



Narberth Presbyterian Church

October 5, 2025

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

Linda Pilacik, piano

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Debbie

Call Worship

Psalm 98

Isabel Lally

Hymn #3

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Opening Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:17-31

Andrew Steenhoff

Prayer of Confession

Ruth Ellen Patterson

Out of the depths, we cry to you, Lord. Please listen to our plea for forgiveness. If you, God, kept a record of our sins, not one of us could stand as innocent. We all have sinned in so many ways, all of them because we have forgotten you, our Creator, our King, our Savior. But you have said that you will forgive, and you will redeem. Help us want both your forgiveness and your redemption – for ourselves and each other. We ask in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

The Apostles' Creed

The Peace

Worship Songs

What A Beautiful Name It Is
There's Just Something About That Name
NPC Worship Band

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Eyes Wide Open
Dean Pappas, vocals & guitar

Pappas

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:32-43, 48-52

Ruth Ellen Patterson

Message

Just As I Am

Pastor Debbie

Special Music

Just As I Am
Dean Pappas, vocals & guitar

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Danielle Kauffman

Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God, the Lord's table.

Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast which he has prepared.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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, O holy God, creator and ruler of the universe. You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth. You formed us in your image and called us to love and serve you.

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Born in humility, he came to rule over all. Helpless as an infant, he showed the power of your love. Poor in things of the world, he brought the wealth of your grace. Rejected by many, he welcomed all who sought him.

In his death and resurrection, you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made us people of hope.

You are holy, O God of majesty, 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. From the grave you raised him to your right hand where he rules again from heaven.

**We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection.
we await his coming in glory.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. Send us out as the body of Christ in the world.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever. Amen

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn #226

Hallelujah! What a Savior

Benediction

Pastor Debbie

Postlude

Linda Pilacik, piano

Prayer Ministry

Jan Kennedy

An Update from Session to Our Church Family

The Session has accepted the resignation of Rev. Mark Gende as Senior Pastor and Head of Staff. We are grateful for his ministry among us and ask for your prayers for him and his family.

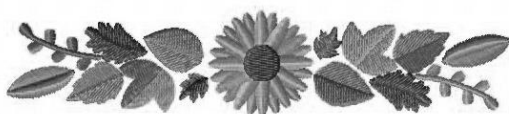
Worship and ministries will continue under the leadership of Pastor Debbie Watson and our staff. The Session is exploring opportunities for healing and reconciliation.

Weekly updates will be shared in the bulletin and by email to keep the congregation informed. Please join us in prayer for God's guidance in this season of transition. Above all, we trust that Christ is with us — guiding us with His peace, unity, and love. Please keep our congregation, our leaders, and our future in your prayers.

With hope in Christ,

The Session of Narberth Presbyterian Church

Fall Day Prayer Retreat: Join us for a day of solitude in community on **Saturday October 11, 9:30am – 2:30pm.**, at the Gallaghers' idyllic barn in Devon, PA. You will have an opportunity to spend time on spiritual exercises which take us to the three instances where Mary of Bethany was at Jesus' feet. Or you may spend some time at Jesus' feet however you desire in silence. contact Clara Louie (claralouie@yahoo.com) to register. Registration fee is \$20. It is a bring-your-own-lunch event.



PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: Amnion Pregnancy Center offers counseling to those who have undergone an abortion, whether recently or long ago, and provides support to young people who choose to parent their babies. Pray for those who provide the counseling that they will be both kind and competent in their interactions with those who seek their help. Pray also for the clients to have hearts and minds open to the Lord as he comes to them through the ministry of Amnion staff and volunteers.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

TODAY is Family Worship – This Sunday is Family Worship where children are encouraged to worship with their church family and participate in Communion. Worship Bags will be available at both entrances of the sanctuary and NPC Nursery is available for our youngest as usual.

Prayer Warriors NEW Sunday School Curriculum – Children will become Prayer Warriors this fall! Everyone will also receive a new prayer journal that we will use during this time together.

NPC Nursery – Our youngest are growing their faith with a new curriculum called “*Jesus - My Friend*”. Join Miss Sharon and team for Bible, Play and Music each Sunday in RM 107. The NPC Nursery is best for infants through Pre-K.

Parkway Ministry Service Project – Our K – 5th children will make sandwiches, pack cookies and create a special craft on Sunday, October 12th for our Friends on the Parkway. Please look for a SignUp Genius to help supply items.

