

The Spire

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Dear Members and Friends,

“Summertime, and the livin’ is easy . . .” Have you ever had a time when the words to a song get in your head and stay with you throughout the day? Sometimes they continue for longer than a day.

That is what it has been like for me with the words from Gershwin’s *Porgy and Bess*. I have been singing it (at home), humming it and remembering the words.

It is summertime. The temperature has risen. The sun is shining. And, at least we are told, the “livin’ is easy.” For some people the summer is a time when life slows down a bit from a frenetic pace to a more manageable pace. Many people will enjoy some time of vacation – visiting friends or relatives, traveling, going to the beach, or even staying home. However, there are some people for whom the summer does not slow down.

At NPC this summer brings some special activity – the Beach Service, a trip to Africa, VBS (which was just completed), VWAP in West Virginia, Summer Nights (on the beach) – to name a few.

In addition to these opportunities, we continue to move forward in our interim process. As I write the Nominating Committee is receiving nominations for the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) and I expect that we will have a Meeting of the Congregation to vote on the PNC in the not too distant future. Please join me in prayer for the Nominating Committee and the future Pastor Nominating Committee for wisdom and guidance as they search for the new senior pastor for NPC.

Whatever your “summertime” has in store for you. I want to encourage you to worship with us. “*Let us not give up meeting together . . . but, let us encourage one another . . .*” (Hebrews 10:25)

Peace,
Pastor John H. Seiders
Interim Pastor

Summer Worship Schedule

8:00 am Weed Beach service

Dress is casual and bring your beach chair.

Beach permit is not required for entry. Children worship with their families (child care is not provided)

10:00 am Chapel service

Child care and Preschool programming at this service only

Child care:

6 mos up to 3 years in Room 3B
3 years through K Program in Room 7B
1st - 5th graders will remain in the service.

Upcoming Preaching Schedule:

Sermon Series: *Summer Playlist*

7/2 - Psalm 13

7/9 - Psalm 37

7/16 - Psalm 42

7/23 - Psalm 81

7/30 - Psalm 95

8/6 - Psalm 103

8/13 - Psalm 107

8/20 - Psalm 133

8/27 - Psalm 145

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Pastor John's Summer Reading List

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Marcuson, Margaret J., *Leaders Who Last: Sustaining Yourself and Your Ministry*. New York, NY: Seabury Books, 2009.

Miller, Calvin. *The Path of Celtic Prayer: An Ancient Way to Everyday Joy*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2007.

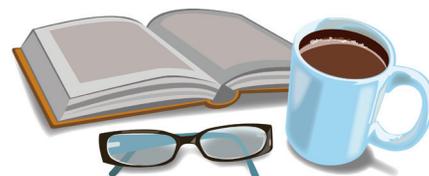
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Nouwen, Henri J.M. *Making All Things New: An Invitation to the Spiritual Life*. San Francisco, CA: HarperSanFrancisco, 1981.

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Willard, Dallas. *Hearing God: Developing a Conversational Relationship with God*. Grand Rapids, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1999.

Wolters, Albert M., *Creation Regained: Biblical Basics for a Reformational Worldview*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2005



Session

Special Thanks to the Clerk!

George Vogel has served as the Clerk of Session at NPC for seven years. This past spring he decided that it was time to "retire" as Clerk. As such, his last meeting as Clerk was on Tuesday, June 20.

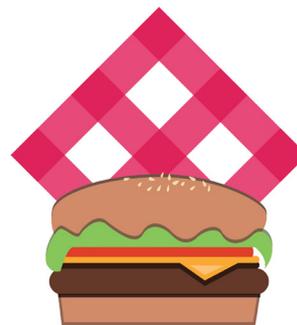
Over the seven years that George was Clerk he took minutes at countless Session meetings as well as at meetings of the congregation. The Clerk is also responsible for keeping the membership roll (baptized, active, and affiliate members) as well as the registers of the congregation (baptisms, ordinations and installations of deacons, elders, and pastors, accompanied by dates of service). In addition, George read minutes from other Sessions in the Presbytery. Please say thank you to George for a job well done!

