Out Dr. Deborah Watson,

Pastoral Associate

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

Benediction

Prayer Ministry 9:00am Isabel Lally 10:45am Emma Shaw

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

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.

Today, at 10:45, the students from Cornerstone Christian Academy will sing!

Sermons in Lent: Following Jesus

February 18	Baptized Again For The First Time
February 25	In The Wilderness: Testing
March 4	Why You Were Called
March 11	Pausing To Reconnect
March 18	Breathing Grace
March 25	Disarming Humility
April 1	The Biggest April Fool: Christ Is Risen!

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Children 9:00 Worship Service

2's & 3's - 9:00 am: Gospel Light, Blue Door Room downstairs

4's & 5's - 9:00 am: Gospel Light, Red Door Room downstairs

Grades K-2 Gospel Light, Gym (9:00 only)

Grades 3-5 Communion and Baptism Class, Brown Door Room (9:00 only)

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2 to 5 year olds - 10:45 am: Gospel Light, Red Door Room downstairs

Grades K-5 - 10:45 am: Gospel Light, Brown Door Room

Current and Upcoming Events:

† UPDATE - Communion and Baptism Class

During the 9:00 Sunday School hour, Communion and Baptism Class is being offered. This class will run through the month of April and will conclude on Sunday, May 6th with a special time together for children, parents and our pastors directly following the second service. Children will be baptized and welcomed to the Lord's table on Sunday, June 3. This class is open to ALL children who would like to participate. Please note, for children who are not ready for this step, another class for them will run on Sunday as well in the Brown Door Room. If your child is interested in learning more about communion and baptism, and you have not yet contacted Danielle, please do so. dkauffman@narberthpres.org

† VBC Decorating Party!

Anyone interested in arts, crafts & fun is welcome to join us for a VBC Decorating Party on **Sunday, April 22** from 4pm-6pm in the Youth Room! Older children are welcome with an adult. Snacks & drinks provided! Contact Danielle **dkauffman@narberthpres.org** with any questions. Hope to see you there!

- † Next PNO: Friday, May 4
- † *Save The Date* VBC June 18 through June 22! 1:30 pm 4:30 pm If you are interested in volunteering please email Danielle dkauffman@narberthpres.org

Registration for VBC "Shipwrecked" is online at www.narberthpres.org (scroll down to the "Shipwrecked" logo and click on that)

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Youth Grades 6-12:

- 9:30am Youth Sunday School
- 10:30am Confirmation Class
- 7:00-9:00pm Middle School YG on 3rd Fridays
- 4:00pm Sunday HS Youth Group

For all youth-related questions, please contact John Chaffee 610-664-4880 x112 jchaffee@narberthpres.org

2018 Confirmation Students and Mentors

<u>Student</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Anna Costantino	Sue Wenger
Mikaela Curyto	Lia Howard
Kaelin Edge	Alison Louie
Keira Edge	Susan Costantino
Allison Foley	Beth Fleischauer
Mei Mei Groeneveld	Charlene McGrew
Faith Hauger	Kelly Herrenkohl
Anna Howard	Lalitha Naveen
Emily Anne Kucharczuk	Julie Todd
Madison Louie	Clara Louie
Aryanna Rusavage	Lisa Hoffman
Anusha Vyas	Betsy Hayden
Sophia Weatherwax	Melinda Groeneveld
Luke Lachenmayer	John Kennedy
Adam Herrenkohl	Jim Hoffman
Jimmy Hoffman	Mark Wenger
Will Hoffman	Charlie Hurst
Thomas Kaplan	Dave Bellamy
Brendan McGrew	Andy Zakhari
Noah Mulugeta	David Place

