



**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

**Deborah Watson,**  
Pastoral Associate

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Passing of Friendship Pads**

**Offertory**      *Take Your Burden to the Lord and Leave It There*      *Tindley*  
Colin and Sarah Comstock

**Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

**Scripture Reading**      Matthew 6:9-13; Acts 1:6-8      (p.1504, 1691)

**Sermon**      **Too Busy Not To Pray**  
**Prayer: Bridging the Gap Between**  
**Despair and Hope**      **Steve Weed,**  
Pastor

**Hymn #263**      *Alleluia, Sing To Jesus*      *Hyfrydol*

**Benediction**

**Prayer Ministry**      9:00am John Furlong  
10:45am Emma Shaw

**The altar flowers today** are given to the glory of God and in remembrance and celebration of my Bill, Dad, and Pop-Pop on his first anniversary in Heaven by Gerri Wismer and family.

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### **Sermons on “Too Busy Not To Pray”**

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| Jan 1  | What Are Your Spiritual Goals in 2017?     |
| Jan 8  | Why Pray?                                  |
| Jan 15 | Needing To Pray – Like Jesus!              |
| Jan 22 | Praying With Our Eyes Open                 |
| Jan 29 | Learning To Pray In A World of Distraction |
| Feb 5  | Compassion And The Power of Prayer         |
| Feb 12 | Apparently Unanswered Prayer               |

**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](http://www.narberthpres.org) or podcast through iTunes.

*Thank you for being with us in worship today! To learn more about our church, Welcome Bags are available for newcomers in the Narthex*

**Congregational reading for this week, “Too Busy Not To Pray”: Ch. 13-16**

**On Monday nights**, from 7:00-8:30pm, Debbie Watson is leading a small group focused on the book, Too Busy Not to Pray, for all who would like to grow in their understanding and experience of prayer. We meet in the parlor. (Debbie’s class will generally follow the same outline as Pastor Steve’s previous Wed. class. Feel free to rotate according to scheduling needs.)

**On Sunday mornings** at 9:30am, Carrie Robinson is leading an adult Sunday School class on Too Busy Not To Pray. It meets in the Parlor

**In this season of church life emphasizing prayer**, three regular weekly prayer groups are ongoing and all are welcome: Sundays 8-9am (Steve’s office), Mondays 7-8pm (Chapel), Tuesdays 11-12noon (Parlor).

# FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

## Sunday Morning Schedule

### Infants and Toddlers

- 9:00am-12:15pm: *Nursery* provided in the *Nursery Room* downstairs near the restrooms, and a separate crying/changing room is directly across from the bottom of the stairs.

### 2 to 3 Year Olds

- 9:00-10:30am: *Hands On Bible, Blue Door Room* downstairs.
- 10:45am-12:15pm: *Spinners!* class, *Red Door Room* downstairs.

### 4 to 5 Year Olds

- 9:00-10:30am Sunday School *Red door room* (Kindergarten students may attend *Lighthouse Kids*, see below)

### Grades 1-3:

These children attend the first part of the worship service with parents and are *dismissed half-way through* to attend:

- 9:30-10:30am: *Rotation Sunday School, Brown Door Room* downstairs.
- 10:45am-12:15pm: *Lighthouse Kids*, downstairs in the *Gym*.

### Grades 4-5:

These children attend the first part of the worship service with parents and are *dismissed half-way through* to attend:

- 9:30-10:30am: *Tweens Class*, downstairs in the *Gym*.
- 10:45am-12:15pm: *Lighthouse Kids*, downstairs in the *Gym*.

### Grades 6-12:

- 9:30 Youth Sunday School:
- 4:00pm HS Youth Group
- Youth Fellowship - Wednesday 6-8pm

### Upcoming Youth Events

- High School Youth Group 4:00pm each Sunday
  - March 13 NPC Parent and leaders night 7-8:30pm
  - Middle School Fun Nite March 17 6:30-9:00pm
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- For all youth-related questions, please contact John Chaffee 610-664-4880 x112 [jchaffee@narberthpres.org](mailto:jchaffee@narberthpres.org)