Save the Date!

On **Sunday, September 10** we will be having an
All-Church Fall Kick Off Picnic.

On that day we will have one worship service in the Sanctuary at 10:00 and then join together for a picnic, games and fellowship in the parking lot from 11:00 till 2:00.

Mark your calendars now. Ten o'clock on the tenth.
You will not want to miss this.
More details to come!



Change in Worship Times at NPC



This fall the worship times at NPC will change. Our worship times, beginning **Sunday, September 17**, will be **8:30 a.m. in the Chapel, 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary, and 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel.**

The Worship Team has spent a great deal of time over the past year looking at attendance patterns and considering different options for our services. In the past two months they have made a recommendation in times and places for the services and the Session has agreed.

Each service will be unique. The 8:30 a.m. Chapel service will be a full hour with Sunday school and special music. The 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary service will be a full hour with Sunday school and the Chancel Choir. The 5:00 p.m. service will be moved to the Chapel, providing some time for reflection, the reading of a psalm, and include the Lord's Supper each week.

There are several considerations for these changes. These considerations included, but were not limited to current attendance patterns and trends, the assessment of the need for the number of services that were provided, possible scenarios for a worship schedule, the desire for greater fellowship in the congregation, and good stewardship of the resources of NPC.

These decisions were not made lightly or quickly. The Worship Team has been talking about changes for almost a year. They consulted with staff members and heard feedback from Elders and Deacons at their retreat in January. The team also spent a considerable amount of time in prayer and felt led by the Holy Spirit to try something new.

It is the hope and prayer of the Worship Team, the pastors, and other staff members that this revision in our Sunday morning schedule will be helpful for our congregation and enhance our worship experiences.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sue Smirnoff, the chair of the Worship Team, or one of the pastors.

Adult Spiritual Formation



The summer months provide a terrific time for travel, family gatherings, grilling, and spending time outdoors. It is also a great time to do some reading—and an even better time to join one of our reading groups that will be beginning in July, which include:

Sunset Reading Group at Weed Beach



This is a five-week summer reading group discussing significant ideas about faith and life that draws on important works of Christian writers both

past and present. The selected text each summer will be short in length, yet significant in content.

Beginning July 20th and meeting for five consecutive Thursdays beginning at 7:30 pm at Weed Beach, we'll be discussing together Marty Folsom's: *Face to Face—Volume One: Missing Love*. Be sure to order your copy from your favorite book distributor before the first meeting, or contact Marlene Moffett in the main office for help ordering. A bookmark outlining the reading/discussion schedule is available in the office. A link to online registration for the reading group is available on the NPC website under Adult Spiritual Formation.

95 Days to Reformation Reading Group



I'm not sure how much you know about church history—but October 31, 2017 marks the 500th anniversary of the posting of 95 Theses on the door of the Castle Church

in Wittenberg, a seminal moment in Protestant history. To mark the anniversary and to help all of us learn more about Protestant church history, a reading group is being formed that will read through Donald McKim's: *Reformation Questions, Reformation Answers: 95 Key Events, People & Issues*.

The group will begin reading on Saturday, July 29th--completing one reading each day for 95-consecutive days

(readings are approximately one page in length each). The last reading ("What does the Reformation mean for us today?") will be scheduled for the big anniversary on October 31st.

Unlike most reading groups, this one will not include discussion gatherings. However, there will be the opportunity to enjoy original online content being developed that corresponds to the readings. To be part of this important reading group, register online (which you can do by visiting the NPC website and going to the Adult Spiritual Formation page) and acquire a copy of the book from your favorite book distributor before the July 29th start date.

