



Narberth Presbyterian Church

August 18, 2024

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

Amazing Grace
Jinhee Shim, organ

arr. Hamlin

Welcome

Pastor Farrar

Call to Worship

Responsive Reading

Linda Pilacik

God is gracious and merciful and trustworthy.

Let us join our voices in giving thanks.

The works of God are all around us.

Those who share in God's work lack for nothing.

We are called to faithfulness, as God is faithful.

We are people of the covenant, called to please God.

Holy and awesome is God's name.

The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom.

Come, then, as wise and faithful people.

Come as a beloved community of the redeemed.

We are amazed that God remembers us.

We reach out to the God who cares for us.

*Hymn #86

We Come, O Christ, to You

Darwall

Scripture Reading

Nehemiah 8:10; 1 John 4:16;
1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Abby McGrew

Prayer of Confession

Pam Fleming

O God, we confess that we have lived so comfortably in the abundance of our times that we have made things our gods. We spend our days dreaming of and working for possessions that cannot satisfy. The pursuit of possessions replaces the quest for faith and faithful relationships. We do not know you, God, and our relationships with others are too superficial. Redeem us, we pray, from our self-destructive ways and restore us to your covenant community. Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

We have received God's continuing offer to humankind of a lasting covenantal relationship. God forgives and redeems us through Jesus Christ, the living bread, sent from heaven. Accept God's gift. Give him your faithfulness and accept his reward. Amen.

*The Peace

Since we have peace with God through the Lord Jesus, let's share that peace with each other: The peace of the Lord be with you!

And also with you.

Worship Songs

*In Christ Alone
Shout To the Lord*

Linda Pilacik, piano & vocals, Jinhee Shim, organ

Children & Youth dismissed to Sunday School

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Andante Religioso

Dubois

Pam Fleming, violin, Jinhee Shim, organ

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Galatians 5:22-25

Pastor Farrar

Message

The Basket Revisited

Pastor Farrar

*Hymn #532

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

Benediction

Pastor Farrar

Postlude

God of Grace and God of Glory
Jinhee Shim, organ

arr. Manz

Prayer Ministry

Linda Behmke

The Fruit of the Spirit Sermon Series:

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

August 4

Prautes: Galatians 5: 22-25

August 11

Enkratia: Galatians 5: 22-25

August 18

The Basket Revisited: Galatians 5: 22-25



ANNOUNCEMENTS

School Supply Drive – Ann Sadel is collecting new school supplies for one of our Mission Causes, **Olney Christian School**. Please place donations in the marked collection boxes around the church/chapel.

Olney Christian School's School Supply Wish List

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| † Packs of sharpened pencils | † Clorox or Lysol antibacterial wipes |
| † Large erasers | † Pack of color markers |
| † Kid scissors | † Highlighters - different colors |
| † Glue sticks | † Spiral bound notebooks with perforated pages |
| † 24-count boxes of crayons | † Packs of watercolor paints with brush |
| † Packs of colored pencils | † Rulers |
| † Dry erase markers; thick or thin | † Packs of loose lined paper |
| † Plastic and sturdy folders
(YELLOW for homework) | † 2" and 1" thick binders |
| † Composition notebooks | † Pencil sharpeners |
| † Boxes of tissues | † New or used backpacks |

All-Church Retreat! Save the Date for Friday, May 2nd – Sunday, May 4th 2025!

Mark your calendar now.

Turkey Study Tour Debbie Watson and Diane Chen have arranged with Tutku Educational Travel to lead a group from Narberth Presbyterian Church and Palmer Theological Seminary on a 13-day study tour to Turkey from December 28, 2025 to January 9, 2026. Stops include Istanbul, Cappadocia, Perga, Antalya, as well as the cities of the seven churches in Revelation. Registration will begin in the fall. Please contact Diane (dianegchen@gmail.com) for a trip brochure or to express an interest in joining the tour. Space is limited.

Notes From Justice and Mercy: Redeemed for a Cause recently made a very exciting announcement! On July 19th, they began providing teen girl-centered services at their Teen HUB located at 730-732 West Moyamensing Avenue, Philadelphia, PA, 19148 (the South Philly drop-in center). Teen girls have access to basic needs items such as free toiletries, food, life skills workshops, health education, sex and breast health, yoga & meditation sessions, crisis & case management, health screenings & referrals, individual & group counseling/coaching, life coaching, referrals to our partners, and others! They will also be having a girls' night every 4th Friday of the month from 6:00 – 8:00pm. The center's new hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday (1st & 3rd week of the month only), and Saturday 12:00 – 2:00pm. NPC folks have many opportunities to help: praying, volunteering to keep the center open for more hours, donating and more. All groups and/or individuals looking to get involved should contact Dawn Williamson (redeemedforacause@gmail.com.) Our Volunteer Advocate for anti-human trafficking is Sally Kapner.

PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: Child Evangelism (Sam & Sadie Doherty) Dr. Sam Doherty, is now retired, after more than 60 years of experience as a teacher and children's worker. He has written over 100 publications especially for children's workers. Sam started the ministry of CEF in his native Ireland in 1950, and after 14 years in Ireland, he became CEF Regional Director for Europe, which he led for 29 years. Sam retired from CEF in July 2007. God has uniquely blessed the ministry of Sam and his wife Sadie. Please give thanks for and pray blessing on Sam, as Sadie passed away in November of this past year.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

Bible and Bingo is Back – Join us in Sunday School this August as we hear a new Bible story and play a fun game of Bingo! Prizes too! This is a fun way for our new Kindergarten students to get acclimated to big kid Sunday School.

Children's Ministry is Updating our Records – Parents please see NPC's Friday Newsletter to update important information about your child (infants through 5th grade 2024-2025 school year). A direct email will be sent with this link to all families in Children's Ministry as well. Thank you!

Sunday School Fall Kickoff is Sunday, September 8th – Stay tuned for more details and plan now to be at NPC.

All-Church Retreat! Save the Date for Friday, May 2nd – Sunday, May 4th, 2025! More details soon!

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 – All Youth (6th – 12th) are encouraged to attend Sunday School. Youth are dismissed to the Youth Room from the sanctuary.

Youth Sunday School is changing! Beginning on Sunday, September 8th, 6th – 9th grade will be dismissed for Sunday School. Our 10th – 12th graders will stay in service, with the opportunity to join a small group immediately following service. We hope that this shift challenges our students in new and impactful ways. If you have any questions please talk to Claire Woods (cwoods@narberthpres.org).

10th – 12th Grade Small Group: All 10th – 12th grade students are invited to join our student-led small group starting in September on Sundays! Ian Kauffman and Abby McGrew will be leading this group. Stay tuned for more information on how you can join!

Youth Pool Party! Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 24th! Youth and their families are invited to come together for an end-of-summer pool party celebration! Let Claire know if you plan to attend or have any questions.

COMING THIS FALL:

Middle School Fall Retreat! Calling all 6th – 8th grade students! Join us at Breakaway for an awesome weekend retreat in NE Maryland. September 27th – 29th will be a weekend you won't want to miss. For more information, please contact Claire.

High School Fall Retreat! Join all 9th – 12th grade students for a weekend away at Blue Mountain Conference & Retreat Center! October 25th – 27th will be a weekend filled with worship, impactful messages, games, and FUN! For more information, please contact Claire.

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

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 21st – **Right Before Your Eyes**

COMING THIS FALL

Sunday, September 8th is Kickoff Sunday! Join us as we kick off the 2024-2025 church programming year and bless the children during the Worship Service. Afterward, join us in the gym for the annual **Volunteer fair**. Keep an eye out for more details coming soon!

Wednesday, September 11th will be the start of our regular **Wednesday Night Programming** including a special church family picnic in the gym followed by programming options for all ages. All are welcome! Check back soon for a list of class options.

Starting in early September: Choir Rehearsal (Thursday, September 5th) and Bell Choir Rehearsal (Monday, September 9th). Both groups are always looking for new members and no musical experience is required! Reach out to Linda Pilacik (lpilacik@narberthpres.org) to get more information or to join!



BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, August 18

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor

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

Monday, August 19

8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Pastor's Office

Tuesday, August 20

12:15 – 1:15pm Staff Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, August 21

7:00pm Movie Night – **Right Before Your Eyes**, Chapel

Thursday, August 22

Friday, August 23

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

Saturday, August 24

1:00 – 4:00pm Youth Pool Party

Sunday, August 25

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor

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

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: ilmpsy210@gmail.com

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Linda Pilacik, Minister of Music

Matt Weed, Worship Tech. Coordinator

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Sara Mahoney, Administrative Assistant

Hugh Barrie, Assistant Property Manager

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