



Narberth Presbyterian Church

September 18, 2022

Hymn #689	<i>The Church's One Foundation (v.1,2,4,5)</i> Jinhee Shim	Aurelia
Worship Song	<i>All the People Said Amen</i>	Maher
Benediction		Pastor Steve
Postlude	<i>Allegro from Organ Concerto in D Minor</i> Jinhee Shim	Handel
Prayer Ministry		Sue Wenger

We have started a new **Fall sermon series** on Paul's magnificent letter to the Philippians, "Breaking Out of Covid: Christ-Centered Resilience and Joy."

Day Retreat Registration Deadline is TODAY, SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18!

This first day retreat will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on **Monday October 3**. It is a time of personal prayer and reflection, with solitude and community, in the tranquil environment at St. Raphaela Center. Please sign up with Linda DiLullo at 610-453-3420 or ldilullo3@gmail.com or on the signup sheet in the Chapel by Sunday September 18. Lunch is included in the cost of \$35. For details and scholarship assistance, please contact Linda.

CHOIR

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! You may have this opportunity **beginning next Sunday, the 25th** when we will begin Choir rehearsals. The time to be there is 11:00am or directly following our church service. Hoping to see you upstairs in the choir room. Linda Pilacik

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

5:45 – 6:45pm	Church family supper in the gym
7:00 – 8:00pm	Children's programing with Danielle (K-5th grade)
7:00 – 8:00pm	Middle School Youth Group with Juwan
7:00 – 8:00pm	Bible Study with Pastor Steve (Parlor) "Practicing The Presence of God: Finding God In All of Life"
7:00 – 8:00pm	Video Series with Pastor Debbie (Chapel) "Living As A Christian in A World That Is Not." a 5 week series, filmed in Greece

Lost and Found

Is the world looking fuzzy lately? Are you not hearing as well? You may be among the friends, visitors or members at NPC that may have lost glasses or hearing aids at church recently. If so, we found them and would love to re-unite you with these needed aids to everyday life. Please contact the church office at 610-664-4880 if you think you may have an item to retrieve.

PRAYER CARDS

Today as you entered the sanctuary, ushers handed out note cards, along with bulletins. If you didn't get one, extra note cards may be found in the pews. We will use these to do a community building exercise in the worship service that is both fun and meaningful. It has two parts:

1. First, if you would be willing to be prayed for every day of this coming week, please write your first and last name on the card. Also, if you would like to receive prayer for a specific request, you may write that on the card as well. This is totally optional. You may place the notecards in the offering plates as they are passed. Children and youth will submit their cards during Sunday School.
2. Secondly, right after the sermon and last hymn the offering plates will be passed with all the note cards that have been signed, with names face down in the plates. If you would be willing to pray every day this coming week for the person whose name you “happen” to select, then please take a card. (It is expected that if you would like to be prayed for, you will also take a card to pray for someone in turn). Our children and youth will come back to the Sanctuary in time to draw cards.

You may not know the person whose name you select. That's OK! This is part of the fun and the surprise and God's choreography. If you cannot identify your person, Pastors Steve or Debbie or Danielle would be glad to assist you in this “detective” work. We encourage you to wait until next Sunday, September 25, to reveal yourself to the person you've been praying for. You can do this during the service, then perhaps sometime after the service, or during the next week, you can be in touch with them.

We hope this can be an enjoyable spiritual exercise that is both simple and nonthreatening, and that will strengthen our connections with one another in the common bond of Jesus Christ. Who knows what new relationships and answers to prayer may come out of this venture?

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Road to Emmaus With Jesus is a series of three five-hour days set aside on NPC's 2022-2023 calendar for us to pray and reflect on our journey with God. In solitude and in community, we will slow down and let the Holy Spirit draw our attention to his recollecting, renewing, and redeeming work in us. Through guided spiritual practices, we will make space for God in our hearts and in our lives, inviting the Holy Spirit to speak personally to us through Scripture, prayer, nature, solitude, and community. The dates and times are **Monday October 3, Saturday January 21, and Wednesday March 22, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m..** Each day will have its stand-alone theme and will take place in a local and accessible site, so come to one or all, as your schedules allow. The first retreat day of prayer will take place at St. Raphaela Center in Haverford. No prior experience is needed for participation. To sign up, please contact Linda DiLullo at 610-453-3420 or ldilullo3@gmail.com. Cost \$35, lunch included.

NEW SUNDAY CLASS: Colossians and Philemon *Starting Sunday, September 18th at 11:15 am.* Join us for a close look at these two fascinating letters from Paul and Timothy while Paul was imprisoned. Colossians talks about Christ as the center of all reality, and as John Barclay puts it, offers us "a comprehensive vision of truth". This nine-week class will have some teaching but mostly engaging discussion. We will meet in the parlor and have a Zoom option for those who can't be there in person. Led by Mark Wenger and Charlie Hurst. Please contact Mark at markfwenger@yahoo.com for the Zoom link.

