



Narberth Presbyterian Church

February 2, 2025

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

Chorale and Variations
Jinhee Shim, organ

Lasky

Welcome

Pastor Debbie

Call to Worship

Psalm 40:4-5

Evan Doane

Blessed is the person who trusts in the Lord,

who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done, the things you planned for us.

None can compare with you; were I to speak and tell of your deeds, they would be too many to declare.

Hymn #130

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

Opening Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Scripture Reading

Psalm 25:1-12

Fin Kauffman & Rawson Kennedy

Prayer of Confession

Simon Hauger

Gracious God, each week we repeat the words of the prayer Jesus gave his disciples, but our words are sometimes less than genuine. More than once we have not trusted you for what we need, we have not forgiven each other, and we have given up rather than persisting – in our prayers and in our actions. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to live into the reality of your prayer, that we might come to know life as you intend it. Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

In 1st John we read that if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and does what is right will forgive us. Hear the good news - in Christ Jesus we are forgiven and made new. Amen!

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

Amen.

The Peace

Worship Songs

All the People Said Amen

Promises

NPC Worship Band

Welcoming Children to the Lord's Table

Abby Bradford, David Cai, Evan Doane, Broderick Hein, Eleanor Hein, Natalie Henry, Alexandra Higgins, William Higgins, Fin Kauffman, Rawson Kennedy, Greyson Kline-Nunnally

Hymn #470

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know (v1)

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Largo from Winter (Four Seasons)

Vivaldi

Pam Fleming, violin, Jinhee Shim, organ

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:3-15

Ruth Ellen Patterson

Message

Prayer: Trusting, Forgiving, Persevering

Pastor Debbie

Hymn #460

Search Me, O God

Maori

Invitation To Communion

Danielle Kauffman

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give You thanks and praise, eternal God, creator and ruler of the universe. You fashioned this world in love and governed all the earth with grace and peace. Nations and Presidents rise and fall, but Your reign is for all time, and your mercy is without end.

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Born as King in David's line, He lived with the lowly and cared for the least of Your children. His power was revealed in weakness, His majesty in mercy.

His only earthly throne was a cross on which to die. Even there His arms stretched out to embrace friends and foes in love. From the grave You raised him to Your right hand where he rules again from heaven, and commands true loyalty from peoples and nations.

Remembering Your gracious acts in Jesus Christ, we take from Your creation this bread and this wine and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising. With thanksgiving we offer our very selves to You to be a living and holy sacrifice dedicated to Your service.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Pastor Debbie

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Children dismissed to Childcare during the singing of the last Hymn

Hymn #618

Give to the Winds Your Fears

Diademata

Benediction

Pastor Debbie

Postlude

Toccata Concertato No. 1 (Azmon)

arr. Ashdown

Jinhee Shim, organ

Prayer Ministry

Jan Kennedy

Congregational Meeting and Vote TODAY, February 2, 2025

The Pastoral Nominating Committee invites members to participate in the vote to call Rev. Mark Gende to be Senior Pastor and Head of Staff of Narberth Presbyterian Church to be held at our Congregational Meeting on February 2, 2025, at 11:00am following the service.

This vote is only for members of the church, but the results will be made public following the meeting.

Voting Information

- Only NPC members can vote to call a new pastor.
- All votes must be in person or via Zoom at the congregational meeting on 2/2/25.
- Votes will be anonymous and counted and announced on site at the end of the meeting.
- The meeting will be held on Zoom for members who are physically not able to attend in person.

Childcare for Congregational Meeting - Childcare for children up to 5th grade is available during the vote. Children will walk together at the final hymn with Danielle to RM 107 for snack, craft, and a movie. Please pick your child up following the meeting and vote from RM 107.

PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: CRU – Dave & Katie Brindley Please pray for Dave Brindley, who, for the past 7 years, has been bringing Christians together across racial and denominational lines for the flourishing of the city, through The Philadelphia Gospel Movement, and UnitePhilly (a ministry of CRU). Dave and Katie are committed to leading the kind of revival that causes people to come to Jesus while impacting Philadelphia's at-risk neighborhoods, resulting in city transformation.

