



Narberth Presbyterian Church

September 6, 2026

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

Trust and Obey
Linda Pilacik, piano

Towner

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Debbie

Call to Worship

Ezekiel 33:7-11

Rawson Kennedy

Hymn #320

Come, Let Us Praise the Lord

Darwall

Opening Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Scripture Reading

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Debbie

Faithful God, we confess the weakness of our grip on the gospel. Though we claim to believe it, we often find ourselves living contrary to its calling of faithful trust and obedience to you. Jesus, thank you for your faithfulness to us. Though tempted to forsake the pain of the cross, you chose instead to hold fast for the sake of the gospel, our salvation. Without you, we would have no gospel to believe. Spirit, help us to remember the One who holds us fast, and as we do, may our own grasp of the gospel become strengthened and deepened so that we may live in greater faith and trust in Christ our Savior, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

Worship Songs

No Longer Slaves
Christ Our Wisdom
NPC Worship Band

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

On communion Sundays, all loose plate offerings are designated to the Deacons' Assistance Fund.

Offertory

For the Beauty of the Earth
Linda Pilacik, piano

Kocher

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Sermon Notes

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.

Invitation To Communion

Pastor Jason

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give him thanks and praise**

Prayer for the Meal

Words of Institution

And now we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn #517

The Solid Rock

Solid Rock

Benediction

Pastor Jason

Postlude

Crown Him with Many Crowns
Linda Pilacik, piano

Elvey

Prayer Ministry

Linda Behmke

PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: Rancho del Rey is a home for at-risk boys near Monterrey, Mexico. Since 1956, they have welcomed more than 2,000 children into a place where safety, stability, and the hope of a new future take root. **Please pray** for the boys, their parents, and the staff to accomplish the Lord's will for all of them.

Notes from Justice & Mercy: Ken Eng and his partners, some from NPC, will be starting new SAT prep classes in September. These low-cost classes will not only help to prepare the students for taking the SATs, it will also prepare them to see their worth in being made in God's image. Please pray for the right students to enroll and for their minds and hearts to be ready to receive the gifts God has for them. For more information, contact Ken Eng (610-641-5177 // k_eng@msn.com)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nominating Committee: the 2027 Nominating Committee, chaired by Brinton Nicolai is looking for Elder & Deacon Nominations. Fill out a form (located in the Chapel and in the Narthex) or email the Church Office to submit a nomination.

Women's Breakfast Fall Kickoff! Ladies, mark your calendars for a morning of refreshment, connection, and spiritual growth. Join us on **Saturday, September 12th beginning at 10:00am in the Chapel.** Our theme is "Rooted & Fruitful", and it's inspired by Jeremiah 17:8: *"They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."* All are encouraged to attend and gather with sisters in Christ. Come ready to laugh, share, and be encouraged! All are welcome!

Ordination Service: On September 13, 2026, at 3:00pm in the Sanctuary, the Heritage Presbytery of ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians, the denomination of which NPC is a member, will hold a service ordaining Pastor Jason as he transitions to being an ECO minister and member of the Heritage Presbytery serving at NPC. This will be followed by a time of fellowship and reception in the Chapel. All are invited to attend.

GriefShare: Loss of a loved one can be a very sad and lonely journey. We encourage you to join our GriefShare group to find solace, support and resources. We will meet every Monday for 14 weeks in the church Parlor. Note the first session starts at 6:00pm and ends at 8:00pm; all following sessions will meet from 6:30 – 8:00pm. The cost of materials is \$25 per participant. For more information, contact Alice Antonelli (arichardson1@gmail.com) or Gerri Wismer (geewis46@gmail.com).

Board Game Nights at NPC: 3rd Friday (**September 18th**) of each month at 6:30pm in the Parlor. Reach out to Dee Knight (deedleskni9@gmail.com) with any questions.

5th Annual Volunteer Fair is set for Sunday, September 20th! Ready to find your perfect fit in our church family? Come to our 5th Annual Volunteer Fair! It's your one-stop shop to discover exciting ways to get involved, meet new people, and make a real difference. You won't want to miss out on the food, fun, or your chance to win big in the Volunteer Fair Raffle with prizes for children, youth, and adults. So, get down to the gym directly following worship and check out ways to be the hands and feet of our church community. Reach out to Sara Mahoney (smahoney@narberthpres.org) for more info!

Canasta Group: 1st Friday (**October 16th**) of each month from 12:00 – 2:00pm in the Parlor For more information, contact Gaby Lubchuk (gabrielle.anik@verizon.net) or Faithe Hornung (fhornung@aol.com).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

For More information about Children's Programming, contact Danielle Kauffman, Director of Children's Ministry: dkauffman@narberthpres.org.

Family Worship is Sunday, September 6th – All Kindergarten through 5th grade children are encouraged to worship with their church family and participate in Communion. Worship Bags will be available at both entrances of the sanctuary. This Sunday, all are invited to play ***Sermon Pictionary!*** Come learn more during Pastor Jason's sermon.

