# LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

August 26, 2018

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 Sherry Beebe

### Welcome and Concerns of the Church

A Responsive Call to Worship

(Leader, Congregation)

Humbly in your sight

We come together, Lord. Grant us the blessing of your presence here.

These, our hearts, are yours;

We give them to you, Lord. Purify our love to make it like your own.

These, our eyes, are yours;

We give them to you, Lord. May we always see your world with your sight.

These, our hands, are yours;

We give them to you, Lord. Give them strength and skill to do our work for you

These, our feet, are yours;

We give them to you, Lord. May we walk along the path of life with you.

These our tongues, are yours;

We give them to you, Lord. May we speak your healing words of life and truth.

These, our ears, are yours

We give them to you, Lord. Open them to hear your words of guidance. Our whole selves are yours;

We give them to you Lord. Take us now and keep us yours forevermore. Amen

Hymn #77 Praise to The Lord, The Almighty Lobe den Herren

**Prayer of Invocation** 

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthian 12:4-12, 18-19 (p.1785)

9:00am Deborah Doherty 10:45am Jessica Gaffga

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

Search Me, O God Maori

Search me, O God, and know my heart today, Try me, O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray See if there be so wicked way in me; Cleanse me from every sin, and set me free.

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, We confess today our offenses-against you and our neighbor. You know, even more than we do, the nature and extent of our sin-as we have wandered from you, chosen our own way, wasted your gifts, forgotten your love, hoarded your blessings. Have mercy on us, in our sorrow and shame at our sin. Forgive us in your mercy, and fill us to overflowing with your forgiveness, so that we may live in it—ourselves, and with our neighbor. We ask in the Name of Jesus, who died to make this possible. Amen.

### Silent Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

I praise Thee, Lord, for cleansing me from sin Fulfill Thy word and make me pure within; Fill me with fire, where once I burned with shame; Grant my desire to magnify Thy name.

Lord, take my life, and make it wholly Thine; Fill my poor heart with Thy great love divine; Take all my will, my passion, self and pride; I surrender, Lord, in me abide.

O Holy Ghost, revival comes from Thee; Send a revival, start the work in me; Thy Word declares Thou wilt supply our need; For blessings now, O Lord, I humbly plead.

The Greeting

Worship Song Oceans (Where Feet May Fail) Hillsong United
Worship Song Blessed Be Your Name Redman

During the 9:00am service and the 10:45am service, children in K through 5<sup>th</sup> grades (2018-2019 school years) may be dismissed to Children's Sunday School.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer Passing of Friendship Pads

John Chaffee

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Donald Robinson - Kerry Catapano

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading Revelation 3:14-20 (p. 1017)

Sermon Praying, Pinching and Purpose Dr. Deborah Watson

Associate Pastor

Hymn #574 Lord, Speak To Me That I May Speak Canonbury

**Benediction** 

**Prayer Ministry** 9:00am Lisa Hoffman 10:45am John Furlong

*The altar flowers today* are given in loving memory of our Dad and Granddad, Joseph Copeland, by Isabel Lally, Joey Nangle, and Heather Weiland.

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

**NEXT SUNDAY** Pastor Steve will be back with us and begin a series of messages in September entitled "**Re-centered.**" In the midst of one of the busiest times of the year, and all the swirling currents in our world, how can we stay centered in Christ? Next Sunday's talk: "Learning To Rest While We Work" (Matthew 11:25-30)

On Sunday, September 9, at both services, there will be an opportunity for all children going to school, along with teachers at every level, to be blessed in prayer and anointed with oil. This is wonderful "back to school" preparation!

**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 <a href="www.narberthpres.org">www.narberthpres.org</a> or podcast through iTunes.

## 2018 MISSIONARY CAUSES

#### Mission **Ambassador** 4D Ministries – Hank Paulson Helga Sauter Alice Antonelli Amnion Crisis Pregnancy. Amoenitas - Scott Todd Marilyn Reed Child Evangelism Fellowship, Inc. - North Ireland Michelle Kauffman Chosen People Ministries (formerly Messiah Now) – Paul Cruz Jennifer & Tim Roykouff Cornerstone Christian Academy Joyce Lewis Isabel Lally Corrymeela Community – North Ireland CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) – Dave & Leah Darwin Kathy McLean CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) – Brindleys (Philly Bridges) Jean McIntire The Bowser Family CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) - Matt & Anna Shenk DiscipleMakers - Rebecca and Dan Hall Bob Moore Esperanza Health Center Greg Esterhai

