



**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Passing of Friendship Pads**

**Offertory**

*O The Blood*

*Miller*

Jennifer Fisher, Soprano

**Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 18:9-14

(p.1628)

**Sermon**

**Getting Real With God:**

**The Willingness To be Changed**

**Steve Weed,**

Pastor

**Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Worship Song**

*Mercy Tree*

*Nordhoff/Neale*

**Invitation To Communion**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise**

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe. We praise you for saints and martyrs, for the faithful in every age who have followed your Son and witnessed to his resurrection.

**From every race and tongue, from every people and nation, you have gathered them into your kingdom. You have shown them the path of life and filled them with the joy of your presence.**

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Sent to be our Savior, he took our flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. His words are true. His touch brings healing. To all who follow him, he gives abundant life.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

**By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ, and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world. Amen.**

### **Sharing of the Bread and Cup**

Communion music

Kathleen Pierce

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Hymn #45

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

*Nettleton*

### **Benediction**

**Prayer Ministry**

9:00am Isabel Lally  
10:45am Laura Harrison

**On Communion Sundays**, the loose plate (non-envelope) offering is earmarked for our Deacons Assistance Fund to meet needs within our congregation. Thank you for your very generous donations.

*Thank you for being with us in worship today! To learn more about our church, Welcome Bags are available for newcomers at the front 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](http://www.narberthpres.org) or podcast through iTunes.

### **New opportunities this week:**

Monday 6:30-9:00      The Marriage Course (See p. 6) (Still time to join)  
Friday 7:00-9:00      Young Adult Dinner/Fellowship (see p.6)

# YOUNG ADULTS FELLOWSHIP

Dear Young Adults –

**YOU ARE INVITED!**

- To What?** Young Adult Community Gatherings
- When & Where?** Friday Nights at Narberth Presbyterian Church  
Starting September 30<sup>th</sup> –November 11<sup>th</sup>  
7:00-9:00pm (Gym, sometimes Parlor or Chapel)\
- Format:** Dinner is provided – Free! 7:00-8:00  
Video “All The Places To Go,”  
by John Ortberg 8:00-8:20 Discussion Groups  
8:20-9:00 Formal dismissal at 9:00, but hang out as long as you like
- Theme:** The video series addresses the topics of guidance, discernment, knowing God’s will & making good decisions. It’s outstanding!
- Purpose:** To build friendships & community among a variety of young adults at NPC and beyond.  
To be encouraged & challenged by biblical teaching that we can discuss in groups
- Questions:** What if I can’t make it back every week?  
Few folks are able to come for every single meeting.  
Come as you can.  
Arrive as you can.  
The accent is on a warm welcome.  
Feel free to invite friends.  
Am I a young adult?  
YES!  
No one will be carded... 😊  
CHILDCARE PROVIDED

[sweed@narberthpres.org](mailto:sweed@narberthpres.org) or [dwatson@narberthpres.org](mailto:dwatson@narberthpres.org)  
610-664-4880 (Steve: x116 or Debbie x 114)

## SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

### SUNDAY

**Prayer meeting** in Steve's office each Sunday morning 8:00-9:00am.

#### **Sunday School Classes:**

**8am – Coffee, Cake, and Conversation** with Debbie Watson, Parlor

**10:30am** New 12-week video series on **The Sermon on the Mount**, by Sinclair Ferguson. Led by Norm Johanson, meets in the parlor.

### MONDAY

**6:30-9:00pm – The Marriage Course** (September 26<sup>th</sup> – November 14<sup>th</sup>), Parlor

**7:00-9:00pm – MBR (Men Being/Becoming Real)**, Music Office

**7:30-9:00pm – Men's Bible Study**, Resource Room

**7:00-8:00pm – Prayer Group**, Steve's Office

### TUESDAY

**7:00-8:10am Men's Sermon Discussion & Prayer Group**, Resource Room

**11:00am-12:00noon Prayer, Open to all**, Parlor

**WEDNESDAY 5:45-8:00pm** Dinner and classes

**Adult class: 7-8pm:** Bible Study and prayer on movie "War Room", led by Gene and Becky McGee. Chapel

### FRIDAY

**9:30-11:30am Friday Morning Moms' Group.** Every other Friday, Parlor

Next gathering on Oct 14

**10-11:30am Women's Bible Study Weekly**, Parlor/Chapel

**6:30 – 9pm Young Adults Fellowship**, September 30<sup>th</sup> – November 11<sup>th</sup>, Gym

# 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:

**We welcome our new Director of Youth Ministries, John Chaffee. Watch for a chance to get together with parents and students soon!**

- Middle School Retreat returns today at 2:00pm
- No Sunday School or Youth Group today. Back next week.
- Youth Fellowship - Wednesday 6-8pm - Catch up over dinner then fellowship and discussion with Alice - Youth Room (2<sup>nd</sup> Flr.)

