



Narberth Presbyterian Church

September 5, 2021

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

Linda Pilacik

Welcome and Family News

Steve Weed

Call to Worship

Exodus 20:1-3

Addison Archer

Hymn #29

O Worship the King

Lyons

Prayer of Invocation

Debbie Watson

Scripture

Psalm 62:5-8

John Chaffee

Prayer of Confession

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we recognize that we so desperately need your help. We do not know how to be fully human as you were, and we recognize that we so often submit ourselves back into the chains of idolatry. Take our idols from us, lead us back to the virtues that promote our thriving, and lead us in the way that is everlasting. Please guide us to be free from the things that enslave us, teach us how to be freely ourselves, and inspire us to be free for the betterment of this world. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon

Brothers and Sisters, know that you are forgiven, not because of anything that you have done or not done, but solely because of the faith, life, death, resurrection, and ascension of Christ Jesus.

Worship Songs

*Creation Sings
The Goodness of God*

Passing the Friendship pads

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Scripture

Isaiah 40:1-8

Pastor Steve

Sermon

How To Be Free, Just Like Christ

John Chaffee

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.

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, eternal and triune God, whom we worship as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In Jesus Christ you spoke the word that brought the world into being. By the Holy Spirit you brought order out of chaos and breathed life into your creatures.

In his ministry on earth, Jesus cared for all, forgiving their failures, healing their hurts, and nurturing their faith, giving himself in utter sacrifice for those he loved. He inspired ordinary people to Spirit-filled living, and displayed in his life, death, and rising again the power of your Spirit.

Nurture us at this table, O God, that we may grow to the stature of Jesus Christ. By the Holy Spirit, help us surrender more of ourselves to you, that we might know the freedom of your will. Help us to love you above all else and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves.

Keep us faithful in your service until Christ comes in final victory and we shall feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal realm. Amen.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again. Amen.

Prayer of Preparation

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn #118

We Will Glorify

Benediction

John Chaffee

Postlude

Linda Pilacik

FAMILY NEWS-CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

This Sunday, September 5th is FAMILY WORSHIP

Kindergarten through 12th grade will worship with their family and participate in communion this Sunday. Worship Bags for children can be picked up at either entrance. The NPC Nursery is open for infants through PreK as usual.

Sunday School Kickoff is Sunday, September 12th!

We begin a NEW program year on Sunday September 12th. During our ONE service throughout September children begin in the sanctuary and are dismissed to Sunday School at the front part of worship. We will begin a new curriculum called SOAR! Exploring the most important places in the Bible. We will also be creating paper airplanes with our theme verse! Hope to see you there!

Kickoff with Kickball! Sunday, September 12th

ALL children are invited to "Kickoff with Kickball" on Sunday, September 12th in the gym directly following service! Let's kickoff our new program year with a home run!

Fellowship for Parents of children in the NPC Courtyard, Sunday, September 12th

Parents join us for fellowship directly following worship on Sunday, September 12th (while your children play kickball). Light refreshments will be provided and all are welcome!

Kids! Join the Secret Service Club!

All children are invited to join the Secret Service Club with Miss Danielle and Miss Sharon Wednesday evenings beginning September 15th from 7:00pm-8:00pm. We will meet in RM 107 (Red Door Room) for some special projects to surprise others with. Come be a blessing to others!

YOUTH NEWS

On Thurs. Sept. 9th, the Youth Committee will be hosting an open meeting from 7-8pm in the chapel area. This meeting is designed to be a chance for parents/guardians to share with the YC anything they would like the YC to know. What are your youth's most pressing problems, what is happening in the school systems that you think NPC should know about, what could your family use help with, etc. We are all ears and we will be taking notes on what you might have to say.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

- Listening Meeting with Parents and the Youth Committee on Thurs, Sept. 9th, 7-8pm.
- Treetop Quest Rescheduled for Sept. 11th, with 130pm check in. If you already RSVP'd this is for you.
- "State of the Youth Min" event on Thurs, Sept. 30th, 7-8pm.
- Sunday School this Fall will be on: Women of the Bible, and then the Book of Daniel.
- MSYG will happen on Wednesdays, 630-8pm starting Sept. 15th on the Book of Hebrews.
- HSYG will happen on Sundays, 5-7pm starting Sept. 12th on the Book of Hebrews.
- MS Retreat on Oct. 8th-10th. (Covid allowing)
- HS Retreat on Oct. 15th-17th. (Covid allowing)
- MS White Elephant Christmas Party on Fri, Dec. 10th, 7-8pm.
- HS Axe Throwing Christmas Party on Fri, Dec. 17th, 7-830pm.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

Sunday Mornings, starting September 12

8:00 am class - Please join us - live in the NPC Parlor, or via Zoom, for a time of conversation focused on the scriptures for that day's worship service. All are welcome! Contact Debbie Watson for more details

dwatson@narberthpres.org.

