



# Narberth Presbyterian Church

September 26, 2021

# LORD'S DAY OF CELEBRATION

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**Prelude**

**Jennifer Juang**

**Welcome and Family News**

**Debbie Watson**

**Call to Worship**

Jeremiah 9:23,24; Romans 1:16

**Hymn #95**

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

*Coronation*

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Pastor Debbie**

**Scripture**

1 John 1:5-9

**Prayer of Confession**

**Steve Weed**

Gracious God, we praise you for the matchless Name and character of Jesus Christ. We confess that too often we have misrepresented him in our attitudes, actions, motives, and words. Please forgive us for our lack of conviction in Christ and our lack of compassion for people. Through the cross and the work of the Spirit, cleanse our hearts and minds, and purify the entire conversation of our lives. Please renew us as your people that we may be a Christ-centered, Bible-based, and loving community. By your grace, let there be less of ourselves and more of Jesus, who is the light of the world. Amen.

**Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon**

**Worship Songs**

*Who You Say I Am  
Never See The End*

*Passing the Friendship pads and Dismissal of Children*

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Pastor Debbie**

**Scripture**

John 3:16,17; 1 Peter 3:15

**Sermon**

**Are Christians Credible?**

**Pastor Steve**

**Song**

*In Christ Alone*  
Linda Pilacik, Piano

**Benediction**

**Pastor Steve**

**Postlude**

**Linda Pilacik**

# FAMILY NEWS-CHILDREN AND YOUTH

## *CHILDREN'S NEWS*

### **NEW! "SOAR" with us in Sunday School!**

You may have noticed a lot of flying happening during Sunday School. That's because in our new curriculum we are soaring to explore some important places in the Bible! Last week the children enjoyed fun foam planes that flew high in our gym and this week we will create eagle puppets as we soar to the Jordan River. Join us! All are welcome.

### **NEW! Children's Memory Verse!**

Our children are working hard to recite Isaiah 40:31 (and sing it too). You can encourage them at home to work on it or have your family together store this verse in your hearts. ***"But those who trust in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles."*** Isaiah 40:31

### **Secret Service Club - Wednesday Night Program**

All children are invited to join the Secret Service Club with Miss Danielle and Miss Sharon Wednesday evenings from 7:00pm-8:00pm. We will meet in RM 107 (Red Door Room) for some special projects. Come be a blessing to others!

## *YOUTH NEWS*

### **UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS**

- "State of the Youth Min" event on Thurs, Sept. 30th, 7-8pm.
- Sunday School this Fall will be on: Women of the Bible, and then the Book of Daniel.
- MSYG will happen on Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm starting Sept. 15th on the Book of Hebrews.
- HSYG will happen on Sundays, 5-7pm starting Sept. 12th on the Book of Hebrews.
- MS Retreat on Oct. 8th-10th. (Covid allowing)
- HS Retreat on Oct. 15th-17th. (Covid allowing)
- MS White Elephant Christmas Party on Fri, Dec. 10th, 7-8pm.
- HS Axe Throwing Christmas Party on Fri, Dec. 17th, 7-8:30pm.

# ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

## Sunday Mornings

**8:15 am class** - Please join us - live in the NPC Parlor, or via Zoom, for a time of conversation focused on the scriptures for that day's worship service. All are welcome! Contact Debbie Watson for more details [dwatson@narberthpres.org](mailto:dwatson@narberthpres.org).

**11:15 am class** - Join us for a lively in-depth study of the **Gospel of John** from 11:15 am - 12:15 pm via Zoom or via live-stream from the Parlor. The class will include both teaching and active group discussion with applications for everyday life. Explore questions like, "Why did Jesus invite such an unconventional interaction with the Samaritan woman?" And "Why does Jesus ask the man with a 38-year disability if he wants to be made well?" Led by Mark Wenger with assistance from Charlie Hurst and Andy Littmann. For the Zoom link, contact Mark at [markfwenger@yahoo.com](mailto:markfwenger@yahoo.com).

## Wednesday Nights, 7:00-8:00pm

Pastor Steve is leading an in-person class on "**How To Grow In Sharing Your Faith.**" In one sentence, our goal is to be inspired and trained to share the good news of Jesus Christ in word and deed, in an atmosphere of encouragement and gentle accountability. There will be Bible Study, sharing, and mutual encouragement. We will also pray for our friends and neighbors to be drawn to Christ, and for each of us to grow in our personal witness. If you have interest or questions, please email Pastor Steve at [sweed@narberthpres.org](mailto:sweed@narberthpres.org) or text at (610) 761-0061.

*From Fear to Freedom: Living as Sons and Daughters of God*, by Rose Marie Miller, is the basis of a 12 week book study this Fall. If you've ever worried about not measuring up, as a Christian, then this class is for you! You will need a book, which you can pick up at church, or order yourself. \$12 donation per book. If you need a book scholarship, let Pastor Debbie know at [dwatson@narberthpres.org](mailto:dwatson@narberthpres.org).

