



NEW LIFE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embrace God's Beauty; Extend God's Love

Welcome to New Life Presbyterian Church

Dear Visitor,

Welcome! It is a joy and privilege to gather this morning to worship God together. Here at New Life, we are a small part of the worldwide, multi-ethnic, multi-generational, multi-cultural body of Christ. Although we are Presbyterian and Reformed, our identity is found not in what makes us distinct, but in what makes us united: we belong to the Lord Jesus Christ. He is not only our Maker; He is our Savior. If you have put your hope and trust in Him, we welcome you as a brother or sister. It is in Him that we have New Life!

If you are here this morning and do not know what you think about Jesus, or about the claims of the Bible, we are delighted that you have chosen to join us for the morning. We hope and trust that you will experience a warm welcome, regardless of your religious convictions. We are a community of those who have experienced the embrace of God, through Jesus Christ. It is our goal to show that love to all who are around us. Please know that I personally would welcome your thoughts and perspectives on anything you observe this morning.

May the grace and peace of Christ be with you all!

Joyfully,



Pastor Erik Swanson

P.S. Due to COVID 19 concerns, for the time being there is no nursery. When it is wise and practical, we will resume our nursery. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to worship. Even as children and parents may need to use the backspace of the sanctuary to move around, the church rejoices in the blessing that families are!

Worshiping God

August 23, 2020

Reflections:

"The gospel cannot be reduced to a kind of benign humanism with a horizontal, but no vertical, direction. Our love for each other is beautiful, ennobling, but tinged with sadness and ultimately tragic apart from the love of God." - D. Smith

"Men are loved rightly and duly when God stands first." - John Calvin

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Erik Swanson

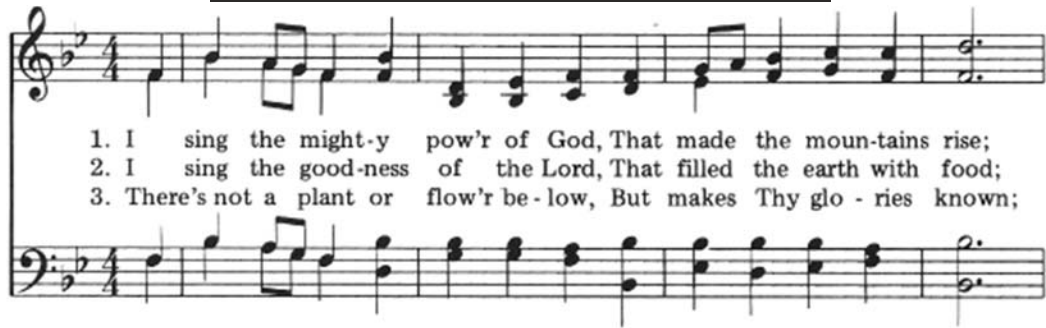
Call to Worship – From Isaiah 12

Minister: We will praise you, O Lord. Though you were angry with us, your anger has been turned away, and you have comforted us.

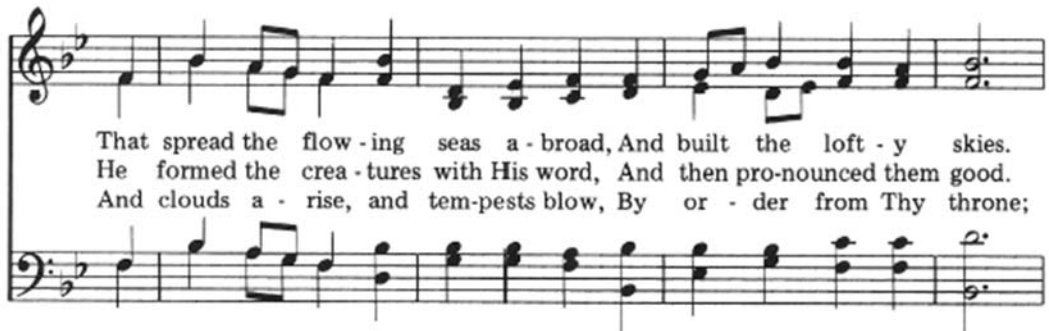
People: The Lord, the Lord is our strength and our song; he has become our salvation. We will trust and not be afraid. With joy we will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Prayer of Praise

