



Narberth Presbyterian Church

September 27, 2026

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

Partita on "Hymn to Joy"

arr. Callahan

Jinhee Shim, organist

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Debbie

Call to Worship

Psalm 47:6-9 (*p.886*)

Pastor Jason

Hymn #16

Give to Our God Immortal Praise

Duke Street

Opening Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Scripture Reading

Genesis 15:1-6 (*p.20*)

Bruce Nkala

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Jason

Heavenly Father, we praise you that it is by your grace that we have saving faith to believe in your Son. But even so, we often find ourselves confused and confounded. When our faith is strong, we think it is because of our obedience, devotion, and determination. When our faith is weak, we are frightened and in despair, fearing that you have abandoned us because of our sin. Father, forgive us for forgetting that you have dealt with our sin once and for all, and in Christ we already possess a perfect faith and trust. Holy Spirit, help us to not despise ourselves or others when we struggle with doubt, but to lead each other patiently to the cross of Christ, who lifted the shield of his faith on our behalf and won our salvation and joy. In his strong name and for his glory we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

Worship Songs

Sweet, Sweet Spirit
Spirit of the Living God
Holy Forever
NPC Worship Band

Children & Youth dismissed to Sunday School

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

Offertory	148	Pappas
	NPC Worship Band	

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture	Galatians 3:1-14 (p. 1812)	Chris Baker
Message	Where to Find the Acceptance You Need	Pastor Jason

Sermon Notes

Hymn #473	And Can It Be That I Should Gain?	Sagina
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Benediction	Pastor Jason
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PostludeToccata Concertato on “Azmon”	Arr. by Franklin D. Ashdown
Jinhee Shim, organist	

Prayer Ministry	Clara Louie
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Nominating Committee: The 2027 Nominating Committee, chaired by Brinton Nicolai, is looking for Elder & Deacon Nominations. To give nominees enough time to discern whether or not to accept a nomination, we will no longer be receiving nominations on the day of the Congregational Meeting. Instead, please submit any nominees by the end of the Worship Service **this Sunday, September 27th**, using a form (located in the Chapel or Narthex) or by emailing the Church Office (office@narberthpres.org).

PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

A Minute for Missions: On **Sunday, October 4th**, Cornerstone Christian Academy will be joining us in Worship. Their principal will give a brief update, and their Choir will present music during both the prelude and the offertory. We invite you to **arrive by 9:30am** so you won't miss this special time.

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

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).

Canasta Group: 1st Friday (**October 2nd**) 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).

Women's Breakfast: 2nd Saturday (**October 10th**) of each month at 10:00am in the Parlor. Reach out to Danielle Kauffman (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) for more information.

Board Game Nights at NPC: 3rd Friday (**October 16th**) of each month at 6:30pm in the Parlor. Reach out to Dee Knight (deedleskni9@gmail.com) with any questions.

Calling All Voices – NPC's Christmas Choir is Back! The Christmas season is right around the corner, and our Music Ministry is gearing up for another wonderful time of singing. All voices are welcome to join the Christmas choir! It's a great way to meet new people, serve our church, and prepare your heart in song to welcome the baby in the manger. Our first rehearsal will be **Sunday, October 18th** directly following worship in the choir room. No matter your skill level, your voice is a gift we would love to share! Please reach out to Linda Pilacik (lindapilacik@gmail.com) with any questions.

Men's Breakfast: Last Saturday (**October 31st**) of each month at 7:30am in the Parlor. Reach out to Jim Hornung (jimmyhornung@me.com) for more information.

OPEN SMALL GROUPS

If you're looking to connect more deeply with our church community, our small groups are a great way to do that! Meeting weekly or every other week, these groups foster friendships around Bible study, spiritual conversation, & prayer. To learn more about a group listed below, reach out to its contact person. If you are hosting a group that is open to new joiners and you'd like it listed here, email Pastor Jason (jhsu@narberthpres.org).

(NEW) Young(er) Adults' Group: Tuesdays 7:00 – 8:30pm in Narberth. Studying the book of Mark starting 9/29. Contact: Matt Weed (mweed@narberthpres.org)

Men's group: Thursdays 7:00 – 8:15pm in the Copy Room. Studying the book of Ephesians starting 9/17. Contact: Ken Eng (K_Eng@msn.com)

Women's group: Thursdays 7:00 – 8:15pm in the Parlor. Studying the book of Ephesians starting 9/17. Contact: Suzanne Morrison (suzannem@narberthpres.org)

Women's group: Fridays 10:00am – 12:00pm in the Parlor. Contact: Isabel Lally (ilally@narberthpres.org)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

Sunday School for K-5th – *On the Move with Jesus* – 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.

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

Kids Praise is Back – 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 helpful but not required, and all are welcome! **Please note: There is NO Youth Group today, September 27th, due to the Youth Bowling Event.**

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. **This Week, we will be visiting Sardis!**

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 (dwatston@narberthpres.org) or the Church Office for more information.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, September 27

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

11:15am – 1:00pm Explorers' Class, Parlor
Youth Bowling Event

Monday, September 28

6:00 – 8:00pm GriefShare, Parlor
8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Chapel

Tuesday, September 29

12:15 – 1:15 Staff Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, September 30

5:45 – 6:45pm Church Family Supper
7:00 – 8:00pm Life Together, Parlor
7:00 – 8:00pm Lessons from the Early Church, Chapel
7:00 – 8:00pm Kids Praise, Choir 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, 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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Thursday, October 1

7:00 – 8:15pm Men's Group, Copy Room
7:00 – 8:15pm Women's Group, Parlor

Friday, October 2

10:00am – 12:00pm Women's Group, Parlor

Saturday, October 3

Sunday, October 4

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream.
11:15am – 1:00pm Explorers' Class, Parlor

Church Staff

Jason Hsu, Transitional Senior Pastor
Deborah Watson, Associate Pastor
Danielle Kauffman, Intergenerational Ministry
Chris Rini, Youth Ministry Leader
Sharon Shallow, Nursery Coordinator
Jinhee Shim, Organist
Matt Weed, Worship Tech. Coordinator
Tim Roykouff, 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
Liam Roykouff, Weekend Custodian
Larry Lubchuk, Custodian Assist (as needed)



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