We're Using the Bible App



For those who use smart phones, there is an incredibly helpful Bible app that is free to download and use (version offered by Life.Church, also identified as YouVersion). In addition to providing readers with a number

of different Bible translations that are easy to both access and read, the app also includes reading plans and reminders to help keep you on track. Even more, beginning this summer—you will be able to access information about upcoming Adult Spiritual Formation opportunities under the events section of the app, which will include links to online registrations as well as materials related to individual gatherings. Now that's pretty cool—download the app today!

Pastor Jimmy McPherson
Associate Pastor of Spiritual Formation

Jimmy's Summer Reading List

- Marty Folsom's, *Face to Face—Volume One: Missing Love*
- Donald McKim's, *Reformation Questions, Reformation Answers: 95 Key Events, People & Issues*.
- Emelyn Rude's, *Tastes Like Chicken: A History of America's Favorite Bird*
- Fleming Rutledge's, *The Crucifixion: Understanding the Death of Jesus Christ* (Though I might be reading this one for a while ☺)
- Richard Hay's, *Reading Backwards—Figural Christology and the Fourfold Gospel Witness*

Adult Spiritual Formation



Men's Ministry Two Extraordinary Men's Golf Outings:

Saturday, July 22 – The Minis: Miniature Golf Tournament
Mini Golf at the Norwalk Cove Marina
10:00 a.m. start time – \$6.00 per person.

Tuesday, August 15 – Golf Outing XI at Woodway Country Club
1:30 shotgun start time. – \$150.00 non-club members, \$100 club members.
The cost will cover greens fees, carts, post event refreshments, prizes, and tips.

*Visit our website at www.norotonchurch.org/men
for registration and more details.*

Women's and Caring Ministries



*Blessed are those whose delight is in the law of the Lord
- Psalm 1:2*

Sundays in July: Sunrise prayer paddle, anyone?

I love Summer.

I love to be present at the beach for the sunrise in the summer.

The water is quiet, the lighting is wonderful, and there is little noise—save the birds and occasional splashing of fish. If the water is calm, nothing can beat it!

One of my favorite activities is to notice God while on the water. I love to pray while on my Stand Up Paddleboard—quietly considering a passage of scripture, giving God the the day ahead—or just delighting in the beauty of the Sound.

Do you Paddleboard? Bring your board and meet me at Weed Beach for 4 Sundays in July (July 9, 16, 23 and 30). We'll read the Psalm for worship that morning and head out on a silent paddle from 6:30-7:30. Back on time to attend worship (or feel free to stay out and worship from the water!).

You'll need a board, a paddle and life jacket. If you plan to join me, make sure and let me know so that I can text you if the water doesn't cooperate on a given Sunday!

See you on the water!

Thanks be to God for this beautiful community.

Pastor Brandi Drake

Associate Pastor of Caring, Mission, Outreach & Women's Ministries



Women's and Caring Ministry



Monthly Adult Fellowship *(for those in their 50's, 60's, 70's +)*

Many thanks to all our speakers and participants for a great year of monthly meetings from September to June ! A special thank you also to our wonderful "helpers " who helped by notifying us, by serving refreshments and by being a welcoming presence at each session.

Mark your calendars for our **Welcome Back Fall Luncheon on September 21!**

We look forward to seeing you then!

Have a wonderful summer filled with many blessings!

For more information contact Marlene at marlene.moffett@norotonchurch.org,
phone 203-309-5620 or Marion at marion.smith@norotonchurch.org.





Minute with Mickie

Hi NPC Families. I'm so excited that summer is here and we can have a wonderful time worshipping at the beach (8:00) and in our beautiful Chapel (10:00).

I so LOVE the Chapel. It is where our NPNS students have a Chapel service each week during the school year. Ms. Liz and I really love our time with these children as we learn the key stories of the Bible, learn to pray out loud, and sing fun songs about Jesus, the Bible, and growing in faith. I will miss this during the summer. Which is why Sunday worship on the Beach and in the Chapel is so much special during the summer. I am SO excited that our children will be able to Worship in the Chapel starting in the Fall too – such a great way to stay connected to our history!



