

November 27, 2022

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude *Fantasia on "Veni Emmanuel"* **Rowley**
Jinhee Shim, Organist

Welcome and Family News **Danielle Kauffman**

Call to Worship **Colossians 2:6-7**

Hymn #353 *For the Beauty of The Earth* **Dix**

Prayer of Invocation **Juwan Williams**

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we read in scripture and sing in hymns that we can trust you, that you will lead us, and our lives are in your hands. Even so, we worry that things will not happen quickly enough, or at all. When we pray and answers seem elusive, we begin to complain and lose hope. Forgive us, Lord, for imposing our timetable on you, and for assuming that everything we ask for is something you will give. Please grow us into mature people who receive with gratitude all your good gifts, and who trust your timetable. We pray with gratitude and hope, in the excellent name of Jesus, amen.

Silent Prayer and the Assurance of Pardon

Lighting the First Advent Candle: The Candle of Hope

Danielle and Andrew Sherlock, Ella, Ava, Hazel, and Thomas

Lamentations 3:17-26

Declaration of Hope:

As we wait expectantly for the coming of Christ, we light the Candle of Hope. Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." Amen.

The Greeting

Worship Song *Living Hope*
Never See the End
NPC Worship Band

Children and Youth dismissed to Sunday School

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Katie Wenger

Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Medley of German Hymns

arr. Shackley

Piano Duet: Linda Pilacik and Jinhee Shim

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Romans 5:1-9

Katie Wenger

Sermon

Of Gratitude and Hope

Pastor Debbie

Hymn #135

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Hyfrydol

Benediction

Pastor Debbie

Postlude

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying

Hobby

Jinhee Shim, Organist

Prayer Ministry

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS

<u>Sun. Nov 27</u> 9:30am Service	<u>First Sunday in Advent</u>
<u>Sun. Dec. 4</u> 9:30am Family Worship Service and Communion 12:00-4:00pm	<u>Second Sunday in Advent</u> Dickens Festival in Narberth
Wed Dec 7	5:45pm Dinner and 7:00pm Adult Bible Study
<u>Sun. Dec. 11</u> 9:30 Service 11:00am 1:30-3:30pm	<u>Third Sunday in Advent</u> Annual Congregational Meeting, Childcare provided GriefShare Holiday Remembrance gathering
Wed Dec 14	5:45pm Dinner and 7:00pm Adult Bible Study 7:00pm Gingerbread Bash in Gym for children Pre-K to 5 th grade
Thurs. Dec 15	10:00am Pre-School Christmas Pageant 11:30am Staff Luncheon
Fri. Dec 16	1:30pm Sr. Adult Christmas Carol Sing and Tea
<u>Sun. Dec. 18</u> 9:30 service 7:00pm	<u>4th Sunday in Advent</u> Children's Christmas Pageant concludes the service Found Wandering Concert
<u>Saturday. Dec 24</u> 4:00pm 5:30pm 8:00pm	<u>Christmas Eve</u> Children's Candlelight Service (battery-operated candles) (shorter and designed for young families) Family Candlelight Service (live-streamed) Traditional Candlelight Service
<u>Sunday, Dec 25</u> 9:30am Service	<u>Christmas Day</u>

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

Family Pictures Needed! This Christmas our tree in the Chapel will have a “Family Theme”, so please consider adding your family picture to it! Families come in all shapes and sizes - and together we are the Family of God! You can give your 4x6 photo to Danielle anytime throughout the months of November and December. Pictures do not need to be posed or professional. Email Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) with any questions.

Gingerbread Bash! Join us for the Gingerbread Bash, where we create Gingerbread Nativities, on Wednesday, December 14th beginning at 7:00pm in the church gym. PreK or younger may attend with a parent and Kindergarten through 5th grade may participate on their own. Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) by December 7th.

Save the date: Children’s Christmas Pageant! Join us for our annual pageant taking place Sunday, December 18th in the sanctuary! More details soon.

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! Please reach out to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) with questions or to register!

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

CALLING YOUTH PARENTS: on December 4th following worship, we will have a meeting to discuss the plans for the ministry and how you can be involved.