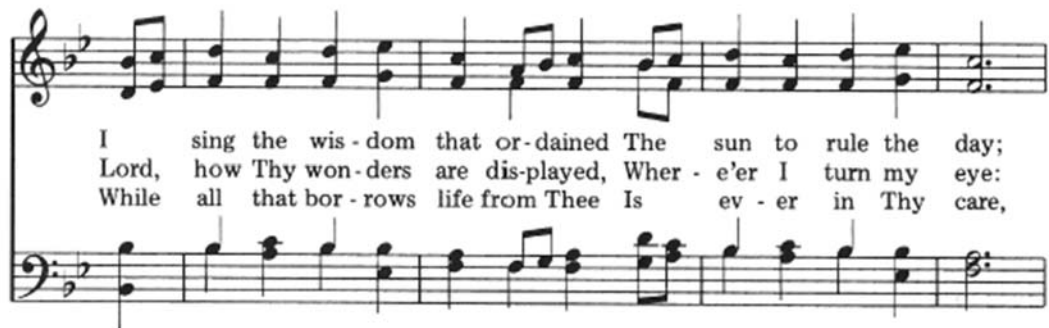
I Sing the Mighty Power of God



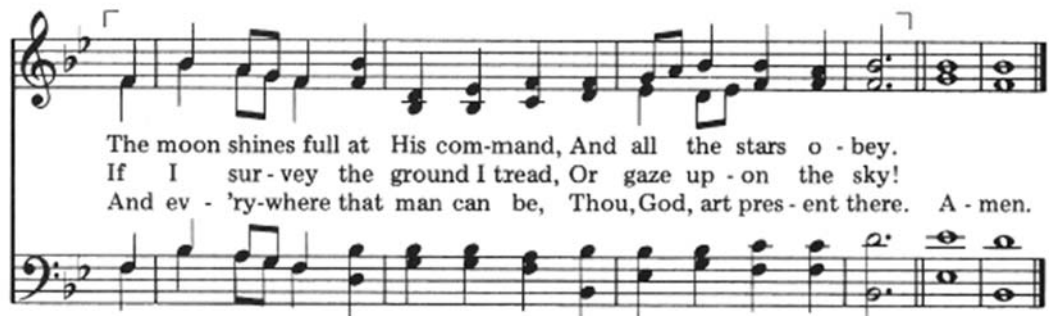
1. I sing the might-y pow'r of God, That made the moun-tains rise;
2. I sing the good-ness of the Lord, That filled the earth with food;
3. There's not a plant or flow'r be-low, But makes Thy glo - ries known;



That spread the flow - ing seas a - broad, And built the loft - y skies.
He formed the crea - tures with His word, And then pro-nounced them good.
And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, By or - der from Thy throne;



I sing the wis - dom that or-dained The sun to rule the day;
Lord, how Thy won-ders are dis-played, Wher - e'er I turn my eye:
While all that bor - rows life from Thee Is ev - er in Thy care,



The moon shines full at His com-mand, And all the stars o - bey.
If I sur-vey the ground I tread, Or gaze up - on the sky!
And ev - 'ry-where that man can be, Thou, God, art pres - ent there. A - men.

Confession of Faith – Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Q. What is your only comfort in life and death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death— to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

OT Scripture Reading: *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

Connie Kay

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession:

O God of all grace, we confess that we are sinners; we seek to glory ourselves and we live for ourselves instead of seeking you above all and glorying in you alone. On our own, we would have no right to come into your presence. In Christ you have given us a Savior. Produce in us a faith to live by him, to make him our desire, our hope, our glory. Preserve us by his grace from this present evil world, so that its smiles never allure us, its frowns never terrify us, its vices never defile us, its errors never delude us. Cause us to live as strangers and pilgrims in the cities of this earth, knowing that our true citizenship is in the city of heaven, so that all we do may be done to the Savior's glory; in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Grace – *Psalm 37:39-40*

Leader: ³⁹The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; he is their stronghold in the time of trouble. ⁴⁰The Lord helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.

