

# LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

March 3, 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**                      *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*                      *arr. Bish*

**Welcome and Call To Worship**

**Hymn #701**                      *God Is Here!*                      *Beecher*

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Family News**

**Scripture Reading**                      Hebrews 10:19-25                      (p.1873)

9:00am Ben and Tyler Ishmael

10:45am Josh Mehdi

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All the people: Thanks be to God!**

**Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, you have created us not only for yourself, but also for one another. We are truly family in Jesus Christ. We praise you that the dividing walls of separation were torn down at the cross. Please forgive us for judgment and indifference toward others. Strengthen and heal our relationships, and inspire us to be a culture of encouragement. We want to be our best for you, and to help others to do the same. This we pray for the sake of Jesus Christ, and the world you love. Amen.

**Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon**

**Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Greeting**

Worship Song

*No Longer Slaves*

*Bethel Music*

Worship Song

*We Will Feast In The House Of Zion*

*Moore*

*Family Worship today. Children remain with their parents in the service.*

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

**Deborah Watson,**  
Associate Pastor

**Passing of Friendship Pads**

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

*The Majesty and Glory of His Name*

*Johnson/Fettke*

Linda Pilacik

**Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

**Scripture Reading**

Acts 4:32-37

(p.1697)

**Sermon**

**We Are Family:  
Calling Each Other Names**

**Steve Weed,**  
Pastor

**Song**

*I Will Change Your Name*

*Butler*

**Invitation To Communion**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise**

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God our creator and redeemer. In your wisdom, you made all things and sustain them by your power.

**You formed us in your image to love and serve you, but we forgot your promises and abandoned your commandments. In your mercy, you did not reject us but still claimed us as your own.**



### **Spring Forward Breakfast!**

Next Sunday morning, March 10, we are springing forward by one hour. To “motivate” and to “celebrate”, all are invited to share a delicious hot breakfast in the gym, between 8-9am, and between 10:00-10:45am. We are grateful for a cooking team of Hugh Barrie, Dave McIntire, John Chaffee, Sam DiLullo (supervisor ☺) Mike Morrison, and others whom the Lord may be calling! Please defy any sleepiness to worship God and enjoy food, fellowship, and plenty of caffeinated coffee!

**Next Sunday is the first Sunday of Lent**, a time of renewed devotion to the Lord Jesus Christ. We will begin a new sermon series based on John 13:34,35, “Learning To Love Well: The Distinctive Mark of a Follower of Jesus.” Next Sunday: “Becoming Holy Lovers.”

*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](http://www.narberthpres.org) or podcast through iTunes.

### **Sermons on “Exercising Our Faith”**

<b>Dec 30</b>	<b>From Where I Sit</b>
<b>Jan 6</b>	<b>Overcoming Spiritual Inertia</b>
<b>Jan 13</b>	<b>The Laying On of Hands: God’s and Ours</b>
<b>Jan 20</b>	<b>What To Do: When You Feel Overwhelmed</b>
<b>Jan 27</b>	<b>Practicing God’s Presence: Affliction – Conflict – Anxiety</b>
<b>Feb 3</b>	<b>The Vertical Dimension: Gratitude And Grumbling</b>
<b>Feb 10</b>	<b>Battlefield of The Mind: Foundations</b>
<b>Feb 17</b>	<b>Battlefield of The Mind: Practices</b>
<b>Feb 24</b>	<b>Go Ahead And Ask!</b>
<b>Mar 3</b>	<b>We Are Family: Calling Each Other Names</b>

## 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\*\***

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**Beginning Sunday, March 10 - Children VS. Youth CHANGE WARS!** This year we are turning our **Lenten Offering** into a competition with **CHANGE WARS - Children VS. Youth!** Who will bring in the biggest tithe?! You can help both teams by putting your loose change in the clear plastic bins marked "Children" OR "Youth". The winning team will enjoy an Ice-cream "Sunday" party!! All money will go to support The Philadelphia Project. May the best team win!

**Lenten Family Devotionals** - Families are encouraged to pick up a Lenten Devotional (especially for families of young children) from the table in the children's wing.

**Children's Committee** - We will meet on Sunday, March 17th directly following the 2nd service in the Youth Room.

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

**VBC 2019** will take place on Monday, June 17th - Friday, June 21st from 1:30pm-4:30pm. Online registration for campers & volunteers will begin on Sunday, March 17th!

