

# LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

May 5, 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** *Concerto No. 2 in G Major* **Bach**

**Welcome and Call To Worship** **The 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.**

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

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Family News**

Passing of Friendship Pads

**Greeting**

**Worship Song** *Everlasting God* **Brown/Riley**

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

**Scripture Reading** John 14:16-20,27  
John 20:19-22 (p.1676, 1686)

9:00am Lily Freeman & Kate Mengel  
10:45am Will Esterhai & Katie Esterhai

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

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

**Meditation** **Peace Be With You!**  
**The Presence of Christ** **Steve Weed,**  
Pastor

**Invitation**

Worship Song

(Those offering prayer may come forward)

*We Will Feast In The House Of Zion*

*Moore*

**Prayer Ministry** (Children, youth or adults, or entire families are invited to come forward to receive prayer for specific requests, or simply to receive a blessing)

Kathy McLean, Piano Music

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

*Stückchen*

*Schumann*

Maxwell Birch, Piano

**Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

**Pastoral Prayer and Preparation for Communion**

**Deborah Watson,**  
Associate Pastor

**Sharing the Bread and the Cup**

*Wood and Nails*

*Behold*

Sarah & Colin Comstock

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Song**

*May The Lord (1)*

*Edelweiss*

**Benediction**

**Prayer Ministry**

9:00am Lisa Hoffman

10:45am Linda Behmke

**The altar flowers today** are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Millie Sowell, by her family.

**Today on this first Sunday of the month, we celebrate Holy Communion.** As Presbyterian Christians, we invite all who profess faith in Jesus Christ to receive communion, regardless of denominational affiliation or membership in this church. At both services you are invited to receive communion by coming forward down the center aisle. We break off a piece of the bread (gluten free available), dip it in the cup and eat, then return to your seat by the outer aisles. At the discretion of parents, our children are welcome to receive communion.

**First Sunday Family Worship today at both services.** Childcare will be provided for infants through children in PreK. Children's busy bags will be provided for younger children (K-2nd) and older children (3rd-5th) will be provided a special bulletin.

**Narberth Presbyterian Church is grateful for your gifts.** You may give in the offering plate with cash or a check, online at [narberthpres.org/give](http://narberthpres.org/give), or via text message by sending the amount you wish to give to 610-642-4831.

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

**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.

**There are multiple free copies of the Bible** throughout the church. Please take one for yourself or to share with a friend.

**Flower Dedication:** Each week beautiful flowers grace our church. They remind us of the Lord's goodness and are a way honor Him. You may provide one week's flowers with a suggested donation of \$20. Flowers may be given in memory of someone or simply to God's glory. Either way, it will be acknowledged in the weekly church bulletin. If you would like to dedicate flowers, please call Karen, our church secretary, at the church office: 610-664-4880, ext. 119.

**TODAY – ICE CREAM “SUNDAY”!** Children and Youth join us in the gym directly following the 9:00am service for ice cream! This is to celebrate your \$501 Lenten Offering to support The Philadelphia Project. God is Good!

## FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

**Mission Possible - Children's Sunday School Curriculum!** Beginning Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, K – 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be introduced to a new curriculum series on mission and service. During the 9:00 Sunday School time we will also have a special weekly speaker who will talk with us about their personal experiences doing mission work. Joining us this month will be Micah Hauger, Justin Kauffman, Jennifer Bonovitz, and PT (though he can't officially join us). We will also be taking a closer look at the life of Paul during our Bible study time.

**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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**VBC Registration is available online!** Are you ready for this summer's MANE event?! Join us Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday, June 21<sup>nd</sup> from 1:30pm-4:30pm for ROAR VBC – Life is Wild and God is Good! Online Registration is open as of March 17<sup>th</sup>. Please visit our church website to register your child or register to volunteer: [www.narberthpres.org](http://www.narberthpres.org)

**Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> is Children & Youth Sunday!** Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> as we recognize our 5<sup>th</sup> graders and high school seniors during the 9:00 service. We will also be presenting Bibles to our rising 2<sup>nd</sup> graders. This special service will be led by our children and youth!

