

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

December 30, 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

The Wexford Carol

Trad. Irish

Sherry Beebe, Organ

Welcome and Call To Worship

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Hymn #181

As with Gladness Men of Old

Dix

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading

Psalm 1; Deuteronomy 6:10-14

(p.843, 284)

9:00am Sarah Wenger

10:45am Connor Todd

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

God of hosts, you sit enthroned on high. All things, all people, belong to you, our Creator and our Redeemer. In Jesus, we see you, God – your mind and your heart – in someone like us, yet without fault. Forgive us, merciful God, for often we want Jesus to sit at *our* feet, rather than *we* sit at his, because we forget who we are apart from you. We are lost in the sin we sometimes wear as a badge of honor, or bear as a heavy burden. Come free us from the sin that separates us from you, ourselves, and others. Free us to bask in your love, which took Jesus to the cross, so that we might sit at his feet, and yours – as the humble, grateful, trusting children you created us to be. We ask in the mighty, magnificent name of Jesus, amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Family News

10:45am Sacrament of Infant Baptism

Skye Darby McCrimmon

Daughter of Devon & Brittany McCrimmon

10:45am Hymn #60

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (v.1)

The Greeting

Worship Song

Revelation Song

Riddle

Worship Song

We Fall Down

Tomlin

During the 9:00am service and the 10:45am service, children in K through 5th grades may be dismissed to Children's Sunday School.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Brint Nicolai

Passing of Friendship Pads

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

arr. Wagner

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture

Luke 8:34-36; Mark 9:31-37

(p.1607, 1569)

Sermon

From Where I Sit

Deborah Watson,
Associate Pastor

Hymn #167

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Picardy

Benediction

Prayer Ministry

9:00am Greg Hein
10:45am Emma Shaw

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Leo Prall and Henry & Joyce George, by granddaughter Gillian George, and in loving memory of parents Ida Mae & Franklin Brown, and brother, Barry, by Michael & Dylan Brown.

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

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FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Prayers for a New Year - Children's Curriculum - beginning Sunday, January 6th!

One small change can make a huge difference. This New Year we will challenge kids to resolve to pray every day and see what amazing things God will do!

2 year olds & 3 year olds enjoy an age appropriate lesson in The Blue Door Room (RM #105) during the 9:00 service only and meet in The Red Door Room (RM #107) at 10:45.

4 year olds through PreK meet in The Red Door Room (RM #107) during both the 9:00 and 10:45 services.

Our Nursery is available at the 9:00 and 10:45 worship services. This room is best for infants through 23 months.

****Please sign your child in and out of each classroom****

CHILDREN:

Pajama Sunday – TODAY Sunday, December 30th! ALL children are encouraged to wear their favorite pajamas as we enjoy “The Star” movie and eat “breakfast popcorn” during Sunday School.

Family Worship - Sunday, January 6th - Children in Kindergarten through 5th grade will worship with their family. There is no Sunday School this week. There is Sunday School and childcare for infants through PreK as usual.

NEW SAVE THE DATE! Monday, January 21st - *MLK Day of Service for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade! Details soon!*

Special Thank You from Miss Danielle!

Thank you to the NPC children and their families for the beautiful gifts you gave me last Sunday! Each of you is a special blessing to me. You truly made me feel so loved! Thank you.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

HS Youth Group Dinner Out on Sunday, January 6th @ 4-6pm - Nothing fancy, just join us as we go into Narberth, grab some dinner as we also chat over what topics (and antics) we might want to do this coming Spring and Early Summer!

Youth Committee Meeting on Monday January 7th @7-8pm - This is an open meeting, which anyone is welcome to attend. Usually, we recap events of the past month, discuss the upcoming month, and then even discuss what we might want the youth program to look like in a year or even further out. Input is always welcome and this is a great chance to see some of what happens behind the scenes.

Sunday School returns on Sunday, January 13th @ 930am -

Our plan for this Spring is to go through four letters of Paul: Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians. We are trying a different approach and will be bringing in some new people to our Sunday School crew. If you are interested in helping out for a unit (the Galatians unit, the Ephesians unit, etc), please email John jchaffee@narberthpres.org saying just that or [Click here to let him know!](#)

Everyone Needs a Moses: How a Story from Long Ago Helps us Navigate Family Life Today on Wednesday, January 16th @7-830pm in the Gym -

This is another seminar type gathering designed for families with small children and youth. Similar to past events addressing Active Listening and Teen Anxiety, this one will focus on the whole family. Of special note is that this has been worked on for the past 3 months alongside Gerry Gaugler, who has 26 years of a counseling background and is on staff at Ardmore Presbyterian Church.