Notes from Justice & Mercy: The Parkway Ministry is thriving under the new leadership of Ilonka Comstock. Weather issues are having an impact on the number of people who come out for food. Despite being hungry, folks who live on the streets cannot risk getting wet, particularly in cold weather, as they have no place warm to dry off. The food does not go to waste, however, as our dear partners at Project Home are willing to deliver the food to wherever folks are. The number of people experiencing food insecurity remains high and will grow as public assistance and federal jobs decline. Please pray for more folks at NPC to join this ministry by praying, providing food, and driving downtown each Sunday to deliver food and develop friendships with our neighbors experiencing food insecurity and harsh weather conditions. Please contact Ilonka for more information.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

Sunday, February 2nd is Family Worship - Children (K-5th) are encouraged to worship with their church family and participate in Communion. Today we also welcome our Communion & Baptism Class to the Lord's Table! God is good!

NPC Nursery - Infants through PreK are welcomed in RM 107 each Sunday for Bible story, craft, and music.

Football Fellowship – All are invited to an intergenerational time of Football Fellowship – Sunday, February 9th following worship in the gym. Food provided!

Wall of Love – Sunday School children will create our annual Wall of Love next Sunday, February 9th during Sunday School. This is always a fun event! Please read our notes on the wall going downstairs at the Windsor Ave. door.

Kids Praise! Children's Wednesday Night Program – Children (PreK – 5th grade) are encouraged to join us for music fun! We meet in the Choir Room from 7:00 – 8:00pm. All are welcome!

LIVE IT OUT! VBC 2025! - Mark your calendar for these dates: *Tuesday, June 17th (3:00 – 5:00pm) through Friday, June 20th (9:00 – 11:30am on Wed, Thurs, Fri) for NPC's VBC!* This summer children will experience camp excitement with Bible-based learning that will inspire them to follow Jesus! VBC is best for those age 4 (by June 1) through rising 5th graders (2025-2026 school year). Many volunteers are needed to make this a success too! Registration opens for students and volunteers March 24th.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

Confirmation Classes: Any student in 6th – 12th grade who would like to be confirmed into the church is encouraged to go through confirmation classes. This will begin in the coming months and will happen during the Sunday School hour. Please talk to Claire Woods (cwoods@narberthpres.org) for more information.

Souper Bowl Offering: Sunday, February 9th is our Annual Souper Bowl Offering! Proceeds will benefit the Parkway Ministry. Find a Youth Student at any door following service to donate! You can also give online using “Souper Bowl of Caring” in the dropbox OR text your donation with keyword SOUPER. Thank you for your support!

NPC PRESCHOOL

NPC Christian Preschool registration is open for the 2025-2026 school year for current preschool families and church families on Monday, January 27. Our preschool offers two-day, three-day and five-day options for children aged 18 months to pre-kindergarten. The school day runs from 9:00am – 12:00pm from mid-September to early-June, and we also offer afternoon programming (12:00 – 3:00pm) through Lunch Bunch and Pre-Kindergarten Enrichment. Registration will also open at the same time for our wonderful six-week summer camp that runs from late June to late July. To receive more information as well as the link to register, please reach out to director Virginia Davis at preschool@narberthpres.org or 610-664-8890.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING

Practicing the Way: Simon and Cindy Hauger are leading a second 8-week series of *Practicing the Way*, a wonderful new book about spiritual formation. This series will focus on the practices of **Sabbath and prayer**. If you're curious about Sabbath or would like to make your prayer life richer, then you will love this series. All are welcome (even if you did not participate in the first study). If you want to learn more, reach out to Simon or Cindy directly (shauger@workshopu.org // 215-605-6850).

