



# Narberth Presbyterian Church

May 31, 2026

# LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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**Prelude**

*Serenade*

*Olsen*

Linda Pilacik, piano

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Pastor Debbie**

**Call to Worship**

**Psalm 95:1-7a**

**Tom Patterson**

**Hymn #320**

*Come, Let Us Praise the Lord*

*Darwall*

**Opening Prayer**

**Pastor Debbie**

**Scripture Reading**

**John 1:1-5,14,16-18**

**Brinton Nicolai**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Linda Behmke**

God Almighty, Creator of the Universe, Owner of all things, and Lord over all of life, we confess that we have made you too small in our eyes and failed to trust in your benevolent love and provision. The human mind plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps. Please forgive our impatience, restrain our tendency to control our circumstances, and align our hearts and mind with the rhythm of the Holy Spirit. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon**

**The Peace**

**Worship Songs**

*He Is Exalted*

*Be Magnified*

*Give Thanks*

NPC Worship Band

*Children & Youth dismissed to Sunday School*

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Pastor Debbie**

**Passing of Friendship Pads & Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

*Rejoice Greatly*

**Martin**

Tom & Ruth Ellen Patterson, vocals, Linda Pilacik, piano

**Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**



# PRAYER INFORMATION

## Please Remember in Prayer

**Notes from Justice & Mercy:** During Refugee Awareness Month in June, JaM invites you to focus our attention, prayers, and advocacy on refugees and others who seek safety outside their home countries by walking in step with them. Will you commit to walking one mile a day each day of June and use that walking time to pray and educate yourselves on the reality faced by those displaced, detained, and deported in the world? Contact Clara Louie ([claralouie@yahoo.com](mailto:claralouie@yahoo.com)) for a toolkit with resources for daily prayer prompts, podcasts, and audiobooks to use during your walk. Then on World Refugee Day, Saturday, June 20, we will take a walk together in community to share what we have learned. Stay tuned for information on the community walk event.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Women's Fellowship Breakfast is Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am** – It's time to slow down, fuel up, and connect! Join us for a delightful morning of fellowship where the coffee is hot and the conversation is real. We're hosting a special breakfast & "Spill the Beans" event! Come enjoy a delicious meal and participate in an interactive game designed to help us laugh, get to know each other, and grow together. Can't wait to see you there. Reach out to Danielle Kauffman (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) or Sara Mahoney (smahoney@narberthpres.org) with any questions.

**All-Church Picnic is Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>!** Join us for an "old fashioned" picnic at South Ardmore Park (1420 Sussex Rd, Wynnewood). Pack your picnic lunch and blanket/chair. Dessert and drinks will be provided. We plan to meet following worship! To help us plan well for dessert and drinks please RSVP to Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org). Hope to see many of you there!

**2027 All-Church Retreat! Save the Date!** Please mark your calendar for April 30<sup>th</sup> through May 2<sup>nd</sup> for our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual All-Church Retreat. You won't want to miss it!

**GriefShare:** "The journey of grief is a painful process; you do not need to walk it alone." We encourage you to come to the video and support group called GriefShare. This is a place where you can be around people who understand the pain of your loss. GriefShare meets on **Mondays from 6:30 – 8:00pm** in the Parlor and will continue into June (note that you can 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.

**Join Us for Adult Bible Study on Thursday nights!** We're excited to invite you to our upcoming Bible study on the **Book of Acts** — the story of the early church, the Holy Spirit, and the spread of the gospel to the ends of the earth. Whether you're new to Bible study or have been reading Scripture for years, all are welcome. Come ready to meditate on and be inspired by God's Word and to grow in community. We meet Thursday nights starting April 9<sup>th</sup>. Women meet in the parlor and men in the copy room. Contact Suzanne Morrison or Ken Eng with any questions.

**Job available at NPC:** The Session and Personnel Committee are pleased to announce that we are actively recruiting for a part-time **Contemporary Music Coordinator** to lead our worship music and coordinate special music opportunities. If you or someone you know might be interested in this position, please check the church website for the job description and/or reach out to Linda Behmke, Personnel Committee Chair.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Fantastic Verses** – Join us in Sunday School where together we will memorize foundational verses that will be important to hold in our hearts the rest of our life. Hope to see you there!

