



Narberth Presbyterian Church

October 30, 2022

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Philippians 3:12-14

Sermon

Progress Not Perfection

Pastor Steve

Hymn #45

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

Benediction

Pastor Steve

Postlude

We Believe In One God
Jinhee Shim, Organist

Bach

Prayer Ministry

Linda DiLullo

Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) Please note that October 31, 2022 is the deadline to make suggestions of church members who you think are qualified to serve on the PNC. Names and supporting reasons for these suggestions can be submitted via email to NomComAtNPC@narberth.org. Every suggested name will be thoughtfully considered and prayed for by eight elders who comprise the Nominating Committee: Jack Comstock, Linda Behmke, Linda DiLullo, Clara Louie, Sue Wenger, Jim Hornung, Jo-Anne Kaplan, and Mike Morrison.

On Thursday evening, November 3rd, the nominating committee for the PNC will meet to discern a group of people who are spiritually mature, competent, and committed to Christ and NPC. These individuals who make up the PNC will then carry the primary responsibility of identifying the senior/lead pastor who will succeed Pastor Steve, following his retirement in November 2023. We ask you to pray for wisdom, discernment, humility, and reliance on God as the group undertakes this task on November 3rd. Please also pray for all the individuals who will eventually serve on the PNC, such that we can all affirm, "Surely the Lord is in this place," both in the process and in the result.

On November 13, at 11:00am, there will be a congregational meeting to officially approve the Pastoral Nominating Committee. The names of the Pastor Nominating Committee will be presented as a final slate. There will not be an opportunity at that time to make further nominations from the floor. **Between now and October 31** is the time to suggest the names of any people you believe are qualified to serve. This will give the Nominating Committee sufficient time to engage in thoughtful discernment and prayer.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY CLASS: Colossians and Philemon at 11:15 am. Join us for a close look at these two fascinating letters from Paul and Timothy while Paul was imprisoned. Colossians talks about Christ as the center of all reality, and as John Barclay puts it, offers us “a comprehensive vision of truth”. This class will have some teaching but mostly engaging discussion. We will meet in Steve’s Office and have a Zoom option for those who can’t be there in person. Led by Mark Wenger and Charlie Hurst. Please contact Mark at markfwenger@yahoo.com for the Zoom link.
We will not meet on Nov 13, 20, or 27. We will resume on 12/4.

MONDAY NIGHT

NO Griefshare this week (Halloween). Resumes next Monday, November 5.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

- 5:45 – 6:45pm** Church family supper in the gym
- 7:00 – 8:00pm** Children’s programming with Danielle (K-5th grade)
- 7:00 – 8:00pm** Middle School Youth Group with Juwan
- 7:00 – 8:00pm** Bible Study with Pastor Steve (Parlor)
“Practicing The Presence of God: Finding God In All of Life”
- 7:00 – 8:00pm** Video Series with Pastor Debbie (Chapel)
“The Dust of The Rabbi: Following Jesus Wherever You Are”

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

Sunday is EAGLES Football at NPC! Fly Eagles, Fly! All are welcome beginning at 12:30pm to cheer on our Philadelphia Eagles. Please bring a lawn chair and your best cheers! You are encouraged to bring your favorite football snack to share as well. Drinks, individual chip bags, soft pretzels, and paper products will be provided! There will also be a craft table for children. Hope to see many of you there!

Pumpkin Parables Sunday School (K-5th)! Join us for small stories with BIG lessons this October. Each week we will enjoy a new pumpkin craft too!

Communion & Baptism Class! Next Sunday, November 6th our Communion and Baptism class will be welcomed to the Lord's Table during worship service. God bless our children!

Snip & Tell Wednesday Night Program! Children (K-5th grade) are invited to a new program called *"Snip & Tell"*! Children will be captivated as we create simple paper cutouts that Unfold as the Bible story is Told!

Save the date: The Philadelphia Blitz Weekend for 3rd, 4th, 5th graders will take place April 28th, 29th, 30th. Please let Danielle know if you are interested! Registration has already begun and it fills up fast.

Save the date: ALL Church Retreat! - "LIFE TOGETHER"! All ages are encouraged to attend the NPC All-Church Retreat taking place in Sandy Cove, MD on May 12th, 13th, and 14th! We belong together and we need each other so join us for an amazing adventure away building our lives with each other and with Jesus! Look for more exciting details beginning next Sunday. Please reach out to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) with questions.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

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Middle School Youth Group! Middle School Youth Groups meets each Wednesday evening from 7:00pm-8:00pm in the Youth Room. Each week offers games, lesson, and fun! All 6th, 7th, 8th graders are encouraged to attend and bring a friend!