Middle School Youth Night on Friday, January 25th @6-9pm -

This usually takes place on the third Friday of the month, but due to a wedding we needed to push it back a week. This is open to all youth in the 6-8th grade range and we will partake in ice breakers, games, antics, food and a chat about the I AM statements of Jesus in John's Gospel.

All Church Ice Skating on Saturday, January 26th @530-7pm -

We will be taking the rink completely over with just Narberth Presbyterian folks! Of course, you are welcome to invite people to join us. This can be considered as an "outside of the church, non-churchy" event.

High School Spring Cabin Retreat - Friday, March 22 thru Sunday March 24th to Spruce Lake Retreat Center in Canadensis, PA -

Similar to last year's spring retreat, we are taking our own crew of high schoolers up to the Poconos! This makes for a great compliment to the spring retreat with other churches by having it just be us. With this retreat being in late March, there is good chance we could have some snow! We will be making our own meals, having our own bonfire, doing our own schedule and celebrating our Seniors. Signup will be after the New Year, but for now, just put the retreat on your calendar!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **Your 2018 tithes, offerings and other gifts**, payable to Narberth Presbyterian Church, may be placed in the offering plate any Sunday this month or mailed (postmarked) prior to year-end to:

Ruth Ellen Patterson
Financial Secretary
Narberth Presbyterian Church
PO Box 414
Narberth, Pa 19072-0414

Please note that gifts intended for 2018 must be postmarked by December 31, 2018 or received at the church office by 5:00pm by December 31st. In addition, you may give online at narberthpres.org or, even faster, by texting the amount of your gift to 610-624-4831. Online transactions completed on 12/31 will be credited to your 2018 record. A gift of appreciated stock is also welcome; please contact Jim Hoffman, Treasurer, for that possibility. Thank you for your generous gifts this year!

- † **Giving envelopes for 2019 are available in the Chapel.** If you would like to receive a set of envelopes, please contact Ruth Ellen Patterson (repatterson@narberthpres.org or 610/745-4232). We're glad to provide envelopes to anyone who would like to use them in the new year so please don't hesitate to ask. If you've received envelopes you no longer need -- whether because your household is getting duplicate sets, because you're now giving online, or for whatever reason -- please let us know. And remember, the blue envelopes in the pew are always available for your use.

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- † **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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FROM THE NURSERY SCHOOL:

- † **CNS is looking for a floater to start immediately to act as an in-house Assistant Teacher substitute** as well as provide extra help assisting in classrooms as needed 5 days a week, from 8:30 am- 12 pm. The floater may also help with various tasks that are needed to be completed in the school such as making copies, hanging art work and simple administrative tasks in collaboration with the Nursery School Director.

- † **CNS is also looking for a long-term substitute assistant teacher and lead Kindergarten Enrichment teacher** with an anticipated start date of the beginning of March thru May. This person will assist in the toddler room 5 days a week from 8:30am-12pm and lead Kindergarten Enrichment 3 days a week (Mon, Tue & Thurs) from 12-3:30pm.

- † Interested applicants should send their cover letter and resume to apply@narberthpres.org



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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, December 30

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office
8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor
9:00am Worship Service
10:45am Worship Service

Monday, December 31

Tuesday, January 1

New Year's Day (Office closed)

Wednesday, January 2

Thursday, January 3

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor
7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal
7:30pm Adult pick-up basketball

Friday, January 4

7:00pm Pickleball, Gym

Saturday, January 5

Sunday, January 6

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office
8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor
**9:00am Family Worship Service-
Communion**
**10:45am Family Worship Service-
Communion**
4-6pm High School YG Dinner Out

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 www.narberthpres.org

Jan 8 3:30pm Justice & Mercy Team Meeting, Resource Room
Jan 8 7:00pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor
Jan 9 Wednesday Evening programs resume – details to follow
Jan 11 7-9pm Pickleball, Gym
Jan 10, 24 9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor
Jan 13 9:00am service Ordination & Installation of new Elders and Deacons
Jan 15 7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor
Jan 15 7:00pm Justice & Mercy Team Meeting, Resource Room
Jan 18 5:00pm Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Jan 19 12:00pm Shaw/Anthony Wedding & Reception, Sanctuary & Gym
Jan 20 1:00-4:00pm Outside use of building: recital in Sanctuary
Jan 21 Office Closed for MLK, Jr. Day
Jan 21 Children's Ministry: Day of Service
Jan 25 6-9pm Middle School Youth Group, Gym