

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

January 27, 2019

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 *If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee* *arr. Hopson*

Welcome and Call To Worship

Hymn #62 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* *St. Denio*

Prayer of Invocation

Family News

Invitation to Baby Bottle Drive for Amnion Crisis Pregnancy Center

Alice Antonelli

Scripture Reading Acts 16:25-34 (p.1721)

9:00am David Fraser

10:45am Evelyn Ward

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, Jesus said that in this world we would have trouble, but to take heart, for he had overcome the world. We confess that we believe, but help our unbelief. Forgive us for failing to exercise our faith and to keep our eyes on the teaching and person of Jesus. In our treatment of others, and in our response to the challenges of life, we often leave you out of the equation. Please forgive us through the willing sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. We pray for the gift of a transcendent faith, that is also down to earth. Whatever we do in word or deed, may it be in the Name of Jesus, and for your glory. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

The Greeting

Worship Song *King of My Heart* *McMillan*

Worship Song *Who You Say I Am* *Fielding/Morgan*

During the 9:00am service and the 10:45am service, children in K through 5th grades may be dismissed to Children's Sunday School. During the 9:00am service, 6th grade and up meet in the Youth Room for Sunday School.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Deborah Watson,
Associate Pastor

Passing of Friendship Pads

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *His Eye Is On The Sparrow* *Gabriel*
Ruth Ellen Patterson, Soprano

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading Philippians 4:1-9 (p.1829)

Sermon **Practicing God’s Presence:**
Affliction – Conflict – Anxiety **Steve Weed,**
Pastor

Hymn #519 *It Is Well with My Soul* *Ville Du Havre*

Benediction

Prayer Ministry 9:00am Lisa Hoffman
10:45am John Furlong

Thank you for being with us in worship today! To learn more about our church, Welcome Bags are available for newcomers in the Narthex (entrance area at the front doors.)

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.

Sermons on “Exercising Our Faith”

Dec 30 **From Where I Sit**
Jan 6 **Overcoming Spiritual Inertia**
Jan 13 **The Laying On of Hands: God’s and Ours**
Jan 20 **What To Do: When You Feel Overwhelmed**
Jan 27 **Practicing God’s Presence: Affliction – Conflict - Anxiety**

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Prayers for a New Year - Children's Curriculum 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 Rm (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****

Parents' Night Out - Friday, February 1st!

Plan your date night now and drop the kids off at NPC! PNO is from 6:30pm-9:00pm and takes place in the church gym. This event is best for children age 4 through 5th grade. Hope to see many of you there!

MLK Day of Service - THANK YOU

Thank you to all who attended MLK Day of Service this past Monday! We had 34 children engaged in many service projects and it was a wonderful day. A special **THANK YOU** to those who helped support, lead, and organize to make the day happen in such an amazing way!

Sunday, February 3rd is Family Sunday!

There is no Sunday School for K - 12th. We encourage everyone to worship with your church family! Busy bags and children's bulletins will be available for kids during service. Nursery care and programming for children up to PreK is available as usual in the children's wing.

Combined Children's and Youth Committee Meeting on Sunday, February 10th @12:30pm

We have a number of ideas that we would like to run by you. These are ideas that could potentially span the whole range from children up through college aged people. We welcome your input and participation, because, as always, it is important to us that the ministries of the church have YOUR fingerprints all over them as well!

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS:

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. [Click here to sign up for our HS Cabin Retreat!](#)

NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT OPPORTUNITIES

† **NEW Wednesday Night 5-week class led by Clara Louie**

You are invited to *Come and See Jesus* personally as he reveals himself in the Bible and in your everyday life. Through an interactive 5-week study based on the Gospel of John, we will journey together as we practice becoming more aware of Jesus' invitation to us and our response to him in our daily life. Whether you are just curious about who Jesus is, or you are seeking to grow more deeply into kingdom-living with him, you are welcome to join us

Wednesday evenings, 7-8 p.m., starting January 30, 2019. For questions, please contact Clara or Godfrey Louie at claralouie@yahoo.com.