Sean McGrew

Yannick Segal

2018 MISSIONARY CAUSES

Ambassador Mission 4D Ministries – Hank Paulson Helga Sauter Amnion Crisis Pregnancy Center Alice Antonelli Amoenitas – Scott Todd Marilyn Reed Child Evangelism Fellowship, Inc. - North Ireland Danielle Kauffman Chosen People Ministries (formerly Messiah Now) – Paul Cruz Jennifer & Tim Roykouff Cornerstone Christian Academy Joyce Lewis Corrymeela Community - North Ireland Isabel Lally CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) - Dave & Leah Darwin Kathy McLean CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) – Brindleys (Philly Bridges) Jean McIntire The Bowser Family CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) – Matt & Anna Shenk DiscipleMakers – Rebecca and Dan Hall Bob Moore Esperanza Health Center Greg Esterhai Family of Restoration Ministries (was House of His Creation) Melissa Esterhai Scott Todd Fellowship International Mission/Jos Seminary – C. Tushima Fellowship of Christian Athletes – Kasey Doughtery Ashley Reed Greater Europe Mission- Liz Loeffler Helga Sauter Habitat for Humanity -Philadelphia Linda Behmke Interserve-USA – Jan & John Kennedy Jesse Kennedy Intervarsity – Emma Shaw Meg McKinley Ken & Sally Kapner Kingdom Connect – Ben Duffy Kirkwood Camp (Presbytery of Philadelphia) Curt Haring Neighborhood Crusades Inc. Helga Sauter Presby's Inspired Life Suzanne Morrison Presbyterian Reformed Ministries International Cathy Callaway Steve Weed Presbyterians for Renewal (Wee Kirk) Scott Todd Presbytery of Philadelphia General Mission REAP – Granada – Scott Esposito Charlie Choi Servant Partners – Dan & Denise Anderson Faithe Hornung SIM USA – Jim & Ellie Jewell Helga Sauter The Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota (Standing Rock) Ashley Reed The Philadelphia Project Sharon Shallow The Welcome Church – Schaunel Steinnagel Jane Murray Timothy Academy Georgia Ward

Helga Sauter

Kim Ishmael

Barbara Montgomery

United World Mission - Nick & Ginny Woodbury

Wycliffe Bible Translators – Al & Barb Shannon

Young Life (Western Philadelphia Suburbs)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † Registration for VBC is now online! Go to <u>www.narberthpres.org</u> and click on the VBC logo.
- † This Friday at 1:00pm in the Parlor! All Sr. Adults are invited to our rescheduled film "Unconditional", based on a true story. There is no cost. All are welcome and there will be food. (Note earlier time)
- † New Wednesday Night Book Study has started. You'll Get Through This: Hope and Help for Your Turbulent Times, by Max Lucado, explores what it means to go through hard times as a believer, and offers a view of God that is hopeful, but not sugar-coated. Intertwined with the story of Joseph in Genesis, You'll Get Through This will bring encouragement, comfort and challenge. All are welcome to join the study. Books are available in the Chapel, next to the sign-up sheet. 7:00pm Led by Debbie Watson. (April 4 May 23)
- † New Thursday Night Book Study started April 5. <u>Spiritual Direction</u> by Henri Nouwen. As mentor and coach, the author explores three essential movements in the Christian life looking within our hearts, looking to God through Scripture and prayer, and looking outward to others in community and service. Who am I? Who is God? Who is my neighbor? A great book for getting into shape spiritually after Easter!
 - Not too late to join us! Sign-up sheet and books are available for those who decide to participate.
 - Thursday 7:00-8:30pm in the Parlor, led by Pastor Steve. (April 19 May 24)
- † Connect with God We invite you to a weekend of prayerful silence and reflection at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Wernersville. Arrive anytime on Friday April 20 and return Sunday April 22 about 3pm. Cost of \$150 covers private room and meals. No experience necessary. Contact Dave Bellamy at dbellamy@narberthpres.org or 610-659-2063 for more information. Register at www.narberthpres.org. Registration deadline is April 2.
- † Habitat for Humanity Work Days: We have been invited to participate in Philadelphia Habitat's Faith Build, where we will be working side by side with not only future homeowners but also members of other faith communities!

