



Narberth Presbyterian Church

July 26, 2026

LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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Prelude *My Jesus, I Love Thee with I Love You, Lord* *setting, Page*
Jinhee Shim, organist

Welcome & Announcements **Pastor Jason**

Call to Worship **Psalm 130:1-5** **Pastor Jason**

Hymn #130 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* *Azmon*

Opening Prayer **Pastor Jason**

Scripture Reading **Jeremiah 31:31-34** **Paul & Abby Bradford**

Prayer of Confession **Pastor Jason**

Merciful God, we confess to you now that we have sinned. We confess our sins as a church. We have not loved one another as Christ loved us. We have not forgiven one another as we have been forgiven. We have not given ourselves in love and service for the world as Christ gave himself for us. Father, forgive us. Send your Holy Spirit to us, that he may give us power to live, by your mercy, as you have called us to live. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Silent Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

The Peace

Worship Songs *No Longer Slaves*
 Jesus at the Center
 I Love You Lord, And I Lift My Voice
 NPC Worship Band

Children & Youth dismissed to Sunday School

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer **Jan Kennedy**

The Lord's Prayer

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 *Have Thine Own Way Lord/Spirit of the Living God*
David Baker, guitar

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Scripture	Luke 7:36-42	Cheryl Gunter
Message	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Forgiveness	Pastor Jason

Sermon Notes

Hymn #460	<i>Search Me, O God</i>	<i>Maori</i>
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Benediction		Pastor Jason
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Postlude	<i>Postlude on “Adoro Te”</i> Jinhee Shim, organist	<i>Boëly</i>
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Prayer Ministry		Mark Wenger
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PRAYER INFORMATION

Please Remember in Prayer

Missions: Worldlink (Jack Nelson) locates, identifies, trains, and unleashes highly qualified indigenous Christians to be missionaries in their own countries. They maintain a lean staff that reflects the highest standards of ethics, financial integrity, and good stewardship, and send 100% of all donations designated for Indigenous Missionaries to those missionaries for effective outreach ministries. In addition, Worldlink maintains rigorous reporting and relational accountability with our Indigenous Missionary partners to assure the highest possible ministry impact. Please keep the indigenous and USA-based workers in your prayer for God's leading and provision in every way.

Notes from Justice & Mercy: We are so thankful and excited that NPC cares so well for our children. We now have a children's section in the Justice and Mercy Resource Cart, and here are just a few of the titles you will find there. I Am One encourages each young reader to raise their voice to make a better world. Galimoto teaches that persistence and creativity make dreams come true. Jump at the Sun is the tale of the unstoppable story catcher, Zora Neale Hurston. Want to read about a place where a kid can make a difference? Pick up Uncle Willie and the Soup Kitchen. Each book will have a sticker on the cover indicating the recommended age. Please pray that the books at the Justice and Mercy Resource Cart (located in the chapel) will inspire our youngest ones to serve others and provide tools to help parents have meaningful conversations about matters in the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Sermon Series: This summer, Rev. Dr. Jason Hsu will be preaching a Sermon Series on ***“Jesus’ Vision for the Church.”*** If you miss one, don’t worry, you can catch up online!

June 28	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – In Parables	Mark 4:2-13
July 5	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Patience & Love	Matthew 13:24-30
July 12	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Small	Matthew 13:31-33
July 19	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Worth It All	Matthew 13:44-46
July 26	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Forgiveness	Luke 7:36-42
August 2	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Forgiving	Matthew 18:23-30
August 9	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Joyful & Grateful	Matthew 20:1-16
August 16	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Generous & Sharing	Luke 16:1-9
August 23	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Faithful with a Little	Matthew 25:14-30
August 30	Jesus’ Vision for the Church – Faithful to the Least	Matthew 25:31-46

Board Game Nights at NPC – Mark your calendar & get your “game” face on! Join us for fun, fellowship & board games on the 3rd Friday of each month at 6:30pm in the Parlor. Bring a snack to share and your favorite board game. Children are welcome but must remain in the Parlor. Reach out to Dee Knight (deedleskni9@gmail.com) with any questions.

Canasta Group Join us for fellowship, lunch, and canasta from 12:00 – 2:00pm in the Parlor at NPC on the first Friday of each month. Come enjoy good food, friendly conversation, and a fun afternoon of cards and fellowship. Don't know how to play canasta? No problem! All levels are welcome. We'd love to have you with us! For more information, contact Gaby Lubchuk (gabrielle.anik@verizon.net) or Faithe Hornung (fhornung@aol.com). **Next Canasta Group: August 7th.**

Join Us for Adult Bible Study! We're excited to invite you to our ongoing 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. All are welcome! Come ready to meditate on and be inspired by God's Word and to grow in community. **We meet on Thursday nights at 7:00pm.** Women meet in the parlor and men meet in the copy room. Contact Suzanne Morrison or Ken Eng with any questions.