† **New Wednesday Night 10-week Class led by David Fraser**

Living Well in a Topsy-Turvy World: The Sermon on the Mount. When God enters our lives, we change. The world of the Sermon on the Mount is real and broken—a world of tax collectors, unjust officials, hypocrites, thieves, adulterers, judgmental prigs, the weak and poor, even false prophets. In spite of it, Jesus tells us how disciples can live with God's strong support and approval so we can be deeply, spiritually, and profoundly joy-filled, even in the midst of life's hard times. It is his description and prescription for the normal Christian life. We will probe the Sermon for its rich insight and life-changing directions.

Wednesday evenings 7:00-8:30pm starting January 30th

† **New Explorers' Class beginning Jan 30**

A new 5-week Explorers' Class will begin on Wednesday evenings, Jan 30, 7:00pm-8:30pm, led by Pastor Steve and Pastor Debbie. The Explorers' Class is designed for newcomers and provides a warm, welcoming atmosphere for discussing our relationship with Christ, opportunities and mission of NPC, and what it means to be Presbyterian Christians. Dinner is available beforehand and childcare as needed. Recommended sign up in Chapel or just show up!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **Sunday Morning Class 9:30 am**

Come join us as we study **the Gospel of Luke** for nine weeks, covering chapters 1 - 9. Let's join together to look at Jesus through the eyes of those who actually witnessed him and then told their story. We will use an inductive Bible Study approach that emphasizes looking into the text for the facts, pondering what they mean, and considering how they apply to our situation today. The study will be discussion-based and small group-oriented. Supplemental commentary will be from Diane Chen's book on Luke. Leaders: Sue & Mark Wenger. Meet in Parlor. Questions? Please contact Sue at [mswenger@yahoo.com](mailto:mwenger@yahoo.com)

† **Amnion's "Make Change for Life" Baby Bottle Collection and Diaper Drive: Sunday, January 27** marks the beginning of NPC's annual fund raiser for Amnion Pregnancy Center. Baby bottles will be available to be taken home, filled with loose change and returned to NPC by Sunday, **February 18**. Amnion could use the following donations: newborn and size 6 disposable diapers, baby lotion, body wash, shampoo, baby oil, and diaper bags. All donations may be dropped off in the chapel or church office. Any questions, please contact Alice Antonelli at arichardson1@gmail.com

† **What does God want most from you?**

The surprising answer is what God wants most from you is YOU! God loves you and wants to spend time with you. Why not come for a weekend of prayerful silence at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Wernersville. It is sure to be a weekend that will refresh and renew your soul. Arrive anytime on Friday, April 5 (dinner at 5:30, orientation at 7) and return Sunday afternoon, April 7. Cost of \$180 covers a private room and meals. Contact Dave Bellamy at dbellamy@narberthpres.org or 610-520-9382 for more information. Register online at narberthpres.org. Registration deadline is March 24.

† **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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† TREASURER'S UPDATE

Thank you for your participating in our year end giving push to help us finish closer to our final expenses in budgeted areas.

Offerings for the year finished at \$977,500. Our budget for 2018 was \$1,175,000, but actual expenses will finish somewhat below that number. More detail will be provided once all 2018 numbers are finalized and reviewed.

† **To preserve the deductibility of your church contributions**, it is recommended that you do not file your 2018 income tax return until you have received a written acknowledgment of your contributions to NPC from the church, scheduled to be mailed by January 31, 2019. Some of your contributions may not be tax-deductible if you file your tax return before receiving a written acknowledgment of your contributions from the church.

† **Narberth Presbyterian Church** located in Narberth (Lower Merion Township) is seeking a **Weekday Custodian** to keep our Church and Nursery School facilities clean.

Part Time – Monday through Friday, 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Responsibilities include: Performing housekeeping and custodian duties as necessary, including but not limited to cleaning of church and nursery school facilities, collection of trash, floor care and room set ups.

Experience: Minimum of 2 years Housekeeping/Custodian experience preferred. EOE. **Job Type:** Part-time

† **Narberth Presbyterian Church** located in Narberth (Lower Merion Township) is seeking a **Weekend Custodian** to keep our Church and Nursery School facilities clean.

Part Time – Saturday and Sunday 7:30 a.m. through 3:00 p.m.

Responsibilities include: Performing housekeeping and custodian duties as necessary, including but not limited to cleaning of church and nursery school facilities, collection of trash, floor care and room set ups. Also, opening and closing church facilities for weekend services and activities.