Kids Praise is back – PreK through 5th grade are invited to the Choir Room each Wednesday from 7:00 – 8:00pm beginning for music fun! Join us for songs, instruments and friendship! We hope to see you there.

Trunk Or Treat at NPC – All children are invited to the NPC parking lot for a fun Trunk OR Treat on Friday, October 31st from 10:30 – 11:30am. Please RSVP to Danielle to join the fun OR volunteer! More details soon.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

Thank you to our Youth Parents – Thank you to many of our Youth parents who helped to stock the Youth Room with snacks and drinks. What a blessing!

TODAY is Family Worship – All Youth (6th – 12th) are encouraged to worship with their church family and participate in Communion. Sunday School for MS and HS will resume next Sunday, October 12th.

Middle School Youth Group – All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are encouraged to join us for Youth Group each Wednesday from 7:00 – 8:00pm. We hope to see you there!

NextGen United: Regional Youth Gathering - All Youth are encouraged to attend this awesome event that is aimed at strengthening local youth ministries through collaboration, encouragement and collective worship with an “all-star” band of worship musicians from many different churches. It all takes place at Manoa Community Church (Havertown) on October 12th from 6:00 – 8:00pm. Please contact Danielle if you are interested in attending!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING

Grace in Chaos: *Biblical Hope for the Hard Days of Motherhood* – All moms, with children of any age, are encouraged to join this 8-week study led by Sarah Boccasini. This study is designed to strengthen you with a biblical, gospel centered vision of motherhood. This is designed to be a supportive community for moms, where we can study scripture together, pray, and equip you to teach your children about the Bible. Each week will conclude with simple take-home ideas for you to practice spiritual disciplines with your children. Please reach out to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpresbyterian.org) if you plan to join this class.

“Grace: More Than We Deserve, Greater Than We Imagine” is a 7-week video/discussion-based study by Max Lucado, which focuses us in on how God in his grace, offers to change our hearts, our very lives. Come discover what God tells us about this grace, that is not in any way wimpy, but is a grace that emboldens and grabs us, calling us to life that is turned upside down in the best way possible! All are welcome to this study, for as few or as many of the sessions as you can attend!

Kids Praise – Music fun is back this fall! All children (PreK-5th grade) are encouraged to join us as we sing, create rhythms, play instruments and have fun!

Middle School Youth Group - All 6th, 7th and 8th graders are invited for Bible study, games and snack. Friends are welcome to attend with you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board Game Nights at NPC – Mark your calendar and get your “game” face on! Join us for fun, fellowship and board games on the 3rd Friday of each month. 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. **Next Game Night: October 17th.**

GriefShare: A video and support group that specifically address topics and issues for those who are grieving the death of a loved one. GriefShare meets weekly, the content is Christ-centered and biblical, and the sessions will be led by Alice Antonelli and Gerri Wismer. GriefShare meets on Monday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00pm in the Parlor and continues into December (you may join at any time). It is important to register on the GriefShare website (see link in the Friday newsletter). Reach out to Alice Antonelli (arichardson1@gmail.com) or Gerri Wismer (geewis46@gmail.com) for more information about the group.

Men’s & Women’s Bible Studies: Join us for a new Bible study series on the **Book of Romans**. Together, we will explore Paul’s powerful letter to the Romans, a book that has shaped Christian faith for centuries with its deep truths about God’s grace, salvation, and the life of faith. This study is open to all, whether you’re new to Bible study or have studied Scripture for years. Invite a friend and be part of this journey with us! We meet on Thursdays at 7:00pm (women meet in parlor; men meet in the copy room). Questions? Contact: Ken Eng (K_Eng@msn.com); Lalitha Naveen (lnaveen@temple.edu); or Tim Neilson (mytn1122@gmail.com).

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, October 5

8:15am Adult Sunday School, parlor

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

Monday, October 6

6:30 – 8:00pm GriefShare, Parlor

8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Chapel

Tuesday, October 7

7:00pm Deacons Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, October 8

5:45 – 6:45pm Church Family Supper, Gym

7:00 – 8:00pm Grace in Chaos, Chapel

7:00 – 8:00pm Grace (Video Study), Parlor

7:00 – 8:00pm Kids Praise, Choir Room

7:00 – 8:00pm MSYG, Youth Room

Thursday, October 9

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

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

Friday, October 10

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

Saturday, October 11

9:30am – 2:30pm Fall Day Prayer Retreat,
Devon, PA

Sunday, October 12

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

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

6:00 – 8:00pm NextGen United: Regional
Youth Gathering, Havertown, PA

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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