11:15 am class - Join us for a lively in-depth study of the **Gospel of John** from 11:15 am - 12:15 pm via Zoom or via live-stream from the Parlor. The class will include both teaching and active group discussion with applications for everyday life. Explore questions like, "Why did Jesus invite such an unconventional interaction with the Samaritan woman?" And "Why does Jesus ask the man with a 38-year disability if he wants to be made well?" Led by Mark Wenger with assistance from Charlie Hurst and Andy Littmann. For the Zoom link, contact Mark at markfwenger@yahoo.com.

Wednesday Nights, starting September 15, 7:00-8:00pm

Pastor Steve will lead an in-person class on "**How To Grow In Sharing Your Faith.**" In one sentence, our goal is to be inspired and trained to share the good news of Jesus Christ in word and deed, in an atmosphere of encouragement and gentle accountability. There will be Bible Study, sharing, and mutual encouragement. We will also pray for our friends and neighbors to be drawn to Christ, and for each of us to grow in our personal witness. Note: this class is not for polished evangelists, but for ordinary, humble disciples of Jesus who want to become bolder and more loving in sharing their faith. If you have interest or questions, please email Pastor Steve at sweed@narberthpres.org or text at (610) 761-0061.

From Fear to Freedom: Living as Sons and Daughters of God, by Rose Marie Miller, will be the basis of a 12 week book study this Fall. If you've ever worried about not measuring up, as a Christian, then this class is for you! You will need a book, which you can pick up at church, or order yourself. \$12 donation per book. If you need a book scholarship, let Pastor Debbie know at dwatson@narberthpres.org.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

Monday Nights, starting September 20, 7:15-8:30pm

Pastor Steve will lead an in-person class on "**Discipleship Essentials**", using an outstanding workbook by Greg Ogden. Would you like to be more intentional about your spiritual growth and relationship with God? Do you need to find a stronger rhythm or more discipline in your spiritual life? Would you benefit from the encouragement of others who are pointed in the same direction? This class can help! There will be assignments in between meetings. But have no fear, our pace will be slow so that the Word can be more deeply embedded. Our goal is to combine discipline with delight, and to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18). If you are interested or have questions, please email Pastor Steve at sweed@narberthpres.org, or text at (610) 761-0061.

7:30-9:00pm Men's Bible Study Zoom Meeting, led by Tim Neilson

All are welcome to join. To contact Tim, text 610-613-5572 or email mytn1122@gmail.com

FRIDAY

Friday Morning Ladies' Bible Study: Each Friday from 11am to 1:00pm This group meets in-person AND on Zoom! Either at Narberth Pres in the Chapel (with masks and distancing) or by Zoom link. This group is open, all ladies are welcome. Contact Isabel Lally: 610-659-6663 or Cathy Callaway at cathy.callaway5@gmail.com

PRAYER TIME - OPEN TO ALL

- **Monday Evening:** 7:00-8:00pm Facilitated by Dana Kaminstein
Contact Karen at 610-664-4880 to receive the Zoom link

COMMUNICATIONS

Prayer

Requests for prayer can be made anytime by calling the church office or emailing to 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
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
205 Grayling Ave. Narberth PA 19072

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Post Office Box 414
Narberth, PA 19072

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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, September 5

8:15am Sunday School

*9:30am Worship Service -Family Worship and
Communion*

In-person and live-streamed

Monday, September 6

7:00pm Zoom Prayer meeting

7:30-9:00pm Zoom Men's Bible Study, led by
Tim Neilson

Tuesday, September 7

7:00pm Deacons' Meeting

Wednesday, September 8

Thursday, September 9

7:00pm Youth Parents listening session

Friday, September 10

11:00am Women's Bible Study, Parlor

Saturday, September 11

Sunday, September 12

8:00am Sunday School-Parlor

*9:30am Worship Service In-person and
live-streamed*

*11:15am Zoom or live-stream Sunday
School Class, Parlor*

*To join any of the above listed Zoom
meetings, please call the church office at 610-
664-4880*

Each Week

Christian Pre-School – 610-664-8890

2, 3 & 5 Day Programs 9:00am to 12 noon & 12 noon to 3:00pm Extended Day Program, Sept.-May

AA meets 12:30pm, Monday–Saturday & Sunday at 4:30pm

Counseling: Dr. Janet Moore: cell: 484-686-6630 email: jimpsych@hotmail.com

Dr. Janet Moore has been serving in our Counseling Ministry for over 16 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.