In the last Spire, I mentioned all the wonderful resources we provide you as a family via our website so that you can stay connected to the Bible stories any time you want. During the summer our website www.npckids.com will begin to include videos and links to keep Family Devotions going for you as you travel. One of our children's favorite DVD series, *What's in the Bible with Buck Denver* is **actually available to you to view totally FREE**. Would you like to know how to access that? I can invite anyone connected to NPC to access the website via setting up his or her own login and password. You are totally going to want to take advantage of this. Just email me that you want to join (Mickie.odonnell@norotonchurch.org) and I'll put your email address into their invitation process and you will receive an email invitation directly from "Rightnow.org" that will say: *A gift from Noroton Presbyterian Church - Your RightNow Media*

Account. Then just follow the directions and VOILA! You will then be able to access amazing video and print resources for your own and your children's spiritual growth all year long, and especially while you travel in the summer.

There is a specific "Kids Show" series that we would love for all our families to watch this summer from "What's in the Bible" called *What is a Christian?* It is a kid's study on the book of 1st John. YOU will love it and learn so much. There are 15 sessions – one for each week and they are only 8-10 minutes long each. Really easy-peasy to do first thing in the morning together for breakfast, or watch on the iPad in the car. Seriously, you are going to absolutely be happy you did.

As someone who came to have a personal faith in Jesus as my Lord and Savior when I was just 5½ years old, I know how important children are to Jesus, and how children can fully understand what it means to commit to following Him. *(And with a name that reminds people of Mickey Mouse, I was destined to spend my life loving kids, helping them to know and love Jesus, and equipping parents.)*

So, as you enjoy your summer, remember that we love your kids. We love the questions they ask, the creativity that God has given them, and how wonderfully curious they are about spiritual things. Our job in the Children's department doesn't stop during the summer. No! Ms. Liz and I are still here praying for you, planning for the Fall, and providing all kinds of things for you to access via the website and through E-Blasts to help YOU, parents and grandparents, nurture your child's spiritual development. Our world needs boys and girls who have a strong faith in Christ to become leaders. We are here to help you pass that faith on to them through knowledge of God's Word, acts of service, and a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Give us a call 203-309-5619, or 203-309-5622, or email us anytime.

See you Sunday!
Mickie O'Donnell,
Children's Ministry Director

Children's Ministry



Remember in the last Spire – when I wrote about “Why do we “do” VBS?” And how VBS is sometimes the only time some children hear/receive the Word of God? And how we can't do VBS without YOU our volunteers?

To YOU I tip my hat in thankfulness and respect. So many did so much. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication you gave making Vacation Bible School at NPC a success. Whether you gave an offering to the church budget, worked to help plan VBS, your time to volunteer (including our many youth that came and helped with smiles on their faces and Jesus in their hearts), your time to pray each day for the children, or your time to continue the outreach of the children and families that were impacted through Maker Fun Factory VBS 2017, I want to Thank You! VBS reaches so many children and families each summer and through you we can continue that reach throughout the whole year. It is good to see our church spreading the Gospel in such a caring, loving and effective way.

To give others the idea of the importance of volunteering: We had approximately 75-80 volunteers DURING THE WEEK of VBS, 10-15 volunteers PRIOR to VBS, not to mention the help we received from the Youth Staff, Office Staff, Interns and Properties. THIS WOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT YOU. THANK YOU. Now I am going to ask one last favor...let others know about your positive experience and the joy you receive in sharing the Gospel with our kids and perhaps, through your testimony, God will put it on their hearts to join us in our journey of building the foundation of Christ in our youngest Christians!

Liz Morelli,
Children's Ministry Associate and Admin





SUMMER!

