LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

July 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 Sonata No. 2 in c minor Mendelssohn

Guest Organist: Matt Valent

Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Call To Worship

Hymn #99 When Morning Gilds the Skies Laudes Domini

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading Luke 15:1-7 (p.1623)

9:00am Noah Mulugeta 10:45am Marilyn Reed

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

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, your love is so vast and your knowledge so infinite, how is it that you care for us? We are like sheep who have gone astray. We confess how easily we forget you and drift away. We fail to trust in your goodness and we live according to our own plans. Yet you pursue us in your love. Thank you that the steadfastness of your grace is stronger than the stubbornness of our sin. Please forgive us, and restore to us the joy of your salvation. Grant to us the true freedom of an overflowing life, in the power of the Holy Spirit. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Testimony ReGind Burgess
Jennifer Bonovitz

The Greeting

Worship Song Indescribable Reeves/Story
Worship Song One Thing Remains Johnson/Gifford/Riddle

9:00am Commissioning of Philadelphia Project Service Team

John Catapano, Jackie Fiore, Julianna Fiore, Maddy Fisher, Zoe Freeman, Jonathon Halter, Lydia Halter, Micah Hauger, Spencer Hurst, Julia Korsak, Sam Purring, Katie Wenger, Sarah Wenger Leaders: Dave Bellamy, John Chaffee, Dee Knight 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

Rev. Cathy Callaway,

NPC Summer Administrator

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Passing of Friendship Pads Offertory

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading Luke 19:1-10 (p.1630)

Sermon God So Loved The World:

One Person At A Time Steve Weed,

Pastor

Hymn #498 I Love To Tell the Story Hankey

Benediction

through iTunes.

Postlude Sonata No. 2 in c minor Mendelssohn

Fugue

Prayer Ministry 9:00am Meg McKinley 10:45am Scott Todd

Sermons are also available online at our website <u>www.narberthpres.org</u> or podcast

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.

For the next 3 Sundays, we welcome Matt Valent as our Guest Organist

Matt Valent earned his B.S. in Music Education at West Chester University in 1984, then in 1990, also from West Chester, his Masters in Music Ed. While studying piano and voice at West Chester, Matt studied organ privately. He retired from teaching music after 31 years at Perkiomen Valley School District. Among his many accomplishments, Matt has performed as vocalist for Opera Chorus of Philadelphia, Vox Amadeus, and acted as section leader in a variety of churches. Most recently, Matt was the Organist and Director of Traditional music at Grace Lutheran Church in Royersford PA. Matt continues to teach privately and substitutes in organ through the American Guild of Organists subbing list.

Open prayer group – Sunday mornings at 8:00am (Pastor Steve's office).

Anyone is welcome to come any time between 8 and 9am to pray for the worship service, the preacher, the worship team, the hearts of people coming to worship, and the ministry of the Holy Spirit, guiding us individually and together as a church.

Prayer for Healing (Pastor Steve's Office)

Sunday mornings, 10:15-10:45am, prayer for healing is offered in a confidential, quiet and welcoming environment.

Wednesday nights in July, 7:00pm:

Pastor Steve will continue holding Bible Studies on "Life in the Holy Spirit" each of the Wednesday nights in July. Our focus each week will be teaching, worship and music, testimony, and prayer. Each week stands alone, so come as you can! This week's topic: "Recognizing and Responding to the Promptings of the Holy Spirit."

Global Leadership Summit 2017

This annual leadership development event hosted by the Willow Creek Association inspires and equips NPC church leaders for ministry.

Some of the speakers at this year's Summit include pastors Bill Hybels, Sam Adeyemi and Andy Stanley; business experts Sheryl Sandberg, COO of Facebook, just to name a few.

For all the details visit www.willowcreek.com/events/leadership.

This year's Summit will take place at Christ Community Church of Philadelphia on Thursday, August 10 and Friday, August 11, from 9:30am to 6:00pm. We are carpooling down if you want to ride with someone. There is a fee for this conference:

Member/Frequent Visitor \$99.00

Elder/Deacon/Ministry Leader/Student \$49.00

Please note: Scholarships are available.

Please contact Cathy Callaway for further information. 215-341-6607

ccallaway@narberthpres.org

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:

Upcoming Events:

10:30am in the Parlor: Intergenerational Summer Class: The Omega Course

An intergenerational class during the second service offered by John Chaffee that draws from the past 6 months of his own personal readings. See announcements for more details.

