LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

April 23, 2017

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 Rigaudon Campra

Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Call To Worship Matthew 28:16-20

Hymn #95 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Coronation

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading Matthew 16:13-18; Luke 22:31-34; John 21:15-17

(p.1524, 1638, 1688) 9:00am Jack Comstock 10:45am Sarah Wenger

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 the reality of the resurrection. Please forgive us for spiritual amnesia. We confess that we have tried to do life on our own, and we have ignored the resources of your presence and grace. Please forgive us at the cross. Build your kingdom here, that our community may see Christ in us, the hope of glory. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

The Greeting

Worship Song Build Your Kingdom Here Rend Collective
Worship Song Your Grace Is Enough Tomlin/Maher

During the 9:00am service, children up to grade 5 may be dismissed to Children's Sunday School.

During the 10:45 am service, children in K through 5th grades may be dismissed to the gym for Lighthouse Kids children's church after the hymn/worship song.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Deborah Watson,

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory What A Beautiful Name Fielding/Ligertwood

Kerry Catapano, Jennifer Fisher, Kathy McLean

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading John 14:15-20; John 20:19-22 (p.1676, 1686)

Sermon Living The Resurrection:

Unlikely Witnesses Like Us! Steve Weed,

Pastor

Hymn #45 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Nettleton

Benediction

Prayer Ministry 9:00am Isabel Lally

10:45am

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Chuck & Joyce Lewis' 63rd anniversary, by their daughter, Kelly Watson and their grandchildren.

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.

Prayer for Healing (Pastor Steve's Office)

On Sundays from 8 - 8:45 am and after the 9 am service, from 10:15-10:45am, prayer for healing is offered in a confidential, quiet and welcoming environment.

There are multiple free copies of Why Easter? by Nicky Gumbel around the church. Please feel free to pick one up for yourself or a friend.

Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm

Starting this Wednesday night from 7-8pm, Pastor Steve will lead a 5-week Book Study/Bible Study based on <u>The Liturgy of the Ordinary</u> by Tish Harrison Warren. Childcare is provided.

Books are available today in the Chapel and you may pick one up if you plan to participate. This Wednesday we will discuss chapters 1-3, and meet around tables in the Parlor.

Topics this week include "waking up", "making your bed" and "brushing your teeth." The author relates how the most mundane activities of everyday life become opportunities to pay closer attention and discern the presence of God in small things. It is a good follow up to Easter – encountering the risen Christ wherever we are. Later topics include losing keys, eating leftovers, fighting with your spouse, checking email, sitting in traffic, calling a friend, drinking tea, and sleeping.

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
- May 19 at 6:30pm Family Game Night: MS and HS Youth vs Parents in a game of Dodge Ball!
- For all youth-related questions, please contact John Chaffee 610-664-4880 x112 <u>ichaffee@narberthpres.org</u>

2017 CHURCH OFFICERS

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Pastor Steve Weed – Moderator Diane Chen – Clerk of Session

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*Diane Chen - Clerk of Session

Jack Comstock – Sense Team, Outreach

*John Furlong - Worship Committee, Children's Ministry

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*Selim Tawadros – Finance Committee

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Mike Morrison

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*Gerri Wismer – Homebound Communications

Class of 2019

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Ruth Ellen Patterson

Tim Roykouff - Secretary

Marcy Wells

* serving second term

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † Next Sunday, after the 10:45 service, come share lunch and hear Brittany Wismer-Ortiz relate the story of her trip to Laos where she volunteered with Global Vision International to teach English to young women who have been victim of, or are at risk of, sex trafficking. All are welcome.
- † Sr. Adult trip to the Brandywine River Museum! This Thursday 9:30am Sign up now in the Chapel
- **Baptism:** Pastors Steve & Debbie are planning on offering baptism preparation classes this spring for children in first grade or above who have never been previously baptized. A likely date for baptism is Pentecost Sunday, June 4. Please notify Pastor Steve or Debbie if you are interested, or sign up in the Chapel.
- † Are you interested in sports and want to use that interest to reach high school students for Christ?
 - **Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)** is being evaluated for potential NPC support as a mission cause, and they will be 'piloting' community huddles in the city of Philadelphia for male and female high school athletes (grades 9th-12th) in accordance with strong believers who play for the **Philadelphia Eagles**.
 - A 'huddle' is a bible study that uses a sports narrative to reach students for Christ.
 - Any high school student (male/female) who participates in a sport for their high school, community or on club team is welcome.