### Upcoming Youth Events:

10/21 MS Fun Night

11/4-6 *HS Reality Retreat* at NorthBay Adventure camp, NorthEast MD

**Grades 9-12: Register NOW for HS Retreat at [narberthpres.org](http://narberthpres.org)**

**For all youth-related questions, please contact Dave Bellamy or Jess Gaffga  
610-664-4880 x112 [youth@narberthpres.org](mailto:youth@narberthpres.org)**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **Join NPC's Orphan Care Ministry on Saturday, October 8th**, for the annual Orphan Day 5K at Ridley Creek State Park. In conjunction with Orphan Sunday events taking place around the globe, Compassion Corps is hosting this fun event for the 6th year. Help us raise awareness and funding for school scholarships for orphans in Liberia and Uganda. Registration is at 9 am, start running or walking at 10. Contact Valerie Foley ([valerie@vfoley.com](mailto:valerie@vfoley.com)) or Jess Gaffga ([jessicagaffga@yahoo.com](mailto:jessicagaffga@yahoo.com)) with any questions.
- † **Amnion Crisis Pregnancy Fall Banquet** will be held at Drexelbrook on Thursday, Oct 13th at 6:30 PM. This year Leah Raup will share her story of hope, grace and the power of forgiveness. Please contact Alice Antonelli (203.233.8133, [arichardson1@gmail.com](mailto:arichardson1@gmail.com)) if you would like to attend or if you would like more information. You can also find out more at <http://www.amnion.org>.
- † **We are holding a series of town hall meetings** to provide an update on denominational affiliation. More details will be mailed to your home this week. We invite you to attend one of these four sessions:
- Sunday October 9 at 12:15pm, in the Gym
  - Thursday October 13 at 7:30pm, in the Chapel
  - Sunday October 16 at 10:45am, in the Gym
  - Tuesday October 18 at 2:00pm, in the Chapel
- † **Divorce -- Someone you know is hurting**  
Tell him or her about **DivorceCare**, our weekly seminar/support group. DivorceCare features biblical principles and practical wisdom for healing from a marriage breakup. We begin a 13-week series Wednesday **October 5<sup>th</sup>**. Contact Kate Layman or Dennis Gee at 610.664.1505, email [divorcecare@narberthpres.org](mailto:divorcecare@narberthpres.org), or visit [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org) on the web.  
**Find Help – Discover Hope – Experience Healing**
- † **Christmas Choir!** Celebrate the joy of Christmas with other singers on Music Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsals will begin on Thursday evening, October 20 at 7:30 pm in the Choir Room. All rehearsals will be on Thursdays with the exception of Thanksgiving Day! There will be a bonus rehearsal, that week, on Monday, November 21. Sign-up in the Chapel.
- † **Dr. Janet Moore has been serving in our Counseling Ministry for the past 10 years**, working with individuals struggling with a wide range of personal and psychological challenges. Dr. Moore's perspective is that addressing mental health issues is essential to opening our hearts and minds, thereby enabling a closer relationship with God that can sustain us in an imperfect world. You may reach Dr. Moore by leaving a message on her church extension, 610-664-4880 (ext. 121), or at 484-686-6630.



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## BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

### *Sunday, October 2*

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor  
**9:00am Worship Service-Communion**  
 10:30am Sunday School, Parlor  
**10:45am Worship Service-Communion**  
 4:00pm HS Youth Group

### *Monday, October 3*

**6:30-9pm Marriage Course**  
 7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, this week,  
 Pastor's Office  
 7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music office  
 7:30pm Men's Bible Study in Galatians,  
 Resource Center

### *Tuesday, October 4*

6:30am Men's small group  
 7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at  
 Narberth Diner  
 11-12noon Prayer group, led by Faithe  
 Hornung, Parlor  
**7:00pm Session Meeting, Chapel**  
 7:00pm Knitters' Group, Resource Room  
 7:30pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor  
 7:30pm Praise Band rehearsal

### *Wednesday, October 5*

**5:45pm Wednesday Night Dinner at the  
 Fellowship Café (Gym) Menu:**  
 Chicken Parmesan, salad, fruit dessert.  
 6:30pm Children's classes (up to grade 5)  
 7:00-8:00pm Adult class: **"War Room"**  
 follow-up study

### *Thursday, October 6*

1:00pm CNS Board Meeting, Parlor  
 4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor

### *Friday, October 7*

10:00am Women's' Bible Study, Parlor  
**7-9pm Young Adult Fellowship -  
 Dinner & Childcare provided!**  
 6:30-9:00pm Parents' Night Out, Gym

### *Saturday, October 8*

9:00am **Annual Orphan Day 5K** at Ridley  
 Creek State Park

### *Sunday, October 9*

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor  
**9:00am Worship Service**  
 10:30am Sunday School, Parlor  
**10:45am Worship Service**  
 4:00pm HS Youth Group

### *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: [jlmpsych@hotmail.com](mailto:jlmpsych@hotmail.com)

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

Oct 13,27 9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor  
**Oct 16 12:00pm Cream of the Crop Luncheon, Parlor**  
 Oct 18 7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor  
 Oct 24 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal  
 Oct 25 7:00pm Missions Committee, Parlor  
 Nov 1 7:00pm Knitters' Group, Resource Room  
 Nov 1 7:30pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor  
 Nov 5 9:00am Shepherds' Meeting, Parlor