NEW CLASS: Mere Christianity Book Study with Pastor Steve.

In 2000, *Christianity Today* voted *Mere Christianity* by CS Lewis as the "most important Christian book of the 20th century." Starting Monday, September 26, Pastor Steve will lead an 11-week study of this classic book. We will meet from 7:15 to 8:30pm. Please sign up in the Chapel at church, or email or text Pastor Steve if you are interested.

GriefShare

GriefShare started **Monday, September 12 from 6:30 - 8pm** in the Parlor (in person), and will continue on into December (you can join at any time). Register here: <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/155054/registrations/new>. Please feel free to email Alice Antonelli at arichardson1@gmail.com for more information about the group.

The NPC Library

While you're organizing for the new school year, would you please check your bookshelves and if you find any NPC books, we would appreciate your returning them as soon as possible. We also are doing organizing!! Thanks, Helen Moffa

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS: CHILDREN

Epic Love Story - Sunday School Series (K-5th)! During the month of September our Sunday School Children (K-5th) will dive into God's One Big Story in the Bible - it's an Epic Love Story that unfolds in a garden and the love continues throughout the Bible. Join us as we learn to love others, comfort those who are hurting, and give to those in need! Special crafts and service opportunities too. Join the LOVE! This Sunday children will learn how we can comfort others who are hurting. We will also have special prayer opportunities for the children.

Thank you - Volunteer Fair! A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the Volunteer Fair a success. What a great way to kickoff the new church program year! Special thanks to Sara Mahoney, Volunteer Coordinator for leading this effort!

Wednesday Night Program for Kids! Children (K-5th grade) are invited to a new program called *"God Strong"*! Get ready to exercise your muscles and your faith! We will meet in Rm 107 from 7:00pm-8:00pm. Sneakers and comfortable clothing are encouraged! All are welcome for dinner in the gym beginning at 5:45pm. This week we will focus on **"Being Active"** so get ready for some relay races, Bible verses, and a fun craft too!

Communion & Baptism Class! Beginning Sunday, October 9th a new Communion & Baptism Class will be offered to children interested in learning more about these two sacraments. This class is best for older elementary students, however it is open to any kindergarten through 5th grade student who would like to join. The class will take place October 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th during Sunday School. Children will be Welcomed to the Lord's Table on Sunday, November 6th. Please email Danielle (dkauffman@narberthpres.org) to register your child or if you have any questions.

INTERGENERATIONAL MINISTRY NEWS – YOUTH

Breakaway Retreat! We are looking forward to attending the Breakaway Retreat with our Middle Schoolers September 30th-October 2nd. Please keep us in your prayers.

Middle School Youth Group! Middle School Youth Groups meets each Wednesday evening from 7:00pm-8:00pm in the Youth Room. Each week offers games, lesson, and fun! All 6th, 7th, 8th graders are encouraged to attend and bring a friend!

High School Youth Group! Beginning Sunday, September 18th all 9th-12th graders are encouraged to come enjoy time together from 7:00pm-8:00pm in the Youth Room. Join us for a time of community, theology, and an on opportunity to know, live, and share your faith!

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BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, September 18

8:15am **Sunday School** (Parlor)
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream
11:15am **Sunday School:** Colossians and Philemon,
Parlor (and Zoom)
7:00pm **High School Youth Group**

Monday, September 19

6:30-8:00: GriefShare Parlor
7:00pm Nominating Committee, Chapel

Tuesday, September 20

7:00pm Session Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, September 21

5:45 – 6:45pm **Church family supper** in the gym
Focaccia bread, salad, fruit, dessert
7:00 – 8:00pm **Children’s** class (K-5th) with Danielle
7:00 – 8:00pm **MS Youth** Group with Juwan
7:00 – 8:00pm **Bible Study**, Pastor Steve (Parlor)
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In All of Life”
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Looking Ahead: *Tuesday, September 27 7:00pm* Missions, Parlor

Each Week

Christian Pre-School – 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: jlmpsych@hotmail.com

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Thursday, September 22

Kickball with the Pastor will resume
September 29

Friday, September 23

11:00am **Women’s Bible Study** (In-person)

Saturday, September 24

Sunday, September 25

8:15am **Sunday School** (Parlor)
9:30am **Worship Service** In-person and live-stream
11:00am Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
11:15am **Sunday School:** Colossians and
Philemon, Parlor (and Zoom)
7:00pm **High School Youth Group**

Stephen N. Weed, Pastor
Deborah Watson, Associate Pastor
Danielle Kauffman, Intergenerational Ministry
Juwan Williams, Intergenerational Ministry
Jinhee Shim, Organist
Colin & Sarah Comstock, Worship Band Ldrs
Matt Weed, Worship Tech. Coordinator
Tim Roykouff, Business Administrator
Donya Perry, Administrative Assistant
Hugh Barrie, Assistant Property Manager
Joyce B. Nicolai, Bookkeeper
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