LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

April 28, 2019

In preparation for worship, please take time to silence all electronic devices, and quiet our thoughts, so that we all may focus our hearts and minds on the Lord.

Prelude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

arr. Hopson

Welcome and Call To Worship

Hymn #254

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

Ode To Joy

Prayer of Invocation

Family News

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:3-10

(p.1789)

9:00am Steve Barr

10:45am Dana Ergenbright

Reader: This is the word of the Lord. All the people: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, on this Sunday after Easter, the shouts of victory are often more subdued. We have a way of returning to "normal", and forgetting your mighty act of raising Jesus from the dead. Please forgive us for working so hard for what does not satisfy, and acting as if we were on our own. Whenever we are tempted to quit, or to lose heart, encourage us with the reality of your presence. Open our eyes to see the "new normal" of resurrection life, and to know that no labor in the Lord is ever in vain. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Orphan Care Video

9:00am Valery Foley 10:45am Jessica Gaffga

10:45am Sacrament of Infant Baptism

Virginia Eve Phillips,

Daughter of Peter & Michelle Phillips

10:45am Hymn #353

For the Beauty of the Earth (v. 1,4,6)

Dix

Greeting

Worship Song

Cornerstone

Hillsong

Worship Song

How Great Is Our God

Tomlin

During the 9:00am service and the 10:45am service, children in K through 5th grades may be dismissed to Children's Sunday School. During the 9:00am service, 6th grade and up meet in the Youth Room for Sunday School.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Deborah Watson,

Associate Pastor

Passing of Friendship Pads

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Little Things With Great Love

Assad

Andrea Ogle

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 15:50-58

(p.1791)

Sermon Why We Don't Quit:

The Resurrection Steve Weed,

Pastor

Hymn #612 How Firm A Foundation Foundation

Benediction

Prayer Ministry 9:00am Greg Hein

10:45am Linda Behmke

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God by Julie Todd, in loving memory of her mom, Norma Procopiow and by Scott Todd, in loving memory of his dad, Herbert E. Todd.

Narberth Presbyterian Church is grateful for your gifts. You may give in the offering plate with cash or a check, online at <u>narberthpres.org/give</u>, or via text message by sending the amount you wish to give to 610-642-4831.

Thank you for being with us in worship today! To learn more about our church, Welcome Bags are available for newcomers in the Narthex, the entrance area at the front doors, and at the Windsor Ave. entrance.

CDs of today's sermon are available in the Chapel within 15 minutes after the service. Previous Sundays' sermons are available by date in the bin on the small table. Sermons are also available online at our website www.narberthpres.org or podcast through iTunes.

For further exploration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we encourage you to read the following 7 chapters in the New Testament: Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20,21; Acts 1; 1Corinthians 15. Read with an open mind and a praying heart, and ask Christ to reveal himself to you. See what happens...

There are multiple free copies of the Bible throughout the church. Please take one for yourself or to share with a friend.

Flower Dedication: Each week beautiful flowers grace our church. They remind us of the Lord's goodness and are a way honor Him. You may provide one week's flowers with a suggested donation of \$20. Flowers may be given in memory of someone or simply to God's glory. Either way, it will be acknowledged in the weekly church bulletin. If you would like to dedicate flowers, please call Karen, our church secretary, at the church office: 610-664-4880, ext. 119.

This Thursday, May 2nd, is the National Day of Prayer: 2 times to meet available here at NPC

The theme of the 2019 observance on Thursday, May 2, will be "Love One Another," based upon the words of Jesus in John 13:34, which says, "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." Here at NPC, we will observe this day with times of prayer, meeting at 2 different times in the Parlor from 7:30-8:00am, led by Debbie Watson, and at 7-8pm, led by Linda DiLullo. Any questions: Contact Linda DiLullo 610-453-3420, or call the church office, 610-664-4880.

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

The Life of Jesus - Children's Sunday School Curriculum! Kids will discover that we can follow Jesus' example and live like he did. From the manger to the cross, children will study Jesus' life to get a better understanding of who Jesus is and why we can trust him as our Savior.

2 year olds & 3 year olds enjoy an age appropriate lesson in The Blue Door Room (RM #105) during the 9:00 service only and meet in The Red Door Rm (RM #107) at 10:45.

4 year olds through PreK meet in The Red Door Room (RM #107) during both the 9:00 and 10:45 services.

Our Nursery is available at the 9:00 and 10:45 worship services. This room is best for infants through 23 months.

Please sign your child in and out of each classroom

VBC Registration is available online! Are you ready for this summer's MANE event?! Join us Monday, June 17th – Friday, June 22nd from 1:30pm-4:30pm for ROAR VBC – Life is Wild and God is Good! Online Registration is open as of March 17th. Please visit our church website to register your child or register to volunteer: www.narberthpres.org

Friday, May 3rd - Parents' Night Out!

This program is best for children age 4 through 5th grade. We meet in the church gym from 6:30pm - 9:00pm for food, fun, and fellowship!

