



Narberth Presbyterian Church

February 20, 2022

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude		Linda Pilacik, Organ
Welcome and Family News		Pastor Debbie
Call to Worship	Ephesians 2:8-10	Justin Kauffman & son Eli
Hymn #99	<i>"When Morning Gilds the Skies"</i>	<i>Laudes Domini</i>
Prayer of Invocation		Pastor Debbie
Scripture Reading	Psalm 40:1-10	Rosemary Doherty
Prayer of Confession		
<p>Gracious God, you have called us not only to be saved by grace, but to live by grace. We confess that too often we live an unsundered life, focused more on ourselves than on your kingdom. We have not loved you with a whole heart, and we have withheld ourselves from others. Please forgive us through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Grant to us the gift of a praying life, that we may abound in both faith and good works, all to your glory. In Jesus' Name. Amen.</p>		
Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon		Pastor Steve
Testimony		Jay Field
Worship Songs	<i>"I Will Call Upon the Lord"</i> <i>"Build My Life"</i>	Sarah & Worship Team
<i>(Children and Youth dismissed for Sunday School)</i>		
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer		Pastor Debbie
<i>Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings</i>		
Offertory	<i>"He's Always Been Faithful"</i> Sarah Comstock & her mother Elaine Ernst	Sara Groves
Doxology and Prayer of Dedication		
Scripture Reading	Nehemiah 2:1-8,17,18; 4:9	Pastor Debbie
Sermon	"Divine Partnership: Prayer and Action"	Pastor Steve

Hymn #635

“He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought” *He Leadeth Me*

Benediction

Pastor Steve

Postlude

Linda Pilacik, Organ

Prayer Ministry

Clara Louie

Amnion's "Make Change for Life" Baby Bottle Collection and Diaper Drive
Sunday, January 30 marked the beginning of NPC's annual fundraiser for Amnion Pregnancy Center. Baby bottles are available (in the chapel area of the church and in a box outside of the Windsor Ave. door) to take home, fill with loose change, cash or checks and returned to NPC by Sunday, February 20. Amnion could also use the following donations: newborn and size 6 disposable diapers, baby lotion, body wash, shampoo, baby oil, and diaper bags. All donations may be dropped off in the chapel or church office. Any questions, please contact Alice Antonelli at arichardson1@gmail.com.

Preschool, Summer Camp and Kindergarten Enrichment Registration now open! NPC Christian Preschool, a play-based, nurturing and fun preschool right here at NPC, is now taking registrations for the 2022-2023 school year and 2022 summer camp. You can register by visiting www.narberthpres.org/school. For more information, please reach out to our director Virginia Davis at preschool@narberthpres.org or 610-664-8890.

Choir Rehearsal- Choir rehearsal begins at 11:00 in the choir room following each Sunday morning service. We welcome all who wish to join. Don't be shy...Come today and sing for the joy of the Lord!

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.

FAMILY NEWS-CHILDREN

FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS: Children CHILDREN'S NEWS

Bible Olympics! Sunday, February 20th and Sunday February 27th our Sunday School children will discover just as athletes train for the games - we must train ourselves up in God's word! Sneakers are encouraged.

Children's Wednesday Night Program - Bible and Craft! Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to attend "Bible and Craft" from 7:00pm - 8:00pm in RM 107. Each week we will learn a new Bible story and complete a fun Bible Craft.

Save the Date for VBC! Join us Monday, June 20th through Friday, June 24th as we "*Make Waves*"! Time is TBD. More details soon!

God's Love in all Seasons Workshop! Moms of Little Children (age 3 and under) are invited to attend a special workshop, led by Clara Louie, on finding God's love in different spiritual seasons. We will meet 5 consecutive Sundays beginning Sunday, February 6th in the NPC Parlor from 3:30pm - 5:00pm. Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org).

Messy Family Project - Parents of children and youth save the date! Friday, April 29th from 7:00pm - 9:00pm in the NPC gym. Join Mike and Alicia Hernon from the Messy Family Project for an evening of discussion on "Leaving a Legacy of Faith". Together we will discover how we can best share our faith with our children. Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org).

AXIS - Connecting Parents, Teens & Jesus in a Disconnected World - Parents of children and youth are encouraged to take advantage of these FREE tools that will help guide you through culture into a conversation around Jesus. You can sign up using the web address for FREE (usually a \$100 yearly fee). Please note Narberth Presbyterian Church is in the Heritage Presbytery. Please check it out this valuable material. If you have any questions please contact Danielle or Lisa. <https://axis.org/eco-family/>

FAMILY NEWS-YOUTH NEWS

FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS: Youth MS & HS YOUTH GROUP NEWS

**Thanks to everyone who donated to the “Souper Bowl” of Caring last Sunday. The students collected \$397.37 to benefit the homeless in Philadelphia.