YOUTH ACTIVITY: Bowling!!! 1pm on December 11th at Wynnewood lanes. Enjoy a time of bowling and fun. We will use this time for youth to come together and have a good time outside of the church building. Contact Juwan to RSVP

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CLASSES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Class: Colossians and Philemon at 11:15 am.

We will NOT meet on 11/13, 11/20, and 11/27. We will resume meeting on 12/4.

Monday Class: GriefShare Meets weekly from 6:30 – 8:30pm in the Parlor (in person), and will continue on into December (you can join at any time). Register here: <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/155054/registrations/new>. Please feel free to email Alice Antonelli at arichardson1@gmail.com for more information.

New Wednesday Class: *The New Testament in Its World* is our new Wednesday Night Study (1st lesson on December 7) ! 37 weeks in length, this video based study will look at the entire New Testament.

Each week, we will travel from the twenty-first century to the era of Jesus and the first Christians, where we will learn about how the message of the Gospel impacted them and their world. All are welcome to the Chapel, from 7-8pm each Wednesday, for all sessions (or as many as you are able). Only the Bible is needed. All the reading is found in its pages. Following each video there will be a time of interactive conversation based on what we have just seen/heard. If you would like to understand the NT at a deeper level, here is one opportunity to do that. There is no cost, other than your time, so please join the group! For more information, please e-mail or call Debbie Watson (dwatson@narberthpres.org – 610-664-4880 ext.114).

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!

Help Wanted: We are currently recruiting for an Administrative Assistant and also a Music Director. Full job descriptions can be found on the website. If you are interested in being considered for either position, or know someone who might be please send a resume to lrbehmke@yahoo.com.

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, jlmpsy910@gmail.com

PRAYER INFORMATION

Missions Prayer Focus: HumanGood (formerly Presby's Inspired Life)

In addition to affordable housing for senior adults, **HumanGood**, provides Life plan communities (also known as continuing care retirement communities or CCRCs), which provide housing and health care on a continuum that changes as the needs of older adults change. Many of our NPC seniors have lived in the Rosemont Village community, Broomall (now Rosewood Gardens), and Rydal Park. Please pray this week for the ministry of care offered in all the HumanGood communities, that those who offer the care might be blessed in their own lives of faith and service, and those who receive the care might experience the love of God and the presence of Jesus, through the care they receive from staff members.

Notes from Justice and Mercy: The ministry to our brothers and sisters in Kensington continues to bless so many who are often forgotten or looked upon with disdain. Outreach workers at Project Home deliver the items our church donates and they are grateful for our support. As winter approaches, there is a need for warm coats (not wool), blankets, sweatpants and shirts, hoodies, long underwear, hats, gloves, and socks. Gently used sneakers and boots are also needed. Jennifer Bonovitz delivers food items in person. Juices and fruit packs, and soft breakfast bars are big hits. As parts of the Kensington area gentrify, efforts are being made for these dear folks to be forced out of the area without sufficient alternatives being offered to them. Contributions can be dropped off in the bins at the Windsor Ave. entrance or connect with Jennifer Bonovitz (484-802-2773) or Marilyn Reed (215-776-3598) to arrange a drop off.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, November 27

First Sunday in Advent

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

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

11:00am Choir Rehearsal

No 11:00am Sunday School Class this week

7:00pm High School Youth Group

Monday, November 28

6:30-8:30pm GriefShare, Parlor

7:15-8:30pm *Mere Christianity* Book Study, Chapel

Tuesday, November 29

7:00pm Missions Committee, Chapel

7:00pm PNC, Parlor

Wednesday, November 30

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

7:00 – 8:00pm **Bible Study**, Pastor Steve (Parlor)

“Practicing The Presence of God: Finding God
In All of Life”

7:00 – 8:00pm **Video Series**, Pastor Debbie (Chapel)

“The New Testament In Its World”

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

Thursday, December 1

Friday, December 2

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

Saturday, December 3

Sunday, December 4

Second Sunday in Advent

Family Worship and Communion

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

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

11:00am Choir Rehearsal

11:00am Sunday School Class resumes

11:00am Parent/Youth Meeting, Youth Room

7:00pm High School Youth Group

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