

# LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

November 21, 2021

Prelude Minuet from Berenice by Handel Pam Fleming, Organ

Welcome and Family News Pastor Steve

Call to Worship 1 Chronicles 29:11-13 Maggie Hawthorn

3rd grader

Hymn #374 Now Thank We All Our God Nun Danket Alle Gott

Pam Fleming, Organ

Prayer of Invocation Pastor Steve

Scripture Acts 4:32-37 Michael Steenhoff
9th grader

### **Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, we praise you as the source of solid joys and lasting treasure. All the gifts of time and talent, money and possessions, physical health and energy come from your hand. Yet we hold onto these gifts as if they were ours. We forget that we are not owners, but stewards of your manifold grace. Please forgive us through Jesus Christ, who spent himself for our salvation. Help us to trust you for all that we need. Fill us with the Holy Spirit that we may be your thankful and generous people. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

## Reception of New Members

Tom and Alyson Burnett live in Merion Station with their two children, Felix and Julian. They come to us from City Church in Philadelphia. Alyson is an Education Researcher with Mathmatica, and Tom works in Communications at the John Templeton Foundatio.

**Bill Higgins and Kachui Lee** live in Wynnewood with their three children, Alexandra, William, and Parker. They come to us from Water's Church in Attleboro, Massachusetts. Kachui works as a Dermatologist at Main Line Center for Laser Surgery, and Bill also works as a Dermotologist at University of Penn.

Dan and Janelle Lacey live in Havertown with their three children Annarose, Danny and Aaron. They come to us from Calvary Chapel of Delaware County. Janelle works as a Consulting Registered Dietitian with Penn Medicine, and Dan works with Operations Management at Multiplan, Inc.

Worship Song Oh How Good To Be Together

Worship Team

Worship Song New Wine Worship Team

Dismissal of children and youth to Sunday School

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Sue Wenger

Passing of Friendship Pads Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Give Thanks/Reminiscent Joy Kathy McLean, Piano

Doxology Pam Fleming, Organ

Prayer of Dedication Pastor Steve

Scripture 2 Corinthians 8:9; 9:6-8, 15 Sue Wenger

Sermon "Hilarious Generosity, Seriously!" Pastor Steve

Song Give Thanks With A Grateful Heart

Pam Fleming, Piano

Benediction Pastor Steve

Postlude Boure'e by Beethoven Pam Fleming, Piano

## Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wed at 7:00 in the Sanctuary:

There will be music, prayer, a meditation, and especially the opportunity to hear testimonies of thanksgiving and gratitude. This is a kid-friendly service and special worship bags will be provided for all the children. All welcome!

## Three Christmas Eve Services Return

In keeping with this year's theme of doing as many things as "normally" as we possibly can, plans are well underway for the 4:00 pm Children's Service, 5:30 pm Family Service and 8:00 pm Adult Traditional Christmas Eve Services on Friday, December 24. Please read the newsletter and listen to Family News for details in the weeks to come.

Found Wandering Benefit Concert Returns, Sunday, December 19 at 7 pm! Listen to Pastor Steve's Family News during worship today for more details!

# FAMILY NEWS-CHILDREN AND YOUTH

#### CHILDREN'S NEWS

"Thankfulness!" 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.

**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.

#### **NEW - An Illustrated Advent Devotional for Families**

**This Advent** devotional is an opportunity for families to take time each week during the Advent season to be intentional and focus on their faith. Children will receive one devotional per family during Sunday School. If you family would like to receive one in the mail please email Danielle (<a href="mailto:dkauffman@narberthpres.org">dkauffman@narberthpres.org</a>).

NEW - Save the Date for the "Gingerbread Bash" - Wednesday, December 15th

**Children PreK through 5th grade** are welcome to attend this fun, hands-on Christmas event! Join Miss Danielle on Wednesday, December 15th, in the gym, from 7:00pm - 8:00pm as we hear the Christmas Story, sing songs, and build Gingerbread Nativities! Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:dkauffman@narberthpres.org">dkauffman@narberthpres.org</a>.

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 is on: Women of the Bible, and then the Book of Daniel.
- MSYG Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm 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, 7-8:30pm.

# 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 <a href="mailto:dwatson@narberthpres.org">dwatson@narberthpres.org</a>.

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 <a href="markfwenger@yahoo.com">markfwenger@yahoo.com</a>.

### 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 <a href="mailto:sweed@narberthpres.org">sweed@narberthpres.org</a> 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 <a href="mailto:dwatson@narberthpres.org">dwatson@narberthpres.org</a>.

## 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 <a href="mailto:mytn1122@gmail.com">mytn1122@gmail.com</a>

**FRIDAY Morning Ladies' Bible Study:** Each Friday from 11am to 1:00pm This group meets in-person in the Parlor. This group is open, all ladies are welcome. Contact Isabel Lally: 610-659-6663 or Cathy Callaway at <a href="mailto:cathy.callaway5@gmail.com">cathy.callaway5@gmail.com</a>

## 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:**

## Gifts of Hope

Today, as we purchase gifts meant to bless in every direction, and throughout the week, let's ask God to intensify the blessing – to our mission causes and the people they represent, to the people who will receive the gift cards, to ourselves, as we make our choices of gifts and recipients near and far, and to the Lord, who sees the sincerity of our hearts. Let's thank and praise the Lord for his goodness to us that makes it possible for us to share with others, through GOH, and through our regular giving.

# BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, November 21 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 22

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

Tuesday, November 23

Wednesday, November 24 7:00pm Thanksgiving Eve Service

To join any of the above listed Zoom meetings, please call the church office at 610-664-4880 Thursday, November 25
Thanksgiving, Office Closed
Friday, November 26
11:00 am Women's Bible Study
Office Closed

Saturday, November 27

Sunday, November 28 8:15am Sunday School-Parlor 9:30am Worship Service In-person and live-streamed-11:15am 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: <a href="mailto:ilmpsych@hotmail.com">ilmpsych@hotmail.com</a>

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