



# Narberth Presbyterian Church

August 23, 2020

# LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

August 23, 2020

Welcome and Family News

Pastor Debbie Watson

Call to Worship

Psalm 89:1-8

The Ward Family: Karen, Ray,  
Evelyn, Lily, and Raymond Ward

Hymn #60

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Scripture Reading

Philippians 2:19-24; 2 Timothy 1:5-7, 4:6-8

Pastor Steve Weed

Children's Message

Danielle Kauffman

Youth Message

John Chaffee

Worship Song

*One Thing Remains*

*Johnson/Gifford/Riddle*

Sarah & Colin Comstock

Sermon

The Fruit of The Spirit: Faithfulness  
When You're Tempted To Quit

Pastor Steve

Special Dance

"Faithfulness"

Dancer and Choreographer: Pamela Waters

Music: Adrienne Lleshing and Geoff Moore

Pastoral Prayer and Benediction

Pastor Debbie

Postlude

*New Every Morning*

*Assad*

Andrea Ogle and Kathy McLean

## IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL OPPORTUNITIES

### **New Fellowship Opportunity**

Looking to connect with other NPC people you haven't seen in a while? Or maybe even to meet some NPC people you don't know – yet?

Then join Gaby Anik and Naveen Daniel Thursday nights from 7pm – 8pm on Zoom! This is a friendly “chat room” where you come when you can, and leave when you need.

Have a friend outside the church that may be homebound, feeling a little isolated, and needs some socializing? Invite them to our Zoom chat.

All are welcomed.

Come with your coffee, iced tea, or joke of the day! Just come. Join in. Re-connect.

To join, send your email to the office at [kpappas@narberthpres.org](mailto:kpappas@narberthpres.org) You'll get an invite to the Thursday night Zoom meeting. And don't worry if you're new to Zoom.

It's easy, it's fun, and we'll guide you through the few steps to get on board.

### **Sunday School Class: Romans *Paul's Letter to the Romans:***

This is an in-depth study of what, in Martin Luther's view, is truly “the chief part of the New Testament.” Every Christian should know it word for word, by heart.”

Similarly, John Calvin wrote that “if we have gained a true understanding of this epistle, we have an open door to all the most profound treasures of Scripture.”

During July and August, 2020, every Sunday from 11:00am to noon, we will have an engaging, thought-provoking, interactive session on Zoom. Join any or all sessions as you are able.

Email [markfwenger@yahoo.com](mailto:markfwenger@yahoo.com) to get the Zoom link. Led by Mark Wenger.

### All Church EVENT!

**NPC's Got Talent!** We know you do and we want to see it. Please send in a short clip with your featured talent that is no longer than one minute. Can you sing, play an instrument, pop a wheelie on your bike, do you have the best leap into the pool, can you rap? How about your pet? Does he/she have a special trick? As videos come in, Danielle and John will be putting them together to create the NPC Socially Distant Talent Show. The premier of this show will be announced soon! Until then get your talent ready! This is a church wide event so everyone is invited to send in a video! Come on NPC! You got Talent!

[Click Here](#) for the DropBox link for the NPC's Got Talent. **I am asking all submissions are uploaded by Wednesday, August 26th and the DATE of the Talent Show is set for Friday, August 28th!** I will send out the link for the show to everyone at 6:30pm that evening.

# YOUTH

## **Theology/Spirituality** - John Chaffee

Every so often throughout the summer, John will be using his at-home whiteboard to give another theology/spirituality talk for your encouragement. Feel free to treat these as if they were a Wednesday night class you might have attended. So sit back and enjoy learning about Christian orthodoxy and the faith journey, and how they are still far more relevant and helpful today as they ever were. [Click here](#) for the class called "[Understanding the Flow of God's Love in the World.](#)"

**"Hobbit Holes, Faith and You"** is a white board talk that has John using Lord of the Rings to help us understand the difference between theology and spirituality as well as how they support one another. [Click here to watch the 22 min video on Youtube.](#)

**"Job Pt. 1 - Wait, Job Got Set Up?"** is a 30 min podcast that has John reading through the first three chapters of the book of Job, chatting through it, and explaining how these chapters set the stage for the rest of the book. This is part 1 of 3. [Click here to listen to the 30 min audio.](#)

John Chaffee is hosting Zoom “gatherings” for NPC youth every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to noon. The link is emailed each Monday.

John also leads Youth Zoom meetings every Sunday night from 7-8:30 p.m. as well.

Youth can follow the podcasts that John has been recording for them.

Here is the

link: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/ambushed/id1095090551>

John Chaffee ([jchaffee@narberthpres.org](mailto:jchaffee@narberthpres.org))

# ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

## Resource List for Racial Justice and Reconciliation

Dear NPC family,

We are excited to share with you four Christ-centered, Scripturally-based resources that address the issues of racial justice and reconciliation. The first three are videos from speakers who address racial issues with great wisdom and encouragement, including some moving testimonies. The fourth is a comprehensive, 40-day devotional called “An American Lament” that is structured around prayer, Scripture, reflection, and response. It is an educational and deeply Spirit-filled resource that you can work through alone or with others. You can download the entire devotional at the website below. We pray that you will find these resources as helpful to you as they have been for us.

