



Narberth Presbyterian Church

July 27, 2025

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

In Christ Alone
Jinhee Shim, organist

arr. Payne

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Debbie

Call to Worship

Psalm 104:1-5,33,34

Doris Trescher

Opening Prayer

Pastor Mark

Hymn #29

O Worship the King

Lyons

Scripture Reading

Psalm 77:1-12

Paul Rabe

Prayer of Confession

Isabel Lally

Father, we confess our sin before you this morning and ask for forgiveness. We acknowledge our failures and ask that you cleanse us, heal us, and enable us to live for the praise of the glory of your grace in all that we do. Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

Thank you, that you are “merciful, gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love” and that you forgive our failures when we come to you for cleansing based on the forgiveness secured at the cross by our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Peace

Worship Songs

Goodness of God
God is so Good
Create in me a Clean Heart
NPC Worship Band

Children and Youth dismissed to Sunday School

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Pastoral on Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

arr. Shepherd

Jinhee Shim, organ

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Message

Strength for Life's Struggles
Sermon Scripture: Psalm 77:1-12

Pastor Mark

Hymn #701

God Is Here!

Beecher

Benediction Prayer

Pastor Mark

Postlude

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

arr. Burkhardt

Jinhee Shim, organist

Prayer Ministry

Clara Louie

Red Cross Blood drive – Thursday, July 31st in the NPC Gym from 2:30 – 7:30pm. Please sign up to donate blood. Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit www.RedCrossBlood.org to schedule an appointment.

What's Up with Opt In? When NPC was notified by our bulk email vendor of the imminent need for all to Opt In (formally say yes to emails from Narberth Presbyterian Church) to continue receiving our email messages, we requested more time to communicate to you, our members and friends, about what was happening. We also used alternative means and channels to share this need with all, including :

- Announcements and Instructions in the Bulletin
- Announcements and Instructions in the Newsletter
- Announcements from the Pastors during worship
- A request to our vendor to postpone the need for everyone to Opt In

Then, a funny thing happened. Our request *was heard* by the bulk email vendor. At this time, the need to Opt In has been postponed. It may still be necessary later, but the good thing is, now everyone knows what this is and what to do when it occurs. We thank everyone for listening and being ready to make this change. Please contact the church office with any questions at 610-664-4880 or office@narberthpres.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Young Adult Social and Service Project – Sunday Morning, August 3rd beginning at 8:30am, College Age and Young Adults are invited to serve the Parkway Ministry by making sandwiches in the gym before our worship service. A light breakfast with muffins, fruit and granola parfaits along with coffee and tea will be available while we fellowship. Please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.com) by Friday, August 1st. We hope to see you there!

Board Game Nights at NPC – Mark your calendar and get your “game” face on! Join us for fun, fellowship and board games on **Friday, August 8th and Friday, September 12th beginning at 6:30pm!** Bring a snack to share and your favorite board game. Children are welcome but must remain in the Parlor for games. Please reach out to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) with any questions.

Wednesday Nights in July: Summer Inspirations! On July 16th, 23rd, & 30th, from 7:00 – 8:00pm in the Chapel, we will be learning about 3 ways people are doing good in Jesus’ name in this world: internationally and locally. Please join us for what is sure to be both eye-opening and humbling, as we encounter these amazing people of faith that make a difference for the precious people of the world!

Turkey Study Tour Debbie Watson and Diane Chen have arranged with Tutku Educational Travel to lead a group from Narberth Presbyterian Church and Palmer Theological Seminary on a 13-day study tour to Turkey from December 28, 2025 to January 9, 2026. Stops include Istanbul, Cappadocia, Perga, Antalya, as well as the cities of the seven churches in Revelation. Registration has begun. Please contact Diane (dianegchen@gmail.com) for a trip brochure or to express an interest in joining the tour. Space is limited.

Women’s & Men’s Bible Study: Whether you're new to Bible study or a seasoned participant, this study will deepen your understanding of Christ's mission and love. All are welcome!

When: Thursdays, from 7:00 – 8:15pm

Where: Women – Parlor; Men – Copy Room

For More Information: Women Contact Lalitha Naveen (lnaveen100@gmail.com); Men contact Ken Eng (K_Eng@msn.com) or Tim Neilson (mytn1122@gmail.com).