**Moving Up Sunday is Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>** – Please mark your calendar as we present Bibles to rising 2<sup>nd</sup> graders, promote rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders to Youth Ministry, and celebrate our high school graduates! Parents, please let Danielle or Chris know if your child/youth can participate.

**VBC Training is Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>** – All rising 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> graders should attend VBC training taking place in the gym from 6:00 – 7:00pm on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Older youth are welcome but it's not mandatory. Details on what you need to know will be emailed.

**2026 VBC Kingdom Kids!** Please be in prayer as we plan, prep, and decorate for VBC 2026 and prayer for our time together taking place on Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> (5:00 – 7:00pm), Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> (9:00am – 12:00pm), Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> (9:00am – 12:00pm).

**Postcard Prayer Pals** – Looking to stay connected this summer or make a new friend? Then join postcard prayer pal where individuals or families are paired to swap postcards while you're traveling or just enjoying the sun at home. It's an easy way to share a quick prayer, life update, and mailbox joy during the summer months. Email Danielle by June 1<sup>st</sup> to sign up! Your first few postcards and stamps are free! This is great for ALL ages.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Who is God?** – Join us in Sunday School where together we will dive into the mystery of understanding who God is. This series will begin on June 14<sup>th</sup> and continue through the summer. Hope to see you there!

**High School & Middle School Youth Group** – Both youth groups will meet WEEKLY, Sunday nights from 6:00 – 7:30pm. Youth Group is a fantastic time to be in community, learn more about the Lord, and HAVE FUN! RSVPs are not required, and all are welcome! For more information, reach out to Chris Rini.

**Monthly Fellowship Event Save the Date** – We will hold our next monthly youth fellowship event on **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Mark your calendars and keep an eye out for more details!

**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 extremely 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. Reach out to Chris Rini with any questions or any assistance.

# THE NPC DEACONS

The Deacons want you to know who we are, what we do, and how we can help you.

- ❖ We can arrange meals after surgery, during illness & recovery, or in times of loss. We want to come alongside you in times of need. Please consider reaching out to one of us.
- ❖ We keep in touch with our young folks after high school graduation with occasional cards and small gifts, as well as keeping in touch with those who are no longer able to physically come to church.
- ❖ Each Sunday we serve as ushers and after the service, we help count and record the offerings.
- ❖ We help with the Children's Ministry when Danielle lets us know of special events or needs in the classrooms.
- ❖ We support those experiencing loss with the GriefShare meetings led by Gerri Wismer and Alice Antonelli.

Each of us are part of the body of Christ here at NPC and we need each other. The Deacons want to serve you in the name of Jesus.

## THE BOARD OF DEACONS with *Current Ministry Connections*

### Class of 2026

Lorraine Hoffner – *Children's Ministry*

Rick Plummer – *Treasurer*

\*Gerri Wismer – *Bereavement Care*

### Class of 2027

Gaby Anik – *Fellowship*

Kevin Cope – *Ushering*

Suzanne Morrison – *Deacons' Pantry & Visitation*

### Class of 2028

Cheryl Gunter – *Cream of the Crop Communication*

Faithe Hornung – *Fellowship*

\*Karen Pappas – *Deacons' Pantry & Visitation*

\*Ann Sattel – *Missions*

Shiang-Ju Steenhoff – *College-Age Communication*

# BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

## *Sunday, May 31*

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

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

### **Guest Preacher: Dr. Diane Chen**

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

## *Monday, June 1*

6:30 – 8:00pm GriefShare, Parlor

8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Chapel

## *Tuesday, June 2*

7:00pm Deacons Meeting, Parlor

12:15 – 1:15 Staff Meeting, Parlor

## *Wednesday, June 3*

10:00am Memorial Service for Paul Keperling with visitation beginning at 9:00am and a reception to follow.

## *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: [ilmpsvch910@gmail.com](mailto:ilmpsvch910@gmail.com)

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### **On the Web:**

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[twitter.com/narberthpres](https://twitter.com/narberthpres)

[facebook.com/narberthpresbyterian](https://facebook.com/narberthpresbyterian)

## *Thursday, June 4*

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

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

## *Friday, June 5*

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

6:00pm Preschool Graduation, Sanctuary

## *Saturday, June 6*

## *Sunday, June 7*

### *Moving Up Sunday*

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

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

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

### **Church Staff**

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)