Prayer Request from Session Music is a vital part of the worship life and ministry at NPC. Would you come alongside Session in praying for the future direction of our music ministry? There is no impending change in current staffing, as we continue to delight in Jinhee's and Dave's leadership, but we are trying to discern the best future staffing model for the music ministry in this new season. As you pray and hear from God, please feel free to share your thoughts with any Elder or Pastors Jason and Debbie. Your prayer support is greatly needed and appreciated.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

All Stars! Valuable Players in the Bible – This new series will begin on July 12th! Join us for a sports-themed series that looks at valuable players in the Bible and how they put their faith into action! We will also have some NPC High School MPV's unlocking our knowledge of football, basketball, soccer and more! Please note this is non-competitive and fun.

VBC Mission Update – This summer our VBC Mission Cause was The Parkway Ministry! Together, our children donated over 150 cans of zip-top canned food items. Thank you to all our children and families. To learn more about this incredible mission please reach out to Ilonka Comstock or Marilyn Reed.

Parkway Ministry Mission Project – Sunday, August 9th, during Sunday School our children will be making sandwiches, bagging cookies, and creating notes of encouragement for our friends on the Parkway. Please be on the look out for a SignUp Genius on items you can provide.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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! For more information, reach out to Chris Rini.

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.

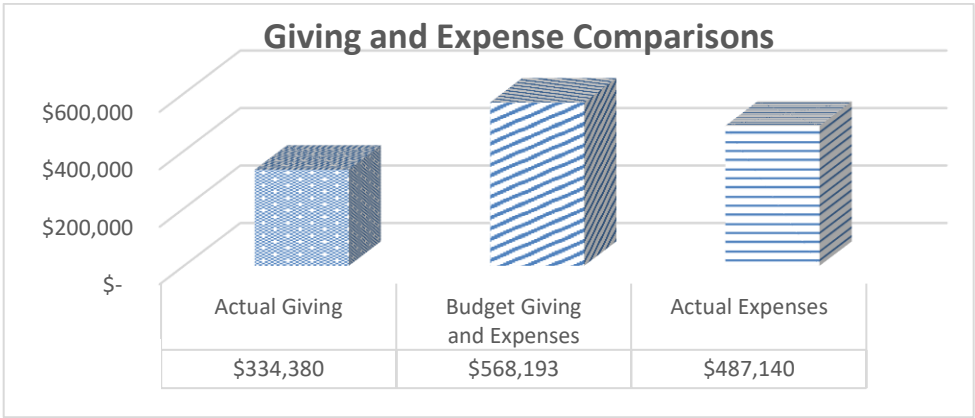
FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

We thank you for your giving to Narberth Presbyterian Church, which empowers our mission inside our building, in our local community, and around the world. We appreciate that we have seen some members giving more regularly during the year rather than only at year end.

With that, giving through the end of June totals \$334,380, which represents 29% of our annual budget, and is about **\$50,000 behind last year's giving pace.**

Total operating expenses year-to-date have been in line with budget at \$182,032, while employee costs total \$305,108, which is \$80,932 below budget due to open staff positions in the first half of 2026. Actual year-to-date expenses in budgeted areas total \$487,140, which **exceeds giving year-to-date by \$152,761.**

Being mindful of the church's financial position, several operational efficiencies are being deployed to reduce expenses without negatively impacting the mission of the church or its worship.



While it is not uncommon for church finances to be in a deficit during the summer, the situation still warrants the attention of the Finance Committee and church leaders. For this reason, we are sharing it with the congregation as well.

Do you feel led to respond? **Donations are joyfully welcomed** by check or cash in the collection plate and donation boxes at the entrances to the Sanctuary or online through www.narberthpres.org/give or by text at 833-279-6202.

BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, July 26

8:15am Adult Sunday School, Parlor

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

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

Monday, July 27

8:00pm Overeaters Anonymous, Chapel

Tuesday, July 28

12:15 – 1:15 Staff Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, July 29

Thursday, July 30

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

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

Friday, July 31

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

Saturday, August 1

Sunday, August 2

8:15am Adult 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, September – early June

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

Counseling: Dr. Janet Moore: cell: 484-686-6630 email: ilmpsych910@gmail.com

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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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