



Narberth Presbyterian Church

October 11, 2026

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude

Praise to the Lord
Jinhee Shim, organist

arr. Payne

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Debbie

Call to Worship

from Isaiah 44:3-5

Pastor Jason

Hymn #26

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Lauda Anima

Opening Prayer

Pastor Debbie

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 63:15-17

Chris Rini

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Jason

Father God, in love you sent your Son to redeem us, to forgive our sins, and to adopt us into your family to the praise of your glorious grace. And yet we confess that we do not always live into our sonship. We so often rely on our own wisdom and strength, instead of crying out to you. We so often perform our religion as duty or obligation, instead of pursuing a growing relationship with you, our Father. Holy Spirit, we need your help to live as who we truly are – dearly loved sons and daughters of God. Would you strengthen our inner beings to know the all-surpassing love of Christ – not just generally for the world, but personally, for each of us. Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

Worship Songs

No Longer Slaves
What a Beautiful Name
There's Just Something About that Name
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

Clair De Lune
Jesse Morris, piano

Debussy

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Sermon Notes

Hymn #483

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Lenox

Benediction

Pastor Jason

Postlude

Praeludium in F Major
Jinhee Shim, organist

Bach

Prayer Ministry

Diane Chen

Part-time Music Director Opening: Session is pleased to announce that we are seeking a part-time Music Director. For more information, please review the job description on the website or reach out to anyone on the Personnel Committee.

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.

PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: REAP Granada (Jenn and Scott Esposito) In pursuit of new life with Jesus Christ, their purpose is to **R**estore relationship with God first and then others; **E**ducate on applying God's Word to every aspect of life; **A**ctivate faith through following Christ's example by loving and serving others; **P**erpetuate the ministry by raising up leaders to carry forward God's work with and for their neighbors in Granada, Nicaragua. Campo de Coshecha is a 70-acre farm that serves as home base for their ministry. There, they house a multi-purpose pavilion for conferences, teaching, and worship; dorm space for 150 guests; a kitchen to serve meals to staff and guests; and a farm that bears fruit and opportunity. **Please pray** for the flourishing of the ministries and people of REAP Granada!

Notes from Justice & Mercy: Benjamin and Shelby Chestnut have lived with transverse myelitis for most of their lives. Now young adults, Shelby is completely dependent on full-time care, while Benjamin has some abilities. The family struggles with other issues: substance abuse, cancer, and the stress of constant need, has led to very difficult family dynamics, and so Benjamin and Shelby often feel isolated and lonely. **Please pray** for the Lord's presence to be especially real to them, and for physical and spiritual healing for everyone in the family. **Pray** for NPC's Donna and John Hart (610-608-8728 or 610 668-9597) as they head the Chestnut Foundation. Thank you for regularly bringing the Chestnut family before God in prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GriefShare: Every Monday in the church Parlor from 6:30 – 8:00pm. For more information, contact Alice Antonelli (arichardson1@gmail.com) or Gerri Wismer (geewis46@gmail.com).

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.

Men's Breakfast is rescheduled this month to Saturday **October 24th** (not October 31st, as previously announced), but still at 7:30am in the Parlor. Reach out to Jim Hornung (jimmyhornung@me.com) for more information.

Men's (and Boys') Project: lunches for Parkway Ministry: On Saturday **October 24th** at 8:30am in the Gym, all the men and boys of the church are invited to help pack lunches for our Parkway Ministry, which serves meals to those in need. Either come to the Men's Breakfast and stay right after, or plan to arrive at 8:30am. Great for fathers and sons to do together! Contact Jack Comstock (comstockjack@gmail.com) for more information.

Praises and Pie - Get your tastebuds ready for Praises and Pie, a delicious intergenerational event on **Sunday, November 1st** following worship. All are invited to gather in the gym for a sweet and savory celebration! If you would like to volunteer your best pie (homemade or bought) please reach out to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpre.org) or Sara (smahoney@narberthpre.org). Also get ready to test your trivia on pie facts! This is a great way for all ages to test their knowledge. Mark your calendar, pick your recipe, and let's get ready for fellowship, trivia, and plenty of pie!

Canasta Group: 1st Friday (**November 6th**) 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).

Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Day! We are going to be doing a small volunteer day on **Saturday November 14th** with Philadelphia Habitat for Humanity. There are only 5 spots available so please let Linda Behmke (lindabehmke@gmail.com) know as soon as possible if you would like to join this workday. No construction experience necessary!

Women's Breakfast: 2nd Saturday (**November 14th**) of each month at 10:00am in the Parlor. Reach out to Danielle Kauffman (dkauffman@narberthpre.org) for more information.

NPC Fall Prayer Retreat: “Come and have breakfast!” Does this seem like Jesus' invitation to you? Perhaps you don't have the habit of eating breakfast, or you just grab it and run. Perhaps you wish there were someone who would sit down with you for breakfast. Do you sense Jesus inviting you to sit down to be nourished by His presence? If so, join us on **Saturday, November 14, 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM, in Devon PA** for NPC's day retreat. Imagine the conversation you'll have at the breakfast table with Jesus. To register, please fill out the form in the Friday newsletter, or call the church office. Registration fee is \$20, and scholarships are available. For further questions, contact Clara (ClaraL@narberthpre.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 are enjoying 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 – 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. Hope to see you there!

2026 Children's Christmas Pageant – Save the date for **Sunday, December 20th** for our annual Christmas Pageant. This year our pageant will be held in the gym directly following worship.

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 “Obedience and Service”. 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!

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

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!

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)

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, October 11

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor
 9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream.
 11:15am – 1:00pm Explorers' Class, Parlor
 6:00 – 7:30pm Middle School/High School Youth Group, Youth Lounge

Monday, October 12

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

Tuesday, October 13

12:15 – 1:15 Staff Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, October 14

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: ilmpsy910@gmail.com

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Thursday, October 15

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

Friday, October 16

10:00am – 12:00pm Women's Group, Parlor
 6:30pm Board Game Night, Parlor

Saturday, October 17

Sunday, October 18

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor
 9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream.
 11:15am – 1:00pm Explorers' Class, Parlor
 6:00 – 7:30pm Middle School/High School Youth Group, Youth Lounge

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
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