We are looking for an **army of volunteers** who want to partner with FCA to launch two community huddles this spring!

If you are interested, please take a flyer from the table in the parlor. Thank you!

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- **Baseball and Faith!** On Monday, April 24 (tomorrow) at 4:00pm at Eastern University, two pitchers for the Philadelphia Phillies Jeanmar Gomez and Jerad Eickhoff will share their testimonies of faith in Christ. This inspiring event will be held at the gym at Eastern University and is open to the community. Doors open at 3:00pm and seating will be closed at 3:45pm. Those attending are encouraged to come early.
- **Lost Basket!** Jennifer Addy is looking for a Christmas basket that is metal; painted green with candy canes all around the outside and a gold colored interior. This was used here at Christmastime and is a family treasure. If you have seen this anywhere, please call Jen at 610-609-1476.
- † Helpers are needed for shopping and/or food prep for Wednesday night suppers. Shopping can be done anytime Monday-Wednesday, and the costs are covered by the church. Sadly, we are losing Eric Butts, who has been our wonderful, faithful chef for years. He is moving to Baltimore and will be deeply missed. Please call Dee Knight if you can help (484-620-4157)
- † Pickleball has resumed! All adults are welcome to join us! Most Monday nights from 7:00-9:00pm in the Gym. (To confirm dates, check the calendar or contact Karen B. 610-764-1188) Contacts: Karen Bachmann and Bob Moore
- 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. If he does not find a job soon, he will have to return to Egypt with his degree, but not much real-life experience. Knowledge of any opportunities you might be aware of will be appreciated.



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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, April 23

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor 9:00am Worship Service 10:30am Sunday School, Parlor 10:45am Worship Service

4:00pm High School Youth Group

Monday, April 24

7:00pm Pickleball, Gym

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, April 25

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

Wednesday, April 26

9:30am Staff Meeting and cookout, Parlor

5:45pm Wed. Night Dinner at the

Fellowship Café:

6:30pm Children's classes up to grade 5

7:00pm Adult class, Chapel

Thursday, April 27

9:30am Quilts for Comfort, Parlor

9:30am Sr. Adults Trip to the

Brandywine -Sign up in Chapel

4:00pm Kickball with the Pastor, Gym

Friday, April 28

10:00am Women's' Bible Study, Chapel

7:30pm Young Adults Study, Parlor

Saturday, April 29

Sunday, April 30

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor

9:00am Worship Service

10:30am Sunday School, Parlor

10:45am Worship Service

12:15pm Missions Luncheon with Brittany

Wismer-Ortiz, Parlor

4:00pm High School Youth Group

5:00pm Private Recital, Sanctuary

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: <u>ilmpsych@hotmail.com</u>

Planning ahead Information and calendar updates 24/7 at www.narberthpres.org

May 1,15	6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
May 2	7:00pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor
May 4	1:00pm Nursery School Board Meeting, Parlor
May 5,19	9:30am Moms' Bible Study, Parlor
May 6	9:00am Shepherds' Meeting, Parlor
May 11,25	9:30am Quilts For Comfort, Parlor
May 13	3:00pm Johanson/Nicolai Wedding
May 15	8:30am-noon Summer term of Greek for Palmer Students begins, Chapel (through June 9)
May 16	7:00pm Session, Parlor
May 17	6:00pm Spaghetti Supper Fund Raiser for YG's The Phila. Project summer mission
May 19	1:30pm Sr. Slide Show: Australian Outback, with Matt & Linshuang Weed
May 19	6:30pm MS and HS Youth Group Game Night: Youth vs. Parents Dodge Ball