



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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erik Swanson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pastor Erik Swanson

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

Worshipping God

October 10, 2021

Reflection:

*I will meditate on your precepts
and fix my eyes on your ways.*

I will delight in your statutes;

I will not forget your word.

– Psalm 119

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Erik Swanson

Call to Worship – from Psalm 92

Wayne Blanding

Minister: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High.

***People:* To proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night, to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.**

Minister: For you make me glad by your deeds, O LORD; I sing for joy at the works of your hands.

***People:* How great are your works, O LORD, how profound your thoughts!**

Minister: You, O LORD, are exalted forever.

***People:* The LORD is upright; he is my Rock, and there is no wickedness in him.**

Prayer of Praise

O Worship the King

G D G C D7 G D

1 O wor - ship the King all - glo - rious a - bove,
 2 O tell of his might and sing of his grace,
 3 Your boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite?
 4 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,
 5 O mea - sure - less Might, un - change - a - ble Love,

G D G C C D7 G

O grate - ful - ly sing his power and his love:
 whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.
 ▶ It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
 in whom you do we trust, nor find you to fail!
 whom an - gels de - light to wor - ship a - bove!

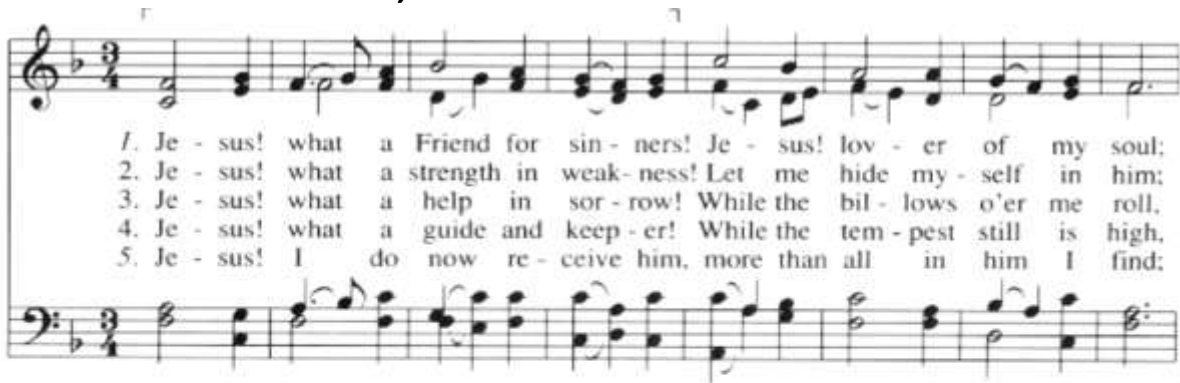
D D7 G D G D7

our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
 ▶ it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
 Your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,
 Your ran - somed cre - a - tion, with glo - ry a - blaze,

G D G C G D7 G

pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
 and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
 ▶ and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
 our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!
 in true ad - o - ra - tion shall sing to your praise!

Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners



1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! lov - er of my soul;
2. Je - sus! what a strength in weak - ness! Let me hide my - self in him;
3. Je - sus! what a help in sor - row! While the bil - lows o'er me roll,
4. Je - sus! what a guide and keep - er! While the tem - pest still is high,
5. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive him, more than all in him I find;



friends may fail me, foes as - sail me, he, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.
tempt - ed, tried, and some - times fail - ing, he, my strength, my vic - t'ry wins.
• e - ven when my heart is break - ing, he, my com - fort, helps my soul.
storms a - bout me, night o'er - takes me, he, my pi - lot, hears my cry.
he hath grant - ed me for - give - ness, I am his, and he is mine.

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Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend!



Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, he is with me to the end.

Affirmation of Faith – Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Scripture Reading – Psalm 119:17-24

Blaine Marsh

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession:

Minister: Holy Lord, we are guilty—of pride and unbelief, of failure to find your mind in your Word, of neglect to seek you in our daily lives.

***People:* Our violations and shortcomings present our consciences with a long list of accusations, but they shall not stand! For we lay them all now on Christ, our sacrifice and advocate.**

Minister: Lord, subdue our weaknesses and selfishness, granting us grace to live above them. Let us not be mastered by them, but have you rule over us in liberty and power.

***People:* We praise and thank you for your wisdom and love, for sometimes putting us into the furnace to refine our gold and remove our dross. Deliver us from every evil habit, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us from taking our deepest delight in you. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness – *Nehemiah 8:10b*

This day is holy to our LORD. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

1. My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2. May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
3. While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs a - round me spread,
4. When ends life's tran - sient dream, when death's cold, sul - len stream

The first system of music features a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written on a single staff, with lyrics underneath. A bass clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are arranged in four numbered lines, each corresponding to a different vocal part.

Sav - ior di - vine: now hear me while I pray, take all my
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my
be thou my guide; bid dark - ness turn to day, wipe sor - row's
shall o'er me roll, blest Sav - ior, then, in love, fear and dis -

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are arranged in four lines, each corresponding to a different vocal part. The musical notation includes a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature, and a bass clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#).

guilt a - way, O let me from this day be whol - ly thine.
love to thee pure, warm, and change - less be, a liv - ing fire.
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.
trust re - move; O bear me safe a - bove, a ran - somed soul.

The third system concludes the piece. The melody and accompaniment are shown in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature, and a bass clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are arranged in four lines, each corresponding to a different vocal part. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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 in the 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 – 2 Timothy 3:14-17

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Sermon Notes

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

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 1 Corinthians 11

Minister: 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 for prayer and reflection.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Shine on Us

♩=72

C F/C C Em/G F² G/B C



1. Lord, let Your light, light_ of Your face_____ shine_ on__ us.
 2. Lord, let Your grace, grace_ from Your hand_____ fall_ on__ us.
 3. Lord, let Your love, love_ with no end_____ come_ o - ver us.

