

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

July 22, 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.

Extended Prelude

*God I Look To You
Let This Heart Not Wander
Seasons*

*Bethel Music
Eric Marshall
Charles L. Howard*

Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Call to Worship

Jeremiah 9: 23-24

Hymn #130

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading

Matthew 9:35 - 10:1

(p.1510)

9:00am Lucy Fleischauer

10:45am Kelly Watson

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, in these difficult days for our nation and world, we thank you that you reign as King. Even so, Lord, we confess our frailty, and how easily we become anxious and dismayed about the future. Please forgive us for distrust and judgment of others, and for any malice or unrighteous anger. We all cry out for your mercy. Please forgive us through the weakness of the cross, where your strength was made perfect. Revive us as your church, that we may burn brightly with hope. Help us to care for the poor, in body and soul, for you have rescued us in our poverty. Empower us by the Holy Spirit to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with you, our God. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

9:00am Commissioning of Philadelphia Project Service Team

Phoebe Barr, Izzy Bowser, John Catapano, Mikaela Curyto, Julianna Fiore,
Zoe Freeman, Jonathan Halter, Lydia Halter, Spencer Hurst, Marshall Wenger

Leaders: Dave Bellamy, John Chaffee, Dee Knight

The Greeting

Worship Song

Mighty To Save

Morgan/Fielding

Worship Song

How Great Is Our God

Tomlin

During the 9:00am service, children in K through 5th grades (2018-2019 school year) may be dismissed to Children's Sunday School.

During the 10:45am service, children in K through 5th grades (2018-2019 school year) may be dismissed to the Gym for Sunday School after the hymn/worship song.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

**Meg McKinley,
Elder**

Passing of Friendship Pads

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

More Heart, Less Attack

needtobreathe

Jamie Gaffga, Colin & Sarah Comstock

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Romans 12:9-21

(p.1764)

Sermon

**Your Faith And The Challenges of Life
Representatives of Christ in a Divided World**

**Steve Weed,
Pastor**

Hymn #712

***The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy*
(Sung to the tune of 'O Worship the King')**

Lyons

Benediction

Prayer Ministry

9:00am Isabel Lally
10:45am John Furlong

The Philadelphia Project Team:

Please pray this week as our youth serve at the Philadelphia Project. We will be the hands and feet of Jesus by repairing homes, participating in mercy ministries and putting on a children's camp. Each evening will be filled with group activities, worship service, and meaningful reflections on the day's lessons.

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 the Worship Band will lead an extended prelude of 20 minutes prior to the 9:00am service. Next Sunday, **Sherry Beebe** will lead us in an extended prelude at 8:40am.

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Children’s Summer Programming 9:00 & 10:45 Worship Services

Nursery Room: Infants – 23 months (9:00 and 10:45)

2’s – PreK: Books & Bible Craft, Red Door Room downstairs (9:00 and 10:45)

Grades K-5th Grade: (2018-2019 school year): **Incredible Faith**, Gym (9:00 & 10:45) Children begin in the Sanctuary and are dismissed to Sunday School.

Current and Upcoming Events:

† **Children’s Summer Programs! 9:00 & 10:45**

2’s - PreK (2018-2019 school year) - Books and Bible craft! Each Sunday children will enjoy a variety of stories from our NPC Children’s Library and a special Bible craft! Children will meet weekly in the Red Door Room.

† **K-5th grade** (2018-2019 school year) - INCREDIBLE FAITH! This summer the Incredibles 2 movie is sure to be a hit and so is our Incredible Faith. From beginning to end the Bible is filled with incredible stories of heroes whose faith in God allowed them to be used by God to save the day. Through scripture, games and skits our children will put their faith into action!

† **Save the date: November 2nd - 4th!**

The Philadelphia Project - Blitz Weekend for 3rd through 5th grade!

This will be an amazing opportunity for our children to serve and grow. Please contact Danielle dkauffman@narberthpres.org for more information or to register your child today!

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YOUTH EVENTS

† **The Philadelphia Project Youth Mission Trip - July 22-28**

We ask for your prayers for the members of our team, all the preparations, and for what God has planned for us!

We invite your participation in our faith-raising efforts this summer.

Also, don’t forget the **Community BBQ at the Roxborough Church on Wed. July 25th**, during the week our team is there. Please help by bringing food, helping serve, and supporting our youth group. See page 7 for more details.

SUNDAY MORNING SUMMER CLASS 10:30AM

The Sophia Course by John Chaffee

Meets in the Youth Room at 10:30am

This is meant for all ages, from middle schoolers to grandparents, to talk about faith together. Our plan is to discuss and reflect on the half of the Christian faith that is often less emphasized.

We have two ways in which we talk about Jesus, soteriologically (as a savior) and sophiologically (as a wisdom teacher). We tend to do the first or the second, but rarely both in full measure and so this causes us to miss certain lessons from the Scriptures.

In what is 1/4 lecture and then 3/4 conversation, we will be diving into Christian orthodoxy on an integrated and deeply engaging level, and specifically engage the inherent wisdom of the Christian tradition.

7/22 - Why Jesus Wants You to Save Goats

7/29 - How Oregano is Good for Your Soul

8/5 - What Triangles, Circles and Romance Have to do with God

8/12 - We May Not Need Roads, but We Need a Map.

ALL are welcome to come join in!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:30-8:45pm

Pastor Steve continues a 3-week Bible Study on "Your Faith and the Challenges of Life." Our time together will reinforce the messages on Sunday with an emphasis on application. Our goal will be to center our lives more directly on Christ and to strengthen our faith in practical ways to be more resilient. We have one more Wednesday, 7/25, from 7:30-8:45. Each class stands alone. Come when you can!

