



**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. There is a staffed nursery, off the fellowship hall, for children ages 0-4.

# Worshiping God

October 11, 2020

## Reflection:

*"It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High!"*

– Psalm 92:1

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

*Wayne Blanding*

## Call to Worship – Adapted from Psalm 95 and Psalm 100

*Minister: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!*

**People: For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.**

*Minister: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the peaks of the mountains are his also.*

**People: The ocean is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.**

*Minister: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!*

**People: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

*Minister: Today, if you hear his voice, draw near to him and do not harden your hearts!*

**People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

## Prayer of Praise

D
Bm
A
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7

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

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Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

D
Bm
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D

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

D
Bm
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A7
D
7

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.  
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

## Confession of Faith – *Philippians 2:5-11*

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**NT Scripture Reading:** *Hebrews 3:7-4:13*

*Bud Palmer*

*Reader: This is the word of the Lord.*

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Prayer of Confession:**

**Our Father, You have not left us alone. As your Son promised, you have given us your Spirit. We are in need of daily guidance. Yet, we confess that we often fail to listen to you. We have a tendency to grieve the Spirit by going our own way. Rather than wait upon you and listen to your word, we often go off on our own. We repent of this sin, and we ask that you would guide us. Please direct our path. Lead us. We submit our lives to you, for we come in Jesus' name, Amen!**

**Assurance of Grace – *Psalms 103:8-13***

*Leader:* <sup>8</sup>The LORD is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
<sup>9</sup>He will not always chide,  
nor will he keep his anger forever.  
<sup>10</sup>He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.  
<sup>11</sup>For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;  
<sup>12</sup>as far as the east is from the west,  
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.  
<sup>13</sup>As a father shows compassion to his children,  
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

C G Fmaj7

1.Out of my bon - - - dage, sor - row and night,  
 2.Out of my shame - - - ful fail - ure and loss,  
 3.Out of un - rest and ar - ro - gant pride,  
 4.Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,

5 Am G Fmaj7

Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come \_\_\_\_\_  
 Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come \_\_\_\_\_  
 Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come \_\_\_\_\_  
 Je - sus, I come; Je - sus, I come \_\_\_\_\_

9 C G Fmaj7

In - to Thy free - - - dom, glad - ness, and light  
 In - to the glo - - - rious gain - ness, of Thy cross,  
 In - to Thy bless - - - ed will to a - bide,  
 In - to the joy and light of Thy home,

13 Am G/B Fmaj7 F G

Je - sus, I come to \_\_\_\_\_ Thee. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Je - sus, I come to \_\_\_\_\_ Thee. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Je - sus, I come to \_\_\_\_\_ Thee. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Je - sus, I come to \_\_\_\_\_ Thee. \_\_\_\_\_

17 Am G Fmaj7

Out of my sick - ness in - to Thy health,  
 Out of earth's sor - rows in - to Thy balm,  
 Out of my self - rows to dwell in Thy love,  
 Out of the depths of ru - in un - told,

21 Am G Fmaj7

Out of my want - ing and in - to Thy wealth,  
 Out of life's storms and in - to Thy calm,  
 Out of de - spair in - - - to rap - tures a - above,  
 In - to the peace of Thy shel - ter - ing fold,

25 Am G Fmaj7

Out of my sin - - - and in - to Thy self,  
 Out of dis - tress in - to jub - i - lant psalm,  
 Up - ward for - ev - er on - - - on face wings to like a dove,  
 Ev - er Thy glo - - - rious face to be - hold,

29 Am G Fmaj7

Je - sus, I come to Thee  
 Je - sus, I come to Thee  
 Je - sus, I come to Thee  
 Je - sus, I come to Thee

33 Am G Fmaj7

37 Am G Fmaj7

## **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 – *Psalm 95*

- <sup>1</sup>Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- <sup>2</sup>Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- <sup>3</sup>For the LORD is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.
- <sup>4</sup>In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.
- <sup>5</sup>The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands formed the dry land.
- <sup>6</sup>Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
- <sup>7</sup>For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.
- Today, if you hear his voice,
- <sup>8</sup>do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,  
as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,
- <sup>9</sup>when your fathers put me to the test  
and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.
- <sup>10</sup>For forty years I loathed that generation  
and said, “They are a people who go astray in their heart,  
and they have not known my ways.”
- <sup>11</sup>Therefore I swore in my wrath,  
“They shall not enter my rest.”

