

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

October 31, 2021

Prelude Linda Pilacik

Welcome and Family News Pastor Steve

Call to Worship Ephesians 2:19-22 Abby and Evelyn Hein

Hymn #689 "The Church's One Foundation" (1,2,4,5) Aurelia

Prayer of Invocation Pastor Debbie

Scripture 1Corinthians 12:12-20, 26, 27

Prayer of Confession Pastor Steve

Gracious God, the church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord. Yet we confess how often we forget that Jesus is the head of the church, and that we have no life apart from him. We recognize how much we need community, but during Covid we are often slow to make it happen. We withhold ourselves from you and from others, and we drift along in spiritual ruts. Please forgive us and awaken us! Give us a new vision for the revival of your church and the repentance that leads to life. Help us not only to believe, but to belong. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Testimony Briana White

Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon Pastor Debbie

Worship Songs "Build Your Kingdom Here" Worship Team

"All the People Said Amen"

Passing the Friendship pads and Dismissal of Children

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Pastor Debbie

Scripture Romans 12:3-8 Pastor Debbie

Sermon "The Church: Who Needs It?" Pastor Steve

Song: Hymn #700 "We Are God's People" Symphony

Benediction Pastor Steve

Postlude Linda Pilacik

FAMILY NEWS-CHILDREN AND YOUTH

FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS: Children and Youth CHILDREN'S NEWS

This Sunday, October 31st - We're Going On a Prayer Hunt!

All children K-5th grade will be going on a Prayer Hunt on Sunday, October 31st. Prayer stations will be set up in the gym during our Sunday School time together. Parents, feel free to join us following service. Everyone will go home with a special Pumpkin Prayer Bag filled with special surprises.

"Thankfulness!" New Sunday School Curriculum beginning, Sunday, November 14th

God wants us to be thankful, and he's given us a lot of things to be thankful for. During our time together children will learn about the blessings God has given them and how they can show their gratitude for his generosity.

Sunday, November 7th is Family Worship

Children (K-5th grade) are encouraged to worship with their family and participate in communion. Worship bags will be available for younger elementary children and the NPC Nursery is available for infants - preschool.

Kids Cooking!

Children 3rd - 5th grade are encouraged to join Corrin Madden and Miss Danielle on Wednesday, November 3rd beginning at 4:00pm as we cook a delicious meal for the Wednesday Night Dinner! We will meet in the gym kitchen.

Parkway Ministry - Lunches! Sunday, November 7th

Children in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade are encouraged to help make lunches for the Parkway Ministry. Join Miss Danielle in the gym kitchen beginning at 8:45am on Sunday, November 7th. Please RSVP to dkauffman@narberthpres.org.

NEW - MOVE! GET ACTIVE IN YOUR FAITH - Children's Wednesday Night Program

Following Jesus isn't boring, it's exciting! In this series kids will play a lot of fun and active games and learn that when God challenges us to "move" - it's time to MOVE! This program is best for PreK - 5th grade.

Save the Date for the Children's Christmas Pageant!

Our annual Children's Christmas Pageant will take place on Sunday, December 19th. Details soon!

YOUTH NEWS

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

- Sunday School this Fall will be on: Women of the Bible, and then the Book of Daniel.
- MSYG Wednesdays, 630-8pm started Sept. 15th Book of Hebrews.
- HSYG Sundays, 5-7pm started Sept. 12th Book of Hebrews.
- MS White Elephant Christmas Party on Fri, Dec. 10th, 7-8pm.
- HS Axe Throwing Christmas Party on Fri, Dec. 17th, 7-830pm.

ANNOUCEMENTS

Racial Reconciliation Assistance Committee

A new branch of the Justice and Mercy tree of ministries has sprouted! In our ongoing growth as a congregation who individually and together seek to follow in Jesus' footsteps by loving God and neighbor in ever-deeper, lifechanging ways, NPC has established a Racial Reconciliation Assistance Committee. Through it, we have an opportunity to begin making a small but significant difference in the world by investing in Black people in our communities, through grants to help them rise above limitations they experience because of their race. These grants could help cover such things as college application fees, textbooks, vocational training and/or appropriate work clothing - things we may not think much about, but which can be out of reach for some people. A small grant, offered with the love of Jesus, could be the cup of cold water that he spoke of in the Gospels, and help that person experience the love of Christ meeting them and their need, through us. Please contact any committee member: Anne Barr, Linda Behmke, Lori Lasher, Ashley Reed, or Marilyn Reed with names of possible recipients, and please pray for this new endeavor and us to shine with the love and justice Jesus has for all people.

Dr. Janet Moore has been serving in our Counseling Ministry for over 16 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.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

Sunday Mornings

8:15 am class - Please join us - live in the NPC Parlor, or via Zoom, for a time of conversation focused on the scriptures for that day's worship service. All are welcome! Contact Debbie Watson for more details dwatson@narberthpres.org.