Lead Me To The Cross

Words and Music by
Brooke Ligertwood

♩=75 **INTRO**

Bm F#m7/A G Bm F#m7/A



VERSE

4 Em7 Bm F#m7/A



1. Sav-iour I come, — qui-et my soul, —
2. You were as I, — tempt-ed and tried, .

7 G D A Bm



re-mem-ber — re-demp-tion's hill, —
hu-man. — The word be-came flesh, .

10 F#m7/A G D A



— where Your blood was spilled, — for my ran-som. —
— bore my sin in death. — Now, You're ris-en. —

PRE-CHORUS

13 Em7 A^{sus} A Bm A



Ev-'ry-thing — I once held — dear, — I count — it all — as loss. .

§ **CHORUS 1a**

16 Gmaj7 Gmaj7 D A



— Lead me to the cross, — where Your love poured — out. — Bring me to my knees, .

19 Gmaj⁷ D A Gmaj⁷ D

Lord, I lay me down. Rid me of my - self, I be - long to You.

22 A Last time to Coda Em⁹ G A Bm F#m⁷/A

Oh, lead me. Lead me to the cross.

26 G Bm F#m⁷/A Em⁷ G A

Lead me to the cross.

30 Bm D Gmaj⁷ A

To Your heart. To Your

34 D G A D Gmaj⁷

heart. Lead me to Your heart.

37 A D G A D.S. al Coda

Lead me to Your heart. Lead me to the cross

40 Coda Gmaj⁷ A Gmaj⁷ D

Lead me to the cross, where Your love poured out.

42 A Gmaj⁷ D A

— Bring me to my knees, — Lord, I lay me — down. — Rid me of — my - self, .

45 Gmaj⁷ D A

— I be - long to — You. — Oh, lead me. —

47 Em⁹ G A // N.C.

— Lead me to the cross. —

Prayers of the People

Ministry Moment

Offering Our Gifts

The offering allows friends and members of our church to express their faith in God's Word, and to support the extension of that Word in our community and world.

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
 Praise Him, all creatures here below!
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host!
 Praise, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
 Amen.

Scripture Reading – 1 John 5:1-5

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. ⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

Sermon: Born of God
Series: Assurance of Salvation

Rev. Erik Swanson

Sermon Notes

Celebration of Holy Communion

New Life Church invites all baptized Christians who are members of Christ's church to join us in this feast of bread and wine. The inner circle of cups contains red wine and the outer circle of cups contains white grape juice. If you are unable to consume wheat, gluten free crackers are available.

Prayer

Words of Institution – From I Corinthians 11

Leader: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith.

**All: Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.**

Communing Together

Allowing space for other family units, please come up front to take communion. After you have been served the bread and wine, please partake and dispose of the communion cup prior to returning to your seat. Use the extra time during communion as a time to practice prayer and reflection.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Make Me A Servant

Words and Music by
Kelly Willard

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F Dm⁷ Gm⁷ C⁷ Gm⁷

Make me a ser - vant, hum - ble and meek. Lord, let me

6 B \flat /C C⁷ B \flat /F F F^{2sus} F A Dm Dm/C G²/B

lift up those who are weak. And may the prayer of my heart al - ways

12 B \flat m⁶ F/A Gm⁷ F/A

be: Make me a ser - vant, make me a

16 Gm⁷ F/C C^{7sus} F²

ser - vant, make me a ser - vant to - day.

