

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

February 24, 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 *Praise the Lord, Who Reigns Triumphant* *Paxton*

Welcome and Call To Worship

Hymn #2 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty* *Nicaea*

Prayer of Invocation

Family News

Invitation to Family Ministry Party **John Chaffee, Danielle Kauffman**

Scripture Reading Matthew 7:7-11 (p.1505)

9:00am Deborah Doherty

10:45am Tabby Gaffga

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you are a good and generous Father, and we are your children. Yet we confess that we doubt your goodness by the way we neglect you, and the way we stop praying. We have made you too small in our eyes, and brought you down to our level. Please forgive us for sins of pride and unbelief. In the struggles of life, help us to cry out to you with boldness and hope, believing that you are for us and not against us, and that you are worthy of our highest trust. We pray, not in our name, but in the mighty Name of Jesus. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Hymn #514 *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine (1,3)* *Assurance*

The Greeting

Worship Song *Good Good Father* *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. 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

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

Beginning Sunday, February 10th - *The Life of Jesus* - Children's Sunday School Curriculum! Kids will discover that we can follow Jesus' example and live like he did. From the manger to the cross, children will study Jesus' life to get a better understanding of who Jesus is and why we can trust him as our Savior.

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****

† **Friday, March 1st - Parents' Night Out!** Children age 4 - 5th grade are invited to NPC for food, fun and a movie!

† **Sunday, March 3 Family Worship-** Children K-12, remain with their parents for the service.

† **Sunday, March 3rd - Family Ministry Party!** Children (infants - 5th grade), Youth (6th - 12th grade) and their family are invited to NPC's Family Ministry Party in the gym, 12:30-2:00pm Sunday, March 3rd. Join us for food, fun, games, fellowship and Christian Rap Artists! Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) OR John (jchaffee@narberthpres.org) by Wednesday, February 27th.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS:

- **New: Middle School Girls Group on Sunday, February 24th, March 17th and March 31st @12-1:30pm -**
Join us for lunch and a time to hang out! We're going to meet every other Sunday - from noon to 1:30pm at the Groeneveld's, 509 Haverford Road, Narberth. We plan on getting to know each other better and sharing and praying about what is going on in our lives. Contact Lisa Hoffman for more information at 610-804-7905. Hope to see you there!
- **Family Ministry Party on Sunday, March 3rd -**
Children (infants - 5th grade), Youth (6th - 12th grade) and their family are invited to NPC's Family Ministry Party directly following the 2nd service. Join us for food, fun, games, fellowship and Christian Rap Artists! Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) OR John (jchaffee@narberthpres.org) by Wednesday, February 27th.
- **Ash Wednesday starts our Lenten Season on Wednesday, March 6th @7pm -**
Ash Wednesday is a spiritually significant day in the church calendar. It marks the start of the Lenten season and is meant to be a season of remembering Christ's 40 days in the wilderness to kickstart his ministry. Please join us for a meaningful evening!
- **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!](#)

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- † **A new 5-week Explorers' Class will begin on Sunday afternoon, March 10, 12:15 – 2:15pm, 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. Lunch is provided and childcare as needed. Recommended sign up in Chapel or just show up!
- † **Friday March 8th, at 1:30pm, all Sr. Adults are invited** to a slide show of Ely Cathedral and the castle where "Wolf Hall" was filmed (in Kent, England. We'll be in the Parlor from 1:30-3pm All are welcome. It's free and there will be food!
- † **A Resource for Feeding Your Mind and Heart**
You Version - The Bible App
A free Bible for your phone, tablet, and computer. YouVersion is a simple, ad-free Bible that brings God's Word into your daily life. Read hundreds of versions and languages. Listen as the Bible reads to you. Watch timeless stories in a whole new way. Share with friends on social media or in person. It's free. It's easy to use. It's right where you are. Download it now: bible.com/app
This is the link that describes the YouVersion Bible app further and provides download: <https://www.bible.com/app>
- † **Please visit the resource center book table in the chapel and see what's on display. There is something almost for everyone! Helen Moffa**
- † **Uninvited Girl: An Immigrant Story**
7:00 pm, Thursday, February 28, 2019
McInnis Auditorium, Eastern University
This solo-performance play written and performed by Nimisha Ladva, directed by Edward Sobel, tells Ladva's personal story -- "growing up in England as the only non-white child in my local public school, my family's move to the United States, the cultural clashes that ensued (including my choice to marry outside my ethnic community), our period of living as undocumented immigrants, and finally, the legal court case that allowed my family and me to become legal residents and which put us on the path to US citizenship."
The play engages many themes: friendship across political difference, racial and religious diversity, injustice, immigration, gender equality, hope and resilience. However, the word most often used by audience members to describe the play was "healing". After the performance, please join us for a discussion with its creators and light refreshments.
The event is free and open to the public. Suggested donation of \$10.