Experience: Minimum of 2 years Housekeeping/Custodian experience preferred. EOE. **Job Type:** Part-time

2019 MISSIONARY CAUSES

Mission

4D Ministries – Hank Paulson
Amnion Crisis Pregnancy Center
Amoenitas – Scott Todd
Child Evangelism Fellowship, Inc. – North Ireland
Chosen People Ministries (formerly Messiah Now) – Paul Cruz
Cornerstone Christian Academy
CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) –Leah Darwin
CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) – Brindleys (Philly Bridges)
CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) – Matt & Anna Shenk
DiscipleMakers – Rebecca and Dan Hall
Esperanza Health Center
Family of Restoration Ministries (was House of His Creation)
Fellowship International Mission/Jos Seminary – C. Tushima
Fellowship of Christian Athletes – Kasey Dougherty
Greater Europe Mission- Liz Loeffler
Habitat for Humanity –Philadelphia
Interserve-USA – Jan & John Kennedy
InterVarsity – Alexis Bishop
Kingdom Connect – Ben Duffy
Kirkwood Camp (Presbytery of Philadelphia)
Neighborhood Crusades Inc.
Presby's Inspired Life
Presbyterian Reformed Ministries International
Wee Kirk
ECO Church Planting and Global Missions Funds
REAP – Granada – Scott Esposito
Servant Partners – Dan & Denise Anderson
SIM USA – Jim & Ellie Jewell
The Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota (Standing Rock)
The Philadelphia Project
The Welcome Church – Schaunel Steinnagel
Timothy Academy
United World Mission – Nick & Ginny Woodbury
Wycliffe Bible Translators – Al & Barb Shannon
Young Life (Western Philadelphia Suburbs)

Ambassador

Helga Sauter
Alice Antonelli
Marilyn Reed
Danielle Kauffman
Jennifer & Tim Roykouff
Joyce Lewis
Kathy McLean
Jean McIntire
The Bowser Family
Bob Moore
Greg Esterhai
Melissa Esterhai
Scott Todd
Ashley Reed
Helga Sauter
Linda Behmke
Jesse Kennedy
Meg McKinley
Ken & Sally Kapner
Curt Haring
Helga Sauter
Suzanne Morrison
Cathy Callaway
Steve Weed
Scott Todd
Charlie Choi
Faithe Hornung
Helga Sauter
Ashley Reed
Sharon Shallow
Jane Murray
Georgia Ward
Helga Sauter
Kim Ishmael
Barbara Montgomery



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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, January 27

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office
8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor
9:00am Worship Service
9:30am Adult Sunday School, Parlor
9:30am Youth Sunday School, upstairs
10:45am Worship Service
4-6pm High School YG

Monday, January 28

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

Tuesday, January 29

7:00am Men's small group, Parlor
7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at
Narberth Diner
11:00am Praying with the Bible group, Parlor

Wednesday, January 30

5:45-6:45 Dinner:
7:00-8:00pm Class:
Gospel of John, led by Clara & Godfrey
Louie, Resource Room (5-weeks)
7:00-8:30pm Classes:
Sermon on the Mount, led by Davis
Fraser, Chapel (10-weeks)
New Explorers' Class, led by Pastor
Steve & Pastor Debbie, Parlor (5-weeks)

Thursday, January 31

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

Friday, February 1

10:00am Women's Bible Study, Chapel
6:30-9:00pm Parents' Night Out, Gym

Saturday, February 2

Sunday, February 3

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office
8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor
**9:00am Family Worship Service-
Communion**
9:30am Adult Sunday School, Parlor
**10:45am Family Worship Service-
Communion**
4-6pm High School YG

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

Feb 4,18 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
Feb 5 7:00pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor
Feb 8,22 9:30am Moms' Bible Study, Parlor
Feb 8,22 6:30pm Pickleball, Gym
Feb 12 7:00pm Elder/Deacon Training, Parlor
Feb 14 9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor
Feb 15 6:00pm Middle School Youth Group, Gym
Feb 19 7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor
Feb 27 9:30am Staff Meeting, Parlor
Feb 28 9:30-4:00pm All-day Quilts for Comfort event, Parlor