### **UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS**

**Middle School Girls Group, Sunday, 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

**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** -

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **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 8<sup>th</sup>, 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!. Why not bring a friend (or 2)? There is a sign-up in the Chapel.
- † **Singers Needed!**  
Singer are needed for a Choir for Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Rehearsals will be on Thursday evenings from 7:30-8:15pm in the Choir Room.  
**Rehearsal dates: March 14, 21, 28, and April 4, 11.**
- † **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](https://www.bible.com/app)  
This is the link that describes the YouVersion Bible app further and provides download: <https://www.bible.com/app>
- † **The Marriage Course** will be offered here at NPC starting April 26<sup>th</sup> for a 7-week video series that includes dinner.
- † **American Red Cross Blood Drive**  
**Sponsored by: Narberth Presbyterian Church**  
**Monday, March 18 2:00pm – 7:00pm**  
Location: Narberth Presbyterian Church – Gymnasium  
Sign up at [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) and search by sponsor code: **Narberth Presbyterian**
- † **Please visit the resource center book table in the chapel and see what's on display. There is something almost for everyone! Helen Moffa**
- † **We are grateful to Hugh Barrie** for the beautiful job of repainting the church office and copy room. Thanks Hugh! Your reward is Bryce Harper will come to the Phillies!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **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 9<sup>th</sup> (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](mailto:dbellamy@narberthpres.org) or 610-520-9382 for more information. Register online at [narberthpres.org](http://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](mailto:jean.mcintire49@gmail.com)
- † **New Class for Lent starting March 13**  
**How to Walk with Your Shadow Rather than Run from It: A Series on Christian Spirituality and the “Negatives” of Life by John Chaffee**  
We will be diving into the long Christian tradition for tools on how to *redemptively engage* our hurt, pain, disappointment, failure, relapse, shadows, and catastrophes. 7-8:00pm 5 Weeks, starting March 13<sup>th</sup>
- † **Continuing Classes: resume March 13**  
**Wednesday Night 5-week class led by Clara and Godfrey Louie**  
**You are invited to *Come and See*** Jesus personally as he reveals himself in the Bible and in your everyday 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 7-8:00 p.m. 5 weeks, new session starts March 13.
- Wednesday Night 10-week Class led by David Fraser**  
**Living Well in a Topsy-Turvy World: The Sermon on the Mount.** 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. 7:00-8:30pm, Chapel



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## BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

### **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**

**12:15 to 1:30 Family Ministry Party, Gym**

4-6pm High School YG

### **Monday, March 4**

6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

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, March 5**

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 Deacons' Meeting, Parlor**

### **Wednesday, March 6**

#### **Ash Wednesday**

**7:00am Ash Wednesday Service with  
Imposition of Ashes (Brief Service)**

8-5 All day Interserve event (outside use of  
space), Parlor

**5:45-6:45 Dinner:** Soups, rolls, salad, dessert

**7:00-8:00pm Ash Wednesday Service with  
Imposition of Ashes (Full 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: [jlmpsy@hotmai.com](mailto:jlmpsy@hotmai.com)

**Planning Ahead**-Information and calendar updates 24/7 [www.narberthpres.org](http://www.narberthpres.org)

Mar 11 7:00pm Youth Committee

Mar 12 7:00pm Elder/Deacon Training, Parlor

Mar 14 7:30pm Easter Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Mar 15 6:30pm Middle School YG, Gym

### **Thursday, March 7**

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor

**7:00pm Discipleship Committee, Youth  
Room**

7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal

7:30pm Adult pick-up basketball

### **Friday, March 8**

9:30am Moms' Bible Study, Parlor

10:00am Women's Bible Study, Chapel

**1:30pm Sr. Slide Show of Ely Cathedral  
and Kent, England, Parlor**

**7:00pm Human Trafficking Movie,  
Sanctuary**

### **Saturday, March 9**

**9:00am-Noon Seminars at NPC on  
Human Trafficking, Sanctuary**

### **Sunday, March 10-Spring Forward!**

#### **First Sunday in Lent**

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**

4-6pm High School YG



Mar 17 9:00am Service: Nursery School Sunday, followed by reception in gym  
Mar 18 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal  
Mar 19 7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor  
Mar 22 9:30am Moms' Bible Study, Parlor  
Mar 22 6:30pm Pickleball, Gym  
Mar 26 7:00pm Missions Committee Meeting, Parlor  
Mar 27 9:30am Staff Meeting, Parlor