Notes from Justice and Mercy: As Benjamin and Shelby Chestnut of the Chestnut Foundation age, caring for them has become more difficult. Both have transverse myelitis, a rare neurological condition. Maryann Chestnut, their grandmother and most reliable caretaker, is receiving chemo for cancer. Her energy level is low, not enough to give Ben and Shelby the attention they need. Ben and Shelby live with their father, Matthew, who was once enthusiastic about caring for them but has become worn out. Please pray for the family, for stamina, for wisdom, and for God's gracious love to fill each of them. For more information, contact Donna Hart (djmhart@gmail.com).

PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: Kingdom Connect (Ben Duffy)nPlease pray for these two ministries that are part of Kingdom Connect:

- **Palestinian Bible Society:** The distribution of the Word of God continues to be a pressing need among those living in Jerusalem and the rest of the region. Pray for the PBS workers to get scripture to people.
- **Nazareth Village:** There are an increasing number of groups coming to this living history site. The planned Discovery Center will facilitate the tour groups. Pray for additional tour groups and the building of the Center.

OLNEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL – SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

We will be collecting new school supplies to support the children at the Olney Christian School (NPC Mission Cause). Items can be left in the boxes labeled at each entrance of the church through Sunday, August 17th. Please contact Ann Sattel (aks314@hotmail.com) with any questions.

Olney Christian School Wish List

Packs of pencils
Large erasers
Kid scissors
Glue sticks
24-count boxes of crayons
Packs of colored pencils
Dry-erase markers, thick or thin
Folders
Composition books
Boxes of tissues
Clorox or Lysol wipes
Packs of color markers
Highlighters
Spiral bound notebooks with perforated pages
Packs of watercolor paints with brush
Rulers
Packs of loose lined papers
2” and 1” thick binders
Pencil sharpeners

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

Psalms – The Big Book of Emotions – On July 13th, our Sunday School children began studying the Psalms, which contain every emotion you can imagine. This big book of poems captures all the very real parts of life. During this series, we will learn about how God made us to feel all the emotions but also gave us the ability to control them.

The NPC Nursery Summer Curriculum – Our youngest will also be discovering promises from the Psalms this summer! “God You Are” is the book we will be using to help our young children learn more about God’s character through simple prayers and scripture. If you would like a copy of the book for your young family, please reach out to Danielle.

He Leads Me – A Study of Psalm 23 – A few books remain, if you are interested in joining this independent study. Books are \$8.00 and you should reach out to Danielle to sign up. Stay tuned for our fellowship date!

Children singing at The Mansion at Rosemont – All children are invited to sing our favorite Sunday School songs with the residents at Rosemont on Tuesday, August 12th beginning at 2:00pm. Please RSVP to Danielle by Sunday, August 2nd. Details were sent to parents through email.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

High School Sunday School – HS Sunday School meets each Sunday (except the first Sunday of the month) in the Youth Room. All rising 9th through 12th graders are encouraged to join us.

Middle School Sunday School will be spending the month of July in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John! Can't wait to see you there!

High School Meeting for Jeni’s Ice Cream – Join us **TODAY!** to enjoy a summer treat! We will meet in the Youth Room and walk together following service. Bring money for ice cream and let Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) know if you are attending.

Middle School Open Gym Night at NPC – Come cool off in the NPC gym for open gym on **Thursday, August 14th from 6:00 – 7:00pm!** Bring a basketball and your game. Snacks and drinks provided! RSVP to Claire (cwoods@narberthpres.org).

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, July 27

8:15am Adult Sunday School, parlor

9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream
High School Meeting for Jeni's Ice Cream directly
following the Worship Service

Monday, July 28

8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Parlor

Tuesday, July 29

12:15 – 1:15pm Staff Meeting, Parlor

7:00pm Adult Discipleship Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, July 30

7:00 – 8:00pm Summer Inspirations, Chapel

Thursday, July 31

2:30 – 7:30pm Red Cross Blood Drive, Gym

7:00 – 8:15pm Women's Bible Study, Parlor

7:00 – 8:15pm Men's Bible Study, Copy Room

Friday, August 1

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

Saturday, August 2

Sunday, August 3

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream.

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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