July 23-29	The Phila. Project Mission Trip
Aug 9	YG Day Trip to Ocean City, NJ –Adult volunteers needed©
Aug 16	Possible YG Backpack trip to Shenandoah or Water Gap
Aug 18	Youth Movie Night/Date will be changed, hosted by Halters
Aug 24	Pool Party, hosted by Harrison's
For all youth-related questions, please contact John Chaffee 610-664-4	

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2017 CHURCH OFFICERS

THE SESSION with Current Ministry Connections

Pastor Steve Weed – Moderator Diane Chen – Clerk of Session

Class of 2017

Linda Behmke – Personnel, Chair

*Diane Chen – Clerk of Session, Transition Team

Jack Comstock - Outreach, Greeter, Transition Team

*John Furlong - Worship Committee, Children's Ministry

Meg McKinley - Finance Committee, Transition Team

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*David Place - Finance Committee, Greeter

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*John Kennedy – Personnel

Charlene McGrew - Christian Nursery School Board, Chair, Personnel

Mike Morrison – Finance Committee

THE BOARD OF DEACONS with Current Ministry Connections

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*Carol Bellamy - Church Financial Secretary

Donna Hart – Ushering

*Suzanne Morrison – Deacons' Pantry

*Julie Todd - Moderator, Deacons' Assistance, Justice & Mercy Ministry

Class of 2018

Faithe Hornung – Treasurer, Deacons' Assistance Fund, Missions

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

Ashley Reed – Archivist, College-age Communications

*Gerri Wismer – Homebound Communications

Class of 2019

Ilonka Comstock

Ruth Ellen Patterson – (new) Church Financial Secretary

Tim Roykouff - Secretary

Marcy Wells

* serving second term

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † The Omega Course: Intergenerational Sunday School Class
 - Led by John Chaffee 10:30am, Parlor, started July 2, resumes July 16 When you hear the word "Omega", what is the first thought that comes to your mind? Chances are, you simply thought "Alpha" right away. In these series of classes, we will be chatting through the "Omega", the culmination, the summation, the coming together and full integration of Christian spirituality with other parts of life. We will also be diving into how Christianity can be seen as taking us into tomorrow with hope, faith and love as well as a brand new perspective of everything. (Ephesians 1:10)
 - 1. **Hobbit Holes and You** (7/2)-What is the relationship between theology and spirituality?
 - 2. **Swingsets on Trains** (7/16)-How do we grow in our faith and self-understanding?
 - 3. **Participating in the Sunset** (7/23)-What does Christianity have to teach us about living here and now?
 - 4. Taking Your Idols to Church (7/30)-How does church decenter and re-center us?
 - 5. **Shovels are Good for Your Soul** (8/6)-Does God really want us to look up to find Him?

This class is designed for families who attend the 9:00am service.

- **† 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.
- † The Tuesday morning men's sermon discussion group has adjusted their meeting time to 7am (from 6:30), and would welcome new participants. They meet in the Resource Room next to Pastor Steve's office every Tuesday morning. Contact: David Fraser (davidallenfraser@gmail.com)

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† Prayer Requests: If you would like to receive prayer for any reason, please send an e-mail (pray@narberthpres.org) or call the church office. Our prayer team will bring your request before the Lord for the next week. Please obtain the permission from any other person for whom you are making a request. Pray daily for our church leaders, the ministries of our church, and for our church as the body of Christ in the family of God.

† Piano looking for a home....

The spinet piano with bench, in the parlor, is available to a loving home for only the cost of moving it! The make is Krakauer. Interested? Please call Sherry Beebe at 610-664-2031.

† Interested in being part of a small group?

We would like to improve our capacity to include people in existing small groups which are open, and to start new groups. Please sign in the Chapel if you might be interested in participation or possible leadership. Also, if you lead a small group and would welcome new people, please sign.

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† August Inspirations!

Next month, we'll gather on Wednesday evenings to hear stories of people like us; people who opened the door, took a step of faith, offered a hand, water, bread, and sat at table - with the Lord - and with their neighbor. All are welcome, from kids to senior adults. Come on out and let the Lord speak into your life through the lives of four people who are making a difference – for good – in the world! August 2, 9, 16, 23 (7-8:30pm) in the Parlor. Led by Debbie Watson.

† Mark the Date: Red Cross Blood Donation:

Saturday, August 26th, 10am-3pm, in NPC's Gym

The Red Cross relies on everyday heroes to help ensure blood products are available for patients at approximately 2,600 hospitals nationwide.



On the Web:

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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, July 23

 $8{:}00\mathrm{am}$ Sunday School, Parlor

9:00am Worship Service

10:30am Sunday School, "Omega Course" led by John Chaffee, Parlor

10:45am Worship Service

Youth and leaders depart for the Phila.

Project

Monday, July 24

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, Copy Room

Tuesday, July 25

7:00am Men's small group, Resource Room 7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner Wednesday, July 26

7:00pm July Bible Study on "Life In The Holy Spirit". Led by Pastor Steve, Parlor

Thursday, July 27

Kickball with the Pastor resumes in Sept.

Friday, July 28

Saturday, July 29

10am-12:30pm Phila. Presbytery Meeting, Church on the Mall, Plymouth Meeting PA

Sunday, July 30

8:00am Sunday School, Parlor

9:00am Worship Service

10:30am Sunday School, "Omega Course" led by John Chaffee, Parlor

10:45am Worship Service

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: ilmpsych@hotmail.com

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

Aug 4,18 10:00am Friday Women's Bible Study, Parlor

Aug 9 Youth Day trip to Ocean City NJ-some adult volunteers needed ☺

Aug 10-11 Global Leadership Summit

Aug Youth Movie Night/Date to be decided, hosted by Halter's

Aug 26 Red Cross Blood Drive