11:15 am class - Join us for a lively in-depth study of the Gospel of John from 11:15 am - 12:15 pm via Zoom or via live-stream from the Parlor. The class will include both teaching and active group discussion with applications for everyday life. Explore questions like, "Why did Jesus invite such an unconventional interaction with the Samaritan woman?" And "Why does Jesus ask the man with a 38-year disability if he wants to be made well?" Led by Mark Wenger with assistance from Charlie Hurst and Andy Littmann. For the Zoom link, contact Mark at markfwenger@yahoo.com.

Wednesday Nights, 7:00-8:00pm

Pastor Steve is leading an in-person class on "How To Grow In Sharing Your Faith." In one sentence, our goal is to be inspired and trained to share the good news of Jesus Christ in word and deed, in an atmosphere of encouragement and gentle accountability. There will be Bible Study, sharing, and mutual encouragement. We will also pray for our friends and neighbors to be drawn to Christ, and for each of us to grow in our personal witness If you have interest or questions, please email Pastor Steve at sweed@narberthpres.org or text at (610) 761-0061.

From Fear to Freedom: Living as Sons and Daughters of God, by Rose Marie Miller, is the basis of a 12 - week book study this Fall. If you've ever worried about not measuring up, as a Christian, then this class is for you! You will need a book, which you can pick up at church, or order yourself. \$12 donation per book. If you need a book scholarship, let Pastor Debbie know at dwatson@narberthpres.org.

7:30-9:00pm MONDAY Men's Bible Study Zoom Meeting

We are beginning a new study using 2 references, both by Jerry Bridges;

The Pursuit of Holiness and Transforming Grace.

Led by Tim Neilson. All are welcome to join. To contact Tim, text 610-613-5572 or email mytn1122@gmail.com

FRIDAY Morning Ladies' Bible Study: Each Friday from 11am to 1:00pm This group meets in-person AND on Zoom! Either at Narberth Pres in the Chapel (with masks and distancing) or by Zoom link. This group is open, all ladies are welcome. Contact Isabel Lally: 610-659-6663 or Cathy Callaway at cathy.callaway5@gmail.com

PRAYER TIME - OPEN TO ALL

• **Monday Evening**: 7:00-8:00pm Facilitated by Dana Kaminstein Contact the office at 610-664-4880 to receive the Zoom link

Prayer Focus:

This week, let's be in prayer for those ministries which reach out to people who are incarcerated, and those returning after having been. Please pray for those who are in prison, that they would meet Christians whose lives bear witness to the Lord's great heart of compassion and hope. Please pray for those who have been in prison, that they would be encouraged and helped to find a home, employment, and support to sustain a full life in the community, and for the people/ministries who work to make this possible. Finally, please pray for the Lord to open hearts and schedules in people who might participate in this ministry of mercy.

COMMUNICATIONS

Prayer

Requests for prayer can be made anytime by calling the church office or emailing to prayer@narberthpres.org Requests will be posted as quickly as possible for immediate prayer by the Prayer Team.

Small group leaders are encouraged to reach out to the Church office if any meeting resource (voice conference calling or video conference calling) is needed. Small group members are encouraged to remain in contact with each other. Some small groups may continue, others may take a break in this time. Small group leaders are encouraged to communicate with their group as to what you will be doing in this time.

Office: The church office may be contacted by phone at 610-664-4880 from 9 am to 4 pm Monday - Friday with questions, concerns, prayer requests, etc. Messages may also be left at any other time. We love to hear from you.

Giving: Your gifts and tithes make this ministry possible and keep our church strong. Giving may be done at: www.narberthpres.org/give
Giving may be done by texting your gift to 610-642-4831.
Gifts and tithes may also be mailed to the church office:

Narberth Presbyterian Church Attention: Financial Secretary

205 Grayling Ave. Narberth PA 19072

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Office hours 9:00am to 4:30pm Mon-Th. 9:00-3:00pm Fri.

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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, October 31 8:15am Sunday School-Parlor 9:30am Worship Service In-person and livestreamed

11:15am Zoom or live-stream Sunday School Class, Viewing available in Parlor

Monday, November 1

7:00pm Zoom Prayer meeting 7:30-9:00pm Zoom Men's Bible Study, led by Tim Neilson

Tuesday, November 2 Election Day – All Day

Wednesday, November 3

5:45pm Last Dinner in Parking Lot (weather permitting) 7:00pm Children's Class- Danielle Kauffman 7:00pm Middle School Bible Study- John Chaffee 7:00pm "How To Grow in Sharing Your Faith" led by Steve

7:00pm "From Fear to Freedom: Living as Sons and Daughters of God" led by Debbie

To join any of the above listed Zoom meetings, please call the church office at 610-664-4880

Thursday, November 4

Friday, November 5 11:00am Women's Bible Study, Parlor

Saturday, November 6

Sunday, November 7
8:15am Sunday School-Parlor
9:30am Worship Service In-person and live-streamed11:15am Zoom or live-stream Sunday
School Class, Viewing available in Parlor

Each Week

Christian Pre-School – 610-664-8890

2, 3 & 5 Day Programs 9:00am to 12 noon & 12 noon to 3:00pm Extended Day Program, Sept.-May

AA meets 12:30pm, Monday-Saturday & Sunday at 4:30pm

Counseling: Dr. Janet Moore: cell: 484-686-6630 email: jlmpsych@hotmail.com

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