**Sermon: Come! Let Us Worship!**  
**Series: Our God Reigns!**

*Pastor 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.**

**If you wish to participate in the Lord's Supper but mobility is limited, kindly let Pastor Erik or one of the elders know. They are happy to serve you in the pew.**

## **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**

# Stronger

## Verse 1

There is Love that came for us  
Humbled to a sinner's cross  
You broke my shame and sinfulness  
You rose again victorious

## Verse 2

Faithfulness none can deny  
Through the storm and through the fire  
There is truth that sets me free  
Jesus Christ who lives in me

## Chorus

You are stronger  
You are stronger  
Sin is broken  
You have saved me  
It is written  
Christ is risen  
Jesus You are Lord of all

## Verse 3

No beginning and no end  
You're my hope and my defence  
You came to seek and save the lost  
You paid it all upon the cross

## Bridge

So let Your Name be lifted higher  
Be lifted higher  
Be lifted higher  
(REPEAT 4X)

## **Benediction – Numbers 6**

*Leader:*       <sup>24</sup> The Lord bless you and keep you;  
                         <sup>25</sup> the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
                         <sup>26</sup> the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

## **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**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
Sun, 10/11	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
Sun, 10/11	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship	Sanctuary
M, 10/12	8:30 AM	Women’s Bible Study	Zoom
W, 10/14	9:00 AM	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
W, 10/14	9:00 AM	Mom’s Group	New Life
W, 10/14	9:00 AM	Prayer Small Group	New Life
W, 10/14	7:00 PM	Women’s Bible Study	New Life
Th, 10/15	6:55 PM	Bible Study Fellowship	Zoom
Sun, 10/18	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
Sun, 10/18	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship	Sanctuary
Sun, 10/18	3:00 PM	Ultimate Frisbee	York Twp Park
Sun, 10/18	6:00 PM	Community Group	Swanson Home

## **Church Financial Summary**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>Year to Date Offering</b>	\$156,000.00	\$154,702.73
<b>Last Week</b>	\$4,000.00	\$6914.00

## Announcements

- **Men's Group:** Men's breakfast is resuming at Cracker Barrel. Breakfast is every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday from 7AM until 8:30AM. Gene Gatz' book *The Measure of a Man* will be discussed.
- **Shoebox Season is here!** Please join us in bringing joy and the gospel to children all around the world by packing a shoebox for a boy or girl with toys, hygiene, and school supplies. (Remember no toys of war, toothpaste or other liquids, or candy.) Samaritan's Purse will provide gospel material and delivery. You may print out and pay for your own shoebox labels from [Samaritanspurse.org](http://Samaritanspurse.org) or contact Connie Kay for payment and a label for \$9 each. Please have your boxes at the church no later than Wednesday, November 18th.
- **Bridge of Hope:** Bridge of Hope has contacted NLPC asking us to consider being a neighboring group to a single mom and her family. You can learn more about Bridge of Hope by visiting <https://york.bridgeofhopeinc.org/>. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact Sue Grim.
- **Church Directory Updates:** Please look over and make any necessary updates or corrections to the Fall 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.
- **Wednesday Morning “Mom’s Group” Bible Study:** Studying 1 John. Contact Joy Swanson for more information.
- **Men’s Group:** Meeting at Cracker Barrel every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 7:00AM and discussing Gene Gatz’ book *The Measure of a Man*. Contact Rob Rothermel for more information.
- **Women’s Bible Study:** Wednesday evenings in person or Monday mornings via Zoom. We are using a study guide by Jen Wilkin, entitled *1 Peter: A Living Hope in Christ*. Contact Marlene Spark for more information.
- **Youth Group:** Please contact the church office for more information.
- **Prayer Small Group:** Meets every other Wednesday 9:00AM at New Life. Contact Sue Rothermel for more details.
- **Bible Study Fellowship (BSF):** Currently meeting via Zoom on Thursday evenings beginning 6:55, we are studying Genesis. See Joe Heidler for more information.

# 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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