**Hershey Park – Family Field Trip!** Join your church family as we travel to the sweetest place on earth on Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Charlene McGrew ([Charlene.mcgrew@gmail.com](mailto:Charlene.mcgrew@gmail.com)) if you are interested in purchasing group tickets. Tickets are \$35.50 and the deadline to order is May 31<sup>st</sup>. Please note that transportation is not provided by the church.

## UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

### **Middle School Girls Group - TODAY May 5th**

**Lunch at Coco Thai Bistro on May 5th.** Meet in the gym after second service and we'll walk over together - or meet us there at noon. Invite your friends!

We meet every other Sunday for lunch and a time to hang out from 12 noon to 1:30pm at the Groenevelds, 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. We're also planning a service project. Contact Lisa Hoffman for more information at 610-804-7905. Hope to see you there! Future Date is: 5/19.

### **Middle School Youth Group – May 17<sup>th</sup> 6-9pm, Gym**

### **Avery Gagliano Concert -TODAY, May 5th @2-3pm -**

Avery is one of our spectacular High Schoolers and an incredibly talented piano player. Come out and show your support... AND BE AMAZED as she performs.

### **MS Game Night - Friday, May 17th @6-9pm -**

This is an evening for Middle Schoolers where we often start out doing games in the gym, then have some delivery foods of some sort, go through another lesson in the Gospel of John and then pretty much laugh the rest of the night. King Frog was hilarious last time, so, we will probably do that game again!

## SPRING CLASSES

### 3 Wednesday Night Classes:

- † **Book/Bible Study: Pastor Steve will lead a 5 week class on Ordering Your Private World by Gordon MacDonald.** In this modern Christian classic, the author explores the theme of bringing order to our inner and outer worlds, and living life from the inside out. Chapter titles include: "The Sinkhole Syndrome," "Living as a Called Person." "Has Anyone Seen My Time? I've Misplaced It," and "Rest Beyond Leisure."

This class will meet for **5 Wednesdays, April 24 - May 22, 7:00-8:15pm** in the Parlor. We will integrate Bible study with weekly readings from the book, and application assignments. Please sign up in the chapel. Books are available in the chapel for those who choose to participate in the class. (Parlor)

- † **Philippians (April 24 to May 15, 7-8 pm) Led by Diane Chen**

This is a 4-week series on Paul's letter to the Christians in Philippi, covering one chapter per week. While Philippians is often thought of as one of Paul's friendliest letters, peppered with mentions of joy, thanksgiving, and Christian fellowship, it also contains stern warnings against "dogs" and "evil workers." As we pay attention to Paul's circumstances and the letter's historical-cultural context, we will see the text come alive, from which we may glean valuable lessons for faith and discipleship in today's world. (Chapel)

- † **The Power of Prayer (April 24-May 22, 7-8pm). Led by Cathy Callaway.**

The purpose of this discussion oriented class is to strengthen our prayer life and encourage one another. We will study some of the great Biblical passages about prayer as we lean into the promises of God. (Resource Center/Steve's Office)

- † **Sunday Morning Class 9:30 am, starting April 28<sup>th</sup>**

We will be continuing our study of **the Gospel of Luke** for nine sessions, covering chapters 10 – 18. Join us as we follow Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem and learn about the way of discipleship. We will use an inductive Bible Study approach that emphasizes looking into the text for the facts, thinking about what they mean, and considering how they apply to our situation today. The study will be discussion-based and facilitated by various members of the class. We will use Diane Chen's commentary on Luke to supplement our discussions. Meets in the parlor. Questions? Please contact Sue Wenger at [mswenger@yahoo.com](mailto:mswenger@yahoo.com).

