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LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

Prelude

Welcome

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Jinhee Shim, organ

July 14, 2024 setting, Raney

Pastor Farrar

Pastor Debbie

Call to Worship **Responsive Reading**

Come away and rest for a while. Leave behind your business to be fully present to God. We have come for relief from life's turmoil. God's steadfast love surrounds us here. God gathers us as a shepherd gathers his sheep. We are reminded of God's enduring faithfulness. This is God's house, and we are God's children. God invites us to feel at home in this place. We have a covenant with our Creator. This is a time for renewal of our promises. God calls for righteousness and justice. God offers us goodness and mercy all our days.

| *Hymn #2 | Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty | Nicaea |
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| Scripture Reading | Romans 12:21, 15:14; | Rosemary Doherty |
| | 2 Peter 1:5; Psalm 23:6 | |

Prayer of Confession

God of all times and places, we confess that we have wandered after the false gods of this age. We have disobeyed your commandments, violated your covenant with us, and forsaken your ways. We have denied our need for you and mistreated those whom you have called us to love. We have become strangers to your Word. Father, help us turn again to your ways, to accept your love. Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

Healing God, whose touch we have sought and known and whose compassion has surrounded us like a good shepherd's care for wandering sheep, show us once more the dimensions of wholeness that can restore us to faithful living and fruitful service. May we become reconcilers within and beyond the church Amen.

Pastoral Nominating Committee Update

Sue Wenger

Pastor Debbie

Commissioning of Ian Kauffman – Missionary Athletes International – Medellin, Colombia Pastor Farrar & Brint Nicolai

*The Peace

As God has given us peace through Christ, let us share that peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you all. And also with you.

| Worship Songs | He Has Made Me Glad | |
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| | Goodness of God | |
| | NPC Worship Band | |

| Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings | | | | |
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| Offertory | Speak, O Lord | Getty/Townend | | |
| Pam Fleming, vocals & violin, Linda Pilacik, vocals & piano | | | | |
| Doxology and Prayer of Dedication | | | | |
| Prayers of the People | | Pastor Farrar | | |
| Scripture Reading | Galatians 5:22-25 | Pastor Farrar | | |
| Message | Agathosyne | Pastor Farrar | | |
| *Hymn #460 | Search Me, O God | Maori | | |
| Benediction | | Pastor Farrar | | |
| Postlude | <i>March</i> Jinhee Shim, organ | Hill | | |
| Prayer Ministry | | Jan Kennedy | | |

All-Church Picnic – TODAY, Sunday, July 14th at Springton Reservoir Picnic Pavilion – 1071 Media Line Rd, Newtown Square, PA. Food, Fun, and Fellowship! The picnic begins at 12:30pm! Hamburgers, Veggie Burgers, Hot dogs, and drinks will be provided! All are welcome!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

| The Fruit of the Spirit Sermon Series: | | |
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| June 23 | It Takes a Basket: Galatians 5; 16-25 | |
| June 30 | Makrothumia: Galatians 5: 22-25 | |
| July 7 | Chrestotes: Galatians 5: 22-25 | |
| July 14 | Agathosyne: Galatians 5: 22-25 | |
| July 21 | Pistis: Galatians 5: 22-25 | |
| July 28 | Prautes: Galatians 5: 22-25 | |
| August 4 | Enkratia: Galatians 5: 22-25 | |
| August 11 | The Basket Revisited: Galatians 5: 22-25 | |

Pastor Nominating Committee Update: Since our last update, two candidates initially presented by Shepherd Staff were approved by the PNC for further evaluation. The first candidate withdrew from the process before full vetting. For the second candidate, Shepherd Staff interviewed them, asked for written answers to a slew of questions, conducted a DISC personality test, did reference checks, and reviewed the candidate's presence on social media. Shepherd Staff then presented the PNC with a full set of materials. Upon reviewing it , the PNC voted unanimously to have the candidate continue with NPC's in-house process. At this stage, that includes doing the ProScan, answering theological questions, and being interviewed by the search committee. The interview took place on July 11th. The PNC will meet on July 15th to discuss the candidate. In addition to interviewing, the PNC updated NPC's Church Profile to reflect current attendance, budget, and ministry developments. We also posted an advertisement for the job on Presbyterians Today digital magazine. Please continue to pray for discernment for the PNC and for the person that God is calling to be our next Senior Pastor.