It's finally here. One of the things I love most about summer is the change of pace that allows more time outdoors with friends and family. With that in mind, there is a lot taking place in the youth ministry outdoors- Summer Nights (Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00 pm), a Bridgeport Bluefish game (July 30 at 12:15 pm), and several other fun things that Jack has mentioned. More details can be found on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram (Noroton Youth Ministry) or at www.norotonyouth.com.

Looking forward to creating new memories with you and your family in this summer season.

SAVE THE DATE:

END OF SUMMER CELEBRATION

August 16 from 6-8pm

Sarah Swible,
Middle School Ministry Coordinator



A Wonderful Crazy Two Months:

When I look at the calendar for High School Ministry there are so many things I am excited about. We will be grilling with families, going on a great hike, and heading out to see our friends in West Virginia. On top of this we will be regularly serving throughout our summer in South Norwalk, with the Bridgeport Rescue Mission in their traveling soup kitchen. It will be a packed summer with a number of really exciting opportunities for students.

On a personal note, my calendar gets even more exciting as I will be marrying the love of my life on August 13. My fiancé, Nancy, and I have been busy working out wedding details and dreaming for our big day. I am so thankful for the blessings God has graciously given me through her. We are so excited for our big day!

I guess, I'm trying to say this: the next two months for the High School Ministry and me will be jam packed with a lot of great memories, and a few life changing events. Check out our Facebook and Instagram for photos of all the joyous occasions. You may see a wedding picture or two!!

Jack Hein,
High School Ministry Coordinator





Four Favorite Places That You'll Find NPCC Children Enjoying Books

“A house without books is like a room without windows.” —Heinrich Mann



As NPCC provides a home away from home for our children, we have intentionally created space within that home that encourages children to engage with books. Early literacy is visible in both expected and unexpected spaces as children are exploring books on their own, with each other, and with their teachers. Here are four of those places...

1. **In one of our Reading Nooks** – All our classrooms contain a cozy area where children can read and relax. Minimally, the space features child-sized seating and varied selection of fiction and non-fiction books.
2. **In the Hall** – Remember the thrill of reading in your Dad or Mom's favorite chair as a kid? That's exactly what we were aiming for in our recently donated, stop-and-read chairs.
3. **On the Playground** – While it seems counterintuitive, occasionally, our children enjoy story time on the playground! Seating is connected to our playhouse that can also function as a stage.
4. **In a Rocking Chair** – A favorite place for our smallest children, rocking chairs provide the perfect opportunity to snuggle and read with their teachers. What better way to enjoy a book than to have a built-in reading partner?



What were some of your favorite places to read as a child? Where are your favorite places to read with your own children?

Peace and Joy,
Beth Aparicio
Director of NPCC



Looking for a good parenting book? Try one of these...

Grace Based Parenting by Tim Kimmel
The Five Love Languages of Children by Gary Chapman and Ross Campbell
The Importance of Being Little by Erika Christakis
Mind in the Making by Ellen Galinsky

Please Welcome Our Newest Members



Martin and Jennifer Kurtz have lived in Darien for seven years. They moved here from NYC and were members of The First Presbyterian Church in the City of New York. They have three children: Ella, 10 years old, Bennett, 8 1/2 and Lucy Anne just turned 7. Martin still works in NYC in finance. They are excited to officially join NPC after visiting for several years!



Malcolm and Nicki Keers have lived in Wilton for many years and were formerly members of the Wilton Presbyterian Church. They have 1 son Mac who recently graduated from college and is currently working in New York City for a Private Equity firm. Malcolm is also in finance with Stifel Nicolaus & Co. in White Plains. Nicki is a special education teacher working with young children in Stamford.



Amy Barber is married to Greg Barber and has 4 children: Lizzy, Jack, William and Kaitlyn. She grew up in Indiana, but has had the opportunity to move around to various places in the United States and currently lives in Darien, CT. She has been involved in church since she was 5 years old. Amy earned her Master's degree in Physical therapy and is currently working in an outpatient Physical Therapy clinic. She enjoys family time, the mountains, outdoor activities and a variety of sports.



