



Narberth Presbyterian Church

December 26, 2021

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

December 26, 2021

Prelude

Linda Pilacik, Piano

Welcome and Family News

Pastor Debbie

Call to Worship

Isaiah 65:17-19, 25

Gaby Anik

Hymn #181

As with Gladness Men of Old

Dix

Prayer of Invocation

Diane Chen

Scripture Reading

Luke 1:6-8ff

Hugh Barrie

John 20:19-22

Isabel Lally

Prayer of Confession

Dear God, Time is a gift from you, and your timing is perfect – in history and in our lives – yet we do not always trust that this is true. Sometimes our view of time is skewed, we lose hope, and in our fear, we forget you, Lord, and your faithfulness. Forgive us for forgetting that if we trust and follow you, Lord, you will give us enough time, and the right time for all the important things in life, and that you are our hope in all of life. Please help us to trust you and your timing, so that our actions accomplish your goals for us and the people around us, and may all that we do, be to your glory. In Jesus' name we pray, amen

Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon

Worship Song

Living Hope

Johnson/Wickham

How great the chasm, that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus: Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me...

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus Yours is the victory...

Chorus 2 X

Jesus Christ, my living hope
Oh God, You are, my living hope

No Sunday School today for Children and Youth

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Passing of Friendship Pads

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Sweet Little Jesus Boy

Linda Pilacik

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Revelation 21:1-6a

Diane Chen

Sermon

It's All Over Now...Or Is It?

Pastor Debbie

Hymn #146

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

Antioch

Benediction

Postlude

Linda Pilacik

Prayer Ministry

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gifts of Hope: There is still time for Gifts of Hope! Visit the website at www.npcgiftsofhope.com. Whether making a gift by the mail-in form or the website, both will remain up and ready to use until **December 31st**. Please join us this year and give the Gift of Hope!

Coats of Encouragement Needed! Do you have any clean, gently used winter coats taking up space in your home? The Lord (and his people) need them! If you do, please bring them to the boxes at the Dove Doors of the Church (on Windsor Avenue), where they will be picked up and distributed through a sister church in Upper Darby. All sizes, child and adult are welcome, and you will be helping ensure that precious people will experience the warmth of God's love through the warmth of your coats, and the prayers that accompany them! Thank you so much!

Thank you to all who contributed to the Parkway Christmas celebration! Our friends there were so encouraged and appreciative of your kindness. God gave us beautiful weather and a blessed afternoon. Thank you!

FAMILY NEWS-CHILDREN AND YOUTH

FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS: Children and Youth

CHILDREN'S NEWS

Sunday, December 26th - NO Sunday School or Childcare

Please note we will not have Sunday School this Sunday (December 26th) and childcare is not available. All are welcome in the sanctuary!

Sunday, January 2nd is Pajama Sunday for K-5th grade!

Wear your favorite pajamas to NPC and during a special Sunday School time we will watch Veggie Tales! Children will be dismissed from the sanctuary as usual.

Special Christmas Vacation Marathon Kickball with Pastor Steve!

Join Pastor Steve and friends on Thursday, December 30th from 3:00pm-5:00pm for a two hour marathon of kickball. All are welcome!

Children's Wednesday Night Programs begin Wednesday, January 12th

Kindergarten through 5th grade are encouraged to join us each Wednesday from 7:00pm-8:00pm in RM 107 for Bible lessons and fun.

MLK Day of Service for Families! Monday, January 17th

This year we are inviting NPC families to join The Philadelphia Project for a Day of Service! Mark your calendar and stay tuned for details. This day of service is best for older elementary children and their parent. Please email Danielle if you are interested in signing up (dkauffman@narberthpres.org).

YOUTH NEWS

Upcoming Youth Events 2021

RESCHEDULED to be combined with 1/5 Fun Night - 12/29 - MS and HS Game Day - 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm will not be held upstairs in the Youth Room - Pinball and Ping-Pong Competition (with prizes) / Board Games / Hang out time. Moved to 1/5.

Middle School and High School Youth Groups will resume the week of January 9th.

If you are a youth or college student that would like to meet up with John one last time, please shoot him an email at jchaffee@narberthpres.org.

LOOKING AHEAD - Upcoming 2022 Events

As we transition into the New Year, we are excited for the youth to gather around the themes of Community and Service. Our Sunday School and Youth Group schedules will not change. Along with those avenues for growth in our faith, we also have some opportunities planned to come together as a community for fellowship and service.

Youth Groups - MS and HS Youth groups will continue to meet starting back up the week of January 9th.

Middle School – Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the Youth Room

High School – Sundays from 5:00 – 7:00 pm in the Youth Room

1/5 - Fun Night - In January, we will begin with a bonus Youth Kickoff Event on Wednesday Night Jan 5th from 5:00pm - 7:00pm. Get out of the house and let off some steam! All ages grades 6-12 are welcome to come for a fun night in the gym for games, competition and a few surprises.

1/9 - Sunday School - During Sunday School on **January 9th** we will start with an activity to come together to start off the New Year by focusing on what we want to let go of in our lives and what we want to embrace going forward. What does God say is important to focus on in our life on earth? We will have time to pray and offer prayer intentions for others.

Jan 16-17th - MLK Weekend of Service – We have two opportunities to serve!

1/16 - During Sunday School on January 16th we will be spending some of our time making sandwiches for the our homeless outreach and listening to a member of our Parkway Ministry share about her experiences serving in Philly. These sandwiches will be delivered that day to our on the Parkway. **Please sign up [here](#) to bring food items.**

You may also bring clothing items to donate. Items needed are hats, scarfs, gloves, coats, warm socks and winter boots (all adult sizes), as well as blankets.

MLK Day of Service - Monday January 17th We will have the opportunity to serve at The Philly Project. More details and sign-up link to come. Please contact Gina Mehdi for more information.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, December 26

8:15am **Sunday School**-Parlor
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream
11:15am **Sunday School** Class is off and will
resume on January 9th

Monday, December 27

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

Tuesday, December 28

Wednesday, December 29

Thursday, December 30

****Thursday Dec. 30, 3-5pm, special
Christmas vacation marathon kickball!**

Friday, December 31

Women's Bible Study will resume on Jan 7th

Saturday, January 1

Happy New Year

Sunday, January 2

8:15am **Sunday School**-Parlor
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-
stream
11:15am **Sunday School** Class is off and will
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*For a link to any 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: jlimpsych@hotmail.com

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