



Narberth Presbyterian Church

May 18, 2025

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

May 18, 2025

Prelude *Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart* setting, Costello
Jinhee Shim, organ

Welcome & Announcements Pastor Debbie

Call to Worship Psalm 68:32-35 Micah Turner

Opening Prayer Pastor Mark

Hymn #107 *Christ Be My Leader* Slane

Scripture Reading Philippians 2:5-17 Emmy Davis

Prayer of Confession Jay Field

Father, even when we try our best, we find that we fail to respond to interactions with others according to your Better Way. Such failures lead us to question if we will ever be able to be all you would have us to be in our relationships. We ask for your help to overcome our weaknesses. Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

Thank you, Lord, that you hear our call for help, that you will answer, and that as part of the life-long process of making us more like Jesus, you will enable us to work out our salvation as you work within us. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism Pastor Mark

Micah Shawn Turner
Son of Glenn & Deborah Turner

Presentation & Reception of Confirmation Class Claire Woods

Griffin James Davis
Micah Shawn Turner

The Peace

Worship Songs *Praise the Lord Ye Heavens*
 Awesome God
 Good Good Father
 NPC Worship Band

Children & Youth dismissed to Sunday School

Pastoral Prayer		Pastor Debbie
Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory	Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?	
	Tom Patterson, vocals, Jinhee Shim, piano	
Doxology and Prayer of Dedication		
Scripture Reading	Philippians 2:5	Pastor Mark
Message	How to Get Along with People (Part 2)	Pastor Mark
Hymn #641	<i>All the Way My Savior Leads Me</i>	
Benediction		Pastor Mark
Postlude	<i>Prelude No.38</i>	<i>Page</i>
	Jinhee Shim, organ	
Prayer Ministry		Simon Hauger

2025 Confirmation Class

Griffin James Davis is the son of Virginia & Brett Davis of Wynnewood. Griffin is in 7th grade at Welsh Valley Middle School.

***Abigail Helen Hein** is the daughter of Tricia & Greg Hein of Wynnewood. Abbie is in 10th grade at Harriton High School.

***Evelyn Katherine Hein** is the daughter of Tricia & Greg Hein of Wynnewood. Evelyn is in 8th grade at Welsh Valley Middle School.

Micah Shawn Turner is the son of Deborah & Glenn Turner of Penn Valley. Micah is in 6th grade at Welsh Valley Middle School.

*Will be presented to the congregation on June 8th

Special Fellowship in the Gym – Directly following service, all are invited to the gym to greet and congratulate our Confirmands! Cake, coffee, and other treats will be provided.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Gathering: We invite you to come and receive prayer on Wednesday May 28th from 7:00 – 8:30pm. in the Chapel. We will seek God together through a time of prayer for emotional, physical, spiritual health and wholeness and whatever is on your heart.

All-Church Picnic is Sunday, June 1st – Join us beginning at 1:00pm for our annual All-Church Picnic at Springton Reservoir Picnic Pavilion (1071 Media Line Road, Newtown Square). All are welcome! RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) by May 27th.

Explorers' Class – Are you interested in becoming a member of NPC, learning more about our church, or about faith? Please consider being a part of our New Explorers' Class. Dates and Time TBD. To sign up or for more information please contact Sara Mahoney in the church office.

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.

Men's & Women's Bible Studies: Join us for an eight-week Bible study on the "I AM" statements in the Gospel of John! Whether you're new to Bible study or a seasoned participant, this series will deepen your understanding of Christ's mission and love. All are welcome!

When: Thursdays, from 7:00 – 8:15pm

Where: Men's Bible Study – Copy Room; Women's Bible Study – Church Parlor

For More Information: Men's Bible Study – contact Ken Eng (K_Eng@msn.com) or Tim Neilson (mytn1122@gmail.com); Women's Bible Study – contact Lalitha Naveen (lnaveen@temple.edu)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING

Introduction to Biblical Interpretation: Who wrote the Bible -- human beings or God? Does the Bible contain errors? Who decided to include only these 66 books? What went on between ancient oral traditions and our modern-day Bible? Why are there many versions and translations? How do we bridge the historical, cultural, and linguistic gap between us and the world of the text? Who determines the meaning of the text -- the author or the reader? How about the role of the Holy Spirit? Considering these questions will help us respect the complexity of the Bible, follow sound interpretive guidelines, and deepen our desire to read God's word with curiosity, discernment, and reverence. This class is taught via Zoom, with a viewing option set up in the Parlor. Email Diane (dianegchen@gmail.com) for the Zoom link and/or recording for each class.

PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: Antioch Partners- George & Jeanne Haugen For those called to long-term, cross-cultural engagement, special training and support structures are necessary. The **Antioch Partners** work alongside local Presbyterian churches in the US to help people get from where they are now, to where God is calling them, and, once in that place of service, not merely to survive, but to thrive. Please pray for George & Jeanne, as they serve local churches in the assessment, training, sending and support of those called to long-term, cross-cultural engagement.

Jennifer Bonovitz is working at full steam again, loving our neighbors and regularly checking the blue bins outside the Windsor doors. The needs are great. All donations of canned goods, pasta, and toilet paper are greatly appreciated!

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

We Go Together! *How to be a Good Friend* – Join us in Sunday School as we shine our light for Jesus and learn about being a friend like Him.

Moving Up Sunday June 1st - Our rising second graders will receive new Bibles, we will recognize our current fifth grade students, and we will celebrate our high school seniors at the front-part of worship. Please reach out to Danielle if you cannot attend.

Bible Buddy – Children's Ministries is launching a summer Bible reading program called "Bible Buddy". The goal is to encourage our youngest to foster a love for God's Word. During Sunday School everyone will be adopting a stuffed animal of their choice, naming it, and receiving a summer reading plan. ***Adoption Day is Sunday, June 8th!***

LIVE IT OUT! VBC 2025! – Mark your calendar for these dates: ***Tuesday, June 17th (3:00 – 5:00pm) through Friday, June 20th (9:00 – 11:30am on Wed, Thurs, Fri) for NPC's VBC!*** This summer children will experience camp excitement with Bible-based learning that will inspire them to follow Jesus! VBC is best for those age 4 (by June 1) through rising 5th graders (2025-2026 school year). Students and Volunteers can register online at the church website today!

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: YOUTH

High School Sunday School Relaunch is TODAY! – All 9th – 12th graders are encouraged to attend Sunday School today! We will meet in the Youth Room and are dismissed following worship songs. WaWa Breakfast Sandwiches will be provided. All are welcome!

Service Opportunity with The Welcome Church! On Sunday, May 25th we will be making snack bags during Sunday school to take to Center City! Following service, we will grab a piece of pizza and head to Logan Square for a time of worship & service for our homeless neighbors in the city! We will leave at 1:45pm and return to NPC by 4:30pm. Hope to see you there!

Youth VBC Volunteers – Rising 6th – 12th graders (2025 – 2026 school year) are encouraged to volunteer for VBC! Online Registration opens on March 24th. You can find the link on the church website or look for an email from Danielle. We hope to see you there!

2025 CHURCH OFFICERS

THE SESSION

Mark Gende – Moderator

Class of 2025

Linda Behmke
*Jack Comstock
*Jan Kennedy
Simon Hauger

Class of 2026

*Jie Cai
Diane Chen
*Brint Nicolai
Mark Wenger

Class of 2027

Susan Costantino
*Jay Field
*Jim Hornung
Katie Kennedy

THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2025

Karen Pappas
Ann Saddel
Rashmi Vyas
*Sandi Wray

Class of 2026

Lorraine Hoffner
Chang Liu
Rick Plummer
*Gerri Wismer

Class of 2027

*Ray Bellamy
Kevin Cope
Suzanne Morrison
*Donald Vangore

* serving second term

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, May 18

Confirmation Sunday

8:15am Sunday School, Parlor

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

6:00 – 7:00pm Youth Meet the Pastor Night, Youth Room

Monday, May 19

6:15 – 7:15pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

6:30 – 8:00pm GriefShare, Parlor

8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Chapel

Tuesday, May 20

Election Day

NPC serves as a polling location; Preschool Closed

7:00pm Session Meeting, Chapel

Wednesday, May 21

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

7:00 – 8:00pm Introduction to Biblical

Interpretation, Zoom/Parlor

7:00 – 8:00pm Personal Finance, Copy Room

Thursday, May 22

6:30 – 8:00pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

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

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

Friday, May 23

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

Saturday, May 24

Sunday, May 25

8:15am 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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Jesus Christ, Minister

Mark Gende, Senior Pastor

Deborah Watson, Associate Pastor

Danielle Kauffman, Intergenerational Ministry

Claire Woods, Director of Youth Ministry

Sharon Shallow, Nursery Coordinator

Jinhee Shim, Organist

Sarah Comstock, Worship Band Leader

Linda Pilacik, Minister of Music

Matt Weed, Worship Tech. Coordinator

Tim Roykoff, 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

Larry Lubchuk, Weekend Custodian



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