Melissa Esterhai

Fellowship International Mission/Jos Seminary – C. Tushima Scott Todd Fellowship of Christian Athletes - Kasey Doughtery Ashley Reed Greater Europe Mission- Liz Loeffler Helga Sauter Habitat for Humanity – Philadelphia Linda Behmke Interserve-USA – Jan & John Kennedy Jesse Kennedy Intervarsity - Emma Shaw Meg McKinley Kingdom Connect – Ben Duffy Ken & Sally Kapner

Family of Restoration Ministries (was House of His Creation)

Kirkwood Camp (Presbytery of Philadelphia) Curt Haring

Neighborhood Crusades Inc. Helga Sauter

Presby's Inspired Life

Suzanne Morrison Presbyterian Reformed Ministries International Cathy Callaway Steve Weed Presbyterians for Renewal (Wee Kirk)

Presbytery of Philadelphia General Mission Scott Todd

Charlie Choi REAP – Granada – Scott Esposito

Servant Partners – Dan & Denise Anderson Faithe Hornung

SIM USA – Jim & Ellie Jewell Helga Sauter

The Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota (Standing Rock) Ashley Reed

Sharon Shallow The Philadelphia Project

The Welcome Church – Schaunel Steinnagel Jane Murray

Timothy Academy Georgia Ward United World Mission - Nick & Ginny Woodbury Helga Sauter Kim Ishmael

Wycliffe Bible Translators – Al & Barb Shannon

Young Life (Western Philadelphia Suburbs) Barbara Montgomery

# FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN, YOUTH & PARENTS

## † Children's Summer Programs! 9:00 & 10:45

Nursery Room: Infants – 23 months

**2's - PreK** (2018-2019 school year) - Books and Bible craft! Each Sunday children will enjoy a variety of stories from our NPC Children's Library and a special Bible craft! Children will meet weekly in the Red Door Room.

**K-5th grade** (2018-2019 school year) - **INCREDIBLE FAITH!** This summer the Incredibles 2 movie is sure to be a hit and so is our Incredible Faith. From beginning to end the Bible is filled with incredible stories of heroes whose faith in God allowed them to be used by God to save the day. Through scripture, games and skits our children will put their faith into action!

### † New Sunday, September 2

Save the date! Sunday School children K-5<sup>th</sup> grade will spend their Sunday School hour putting together toiletry bags for the homeless in Philadelphia through Neighborhood Crusades. Thank you for your contributing to this cause.

### ALL Church Bowling-FALL KICK OFF EVENT

All are encouraged to join us Sunday, September 9th from 2:30-4:30pm for BOWLING fun at Wynnewood Lanes (2228 Haverford Road, Suite 1 Ardmore). Cost is \$20 per family and includes pizza, soft drinks, snacks, and bowling shoes! **RSVP** by Wednesday, September 5th to Danielle Kauffman (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) or John Chaffee Jchaffee@narberthpres.org). Get ready for fun, fellowship and prizes for top bowlers? See you **ALL** there.

† Save the date: November 2nd - 4th!

The Philadelphia Project - Blitz Weekend for 3rd through 5th grade!

This will be an amazing opportunity for our children to serve and grow. Please contact Danielle <a href="mailto:dkauffman@narberthpres.org">dkauffman@narberthpres.org</a> for more information or to register your child today!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Marriage Course provides husbands and wives tools to build and strengthen a vibrant relationship over time. On 7 successive Friday evenings (6:45-9:15pm), beginning on September 21st, couples enjoy a nice dinner at a table for two, watch a brief video presentation by Nicky and Sila Lee, and talk with each other about important issues that can get swept under the carpet in the rush of daily life. This is not a large group activity; rather, you and your spouse work only with each other. The cost for 7 weeks of dinner and the course materials is \$120 per couple. It's a bargain! So, whether you have been married a short time, or for many years, this course is a great investment in your relationship! There will be childcare provided at no extra cost. If you have questions, or would like to register, please contact Debbie, at <a href="mailto:dwatson@narberthpres.org">dwatson@narberthpres.org</a> or 610-664-4880 ext.114, and check it out at <a href="http://us.alphausa.org/Groups/1000056818/The Marriage Course.aspx#.Vq-iII.IrLcs">http://us.alphausa.org/Groups/1000056818/The Marriage Course.aspx#.Vq-iII.IrLcs</a>
- \*UPDATE- Raising Grateful Kids In An Entitled World ONLINE BOOK STUDY Author, Kristen Welch explores how it's never too late to raise grateful kids. She talks about how to cultivate a spirit of genuine appreciation and create a Jesuscentered home in which children actually mean "thank you" for everything they have. No matter where you are this summer you can participate in an ongoing dialogue that will be posted on a special blog. For more information, please email Danielle Kauffman dkauffman@narberthpres.org the study ends on August 29th

