



**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 25, 2020

## Reflection:

*You're the risen Son of God  
You're the light that breaks the dark  
Your love has rescued me  
Forever I will sing  
You're the Savior of my soul  
You're the name above it all  
Your grace alive in me  
Forever I will sing*

- Elevation Worship, "I Will Sing!"

## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

*Pastor Erik Swanson*

## 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

♯ F                      Gm F C F                      C F                      C<sup>7</sup> F C ♭

1. Come, thou Al - might - y King,            help us thy name to sing,  
 2. Come, thou In - car - nate Word,            gird on thy might - y sword,  
 3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er,            thy sa - cred wit - ness bear  
 4. To the great One in Three            e - ter - nal prais - es be,

F F                      C                      C F C<sup>7</sup> F                      C F C<sup>7</sup>

help us to praise.            Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -  
 our prayer at - tend.            Come, and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy  
 in this glad hour.            Thou who al - might - y art, now rule in  
 hence ev - er - more.            His sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in

F                      ♯                      Gm F C<sup>7</sup> F ♭

to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
 Word suc - cess; Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.  
 ev - ery heart, and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.  
 glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

## 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.

**OT Scripture Reading:** *Isaiah 43:1-13*

*Blaine Marsh*

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

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Prayer of Confession:**

**O Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Spare those who confess their faults.**

**Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**And grant, O merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy name. 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.

# O Praise The Name (Anástasis)

## Verse 1

I cast my mind to Calvary  
Where Jesus bled and died for me  
I see His wounds His hands His feet  
My Saviour on that cursed tree

## Verse 2

His body bound and drenched in tears  
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone  
Messiah still and all alone

## Chorus

O praise the Name of the Lord our God  
O praise His Name forevermore  
For endless days we will sing Your praise  
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

## Verse 3

Then on the third at break of dawn  
The Son of heaven rose again  
O trampled death where is your sting  
The angels roar for Christ the King

## Verse 4

He shall return in robes of white  
The blazing sun shall pierce the night  
And I will rise among the saints  
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

## **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 96*

- <sup>1</sup> Sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth.
- <sup>2</sup> Sing to the LORD, praise his name;  
proclaim his salvation day after day.
- <sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
  
- <sup>4</sup> For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;  
he is to be feared above all gods.
- <sup>5</sup> For all the gods of the nations are idols,  
but the LORD made the heavens.
- <sup>6</sup> Splendor and majesty are before him;  
strength and glory are in his sanctuary.
  
- <sup>7</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- <sup>8</sup> Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
bring an offering and come into his courts.
- <sup>9</sup> Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness;  
tremble before him, all the earth.
- <sup>10</sup> Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns.”  
The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved;  
he will judge the peoples with equity.
  
- <sup>11</sup> Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;  
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.
- <sup>12</sup> Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;  
let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.
- <sup>13</sup> Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes,  
he comes to judge the earth.  
He will judge the world in righteousness  
and the peoples in his faithfulness.



**Sermon: Sing to the LORD!**

*Pastor Erik Swanson*

**Series: Our God Reigns!**

**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**

# Christ Be In My Waking

## Verse 1

Christ be in my waking  
As the sun is rising  
In my day of working  
With me ev'ry hour  
Christ be in my resting  
As the day is ending  
Calming and refreshing  
Watching through the night

## Verse 2

Christ be in my thinking  
And my understanding  
Guarding me from evil  
Walking in the light  
Christ be in my speaking  
Every word a blessing  
Pure and not deceiving  
Grace to all who hear

## Chorus

Jesus this is my devotion  
All my life to know You  
Ev'ry day to walk with You  
Saviour You're my deepest longing  
You're the One I live for  
Teach me Lord to walk with You

## Verse 3

Christ be in my gladness  
For the joy of living  
Thankful for the goodness  
Of the Father's hand  
Christ be in my sorrow  
In my day of darkness  
Knowing that I follow  
In the steps He trod

## Verse 4

Christ when hope has faded  
Nothing left to cling to  
Every pleasure jaded  
Every well is dry  
Christ the loving Shepherd  
Draws me with His kindness  
Leads me from the desert  
To the streams of life

*Words and music by Stuart Townend and Simon Brading*

## **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, 10/25	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
Sun, 10/25	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship	Sanctuary
M, 10/26	8:30 AM	Women's Bible Study	Zoom
W, 10/28	9:00 AM	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
W, 10/28	9:00 AM	Mom's Group	New Life
W, 10/28	9:00 AM	Prayer	New Life
W, 10/28	7:00 PM	Women's Bible Study	New Life
Th, 10/29	6:55 PM	Bible Study Fellowship	Zoom
Sun, 11/1	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
Sun, 11/1	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship	Sanctuary

## Church Financial Summary

<b>Category</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>Year to Date Offering</b>	\$164,000.00	\$163,922.73
<b>Last Week</b>	\$4,000.00	\$6,092.00

## Announcements

- **Community Dinner and Game Night:** On Friday November 13th at 5:30, all ages are invited to New Life for dinner and a game night. Please bring some of your family's favorite games, and please give a donation to offset the cost of the pizza.
- **Men's Hike:** Meet at Sam Lewis Park at 1:00 on November 14th for a time of fellowship and hiking. The hiking scale for our hike is easy/intermediate.
- **SILVERS:** Join us at New Life on Sunday, November 15th at 12:30pm for a repeat performance of fun-filled laughter, games and music. Everyone is to bring their own bagged lunch. This will be our last SILVER activity for 2020. Hope all SILVERs will be able to attend! Please sign up at the Lobby table.
- **Men's Group:** Men's breakfast will be meeting at New Life for the time being. We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday from 7AM until 8:30AM. Our next biblical character to study is Noah from the book of Genesis.
- **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.
- **Church Directory Updates:** Please look over o 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 New Life every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 7:00AM. Currently we are discussing various male characters from the Bible. 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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