NPC Nursery – Our NPC Nursery is ready to welcome our youngest up to PreK every Sunday. Join Miss Sharon and team for a new series called "Apple Orchard: Growing in God's Love". Each Sunday our children will discover foundational faith concepts in an age-appropriate way. Come join the fun in RM 107!

On the Move with Jesus - Beginning Sunday, September 13th our K through 5th grade children will begin a new series on the Gospel of Mark. Come learn more about this fast-paced and action-packed Book of the Bible. We will focus on who Jesus is, His power, and what it means to follow Him.

Kids Praise begins on September 16th – Join us on Wednesday nights in the Choir Room from 7:00 – 8:00pm for music fun! This program is best for PreK through 5th grade. All are welcome!

Trunk OR Treat – Save the Date for Saturday, October 31st! All are invited to the NPC parking lot beginning at 10:30am for a not-so-scary time. Adults - if you would like to volunteer for this great outreach, please email Danielle.

YOUTH MINISTRY

For more information about Youth Programming, contact Chris Rini, Youth Ministry Leader: crini@narberthpres.org.

Youth Sunday School – All rising 6th through 12th graders are invited to attend Sunday School each Sunday (except for the first Sunday of the month which is Family Worship). Our curriculum series is titled "Who Is God". Hope to see you there!

High School & Middle School Youth Group – Youth Group meets each Sunday (except for the first Sunday of the month), from 6:00 – 7:30pm. This is a fantastic time to be in community, learn more about the Lord, and HAVE FUN! RSVPs are not required, and all are welcome!

TeamSnap Information Request: Do you want real-time insight into scheduling for Youth Ministry? Want to be able to provide your availability for all events and see which of your friends plan to attend? Join our Youth Ministry TeamSnap! The mobile app is helpful for all things scheduling. If you wish to join, please provide your child's name, your name, and any email addresses or phone numbers you wish to be included.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING

Wednesday Night programming begins on September 16! Join us for a church family supper starting at 5:45pm followed by programming at 7:00pm:

Kids Praise with Danielle Kauffman: Give your kids a mid-week spiritual lift filled with laughter, music and community! Each week we sing truths about God to help build a strong foundation of faith for life. We also explore rhythms with real instruments and together live out Psalm 98. Most importantly each child's unique voice is celebrated and loved. This program is best for PreK-5th grade, meets in the Choir Room, and a light snack is provided.

Life Together: Becoming a Place of Belonging with Pastor Jason Hsu: Come explore with us the biblical practices for becoming a place of belonging. Over the eight sessions, we'll study the Scriptures, reflect on our own experiences, and do some hands-on practice! Registration encouraged but not required. Contact the Church office for more information.

Lessons from the Early Church: Becoming a Light in the Darkness with Pastor Debbie Watson: This eight-session video-based series by Dr. Ray VanderLaan explores some of the places Paul and his co-workers visited in Asia Minor (modern-day Türkiye), with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Join us as we follow their journey to becoming shining lights in a world so in need of the illumination of Jesus Christ and then discuss how that informs our own lives of faith today! Registration encouraged but not required. Contact the Church office for more information.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: On first Wednesdays, we pause the adult classes to pray together as a church. Each month, two co-facilitators focus on a theme and lead us in song, scripture, reflection, and prayer. Come join us!

STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

Explorers' Class: Are you new to Narberth Presbyterian? Do you have questions about faith, this church, or both? Would you like to get to know some other people who are also "investigating" these things, in a friendly small group setting? If so, then our four-week Explorers' Class, **beginning September 27th**, is a great place to begin! We'll meet in the Parlor after the worship service from 11:15 – 1:00pm over a simple lunch. We can help if you need childcare. Contact Pastor Debbie (dwatson@narberthpres.org) or the Church Office for more information.

The Marriage Course: Whether you have been married for a short time or for many years, this course provides husbands and wives with tools to build and strengthen a vibrant relationship. On 7 successive Sunday evenings **beginning September 20th from 6:00 – 8:30pm**, couples enjoy dinner in the Parlor at a table for two, watch a brief video presentation by Nicky & Sila Lee, and talk with each other about important issues that can get lost in the rush of daily life. This is not a large group activity; rather, you and your spouse work only with each other. The cost for dinner and course materials is \$140 per couple, a worthwhile investment! We can help if you need childcare. Contact Pastor Debbie (dwatson@narberthpres.org) for more information.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, September 6

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

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

Monday, September 7

Labor Day

Holiday – Church Office closed

8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Parlor

Tuesday, September 8

12:15 – 1:15 Staff Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, September 9

Thursday, September 10

Friday, September 11

Saturday, September 12

10:00am Women's Breakfast Fall Kickoff, Chapel

Sunday, September 13

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

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

3:00pm Ordination Service, Sanctuary

6:00 – 7:30pm Middle School/High School Youth Group, Youth Lounge

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, September – early June

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

Counseling: Dr. Janet Moore: cell: 484-686-6630 email: jilmpsy910@gmail.com

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