# 2017 CHURCH OFFICERS

## **THE SESSION with Current Ministry Connections**

Pastor Steve Weed – Moderator Diane Chen – Clerk of Session

### **Class of 2017**

Linda Behmke – Personnel, Church Health Team

\*Diane Chen – Clerk of Session

Jack Comstock – Sense Team, Outreach

\*John Furlong – Worship Committee, Children’s Ministry

Meg McKinley – Finance Committee

### **Class of 2018**

Sam DiLullo

\*David Place – Finance Committee, Greeter

Emma Shaw – Young Adult Ministry

\*Selim Tawadros – Finance Committee

Scott Todd – Missions Committee

### **Class of 2019**

\*Charlie Choi – Chair Missions Committee

\*John Kennedy – Church Health Team

Charlene McGrew

Mike Morrison

## **THE BOARD OF DEACONS with Current Ministry Connections**

### **Class of 2017**

\*Carol Bellamy – Church Financial Secretary

Donna Hart – Secretary, Communications

\*Suzanne Morrison – Deacons’ Pantry

\*Julie Todd – Moderator, Deacons’ Assistance, Justice & Mercy Ministry

### **Class of 2018**

Faithe Hornung – Treasurer

\*Omar Mehdi – Vice-Moderator, Transportation, Deacons’ Assistance Fund

Ashley Reed - Archivist

\*Gerri Wismer – Homebound Communications

### **Class of 2019**

Ilonka Comstock

Ruth Ellen Patterson

Tim Roykouff

Marcy Wells

\* serving second term

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **The Shepherds Ministry of N.P.C. extends an invitation to NPC members with a heart for others!** Are you faithful, available, and teachable? Do you enjoy being with and helping others over the long haul? Are you basically content in yourself – settled internally? Can you commit to the time to pray daily and be in contact regularly with another person? Do you experience joy simply in the act of giving?

For almost 20 years, N.P.C.'s Shepherds have been Jesus "with skin on," as they have touched men and women, boys and girls with Christ-like love and regular prayer. Our Shepherds Ministry is a one of deliberate friendship in which trained and accountable members of N.P.C. are linked with one or more individuals/families for whom they promise to pray daily, be available, maintain regular contact, and try to live as good examples of growing, maturing Christians.

- † **Victor Habib, an NPC member,** graduated in December from Eastern University with a Master's in International Development, and is looking currently for a job opportunity with a non-governmental organization (NGO). Victor is hoping to work in one of the following areas: education and training, community development, community mobilization, peacebuilding, project planning and management, or biblical leadership and empowerment, but he is also open to other possibilities related to his training (and background in Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Math).

Victor is asking for renewed prayer concerning his job search. He has 40 days to find a job that will allow him to gain much needed experience. If he does not find a job before those 40 days are up, he will have to return to Egypt with his degree, but not much real-life experience. Please pray for the Lord to provide Victor with what he most needs in these next 40 days - in particular, a position which will draw on his training, experience and gifting, and peace, as he seeks both a job, and his future. Knowledge of any opportunities you might be aware will be appreciated.

- † **Connect with God** - If you would like to spend some quality time with the creator of the universe, there is no better place than the Jesuit Retreat Center in Wernersville. We invite you to a weekend of prayerful silence and reflection that will refresh and renew your soul. Arrive anytime on Friday March 17 and return Sunday March 19 about 3pm. Cost of \$150 covers private room and meals. No experience necessary. Contact Dave Bellamy at [dbellamy@narberthpres.org](mailto:dbellamy@narberthpres.org) for more information. Register at [www.narberthpres.org](http://www.narberthpres.org). Registration deadline is March 3.

- † **Save the Date! March 12, 2017**

On Sunday, March 12 from 12:15-1:30pm, small group leaders/facilitators will gather for a luncheon in the Parlor. We will focus on service. Please contact Debbie Watson if you have any questions.

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- † **Invitation to join the NPC Prayer Chain:** Please consider becoming a member of the NPC prayer chain with others who receive prayer requests and praises that usually are connected with the NPC community. Those who participate are asked to pray for the requests for one week, and keep the information confidential. To join, please send an email with your name and the email address where you wish to receive requests, to [pray@narberthpres.org](mailto:pray@narberthpres.org) . Thank you.
  