Sydney and Ben Bullock grew up in Atlanta, Ga and both were confirmed as members of Peachtree Presbyterian Church. They both attended the University of Georgia before marrying in 2009. They have two children: Anna, 3 and Daly, 6 months. They live in Rowayton and Ben works in New York as the co-founder of a real estate investment company, Generational Capital partner. Sydney stays home with their girls.



Laura and Gordon Devens moved to Darien five years ago from Fort Lauderdale, FL. They have 2 children: Drew, 13 and Tatiana, 12. They have been actively involved in NPC over the last few years and are happy to now officially make NPC their church home. They were previously members of Christ Church Methodist Church in Fort Lauderdale, where they worshipped and their children also attended school.



Jim Lewis was born and raised in Birmingham, MI where he attended Michigan State University. It was there he met his wife, Kimberly. Jim and Kim moved to Darien in 1986 and have three children, Erin, James and Jonathan. Jim enjoys many sports including golf and tennis. Jim also spends time in Vermont where he likes to boat, fish and snowmobile. Jim is a Franchisee with McDonalds operating in New York City.

Mission Ministry



Mission Ministry Service and Events

NPC continues to **prepare and serve meals at the Open Door Shelter,** Norwalk once a month. Please contact Holly Hough hough7@optonline.net if you would like to take a turn serving (16 and older). Next service dates are **July 15** and **August 19**.

School Supplies Drive to benefit the families living at the Open Door Shelter will take place during the month of August. Please drop off contributions to collection bins at the church and at worship services.

This year the **Feed My Starving Children MobilePack Event** will take place on the weekend of September 30 which is slightly earlier than usual. Sign-up will open a few weeks before. If you are interested in volunteering on the organizing team please contact the leader of this joint churches ministry, NPC member Ginna Yerrall gmdar@optonline.net.

Pivot Ministries will join us for worship on the Beach Sunday, August 20 at 8am.

Service Day Followup Idea. With the energy and enthusiasm evident amongst our Service Day teams we are considering planning a half day Saturday Service Morning in the Fall. If you are interested in helping to organize this please contact Andrea McPherson.

Update Bablees Family



On April 13 a small group went to JFK to meet the Bablees family who were arriving to begin a new life in the USA. This co-sponsorship arrangement is in partnership with Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services, (IRIS) the local Re-Settlement Agency. The IRIS caseworker provides guidance and expertise as we provide the volunteer time and energy.

The Bablees fled Syria in 2012 and were living in Turkey for 5 years during which

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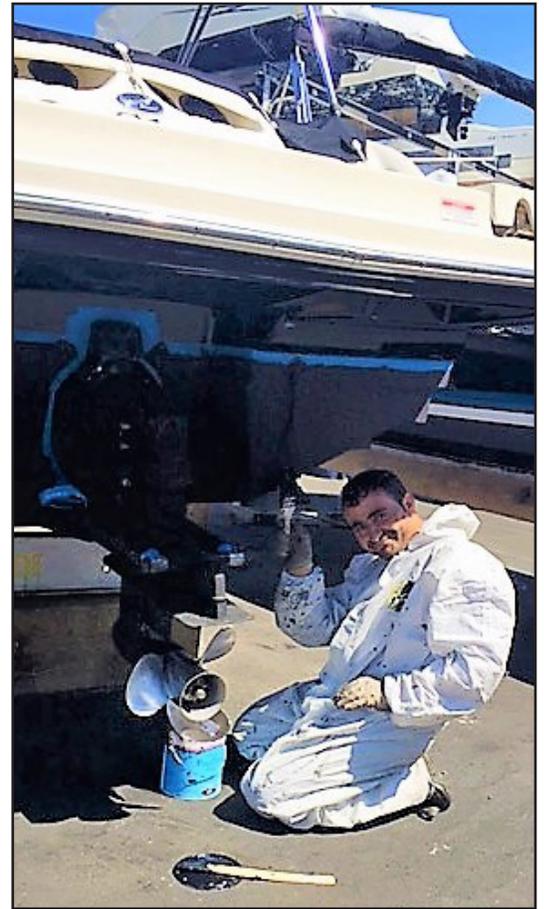
time they applied for resettlement and went through the extensive screening and security process of the United Nations and the USA Homeland Security Services. From the start the family has been eager to learn and do what they can to move towards self-sufficiency. They have also shown great patience and grace as we have worked alongside them through the sometimes slow and exhausting work of registering for government services, carrying out health and dental screenings, learning English and finding work. The core team of volunteers has worked tirelessly with great grace and flexibility, learning much through this process.