2/20 – High School Youth Group – 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm in the Youth Room

2/23 – Middle School Youth Group – 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Youth Room

SAVE THE DATE:

March 25-27 -- High School Retreat at Spruce Lake

April 22-24 – Possible Philadelphia Project Blitz Weekend

FOR PARENTS:

Friday, April 29 is the Messy Family Project!

Parents, join us for a parenting seminar on Friday, April 29 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm in the gym hosted by guest speakers Mike and Alicia HERNON, founders of The Messy Family Project. Our focus for the evening will be "Leaving a Legacy of Faith". We will discover how parents can best share their faith with their children/youth. Please RSVP to Lisa at lisa.hoffman1@verizon.net.

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ADULT DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday Mornings

8:15 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 via Zoom for a lively in-depth study of the **Gospel of John** (Chapters 14 – 21) that will include an overview and active group discussion of each chapter with applications for everyday life. Explore questions like, "In what ways do we still see the Spirit advocating on behalf of those who suffer oppression and injustice in the world today?" And "What does Mary Magdalene's role in this story say about how God views the value of men and women in his new creation?" This 8-week study is led by Mark Wenger with assistance from Charlie Hurst. For the Zoom link, contact Mark at markfwenger@yahoo.com.

Wednesday Nights 7:00-8:00 pm

“Bringing God’s Shalom to a World in Crisis: The Death & Resurrection of the Messiah” What was life like for the disciples in the months leading up to Jesus’ death on the cross? What was going on in the world in Israel? Did everyone believe the same things? Were faithful Jews affected by social trends, other religious beliefs, politics, or commerce? What might have been some of their temptations? Fears? Hopes? Come learn about all this and more, as we walk that journey to Jerusalem and the Cross with Jesus and his reluctant disciples. We’ll begin in a fishing boat on the Sea of Galilee and go from there! Led by Debbie Watson. This class meets in-person (masks) and via Zoom. Please contact Donya in the Church Office (610-664-4880 x119) to sign up for the Zoom link.

“Persevering With Joy During Covid.” Pastor Steve will lead a 7-week study of Philippians. Philippians is Paul’s most joyful letter, yet it was written from a Roman prison. Just as we face the challenges of an unending pandemic, Paul faced a difficult confinement which he did not choose. Yet within those limitations, Paul persevered with joy through his faith in Jesus Christ. Perseverance without joy equals drudgery and exhaustion; joy without perseverance is shallow and fleeting. Like Paul, how can we combine both? Spoiler alert: Paul said, “For me to LIVE is Christ.” With whatever limitations we may be facing, together let’s deepen our relationship with Christ through this amazing little letter. This class meets in-person (masks).

Prayer Focus:

Matt and Anna Shenk (CRU – For Richmond-Virginia) Matt and Anna lead “For Richmond,” a CRU endeavor in Virginia. This fall, following on the Arrabon study, they helped many of the 80 churches with whom they are connected study *Be the Bridge*, a book study to help our region develop a shared and biblically-grounded understanding of restorative reconciliation. It’s been encouraging to see followers of Christ from both sides of the political aisle learn how to have courageous and civil conversations on how to navigate complicated emotions and conversations that arise when we talk about the sin of racism in its various forms. Their prayer request right now is that they would be known as people who love the Lord passionately, and who love their neighbors incredibly well. They pray that they are known as a community of people who may be imperfect but who strive to reflect Jesus to others and provide a positive witness for Christ to the world around them. They also pray for a spirit of unity in their church in the midst of so much division in our nation.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, February 20

Bible Olympics!!

8:15am **Sunday School** (Parlor)

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

11:00am **Choir Rehearsal** (Choir Room)

11:15am **Sunday School**

3:30-5:00pm **God's Love in all Seasons**

Workshop! Moms of Little

Children (age 3 and under)

6:00-7:30pm **HS Youth Group Mtg.** (Lisa

Hoffman & Team)(Gym)

Monday, February 21

7:30-9:00pm **Men's Bible Study** (In-person)

Tuesday, February 22

7:00pm **Missions Committee** (Parlor & Zoom)

Wednesday, February 23

7:00-8:00pm **Adult Bible classes** (Debbie, Steve)

7:00-8:00pm **Children's class with Danielle**

7:00-8:00pm **MS Youth Group** (Lisa Hoffman & Team)(Youth Room)

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: [jlmpsy@hotmail.com](mailto:jlmpsy@hotmai.com)

Thursday, February 24

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

Friday, February 25

11:00am **Women's Bible Study** (In-person)

Saturday, February 26

Sunday, February 27

8:15am **Sunday School** (Parlor)

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

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