Please contact Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) with any questions.

<u>UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS</u>

Middle School Girls Group - Next date May 5th (April 28th meeting cancelled) Lunch at Coco Thai Bistro on May 5th. Meet in the gym after second service and we'll walk over together - or meet us there at noon. Invite your friends!

We meet every other Sunday for lunch and a time to hang out from 12 noon to 1:30pm at the Groenevelds, 509 Haverford Road, Narberth! We plan on getting to know each other better and sharing and praying about what is going on in our lives. We're also planning a service project. Contact Lisa Hoffman for more information at 610-804-7905. Hope to see you there! Future Date is: 5/19.

Middle School Youth Group - May 17th 6-9pm, Gym

Avery Gagliano Concert - Sunday, May 5th @2-3pm -

Avery is one of our spectacular High Schoolers and an incredibly talented piano player. Come out and show your support... AND BE AMAZED as she performs.

MS Game Night - Friday, May 17th @6-9pm -

This is an evening for Middle Schoolers where we often start out doing games in the gym, then have some delivery foods of some sort, go through another lesson in the Gospel of John and then pretty much laugh the rest of the night. King Frog was hilarious last time, so, we will probably do that game again!

2019 CHURCH OFFICERS

THE SESSION with Current Ministry Connections

Pastor Steve Weed – Moderator

Class of 2019

*Charlie Choi –Missions Committee, Chair

*John Kennedy – Personnel, Youth Ministry

Charlene McGrew - Christian Nursery School Board, Chair, Personnel

Mike Morrison – Finance Committee

Class of 2020

*Linda Behmke - Personnel, Chair

*Jack Comstock -Worship & Music, Greeter

Lisa Hoffman – Communications, Children's Ministry, Youth Ministry

Jo-Anne Kaplan – Clerk of Session, Children's Ministry

Sue Wenger – Adult Discipleship

Class of 2021

Linda DiLullo - Prayer

Pam Fleming - Children's Ministry

Clara Louie - Outreach

Dave McIntire - Stewardship & Finance

*Scott Todd - Missions Committee

THE BOARD OF DEACONS with Current Ministry Connections

Class of 2019

Ilonka Comstock - Deacons' Pantry, Hospitality

Ruth Ellen Patterson – Church Financial Secretary

Class of 2020

Kevin Cope - Transportation

Godfrey Louie - Visitation

Deborah Miller – Ushering

Sharon Shallow - Hospitality, Visitation, Justice & Mercy Ministry

Class of 2021

Valerie Foley – Justice & Mercy Team

*Faithe Hornung – Treasurer, Deacons' Assist. Fund, Missions

Dee Knight – Visitation, Hospitality

*Ashley Reed - Moderator, Archivist, Deacons' Assist. Fund, College-age Comm.

Pat Svitek - Homebound Communication, Ushering

^{*} serving second term

SPRING CLASSES

3 Wednesday Night Classes:

† Book/Bible Study: Pastor Steve will lead a 5 week class on Ordering Your Private World by Gordon MacDonald. In this modern Christian classic, the author explores the theme of bringing order to our inner and outer worlds, and living life from the inside out. Chapter titles include: "The Sinkhole Syndrome," "Living as a Called Person." "Has Anyone Seen My Time? I've Misplaced It," and "Rest Beyond Leisure."

This class will meet for **5 Wednesdays**, **April 24 - May 22**, **7:00-8:15pm** in the Parlor. We will integrate Bible study with weekly readings from the book, and application assignments. Please sign up in the chapel. Books are available in the chapel for those who choose to participate in the class. (Parlor)

† Philippians (April 24 to May 15, 7-8 pm) Led by Diane Chen

This is a 4-week series on Paul's letter to the Christians in Philippi, covering one chapter per week. While Philippians is often thought of as one of Paul's friendliest letters, peppered with mentions of joy, thanksgiving, and Christian fellowship, it also contains stern warnings against "dogs" and "evil workers." As we pay attention to Paul's circumstances and the letter's historical-cultural context, we will see the text come alive, from which we may glean valuable lessons for faith and discipleship in today's world. (Chapel)

- † The Power of Prayer (April 24-May 22, 7-8pm). Led by Cathy Callaway. The purpose of this discussion oriented class is to strengthen our prayer life and encourage one another. We will study some of the great Biblical passages about prayer as we lean into the promises of God. (Resource Center/Steve's Office)
- † Sunday Morning Class 9:30 am, starting April 28th