All-Church Retreat! Save the Date for Friday, May 2nd – Sunday, May 4th 2025! Mark your calendar now.

Notes From Justice and Mercy: Ones Tuhenya was the first recipient of NPC's Special Award through the Lower Merion Township Scholarship Fund for the school year 2023-2024. He had an excellent year at Montgomery County Community College. This summer finds Ones taking an online course, working as a tennis coach and playing tennis. He hopes to transfer this fall to a local 4-year university. Ones recently said, "I remember 10 years ago I didn't see myself going to college because none of my family members ever completed four years. I am the first generation to ever attend college, I am genuinely grateful for this opportunity. All thanks to you guys for making my dream come true." We will continue to offer this Award to Ones through his fourth year of college. Please remember to keep praying for him, for his studies and for his relationship with God. Contact Marilyn Reed (alsomarilynreed@gmail.com) with any questions.

PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: 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.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

Fruit of the Spirit! – Join us in Sunday School as we focus on trusting in God and filling our mind and heart with God's Word! Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control. The Fruit of the Spirit is not a Coconut!

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VBC 2025! Yes, Save the Dates Now! – Monday, June 16th through Friday, June 20th from 9:00am until 11:30am. Theme to be revealed!!

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

Youth Sunday School – We are starting a new series! Join us in the Youth Room for "Great Cloud of Witnesses". Hear stories about faith and how it relates to life! All Youth ($6^{th} - 12^{th}$) are encouraged to attend Sunday School. Youth are dismissed to the Youth Room from the sanctuary.

This Week!

Meet Claire at Narberth Park for a pickup game of basketball every Friday from 11:00am – 1:00pm!

Every Wednesday, join Claire at a local Coffee Shop to hangout, play games, and enjoy some good drinks! This week, July 17th, we will be at Green Engine Coffee Co from 11:00am – 3:00pm. Stop by anytime!



CLASSES

8:15am Sunday Class – Please join us – 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.

Overeaters Anonymous. This is a support group for people who are struggling with their eating and want a caring group to support them in getting their eating and weight "right." The group meets on **Monday evenings at 8:00pm** in the Pastor's office both in person and via Zoom. New members are welcome; reach out to Eric (610-742-8196) with questions or to get the Zoom link.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Summer Inspirations 2024

Join us for 3 weeks of inspiring people and stories this July from 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the Chapel. All are welcome!

July 17, 2024 Summer Inspiration #2 Mercy Ships

Don Stephens founded Mercy Ships in 1978 with the purchase of the ship, Anastasis, where he and his family lived for ten years. While President, Don directed and led thousands of professional volunteers from over 60 nations, and employees in offices in 16 countries. Their mission is to love God, love and serve others, demonstrate integrity, and strive for excellence in all they do, following the model of Jesus, to bring hope and healing to the world's forgotten poor, using hospital ships to transform lives and serve nations. Come out this Wednesday to learn more, through stories of the helped, and the helpers! A/C and snacks, too!

July 24, 2024 Summer Inspiration #3 Charity Water

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, July 14

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor9:30am Worship Service In-person and live-stream

Monday, July 15

7:00pm PNC Meeting, Parlor 8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Pastor's Office

Tuesday, July 16 12:15pm Staff Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, July 17 7:00 – 8:00pm Summer Inspiration #2 Mercy Ships, Chapel Thursday, July 18

Friday, July 19 10:00am – 12:00pm Ladies Bible Study, Parlor

Saturday, July 20

Memorial Service for George Corner 9:30 – 10:45am Visitation 11:00am Service followed by a luncheon in the Gym

Sunday, July 21

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor 9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and livestream

Each Week

Christian Preschool – 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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