Moms at the Well: For centuries, women met daily at neighborhood wells to draw water for their families, meeting a significant physical need. But these wells were also gathering spaces, providing much-needed community and relationship. Join us for scripture, a time of sharing, and prayer led by Lisa Hoffman. This is open to all women as a safe space to gather and encourage one another. It allows us to experience the God who invites us into a process of spiritual transformation. We will meet for 6 weeks. Reach out to Lisa Hoffman or Danielle Kauffman with any questions.

Personal Finance: Ever wonder how much debt is too much? What credit rating agencies are all about? If you should budget? And if so, is there an app for that? Join Alice Antonelli as she facilitates a class on personal finance on a variety of topics. The format will include a short video and conversation afterward. Contact Alice (arichardson1@gmail.com) or Mark Wenger (markfwenger@yahoo.com) with any questions.

Kids Praise! Winter Session Children are encouraged to join the party in the Choir Room. Together we sing, dance, learn a lot about music, and HAVE FUN! This program is best for PreK through 5th grade. We hope to see you there! Please reach out to Danielle with any questions.

Middle School Youth Group: Calling all 6th-8th grade students to join us for an hour of games, bible study, and memorable time together! Invite a friend to join you for a night of fun!

ALL-CHURCH RETREAT

Where Friends Gather - 2025 All-Church Retreat! Friendship is one of the most powerful ways we experience God's love in our daily lives. Whether it's sharing a kind word, a listening ear, or simply being present, our friends enrich us in countless ways. All ages are encouraged to join us for this meaningful weekend with church friends taking place Friday, May 2nd, Saturday, May 3rd, and Sunday, May 4th in beautiful Sandy Cove, MD! Our speaker will be announced soon. Pricing sheets are available in the Chapel or please reach out to Danielle with any questions. You can reserve your spot with \$100 deposit by check, cash or online option. Please use 2025 Spring Retreat in the dropbox online. You can also text your deposit with the keyword RETREAT. Balances are due by April 2nd. We hope to see many of you at the 2025 All-Church Retreat!

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, February 2

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream
11:00am **Congregational Meeting & Vote** directly following the Worship Service

Monday, February 3

6:15 – 7:15 Bell Choir Rehearsal, Chapel
8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Pastor's Office

Tuesday, February 4

12:15 – 1:15pm Staff Meeting, Parlor
7:00pm Deacons Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, February 5

5:45 – 6:45pm Church Family Supper, Gym
7:00 – 8:00pm Personal Finance, Pastor's Office
7:00 – 8:00pm Practicing the Way, Parlor
7:00 – 8:00pm Women at the Well, Chapel
7:00 – 8:00pm Kids Praise, Choir Room
7:00 – 8:00pm MSYG, Youth Room

Each Week

Christian Preschool – 610-664-8890 x118

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: jlmpsych910@gmail.com

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Thursday, February 6

6:30 – 8:00pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
7:00 – 8:15pm Women's Bible Study, Parlor
7:00 – 8:15pm Men's Bible Study, Pastor's Office

Friday, February 7

10:00am – 12:00pm Ladies Bible Study, Parlor

Saturday, February 8

8:30 – 9:30am Kids Basketball Clinic, Gym
9:00am Women's Breakfast, Parlor

Sunday, February 9

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream

Jesus Christ, Minister
Deborah Watson, Associate Pastor
Danielle Kauffman, Intergenerational Ministry
Claire Woods, Director of Youth Ministry
Sharon Shallow, Nursery Coordinator
Jinhee Shim, Organist
Sarah Comstock, Worship Band Leader
Linda Pilacik, Minister of Music
Matt Weed, Worship Tech. Coordinator
Tim Roykoff, Business Administrator
Sara Mahoney, Administrative Assistant
Hugh Barrie, Assistant Property Manager
Joyce B. Nicolai, Bookkeeper
Ruth Ellen Patterson, Financial Secretary
Isabel Lally, Pastoral Visitor
Virginia Davis, Director of Preschool
Chris Marinelli, Weekday Custodian
Larry Lubchuk, Weekend Custodian



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