 Opportunity for small work crews of 5 6 volunteers on May 12th are needed, with possible dates in later months as well. If you are interested (and at least 16 years old with a parent accompanying you) please reach out to Linda Behmke at either 610-283-7453 or lrbehmke@yahoo.com.
- **† Unbound:** Personal prayer sessions to experience freedom in Christ, are available on Sundays at 10:45 am with Gene and Becky McGee and on Wednesday evenings with Dana and Maria Kaminstein at 7 pm. Sessions available by appointment only. Contact Gene (267-446-9598), Becky (215-287-3844), Dana (610-247-4825), Maria (610-247-4927).

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† SAVE THE DATE - SUNDAY JUNE 10th

This will be a historic Sunday of worship, fellowship and a vote on the Session's recommendation to seek gracious dismissal with property from PCUSA to ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians. Everyone is welcome; active members will vote. Stay tuned for details.

- † Invitation to runners and walkers of all kinds on Fridays at 6:00pm
 - Are you interested in being part of a weekly running/walking group? At least a few of us are already excited about getting together once a week at Lower Merion Track on Fridays at 6:00pm. Why the track? Nice, even surface, kinder than pavement, and regardless of running ability or age, we can "be together" while pursuing our individual fitness. We can also be a bright and friendly witness to anyone we happen to meet along the way. Please contact Pastor Steve if interested sweed@narberthpres.org or sign up in Chapel.
- † UPDATE Communion and Baptism Class Beginning Sunday, April 8 during the 9:00 Sunday School hour, Communion and Baptism Class will be offered. See p.6 for more details.
- **Young Adult Fellowship!** Now meeting every other Friday night with a variety of social activities and service projects and pot-luck dinners. Next gathering is Friday, April 27. Contact person: Mike Boccasini (631-487-2827).
- **† Dr. Janet Moore** has been serving in our Counseling Ministry for the past 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.
- † Sunday Coffee Hour after the 10:45 service (for the 3rd Sunday of the month) needs a volunteer! Please contact Karen Pappas or Debbie Watson at 610-664-4880. Margo Lee, who has served for many years in this ministry, will be traveling this year and can no longer do coffee hour. Please consider this serving opportunity-about 1 hour, once a month!



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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, April 15

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor 8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office 9:00am Worship Service

9:30am Children's Sunday School, downstairs 9:30am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room 10:30am Confirmation Class, Youth Room

10:45am Worship Service-Cornerstone Christian Academy singing

Monday, April 16

6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, Steve's Office 7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music office 7:30pm Men's Bible Study in Gal., Copy Room

Tuesday, April 17

7:00am Men's small group, Resource Room
7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner
11:00am Prayer Group, Parlor (open to all)
7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor
7:30pm Praise Team Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 18

9:30am Staff Meeting, Parlor

5:45 Wed Night meal Menu: Mac & Cheese, tomatoes, salad, fruit, dessert (gluten-free also)

7:00pm Adult Ed. Classes:

Book study: "You'll Get Through This" by Max Lucado, Led by Debbie Watson, Chapel and

Continuing video series, "Christian Liberty and the Grace of God",

led by Norm Johanson, Parlor

Thursday, April 19

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym 7:00pm New Book Study: <u>Spiritual</u> <u>Direction</u>, by Henri Nouwen, led by Pastor Steve, Parlor

Friday, April 20

9:30am Moms' Study Group, Parlor 10:00am Women's Bible Study, Chapel 1:00pm Sr. Adult Video, Parlor 4:00pm Wedding Rehearsal Wernersville Retreat begins 6:00pm Walk-Run Group @ Lower Merion HS Track, All are welcome

Saturday, April 21

2:00pm Wedding of Karen Bachmann and Bob Moore. All are invited to attend the wedding.

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Wernersville Retreat ends

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: jlmpsych@hotmail.com

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

Apr 24	7:00pm Missions Committee, Parlor
Apr 30	6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
Apr 26	9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor

Apr 27 9:30am Sr. Adults' trip to Hagley Mills, DE May 4,18 9:30am Moms' Study Group, Parlor May 4 9:30-3:30 Sr. Trip to The Old Barracks, NJ