With Love and Blessings,  
The Adult Discipleship Committee

1. Grace, Justice, and Mercy - 30 minute talk by Tim Keller, 40 minute talk by Bryan Stevenson: <https://vimeo.com/168964644>
2. Racial Reconciliation: Dana Allin, ECO leader, interview with David Bailey of Arrabon Ministry: <https://eco-pres.org/event/the-church-and-racial-reconciliation-webinar/>
3. "The Dream King" William Ford and Matt Lockett - Open Church <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=william+ford+and+matt+lockett+open+church&docid=608045349025285282&mid=C48796D8CE17EE4664F2C48796D8CE17EE4664F2&view=detail&FORM=VIRE>
4. 40-Day Devotional – “An American Lament”  
<https://repentanceproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/An-American-Lament.pdf>

# SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMUNICATIONS

## UPDATED INFORMATION

**Worship Services.** Now that Session has approved the NPC Plan to Restart Worship Services, the staff, ministry leaders, and many others have begun implementation efforts. These efforts will enable a safe and healthy return to in-person worship services as health conditions improve sufficiently and other relevant considerations allow. The Worship Committee is now meeting regularly to adapt the services so that safety protocols are met. In addition, the Safety & Security team recently worked with Youth and Children’s Pastors, along with Greeter and Usher ministry leadership, to survey their groups views about participating and/or volunteering to support in-person worship services. We are also developing a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document, starting with hot topics and questions raised during Session’s review. The aim is to share, refine and expand this document in the coming weeks as implementation issues and approaches are developed and clarified.

*If you receive a survey from our Youth, Children, and/or Greeter and Usher ministries, please respond promptly. It will only take 5 minutes and will help inform aspects of the implementation plans. We also welcome your questions related to practical issues and hot topics regarding “new” worship service safety measures that will be addressed in the FAQ document noted above. Please submit your worship service questions to Tim Roykouff ([troykouff@narberthpres.org](mailto:troykouff@narberthpres.org)). Please pray for NPC’s leadership as we implement preparation activities. Finally, also pray for an outpouring of volunteers to support in-person worship services that hopefully resume in the not-too-distant future.*

**Small Groups.** More group leaders have been scheduling in-person meetings indoors and out. There are now 8 locations available for gathering, with 5 open to all NPC small group leaders (see below) as well as 3 locations for Youth Group, Counseling, and AA groups. Out of love for our neighbor, all NPC gatherings, whether indoors or outdoors, will require mask-wearing, appropriate 6 foot social distancing and frequent hand washing. *Please contact Karen Pappas ([kpappas@narberthpres.org](mailto:kpappas@narberthpres.org)) to schedule your small group meetings and obtain guidance for room setup and health safety protocols.*

Location	Parlor	Chapel	Gym	Parking Lot	Courtyard
Limit (*)	16	24	40	40	20

(\*) Current gathering limits based on meeting space, social distancing, and local COVID trends.

Please remember, there is no pressure for friends and members to resume in-person activities, as virtual options continue as vibrant and safe options at NPC for everyone.

We welcome suggestions and feedback that can be directed to Tim Roykouff, Business Administrator, [troykouff@narberthpres.org](mailto:troykouff@narberthpres.org).

### **Narberth Presbyterian Church Preschool**

Most summers are comparatively quiet for the Preschool, but not Summer 2020. Leaders have been busy researching best practices for educating and protecting the littlest members of our community, drawing upon state resources and local health experts. The result is a plan to resume in-person instruction which was approved at the August Session meeting on Tuesday. Approving the plan is only the beginning of making it happen. Now in-depth presentations to parents and meetings with teachers take place to make sure all know how Preschool will look different this fall as we seek to keep both kids and adults healthy. If you are a parent, you will soon get information on how this year will be different. If you are a teacher, you will soon have the opportunity to become familiar with the changes planned for this fall. While plans can change if local health metrics deteriorate dramatically, the plan is now to begin Preschool on September 15.

**The Safety & Security Committee: Curt Haring, Jimmy Hornung, Nina O'Connor; Tim Roykouff; Eric Simpson (Chair); Scott Todd**



# COMMUNICATIONS

## Prayer

Requests for prayer can be made anytime by calling the church office or emailing to [prayer@narberthpres.org](mailto:prayer@narberthpres.org). Requests will be posted as quickly as possible for immediate prayer by the Prayer Team.

**Small group leaders** are encouraged to reach out to the Church office if any meeting resource (voice conference calling or video conference calling) is needed. Small group members are encouraged to remain in contact with each other. Some small groups may continue, others may take a break in this time. Small group leaders are encouraged to communicate with their group as to what you will be doing in this time.

**Office:** The church office may be contacted by phone at 610-664-4880 from 9 am to 4 pm Monday - Friday with questions, concerns, prayer requests, etc. Messages may also be left at any other time. We love to hear from you.

**Giving:** Your gifts and tithes make this ministry possible and keep our church strong. Giving may be done at: [www.narberthpres.org/give](http://www.narberthpres.org/give). Giving may be done by texting your gift to 610-642-4831. Gifts and tithes may also be mailed to the church office:

Narberth Presbyterian Church Attention: Financial Secretary  
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### On the Web:

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