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **Please visit the Book Table in the Chapel and take a look at our new DVD collection: The Torchlighters: Heroes of The Faith.** Also on display are biographical books for young people and books for all ages as well.
- † **On Sunday, May 5, at 2:00pm, Avery Gagliano** will present a free piano recital in the Sanctuary. Avery is a gifted student at the Curtis School of Music, and part of our church family at NPC.
- † **Palmer Seminary Holy Land Study Tour (Dec 28, 2019 to Jan 10, 2020)**  
Debbie Watson and Diane Chen will be leading Palmer Seminary students and alumni on a 14-day study tour of the Holy Land with the Jerusalem Center of Biblical Studies. We still have some spots available. If you are interested please email Diane Chen at [dchen@eastern.edu](mailto:dchen@eastern.edu) for more information and a trip brochure. Both Debbie and Diane are available to answer any questions you may have.
- † **Transportation Ministry seeking volunteers**  
The Deacons are looking for volunteers to provide transportation for those who need a ride to get to church on Sunday or other events. Each volunteer would only be called on at the most, once a month, hopefully less. If you are willing to help in this way, please contact **Kevin Cope** at [kevindavidcope@gmail.com](mailto:kevindavidcope@gmail.com) or 215-510-0459.
- † **Opportunity to Serve: Jennifer Bonovitz has been faithfully serving the homeless people of Philadelphia for many years.** We need additional volunteers to come along side Jennifer in this ministry providing food and fellowship. Sandwiches and beverages are given to approximately 50 men at Logan Circle. There is a coordinator there to direct as you arrive. **If you want more information, can make sandwiches and/or give out the food, please sign up in the Chapel.**
- † **Friday, June 7th - VBC Training!**  
All VBC volunteers are encouraged to attend our VBC training that will take place in the gym from 6:30pm - 8:00pm.  
Join us for food & fun as we prepare for a ROARING good time at VBC!



**On the Web:**

[www.narberthpres.org](http://www.narberthpres.org)

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# BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

## ***Sunday, May 5***

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

8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor

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

9:30am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room

9:30am Adult Sunday School Class, Parlor

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

**12:00pm Middle School Girls Lunch at**

Coco Thai Bistro-meet in Gym after 2<sup>nd</sup>

Service, or at restaurant

**2:00pm Recital by Avery Gagliano, Sanctuary**

4:00pm Youth Group

## ***Monday, May 6***

6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Chapel

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, May 7***

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

11:00am Praying with the Bible group, Parlor

**7:00pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor**

**7:00pm Adult Discipleship Committee  
meeting, Youth Annex**

## ***Wednesday, May 8***

**5:45-6:45 Dinner:** Pasta with meat sauce and  
salads, dessert

**7:00-8:00pm Bible Study: Philippians,**  
led by Diane Chen (4 weeks)

**7:00-8:15pm Book Study: "Ordering  
Your Private World",** led by Pastor Steve  
(5-weeks)

**7:00-8:00pm Bible Study: The Power of  
Prayer** led by Cathy Callaway (5 weeks)

## ***Thursday, May 9***

9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym

7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary

7:30pm Adult pick-up basketball, Gym

## ***Friday, May 10***

9:30am Moms' Group, Parlor

10:00am Women's' Bible Study, Parlor

6:30-9:00pm Pickleball, Gym

7:00pm Private use of sanctuary for recital

## ***Saturday, May 11***

6:30pm Pickleball, Gym

## ***Sunday, May 12***

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

8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor

**9:00am Worship Service**

9:30am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room

9:30am Adult Sunday School Class, Parlor

**10:45am Worship Service**

4:00pm Youth Group

## ***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)

May 14 7:00pm Elder/Deacon Training, Parlor

May 15 1:00pm CNS Board Meeting, Parlor

May 17 1:30pm Sr. Adult Slide Show, Parlor

May 17 6:30pm Middle School Youth Group, Gym

May 19 3:00pm Outside use of sanctuary for recital

May 21 Parlor reserved all day for primary election day

May 21 7:00pm Session Meeting, Chapel

May 23 9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor

May 23 1:00-4:30pm Sr. Adult trip to Chester Co. Historical Soc.

May 24 9:30am Moms' Group, Parlor

May 27 Office closed for Memorial Day