## 7:30-9:00pm MONDAY Men's Bible Study Zoom Meeting

We are beginning a new study using 2 references, both by Jerry Bridges;

*The Pursuit of Holiness* and *Transforming Grace*.

Led by Tim Neilson. All are welcome to join. To contact Tim, text 610-613-5572 or email [mytn1122@gmail.com](mailto:mytn1122@gmail.com)

## FRIDAY Morning Ladies' Bible Study: Each Friday from 11am to 1:00pm

This group meets in-person AND on Zoom! Either at Narberth Pres in the Chapel (with masks and distancing) or by Zoom link. This group is open, all ladies are welcome. Contact Isabel Lally: 610-659-6663 or Cathy Callaway at [cathy.callaway5@gmail.com](mailto:cathy.callaway5@gmail.com)

## PRAYER TIME - OPEN TO ALL

- **Monday Evening:** 7:00-8:00pm Facilitated by Dana Kaminstein  
Contact the office at 610-664-4880 to receive the Zoom link

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Giving update:

Through the end of August, your giving totals \$590,777, which is just under 54% of our annual budget, and \$34,114 behind last year at the same point. Our total expenses in budgeted areas continue to be below budget in almost every area, totaling \$678,980. That leaves us with a year to date shortfall of \$88,203. It is our normal pattern to see strong fourth quarters to close that gap, and we would appreciate your participation in helping us to do that again this year.

One way to give is by the transfer of appreciated stock to NPC. Donating stock directly is one of the most tax-smart ways to give. By donating stock that has appreciated for more than a year, you are able to claim the full market value of the stock at the time of donation as a charitable deduction on your taxes, and avoid capital gains on the stock. Reach out to our Treasurer, Jim Hoffman at [jimh@delval.com](mailto:jimh@delval.com) or 267-236-3559 for our brokerage account info needed to initiate the transaction with your broker.

**Dr. Janet Moore** has been serving in our Counseling Ministry for over 16 years, working with individuals struggling with a wide range of personal and psychological challenges. Dr. Moore's perspective is that addressing mental health issues is essential to opening our hearts and minds, thereby enabling a closer relationship with God that can sustain us in an imperfect world. You may reach Dr. Moore by leaving a message on her church extension, 610-664-4880 (ext. 121), or at 484-686-6630.

# COMMUNICATIONS

## Prayer

Requests for prayer can be made anytime by calling the church office or emailing to [prayer@narberthpres.org](mailto:prayer@narberthpres.org). Requests will be posted as quickly as possible for immediate prayer by the Prayer Team.

**Small group leaders** are encouraged to reach out to the Church office if any meeting resource (voice conference calling or video conference calling) is needed. Small group members are encouraged to remain in contact with each other. Some small groups may continue, others may take a break in this time. Small group leaders are encouraged to communicate with their group as to what you will be doing in this time.

**Office:** The church office may be contacted by phone at 610-664-4880 from 9 am to 4 pm Monday - Friday with questions, concerns, prayer requests, etc. Messages may also be left at any other time. We love to hear from you.

**Giving:** Your gifts and tithes make this ministry possible and keep our church strong. Giving may be done at: [www.narberthpres.org/give](http://www.narberthpres.org/give). Giving may be done by texting your gift to 610-642-4831. Gifts and tithes may also be mailed to the church office:

Narberth Presbyterian Church Attention: Financial Secretary  
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**Office hours 9:00am to 4:30pm Mon-Th.**  
**9:00-3:00pm Fri.**

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# BUILDING DISCIPLES IN THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

*Sunday, September 26*

**8:15am Sunday School-Parlor**

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

**11:15am Zoom or live-stream Sunday School Class**, Viewing available in Parlor

*Monday, September 27*

7:00pm Zoom Prayer meeting

7:30-9:00pm Zoom Men's Bible Study, led by Tim Neilson

*Tuesday, September 28*

7:00pm Missions Committee Meeting

*Wednesday, September 29*

5:45pm Dinner in Parling Lot (weather permitting)

7:00pm Children's Class- Danielle Kauffman

7:00pm Middle School Bible Study- John Chaffee

7:00pm "How To Grow in Sharing Your Faith" led by Steve

7:00pm "From Fear to Freedom: Living as Sons and Daughters of God" led by Debbie

*To join any of the above listed Zoom meetings, please call the church office at 610-664-4880*

*Thursday, September 30*

*Friday, October 1*

11:00am Women's Bible Study, Parlor

*Saturday, October 2*

*Sunday, October 3*

**8:15am Sunday School-Parlor**

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

**Family Worship and Communion**

**11:15am Zoom or live-stream Sunday School Class**, Viewing available in Parlor

## *Each Week*

**Christian Pre-School** – 610-664-8890

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: [jlmpsy@hotmial.com](mailto:jlmpsy@hotmial.com)

Looking Ahead:

Oct 5 7:00pm Deacons' Meeting

Oct 7,8,9 ECO Ordination Retreat @ NPC

Oct 11-14 ECO Conference @ NPC

Oct 19 7:00pm Session Meeting