- † If you have been thinking about visiting **Kathleen Pierce**, please do! 15-20 minute visits are an encouragement to her, and very welcome. Please let her daughter, April, know you would like to come, so that Kathleen will be ready for your visit. (April's phone: 812-323-9045)
  
- † **Free blood pressure screenings from Dental Hygiene students right after the second service on February 26th.** Students from Community College of Philadelphia Dental Hygiene program will be taking blood pressures and teaching oral home care (tooth brushing techniques, flossing, prosthetic/implant care, etc.) They will be giving away free dental care products such as toothbrushes, flosses, and mouth rinses for those who will get their blood pressure checked (while supplies last). **Location: Resource Room (next to Steve's office.)**
  
- † **Drivers Wanted – Can you help?**  
There are times when members and friends of NPC need transportation for such things as medical tests, doctors' appointments and when they are temporarily disabled by injuries. Do you have a servant's heart and a warm car to transport individuals when such needs arise? If so, please contact Omar Mehdi, Deacon in charge of the Transportation Ministry at [mehdi.omar@gmail.com](mailto:mehdi.omar@gmail.com). You will be a blessing to these individuals. Thank you.
  
- † **Scripture Readers needed!** Each week someone from the congregation blesses us by reading the first scripture portion for the day. We are compiling a Winter/Spring roster of people for the two services, and would be happy to have you read if you are at least 7 years old and are willing to speak a little more slowly than you probably do otherwise! Please sign up in the Chapel, and leave your e-mail so that we can get the "script" to you the Friday or Saturday before you read.



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## BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

### *Sunday, February 19*

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor  
**9:00am Worship Service**  
9:30am Sunday School class,  
“Too Busy Not To Pray”, Parlor  
10:30am Sunday School, Parlor  
History of the Reformation  
**10:45am Worship**  
3-5pm Explorers’ Class, Parlor  
**4-6pm HS Youth Group**

### *Monday, February 20*

**Office closed for Presidents’ Day**  
6:30pm Bell Choir rehearsal  
**7:00pm: Too Busy Not to Pray, led by Debbie Watson, Parlor**  
7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, Steve’s Office  
7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music office  
7:30pm Men’s Bible Study in Galatians, Resource Center

### *Tuesday, February 21*

6:30am Men’s small group  
7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner  
11-12noon Study & Prayer group, led by Faithe Hornung, Parlor  
7:00pm Worship Band Rehearsal  
**7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor**

### *Wednesday, February 22*

9:30 Staff Meeting, Parlor  
**5:45pm Wednesday Night Dinner at the Fellowship Café (Gym) Menu: Breakfast for Dinner! Wear your PJs! salad, fruit, dessert**  
6:30pm Children’s classes (up to grade 5)  
**7:00pm Adult class: “Too Busy Not To Pray” led by Pastor Steve.**

### *Thursday, February 23*

**9:30am All-Day Quilts for Comfort event, Parlor (Staff invited for lunch)**  
11:00am Sr. Adults Lunch at Wyndham House, meet at church  
4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym  
7:30pm Basketball, Gym

### *Friday, February 24*

10:00am Women’s Bible Study, Chapel  
**7:30pm Young Adults Study, Parlor**

### *Saturday, February 25*

### *Sunday, February 26*

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor  
**9:00am Worship Service**  
9:30am Sunday School class,  
“Too Busy Not To Pray”, Parlor  
10:30am Sunday School, Parlor  
History of the Reformation  
**10:45am Worship**  
12:00pm Blood Pressure screenings  
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### *Each Week*

**Christian Nursery School** – Jennifer Addy, Director, 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–Friday. Also, Saturday at 12:30pm & Sunday at 4:30pm  
**Counseling:** Dr. Janet Moore: cell: 484-686-6630 email: [jlmpsyach@hotmail.com](mailto:jlmpsyach@hotmail.com)

### *Planning ahead Information and calendar updates 24/7 at [www.narberthpres.org](http://www.narberthpres.org)*

Feb 28 7:00pm Knitters’ group, Resource Room  
Feb 28 7:00pm Missions Committee, Parlor  
Mar 1 5:45-8:00pm Ash Wednesday Dinner and Service  
Mar 3 6:30pm Parents’ Night Out, Gym  
Mar 4 9:00am Shepherds’ Meeting, Parlor  
Mar 6 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal



Mar 7 7:00pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor  
Mar 9,23 9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor  
Mar 12 12:15pm Small Group Leaders/Facilitators Luncheon, Parlor  
Mar 13 7:00pm Youth Group Parents/Leaders Meeting, Parlor  
Mar 17 1:30pm Sr. Slide Show (Patagonia with Matt Weed)  
Mar 20 2-7pm Red Cross Blood Drive, Gym