High School Youth Group! Each Sunday, all 9th-12th graders are encouraged to come enjoy time together from 7:00pm-8:00pm in the Youth Room. Join us for a time of community, theology, and an on opportunity to know, live, and share your faith!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cold Weather is Coming!

Our friends along the Parkway and in Kensington are in need of hoodies, coats, gloves, hats, boots and sneakers. You can put them in the bin outside the Windsor Ave door or connect with Jennifer Bonovitz (484-802-2773) or Marilyn Reed (215-776-3598) to arrange a drop off. We are very thankful for your financial participation with NPC. Your gifts allow our ministry to flourish, helping us to reach out and support missions locally and around the world, teach our children and youth, and maintain our church building.

Neighborhood Crusades likes to give out **hygiene kits** to the homeless people they evangelize. Please donate personal size toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, soap, wash clothes, razors, deodorant, shampoo or quart-size ziplock bags. Place them in the box under the bulletin board right outside the sanctuary doors on the Windsor side of the building. Contact Marilyn Reed if you have any questions. 215-776-3598 Thank you!

Dr. Janet Moore is a licensed psychologist with over 30 years of therapeutic expertise. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Bible from Philadelphia College of Bible and a Master's degree in Theology from Denver Seminary. With an understanding of spirituality and faith in clients' lives, she is able to provide spiritually-integrated psychotherapy. Janet offers counseling to adults and couples experiencing such struggles as depression and anxiety, relationship issues, life crisis, grief and personal adjustment problems. She provides compassionate help to survivors of physical, emotional, sexual, and spiritual abuse.

Contact Dr. Moore at 610-664-4880 Ext 121, or 484-686-6630,
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PRAYER INFORMATION

Missions Prayer Focus: Habitat for Humanity's ministry is based on the conviction that to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ, we must love and care for one another. Our love must not be words only— it must be true love, which shows itself in action. Habitat provides an opportunity for people to put their faith and love into action, bringing diverse groups of people together to make affordable housing and better communities a reality for everyone. Please pray for the people who work together to make “home” reality for families here in greater Philadelphia and Camden and throughout the world— that they would be encouraged in their own walk with God and filled with love for the family that will one day inhabit “their” house.

<https://www.habitat.org/>

Notes from Justice and Mercy:

Modern slavery is happening in our communities and being able to spot the signs and know what to do could make a life-changing difference. Here are a few signs to look for: - homes with too many residents - one person speaking on behalf of many others who may avoid eye contact or conversation - people who seem scared, confused or have untreated injuries - people with no control over their own phone, mail or legal documents.

To report suspicions, call 911 in emergency situations or the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888. Contact Sally Kapner for more information.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, October 30

8:15am **Sunday School** (Parlor)
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream
11:00am Explorers' Class, Parlor
11:00am Choir Rehearsal
11:15am **Sunday School:** Colossians and Philemon,
Steve's Office (and Zoom)
12:30pm **EAGLES Football at NPC!** in the gym!
All are welcome
7:00pm **High School Youth Group**

Monday, October 31

GriefShare will NOT meet this week
7:15-8:30pm *Mere Christianity* Book Study, Chapel

Tuesday, November 1

The Deacons will not meet this month, will resume
Dec 6

Wednesday, November 2

5:45 – 6:45pm **Church family supper** in the gym
7:00 – 8:00pm **Children's** class (K-5th) with Danielle
7:00 – 8:00pm **MS Youth** Group with Juwan
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In All of Life”
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Each Week

Christian Pre-School – 610-664-8890 x118

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: jlmpsych@hotmail.com

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Thursday, November 3

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor

Friday, November 4

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

Saturday, November 5

Sunday, November 6

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Stephen N. Weed, Pastor
Deborah Watson, Associate Pastor
Danielle Kauffman, Intergenerational Ministry
Juwan Williams, Intergenerational Ministry
Jinhee Shim, Organist
Colin & Sarah Comstock, Worship Band Ldrs
Matt Weed, Worship Tech. Coordinator
Tim Roykouff, Business Administrator
Donya Perry, Administrative Assistant
Hugh Barrie, Assistant Property Manager
Joyce B. Nicolai, Bookkeeper
John Ellen Patterson, Financial Secretary
Isabel Lally, Pastoral Visitor
Virginia Davis, Dir. of Pre-School
Chris Marinelli, Weekday Custodian
Michael Ochal, Weekend Custodian