Following our gracious dismissal from the PCUSA as of July 31, 2018, we have now been accepted formally into the ECO family of congregations. With gratitude to God for his faithfulness in this long journey, we turn our attention to the future, and our continuing adventure of loving the Lord and our neighbor as we bear witness to the Lord Jesus in word and deed-here on the corner of Windsor and Grayling avenues, this region, and throughout the world.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **NPC** is hiring! We are seeking dedicated followers of Christ who are looking to fulfill their calling and use their gifts for His purpose. If you know someone who would be a great business administrator or preschool teacher, please let Linda Behmke know and send them to our website for all the details.
- † Justice and Mercy Opportunity: Does the current polarization in our nation have you longing for something better? Are you thinking about ways that might happen? Perhaps you're wondering how you can make a positive difference in your world. If any of these thoughts resonate with you, please consider attending the next Justice and Mercy Committee meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 28, at 3;00 pm You'll find others wrestling with similar concerns. We brainstorm, pray, and encourage one another to find ways to serve our broken communities. Interested, but unable to attend daytime meetings? Contact Marilyn (mjareed5@hotmail) or Ashley Reed (amr0819@gmail.com
- † Remember that we collect personal-size toiletries to give to Philadelphia's homeless through Neighborhood Crusades. Please bring in bar soap, washcloths, shampoo or shampoo/conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes, large tooth combs, razors, and both sandwich and quart size Ziplock type bags. Donations can be placed in the cabinet under the bulletin board just outside the sanctuary on the Windsor Ave. side. Thank you so much. You will truly be a blessing to someone living on the street!
- **Dr. Janet Moore** has been serving in our Counseling Ministry for over 13 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.
- **Each week, fresh flowers** are placed by the altar to the glory of God and in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special milestone or event. If you would like to dedicate flowers, please contact the church office or speak to Debbie Watson or Karen Pappas. A suggested donation of \$20.00 covers the cost of the flowers and Debbie arranges them, as well as Barbara & Suzanne Floyd on communion Sundays.



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## BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

### Sunday, August 26

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office 9:00am Worship Service 9:30am Children's Sunday School, downstairs 10:45am Worship Service

#### Monday, August 27

7:00pm Prayer Group, open to all, Steve's Office 7:00pm MBR-Bible Study, Music office 7:30pm Men's Bible Study, Copy Room

#### Tuesday, August 28

7:00am Men's small group, Resource Room 7:00am Men-Sponsored Prayer Breakfast, at Narberth Diner 11:00am Prayer Group, Parlor (open to all) 3:00 pm Justice and Mercy Meeting 7:00 pm Session Meeting, Parlor 7:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal

### Wednesday, August 29

9:00-1:30 pm Staff meeting, mini retreat 7:00 pm Planning Meeting for "What on Earth Am I Here For?" Open Meeting

7:00-8:30pm Book Study, God At Work, led by Debbie Watson, Parlor

#### Thursday, August 30

### Friday, August 31

10:00am Women's Bible Study, Parlor 6:00pm Walk-Run Group @ Lower Merion HS Track, All are welcome

### Sunday, September 2

8:00am Open Prayer, Pastor Steve's Office 9:00am Worship Service Communion 9:30am Children's Sunday School, downstairs 10:45am Worship Service

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

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

Sept 4	7:00pm Deacons' Meeting, Parlor
Sept 9	2:30-4:30pm <b>Fall Kickoff</b> –A FUN FALL KICKOFF – <b>All</b> ages invited With <b>All Church Bowling</b> At Wynnewood Lanes
Sept.11 Sept 18 Sept 21	7:00pm -9:00 pm Elder/Deacon Training; Parlor 7:00 pm Session Meeting; Parlor 6:45 pm Marriage Course; Parlor
Nov.2-4	The Philadelphia Project Blitz Weekend for 3 <sup>rd</sup> through 5 <sup>th</sup> grade