Benediction – Hebrews 13:20-21

Leader: ²⁰Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, ²¹equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Sending

Leader: *Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.*

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

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This Week at New Life

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sun, 8/23	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
Sun, 8/23	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship	Sanctuary
Sun, 8/23	3:00 PM	Ultimate Frisbee	York Township Park
Wed, 8/26	9:00 AM	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
Thur, 8/27	8:00 PM	College and Career Ages Meeting	Homes via Zoom
Fri, 8/28	8:00 PM	Youth & Adult Outdoor Movie Night	New Life
Sun, 8/30	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
Sun, 8/30	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship	Sanctuary
Sun, 8/30	11:30 AM	SILVERS Brown Bag Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
Sun, 8/30	6:00 PM	Summer Book Club Dinner & Discussion	Connie Kay's Home

Church Financial Summary (giving through August 2)

Category	Budget	Actual
Year to Date Offering	\$124,000.00	\$121,562.03
Last Week	\$4,000.00	\$5,992.00

Announcements

- **Youth and Adult Outdoor Movie Night:** On Friday, August 28th, at 8:00 (Rain Date Aug. 29th), please invite family and friends to join you in watching “Hidden Figures.” Bring your own lawn chair. Invitational postcards are available.
- **Children and Families Outdoor Movie Night:** On Friday, September 18th, at 7:00 PM (Rain Date Sept. 19th), please invite family and friends to join you in watching Pixar’s “Up.” Bring your own lawn chair. Invitational postcards are available.
- **SILVERS Event:** A Brown Bag Luncheon is scheduled for August 30 in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service. Please bring your own brown bag lunch. Drinks will be provided or feel free to bring your own. Following lunch, there will be fun and fellowship you do not want to miss! All older adults (married, single, or married to an older adult) are welcome to join us. Please sign up at the communications table.
- **Summer Book Club:** Dinner and discussion will be at the home of Connie Kay on Sunday, Aug. 30th at 6:00 PM. Please bring a dish to share if you can, otherwise just bring yourself! Weather permitting we will be outside. Please pass this information on to anyone who read the book and would like to join us.
- **Fellowship Time Resuming:** When the weather cooperates, we will have a time of fellowship outdoors following the 10:00 AM service.
- **Movie Night Snack Servers Needed:** Volunteers are needed for both movie nights to help set out and serve the snacks.
- **Inquirers Class:** If you are new to the church and are interested in learning more about New Life’s history, mission, and beliefs, please contact Pastor Erik.
- **Church Wide Picnic:** On Sunday, Sept. 13th, bring your own picnic dinner and meet at Rocky Ridge (the first parking lot on the left) at 5:00 PM.
- **Camping Trip:** Interested in going camping with others from New Life? Mark your calendar for Sept. 25-27th. A group from New Life will be camping at Codorus state park. Contact Pastor Erik for details.
- **Church Directory Updates:** Please look over and make any necessary updates or corrections to the September Church Directory draft located on the communications table. Thank you!

Ongoing Groups for Fellowship and Growth

- **Christian Education:** Adult Sunday School Class will take place in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 am.
- **Wednesday Morning Bible Study:** Wednesday mornings at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Thursday Morning "Mom's Group" Bible Study:** Contact Joy Swanson for more information.
- **Men's Group:** Contact Rob Rothermel for more information.
- **Women's Bible Study:** Resuming in the fall. Contact Marlene Spark for more information.
- **Youth Group:** Please contact the church office for more information.
- **Second Sunday Lunch:** Postponed
- **Prayer Small Group:** Contact Sue Rothermel for more details.
- **Bible Study Fellowship (BSF):** Summer recess. Resuming in September with a study of Genesis.

New Life Presbyterian Church Vision, Mission, and Core Values

Vision: *To see York and beyond embrace God's beauty and extend God's love.*

Mission: *To receive the grace of God, to give the glory to God,
and to follow the Word of God.*

Core Values:

- **His Voice:** While God speaks through creation, God speaks directly in the Word of God. Therefore, we receive and obey God's Word.
- **His Plan:** Because God is love, God is on a mission to save. We seek to follow Him in His mission.
- **His Grace:** The good news for sinners is that Jesus saves, by grace. Through faith we believe in Christ and grow in Christ.
- **His Power:** Only God has power to save and sustain His people. We depend on the Holy Spirit.
- **His People:** In Christ, the church is made one. In the midst of both unity and diversity, we must love one another.
- **His Gifts:** Creation, redemption, and the ability to serve are all gifts from God. The entire church should be equipped and empowered to serve gratefully.
- **His Timing:** All things are in God's hands. Therefore, we trust in His ways.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.newlifeyorkpca.com/about-us.html>

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