



Narberth Presbyterian Church

January 02, 2022

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

Linda Pilacik, Organ

Welcome and Family News

Pastor Debbie

Call to Worship

Hebrews 11:1,6

Caitlin Henry

Hymn #62

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

St. Denio

Prayer of Invocation

Pastor Debbie

Scripture Reading

Philippians 3:10-14

Bailey Martin

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Steve

O loving God, to turn away from you is to fall, to turn toward you is to rise, and to stand before you is to abide forever. Grant us, dear God, in all our sins, your forgiveness; in all our duties, your help; in all our uncertainties, your guidance; in all our dangers, your protection; in all our sorrows, your peace. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, may you be the goal of our journey and our rest along the way. In His Name and to His glory. Amen. (Paraphrase from St. Augustine of Hippo, 354-430 AD).

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.

Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon

Worship Song

“Way Maker”

Osinachi

(Children dismissed for Sunday School)

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Passing of Friendship Pads

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Linda Pilacik

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading Matthew 2:1-12; 2 Corinthians 5:7 Pastor Debbie

Sermon “3 Stages of Persevering Faith” Pastor Steve

Hymn #185 (1,4,5) “We Three Kings” *Kings Of Orient*

Litany of Communion Pastor Steve

Invitation To Communion

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them 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 God, creator and ruler of the universe. You fashioned this world in love, and govern all the earth with grace and peace. Your reign is for all time, and your mercy is without end. May your kingdom come and your will be done, on earth, as it is in Heaven.

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Born as King in David’s line, He lived with the lowly and cared for the least of Your children. His power was revealed in weakness, His majesty in mercy.

His only earthly throne was a cross on which to die. Even there His arms stretched out to embrace friends and foes in love. From the grave You raised him to Your right hand where he rules again from heaven, and commands true loyalty from peoples and nations.

Remembering Your gracious acts in Jesus Christ, we take from Your creation this bread and this wine and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising. With thanksgiving we offer our very selves to You to be a living and holy sacrifice dedicated to Your service.

Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Sharing The Bread and The Cup

Pastor Debbie

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn #107

“Christ Be My Leader”

Slane

Benediction

Pastor Steve

Postlude

Linda Pilacik

Prayer Ministry

Jan Kennedy

Coats of Encouragement Needed! Do you have any clean, gently used winter coats taking up space in your home? The Lord (and his people) needs 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!

FAMILY NEWS-CHILDREN AND YOUTH

FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS: Children and Youth CHILDREN'S NEWS

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

Yes, we DO have Sunday School, this Sunday, January 2nd. 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.

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

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

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! There are service projects for families of all ages! You can sign up your family by visiting this link: <https://thephillyproject.org/mlkday>

**This is a free program, but donations are welcome! Please email Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) with any questions.

YOUTH NEWS

LOOKING AHEAD

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. And 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 start 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

Youth Sunday School will start back up the week of January 9th (no class January 2nd)

UPCOMING EVENTS

1/5 - Fun Night - We will begin 2022 with a bonus Youth Kickoff Event on Wednesday Night January 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 pizza and salad. We'll move upstairs to the Youth Room for our first ever Pinball and Ping pong Competition (with prizes) / Board Games / Hang out time.

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? And we will brainstorm our identity as a group. We'll close with a time to pray and offer prayer intentions for others.

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

1/16 - During **Sunday School on January 16th** we will be spending some of our time making sandwiches for our homeless outreach and listening to a member of the Parkway Ministry share about her experiences serving in Philly. These sandwiches will be delivered that day to our friends 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 have the opportunity to work on service projects at The Philly Project in Mount Airy. Families should sign up directly on your own and choose their project. **Spots are filling up, so go to www.thephillyproject.org/mlkday to register.** This is a FREE day of service, but donations are welcomed. Everyone is required to wear a mask and families must bring their own water and lunch. After you register, you will receive a release form and confirmation from TPP. It is really easy!

Prayer Focus:

For three and a half years, **Redeemed For A Cause** has been providing support to victims of human trafficking in Philadelphia. Redeemed for a Cause reaches out with the love of Christ and hands-on help to trafficked women in the city. Sakinah Love is the Director. Please join in their efforts to eradicate trafficking and the misery it produces by praying for Sakinah and the women she and her colleagues interact with, and consider how you might partner with them in this ministry of mercy and hope!

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.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, January 2

***Pajama Sunday for kids K-5**

8:15am Sunday School-Parlor

9:30am Worship Service In-person and live-stream

11:15am Sunday School

Monday, January 3

7:00pm Nominating Committee Meeting

(Parlor)

7:30-9:00pm Men's Bible Study,(Zoom)

Tuesday, January 4

7:00pm **Deacon's Meeting**

Wednesday, January 5

5:00-7:00pm Youth Fun Night for grades 6-12th

(Gym)

Thursday, January 6

4:00-5:00pm **Kickball with the Pastor**

Friday, January 7

11:00 am **Women's Bible Study**

Saturday, January 8

Sunday, January 9

8:15am Sunday School-Parlor

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

11:15am Sunday School

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

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