The family is doing well and continue to make good progress with all the procedures and initial steps they need to take to get settled. During May there were 3 days of Cultural Orientation classes in New Haven at the IRIS offices. The family enjoyed the experience and told us they learned a great deal. Luqman has had seasonal work at a boatyard in Norwalk, painting and cleaning boats and after the donation of a bike, (and a session learning the rules of the road and the routes) he was able to ride to work and to his ESL classes. The NPC employment team have been hard at work pursuing leads and last week Luqman received an exciting offer to work on a trial basis at an auto body shop! What a great achievement!. Zainab is also diligently looking for work and hopes to find something in a supermarket or care home. Zainab is doing well learning how to shop and speak English. Little Tawfik is enjoying Nursery School and has made friends with the children and loves his teacher. Fikrat has been enjoying sessions at the Senior Center in Norwalk, including Tai Chi classes and is practicing hard at English. During her hours at home she is busy crocheting and knitting and she is very skilled at this. The family have learned how to use the bus, and opened a bank account with their first pay check. The family have also connected with the Muslim community in Norwalk and participated in the religious festival of Ramadan.

While our team has been busy helping with all the hard work of resettling we have also made sure we include some fun and recreational outings along the way. If you are interested in connecting with the family either as a driver/general volunteer or to offer a fun family outing, please contact Sandy McPherson sandy.k.mcpherson@gmail.com.

From the very first moment this ministry has been an honor and a joy to all the volunteers who have been involved. I think all would agree that God has blessed us and shown his favor on this ministry. Thank you for the part you have played and continue to play.... Praying, donating and supporting in so many ways!

Fikrat, Zainab, Luqman and little Tawfik send their deepest thanks and best wishes to all our NPC family!



Stella Clarke,
Mission Director

July 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	I
2 8:00 am Weed Beach Service 10:00 am Chapel Service 11:30 am All Family Grill Series -Youth (Allen's House)	3	4 Fourth of July NPC Offices and Building Closed 5:30 pm Summer Nights - High School 8:30 pm Fireworks - Youth	5 7:00 am Men's Study-Sugar Bowl 6:30 pm Summer Nights - Middle School	6 1:00 pm Prayer Group Mtg.	7	8 West Virginia Mission Trip	
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In Loving Memory of...

June 10
Reed Schwandt

...now home to be with the Lord.
(Philippians 1:23)

Join us in celebrating the following Baptisms...

May 14, 2017

Natalie Hale Grambling, daughter of Greg and Katherine Grambling
Cameron John Lasda, son of Geoffrey and Bridget Lasda

June 18, 2017

Charles Randal Sokolik, son of Doug and Cameron Sokolik

June 25, 2017

Tessa Truebner Gorman, daughter of Christopher and Blair Gorman

Upcoming Baptism Dates

7/9 8:00 am Beach

7/16 10:00 am Chapel

7/23 8:00 am Beach

8/14 8:00 am Beach

8/21 10:00 am Chapel

8/28 8:00 am Beach

To schedule a Baptism please call Leslie Ezzo at 203-309-5618.

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