



Narberth Presbyterian Church

July 30, 2023

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

It Is Well with My Soul
Jinhee Shim, organ

arr. Hamlin

Welcome and Family News

Pastor Steve

Call to Worship

Psalm 27:1,13,14

Rosemary Doherty

Hymn #21

How Great Thou Art (v. 1,3,4)

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Prayer of Invocation

Pastor Debbie

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 5:15-17; James 4:13-15

Pam Fleming

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, as we have sung, you are truly great. You are the Creator of the ends of the earth, and you never grow tired or weary. You breathe life into all of creation. Please forgive us for acting as if we can live well without you. Too often we have not prayed or paid attention to the Holy Spirit. We either forge ahead or lag behind. Forgive us and cleanse us. Help us to keep in step with the Spirit that we might face the future with confidence and not fear. In the mighty Name of Jesus. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

The Greeting

Worship Song

I Will Call Upon the Lord
Living Hope
NPC Worship Band

Children and Youth dismissed to Sunday School

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Simple Gifts
Pam Fleming, violin, Jinhee Shim, piano

arr. Burswold

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading Exodus 40:34-38; John 16:12-15 Pastor Debbie

Sermon The Steps and Stops of the Holy Spirit Pastor Steve

Hymn #635 *He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought*

Benediction Pastor Steve

Postlude *Postscript in a Hymn Tune* Martin
Jinhee Shim, organ

Prayer Ministry

Please pray for unity and discernment for the PNC as they continue their work of vetting and interviewing candidates. Please pray for the person whom God is calling to be our next Senior Pastor.

Pray for Pastor Steve, for energy, wisdom, and grace to prepare for retirement and to bless NPC.

Wednesday Nights are Movie Nights in August! Join us in the Chapel at 7:00pm this week (August 2nd) for the movie *Just Mercy*.

A powerful and thought-provoking true-story, "**Just Mercy**" follows young lawyer Bryan Stevenson (Michael B. Jordan) and his history-making battle for justice. After graduating from Harvard, Bryan heads to Alabama to defend those wrongly condemned, with the support of local advocate Eva Ansley (Brie Larson). One of his first, and most incendiary, cases is that of Walter McMillian (Jamie Foxx), who, in 1987, was sentenced to die for the notorious murder of an 18-year-old girl, despite a preponderance of evidence proving his innocence. In the years that follow, Bryan becomes embroiled in a labyrinth of legal and political maneuverings and overt and unabashed racism as he fights for Walter, and others like him, with the odds – and the system – stacked against them.

Summer Women's Bible Study "*Look at the nations and watch—and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told.*" Habakkuk 1:5 How can there be injustice in the world when God is just? Can you learn to rejoice in the Lord when you are going through trouble and hardship? Join the Women's Bible Study group as we explore these questions and more from the Book of Habakkuk where Habakkuk grapples with these questions that remain relevant still today. Listen to God reassuring Habakkuk that the righteous will live by their faithfulness. We plan to study the Book of Habakkuk over the next three weeks (Thursday 8/3, Thursday 8/10, and Thursday 8/17) from 7:00 – 8:15pm in the church parlor. Contact Clara Louie (claralouie@yahoo.com) or Lalitha Naveen (lnaveen100@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining – we would love to have you there!

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

Bible and Bingo – Join us in Sunday School for a summer favorite! Bible stories and Bingo with PRIZES!

Sunday, August 13th is Parkway Ministry Service Project – During Sunday School, children will make sandwiches, organize lunches, and create cards of encouragement for our Friends on the Parkway.

The Philadelphia Project Blitz Weekend for 3rd, 4th, 5th grade – Save the date for November 3rd – 5th as children serve with TPP! Please reach out to Danielle with any questions.

Save the Date for the 2024 All-Church Retreat! Get out your calendar and mark the dates for the All-Church Retreat taking place on Friday, May 10th through Sunday, May 12th in beautiful Sandy Cove, MD. Many more details soon.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

Teen Girls' Ministry for 6th – 12th grade! Special Service Project to support The Parkway Christmas Shop! It's Christmas in July for Teen Girls' Ministry as they serve with The Parkway Ministry and help plan their Christmas Shop. For information, contact Mia Rogers (mkuniholm@gmail.com). For information on Teen Girls' Ministry, please reach out to Danielle Kauffman (dkauffman@gmail.com) or Lisa Hoffman (Lisa.hoffman1@verizon.net).