5 F/C C Em/G F² G/B C C/E



Lord, let Your light, light_ of Your face_____ shine_ on__ us That
 Lord, let Your grace, grace_ from Your hand_____ fall_ on__ us That
 Lord, let Your love, love_ with no end_____ come_ o - ver us That

9 F G/B C C/E F G/B C^{sus} C C/E



we may be saved, that we may have life; To find our

13 F E/G# Am F C/G G⁷



way_____ in the dark - est night, Let Your light_____ shine on_____ night,
 night, Let Your grace_____ fall on_____ night,
 night, Let Your love_____ come o - ver

16 1, 2. 3.
 C Am Am/G F C/G G⁷ C



us. us, let Your light_____ shine on_____ us.
 us.

Benediction – Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; 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

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sun 10/10	9:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages	Classrooms
Sun 10/10	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sun 10/10	11:30 AM	Second Sunday Lunch	Fellowship Hall
Tu 10/12	7:00 PM	Bible Study Fellowship	Zoom
W 10/13	8:00 AM	Men's Group	Fishbowl Room
W 10/13	9:00 AM	Mom's Group	Fellowship Hall
W 10/13	9:00 AM	Morning Bible Study	New Life
W 10/13	9:00 AM	Prayer Small Group	Library
W 10/13	7:00 PM	Music Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Th 10/14	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study	Fishbowl Room
Sat 10/16	8:00 AM	Vida Nueva Fun(d) Run	Heritage Rail Trail Brillhart Station
Sat 10/16	4:00 PM	SILVERS Get-together	Rudy Park, Song Bird Picnic Area
Sun 10/17	9:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages	Classrooms
Sun 10/17	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sun 10/17	3:00 PM	Ultimate Frisbee	York Township Park, Pavilion 1
Sun 10/17	6:00 PM	Community Group	Swanson Home

Church Financial Summary

Category	Budget	Actual
Year to Date Offering	\$163,076.80	\$160,986.30
Week of 10/3	\$4,076.92	\$6099.00

Announcements

- **Moms' Group:** Women, you are invited to join us for fellowship and Bible study. We are currently enjoying an inductive study of James. When we gather, we dig deep into God's Word, but there is no homework between meetings. While we meet, there are two classes for the children: A nursery/preschool class and an early elementary class. The early elementary class is currently studying Exodus. Know that your children will be shown the love of God as their teachers delight in them. We meet from 9am until 11am on Wednesday mornings in the fellowship hall. Young children are welcome to stay with mom or attend class. Feel free to contact Joy Swanson (swansonjoy@gmail.com) for more details.
- **Nursery and Sunday School Rosters** reflect the Children's Ministry Registration Forms that we have on file. If your child's name is not on the roster, please fill out the form in the second manila folder in the classroom. One form per child please.
- **Vida Nueva Fun(d) Run:** This virtual race on Sat. 10/16 supports our missionaries, the McMillans, in their quest to secure a down payment on a new church building in Madrid. There are a variety of ways to participate and help! See New Life's website for full details.
- **SILVERS:** Grab your walking shoes and meet at the Song Bird picnic area at Rudy Park at 4pm on Sat. 10/16. Bring a brown bag supper and lawn chair to enjoy after a brisk walk on the trail. Maps are available at the sign-in table. Call Alice Lomax (717-881-7048) or Sue Ann Randall (717-818-0836) if you have any questions.
- **Women's Conference:** On Fri. 11/12 and Sat. 11/13, Providence Presbyterian Church is hosting a women's conference put on by Revive Our Hearts. Expect to drink deeply from God's Word, strengthening the roots of your faith as we learn how to stand firm together and face the future with confidence and hope. For more information, contact Britney Wood (britneywood88@gmail.com).
- **Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes:** Please consider filling a Christmas gift shoebox with appropriate gifts and toys for a child in another country. Boxes come with packing ideas and can be picked up from the lobby. The \$9 shipping donation may be paid online at samaritanspurse.org or to Barb Marsh. Boxes are due back to New Life no later than Sun. 11/14. See Barb Marsh (908-581-2908) with questions.

Groups for Fellowship and Growth

Christian Education: Sunday School Class is offered for all ages at 9am.

Women's Bible Study: Meets Thursdays 9:30-11:00am and is reading *God of Deliverance: A Study of Exodus 1-18* by Jen Wilken. Contact Marlene Spark (717-428-3827) for details.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study: Anyone interested in discussing the upcoming sermon text is welcome to join us at 9am here at New Life.

Moms' Group: Meets at the church from 9-11am on Wednesdays and is studying James. The children are welcome in the nursery/preschool class, the elementary school class, or study hall.

Men's Group: Meets at New Life every 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 8 until 9am. Currently we are discussing *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis. Contact Rob Rothermel at rrothe01@gmail.com for details.

Youth Group: Please contact the church office for information.

Prayer Small Group: Join us in prayer at New Life on alternate Wednesdays, beginning at 9am. Contact Sue Rothermel at rothermelfam@gmail.com.

Bible Study Fellowship (BSF): Meets Tuesdays at 7pm and studies the book of Matthew via Zoom. Sign up online at bsfinternational.org. Contact Joe Heidler at jvheidler@comcast.net with questions.

Discipleship Groups: Same-gender groups meet to encourage each other to follow Jesus as we walk with each other. Please contact Pastor Erik to join a group.

Community Group is designed to be a microcosm of the church. It is an intergenerational gathering of men, women, and children; whatever age or stage of life you find yourself in, you are welcome. Currently our one group meets at the Swanson's home (usually on the 1st and 3rd Sundays from 6-7:30pm) to enjoy food, fellowship, a discussion of the Scriptures, and prayer.

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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