We will be continuing our study of **the Gospel of Luke** for nine sessions, covering chapters 10 – 18. Join us as we follow Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem and learn about the way of discipleship. We will use an inductive Bible Study approach that emphasizes looking into the text for the facts, thinking about what they mean, and considering how they apply to our situation today. The study will be discussion-based and facilitated by various members of the class. We will use Diane Chen's commentary on Luke to supplement our discussions. Meets in the parlor. Questions? Please contact Sue Wenger at mswenger@yahoo.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † Annual Amnion 5k Walk/Run for Life Saturday May 4th at 9 am Please join Amnion Pregnancy Center at its Annual 5k Walk/Run for Life this May. The Walk for Life is a family-friendly event providing the opportunity for walkers and runners of all ages to support Amnion by obtaining sponsors and walking or running a 5k course at Ridley Creek State Park (Pavilion 11), Media, on Saturday May 4th at 9 am.
- † How can we engage our culture for Jesus in winsome and holy ways? Come hear nationally known speaker Carmen La Berge at the May 3-4 Gathering of Heritage Presbytery. All are welcome! Please register at bit.ly/ECOHPG6. Questions: Dave Bellamy dbellamy@narberthpres.org or 610-520-9382.
- † Please visit the Book Table in the Chapel and take a look at our new DVD collection: The Torchlighters: Heroes of The Faith. Also on display are biographical books for young people and books for all ages as well.
- † On Sunday, May 5, at 2:00pm, Avery Gagliano will present a free piano recital in the Sanctuary. Avery is a gifted student at the Curtis School of Music, and part of our church family at NPC.
- † Palmer Seminary Holy Land Study Tour (Dec 28, 2019 to Jan 10, 2020)
 Debbie Watson and Diane Chen will be leading Palmer Seminary students and alumni on a 14-day study tour of the Holy Land with the Jerusalem Center of Biblical Studies. We still have some spots available. If you are interested please email Diane Chen at dchen@eastern.edu for more information and a trip brochure. Both Debbie and Diane are available to answer any questions you may have.
- † Transportation Ministry seeking volunteers
 - The Deacons are looking for volunteers to provide transportation for those who need a ride to get to church on Sunday or other events. Each volunteer would only be called on at the most, once a month, hopefully less. If you are willing to help in this way, please contact **Kevin Cope** at kevindavidcope@gmail.com or 215-510-0459.
- † Opportunity to Serve: Jennifer Bonovitz has been faithfully serving the homeless people of Philadelphia for many years. We need additional volunteers to come along side Jennifer in this ministry providing food and fellowship. Sandwiches and beverages are given to approximately 50 men at Logan Circle. There is a coordinator there to direct as you arrive. If you want more information, can make sandwiches and/or give out the food, please sign up in the Chapel.



On the Web: www.narberthpres.org twitter.com/narberthpres facebook.com/narberthpresbyterian

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, April 28

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office 8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor

9:00am Worship Service

9:30am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room 9:30am NEW Adult Sunday School Class, Parlor

10:45am Worship Service

4:00pm Youth Group

6:00pm Private use of parlor space for recital

Monday, April 29

6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Chapel 7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, Steve's Office 7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music room

7:00pm Youth Committee Meeting, Youth Room

7:30pm Men's Bible Study, Parlor

Tuesday, April 30

7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner
11:00am Praying with the Bible group, Parlor
7:00pm Session Meeting, Reception of New Members, Parlor

Wednesday, May 1

5:45-6:45 Dinner: Roast Chicken & potatoes **7:00-8:00pm Bible Study: Philippians**, led by Diane Chen (4 weeks)

7:00-8:15pm Book Study: "Ordering Your Private World", led by Pastor Steve (5-weeks) 7:00-8:00pm Bible Study: The Power of

Prayer led by Cathy Callaway (5 weeks)

Thursday, May 2

7:30am Nat'l Day pf Prayer observance, Parlor

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym 7-8pm Nat'l Day of Prayer observance, Parlor 7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary 7:30pm Adult pick-up basketball, Gym

Friday, May 3

10:00am Women's' Bible Study, Parlor 6-11pm Children's "Lock-in" for 4th & 5th

Saturday, May 4

10:00am Amnion 5-K Run/Walk for Life, Ridley Creek St. Park 6:30pm Pickleball, Gym

Sunday, May 5

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office 8:00am Sunday School Class, Parlor

9:00am Family Worship Service-Communion

9:30am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room 9:30am Adult Sunday School Class, Parlor

10:45am Family Worship Service-Communion

12:00pm Middle School Girls Lunch at

Coco Thai Bistro-meet in Gym after 2nd Service, or at restaurant

2:00pm Recital by Avery Gagliano, Sanctuary

4:00pm Youth Group

Each Week

Christian Nursery School – 610-664-8890

2, 3 & 5 Day Programs 9:00am to 11:30am & 11:30am to 3:30pm 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

Planning Ahead-Information and calendar updates 24/7 www.narberthpres.org

May 9,23	9:20am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor
May 10	7:00pm Private use of sanctuary for recital
May 10	6:30-9:00pm Pickleball, Gym
May 11,18	6:30pm Pickleball, Gym
May 14	7:00pm Elder/Deacon Training, Parlor
May 17	1:30pm Sr. Adult Slide Show, Parlor
May 17	6:30pm Middle School Youth Group, Gym