Youth Group Updates: Our next Middle School YG will be Wednesday August 23rd, from 7:00 – 8:00pm
Our next High School YG will be Sunday, August 27th, from 7:00 – 8:00pm.

CLASSES

8:15am Sunday Class – Please join us – live in the NPC Parlor, or via Zoom – for a time of conversation focused on the scriptures for the day's worship service. All are welcome! Contact Pastor Debbie for the Zoom link.

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Lights, Camera, Action!  On Wednesday nights in August, we'll be enjoying the cool of the Chapel and a movie! All are welcome at 7:00pm. There is no charge, and the films are each about 2 hours in length. We will be watching the following films:

- 🎬 August 2nd – Just Mercy
- 🎬 August 9th – Show Me the Father
- 🎬 August 16th – Overcomer
- 🎬 August 23rd – Jesus Revolution

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Room For Restless Children The presence of children is a gift to the church, and children are always welcome in our services. The Parlor is available to parents of young children who need a place for a crying or restless child during service. The Parlor is set up so parents can view the service while caring for their child. We invite you to make use of this room, located off the Windsor Ave doors when needed, so that all who are in attendance can pray and worship. Thank you for your consideration in helping to make our time together as a church family a holy experience.

Flower Dedication:  Each week beautiful flowers grace the altar of the church. They remind us of the Lord's goodness and are a way to honor Him. You may provide one week's flowers with a donation of \$25. Flowers may be given in memory/honor of someone or simply to God's glory; your dedication will be acknowledged in the weekly bulletin. If you would like to dedicate flowers, please call Sara in the church office.

There will be a grief support group on the fourth Monday of the month, continuing through August. This grief group will be an informal gathering to share whatever is on your heart (i.e., open discussion). Those grieving the death of a loved one or friend are welcome. The next session will be held on **August 28th from 6:30pm to 8:00pm** in the Chapel. No need to RSVP, just show up as you are able.

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Notes From Justice and Mercy: NPC's Justice and Mercy Committee seeks to fulfill God's commission in Micah 6:8 to act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with Him. To this end, we seek to support members of our congregation already engaged in these ministries. At the present time we have people who volunteer in the following areas: antihuman trafficking, The Chestnut Foundation (handicapped children in Narberth), foster families, mass incarceration, loving our disadvantaged neighbors, orphan care, quilting for comfort, racial reconciliation, racism, and young people aging out of the foster care system. We pray for those who serve and the people they minister to. We also attempt to inform those seeking to find their niche in this type of service through our Justice and Mercy library cart, our bulletin board in the chapel, these notifications and special events. Please pray for us and the people we serve. Please contact Ashley or Marilyn Reed with questions (amr0819@gmail.com or alsomarilynreed@gmail.com).

PRAYER INFORMATION

Missions: Redeemed for A Cause (Sakinah Love). **Redeemed for a Cause** reaches out with the love of Christ and hands-on help to trafficked women in the city of Philadelphia. Sakinah Love is the Director. If you would like to join in their efforts to share the Good News of freedom in Christ, and right relationship with others and oneself, to eradicate trafficking and the misery it produces, please pray for this ministry of hope and restoration: for Sakinah and the women she and her colleagues interact with, and consider volunteering your time and goodwill at the center.

Dr. Janet Moore is a licensed psychologist with over 30 years of therapeutic expertise. 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, jlmpsyh910@gmail.com

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, July 30

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor
8:30 – 9:15 Prayer Meeting, Pastor Steve’s Office
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream

Monday, July 31

Tuesday, August 1

Wednesday, August 2

7:00 – 8:00pm Movie Night in the Chapel, *Just Mercy*

Thursday, August 3

Kickball with the Pastor resumes in September
7:00 – 8:15pm Summer Women’s Bible Study, Parlor

Friday, August 4

Saturday, August 5

Sunday, August 6

8:15am Sunday School (Parlor)
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream

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: jlmpsych910@gmail.com

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