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- † **March 1st: World Day of Prayer 2019!** The focus is on Jesus' parable of the Great Dinner in Luke 14:15–24, with the theme: “Come – Everything is Ready”. The host country is Slovenia. The Christian women there challenge us all to widen our circles, to expand our communities of faith! To ask who isn't at your table yet? Who isn't in your church . . . yet? And to pray, “Welcoming God, in your love, you have prepared a table for all, and you inspire us to open our hearts and our homes to offer a place to the ones who are not yet at the table.” **Saints Memorial Baptist Church of Bryn Mawr is this year's host on Friday, March 1st.** Fellowship and refreshments 10-10:45am, followed by the program at 11am. The offering will benefit Christian women in under-resourced places in the world!
- † **Friday March 8 (7-9pm)– From Liberty to Captivity**, a feature-length film, reveals the reality and complexities of sex trafficking crimes & this social justice issue here in Pennsylvania, and presents the very real hope of conquering it. On **Saturday March 9th (9am - noon)** 3 speakers will present local opportunities for us to become part of the solution.
- † **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.
- † **SAVE THE DATE: April 27: Personal Retreat Day at St. Raphaela's Retreat House in Haverford, PA** Details to follow. Any questions, contact Jean McIntire jean.mcintire49@gmail.com
- † The **ALPHA Marriage Course** provides husbands and wives tools to build and strengthen a vibrant relationship over time. On 7 successive Friday evening (6:30-9pm), beginning on March 1st through April 12th, couples enjoy a nice dinner at a table for two, watch a brief video presentations by Nicky and Sila Lee, and talk with each other about important issues that can get swept under the carpet in the rush of daily life. This is **not** a large group activity; rather, you and your spouse work only with each other. The cost for 7 weeks of dinner and the course materials is \$100 per couple. It's a bargain! So, whether you have been married a short time, or for many years, this course is a great investment in your relationship! There will be childcare provided at no extra cost. Please contact Debbie (dwatson@narberthpres.org or 610-664-4880 ext.114) to sign up, and check it out at http://us.alphausa.org/Groups/1000056818/The_Marriage_Course.aspx#.Vq-iLLrLcs



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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, February 24

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

10:45am Worship Service

**12:15-2:30pm Current Explorers' Class meet
for lunch, Parlor**

4-6pm High School YG

Monday, February 25

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, February 26

7:00am Men's small group, Parlor

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

11:00am Praying with the Bible group, Parlor

7:00pm Missions Committee Meeting, Parlor

7:00pm Outreach Committee, Chapel

Wednesday, February 27

9:30am Staff Meeting, Parlor

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 David Fraser,

Chapel (10-weeks)

Explorers' Class, led by Pastor Steve & Pastor

Debbie, Parlor (5-weeks)

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: jlmpsy@hot.com

Planning Ahead-Information and calendar updates 24/7 www.narberthpres.org

Mar 4,18 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Mar 5 7:00pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor

Mar 6 7:00am and 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Services, Sanctuary

Thursday, February 28

**9:30-4:00pm All-day Quilts for Comfort
event, Parlor**

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor

7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal

7:30pm Adult pick-up basketball

Friday, March 1

10:00am Women's Bible Study, Chapel

6:30-9:00pm Parents' Night Out, Gym

**6:30-9:00pm New Marriage Course
begins, 7 weeks, Parlor**

Saturday, March 2

Sunday, March 3

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office

8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor

**9:00am Worship Service-Communion-
Family Worship**

9:30am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

**10:45am Worship Service-Communion-
Family Worship**

4-6pm High School YG

Mar 6 All day Interserve event (outside use of space), Parlor
Mar 8,22 9:30am Moms' Bible Study, Parlor
Mar 8 1:30pm Sr. Slide Show of Ely Cathedral and Kent, England, Parlor
Mar 8,22 6:30pm Pickleball, Gym
Mar 8,9 7:00pm Friday: Human Trafficking Film Sat 9-12: Seminars at NPC, Sanctuary
Mar 26 7:00pm Missions Committee Meeting, Parlor
Mar 27 9:30am Staff Meeting, Parlor