2 AUGUST BOOK STUDIES COMING SOON:

† Parent Book Study beginning Wednesday, August 1

ONLINE- *Raising Grateful Kids In An Entitled World* will be our focus for this NEW online book study! Author, Kristen Welch explores how's it's never too late to raise grateful kids. She talks about how to cultivate a spirit of genuine appreciation and create a Jesus-centered home in which children actually mean "thank you" for everything they have. It is possible to have a family with faith-filled kids who love God and love others! No matter where you are this summer you can participate in an ongoing dialogue that will be posted on a special blog. Copies of the book can be found in the Chapel beginning next Sunday OR you can purchase a book on your own through Amazon or Christianbook.com. If you are interested in participating please email **Danielle Kauffman** dkauffman@narberthpres.org

† *God At Work: August Book Study – What does it mean for us that the God who created and sustains the universe is also the God of the marketplace?*

Author Ken Costa answers this question in *God at Work*. During the month of August, we'll be reading and discussing how Christian faith informs our employment - whatever its shape.

Please join us from 7-8:30pm on Wednesday nights in August!

Sign up now in the Chapel and pick up a book.

† The Philadelphia Project BBQ on Wednesday, July 25th at Roxborough! Support our YG and The Phila. Project:

Each summer, throughout their weeks of hosting different church groups, The Philadelphia Project hosts a weekly BBQ at Roxborough Church.

Our church is welcome to join on **Wed, July 25th** and to help bring some items such as **drinks, desserts, entree's, etc.** Items can be dropped off at the church the day of (by 12:00pm), you don't have to go to the event to contribute something. All donations are welcome.

Contact Sharon Shallow at sbshallow55@gmail.com or 610-505-8686.

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† **Healing Hearts small group**

Trauma and loss can wound our hearts in profound ways, affecting our relationships with God, others, and ourselves. The weekend of Aug. 10-12, Dana Ergenbright will lead a small group to care for these heart wounds, through a Bible-based trauma healing program used in over 100 countries (traumahealinginstitute.org). Schedule: Friday, 7:00-9:00 pm; Saturday, 9:00-5:00; Sunday, 3:00-5:00 pm. Cost: \$8. We need a minimum of 4 participants, otherwise we will reschedule for the fall. Email Dana Ergenbright (danaergenbright@gmail.com) to learn more and/or to sign up.

† **Remember that we collect personal-size toiletries to give to Philadelphia's homeless** through Neighborhood Crusades. Please bring in bar soap, washcloths, shampoo or shampoo/conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes, large tooth combs, razors, and both sandwich and quart size Ziplock type bags. Donations can be placed in the cabinet under the bulletin board just outside the sanctuary on the Windsor Ave. side. Thank you so much. You will truly be a blessing to someone living on the street!

† **International School Project (ISP)** is a CRU ministry that provides professional training for teachers. Since 1991, ISP has trained more than 91,000 teachers in 24 countries. Our own **Ann Sattel** will be going to Quito, Ecuador, from **July 20 to 29**, to be a small group facilitator for a conference that will introduce teachers to a curriculum that will help students avoid alcohol and drug abuse, etc. This is Ann's fifth trip with ISP and she has been to Armenia and Albania on her previous trips. Please pray for her as she travels, and for the teachers who will be attending the conference.

† **Silk Road Global Program (June 25 - July 31):** A group of 5 InterVarsity students and staff will travel to Central Asia for a 4-week language and cultural exchange program. They will assist with local English programs while sharing the love of Jesus with their language students, co-teachers, and host families.

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- † **NPC is seeking a part-time Nursery School Director.** True to our practice, we are seeking someone with a strong faith in Jesus Christ, as well as experience with and commitment to the nurture of young children. A candidate should have a background and deep interest in the development of children under the age of six, along with excellent communication skills and leadership experience. Additional details and job description are available on our website.
- † **Global Leadership Summit 2018**
This annual leadership development event hosted by the Willow Creek Association inspires and equips NPC church leaders for ministry. Some of the speakers at this year's Summit include : Craig Groeschel, Angela Ahrendts, T. D. Jakes, and many others.
For all the details visit www.willowcreek.com/events
This year's Summit will take place at Christ Community Church of Philadelphia on Thursday, August 9 and Friday, August 10, from 9:30am to 6:00pm.
- † **Dr. Janet Moore** has been serving in our Counseling Ministry for over 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.



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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, July 22

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office
9:00am Worship Service
9:30am Children's Sunday School, downstairs
10:45am Worship Service
July 22-28 The Phila. Project Mission Trip

Monday, July 23

7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, Steve's Office
7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music office
7:30pm Men's Bible Study, Copy Room

Tuesday, July 24

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)
7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, July 25

6:00pm The Phila Project BBQ at Roxborough Church
7:30-8:45pm Bible Study, led by Pastor Steve on "Your Faith and the Challenges of Life"

Thursday, July 26

Friday, July 27

10:00am Women's Bible Study, Parlor
6:00pm Walk-Run Group @ Lower Merion HS Track, All are welcome

Saturday, July 28

Sunday, July 29

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office
9:00am Worship Service
9:30am Children's Sunday School, downstairs
10:45am Worship Service

Each Week

Christian Nursery School – 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–Saturday & 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

Aug 1 7:00-8:30pm NEW 4-week book study, led by Debbie Watson, Parlor
Aug 9-10 Global Leadership Summit
Aug 25 10:00am-3:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive, Gym
Aug 28 7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor
Aug 29 9:00-1:30pm Staff meeting/mini-retreat
Sept 4 7:00pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor
Sept 9 Fall Kickoff