



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.

Worshipping God

April 10, 2022

Reflection:

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. ²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. ²³ This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. ²⁵ Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! ²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD. ⁷ The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar! ²⁸ You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. ²⁹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! – Psalm 118

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship – Psalm 24

Joe Heidler

Minister: Lift up your heads, O you gates;

***People:* Be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

Minister: Who is this King of glory?

***People:* The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.**

Minister: Lift up your heads, O you gates;

***People:* Lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

Minister: Who is he, this King of glory?

***People:* The LORD Almighty— he is the King of glory.**

Prayer of Praise

Victory Chant

Verse 1

Hail Jesus, You're my King. (ECHO)
Your life frees me to sing. (ECHO)
I will praise You all my days. (ECHO)
You're perfect in all Your ways. (ECHO)

Verse 2

Hail Jesus, You're my Lord. (ECHO)
I will obey Your word. (ECHO)
I want to see Your kingdom come. (ECHO)
Not my will, but Yours be done. (ECHO)

Verse 3

Glory, glory to the Lamb. (ECHO)
You take me into the land. (ECHO)
We will conquer in Your name (ECHO)
And proclaim that Jesus reigns. (ECHO)

Verse 4

Hail, hail Lion of Judah - (ECHO)
How powerful You are. (ECHO)
Hail, hail Lion of Judah - (ECHO)
How wonderful You are. (ECHO)
How wonderful You are. (ECHO)

Ending

How wonderful You are.

Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)

Verse 1

Praise is rising,
Eyes are turning to You,
We turn to You.
Hope is stirring,
Hearts are yearning for You,
We long for You.

Pre-Chorus

'Cause when we see You
We find strength to face the day.
In Your presence
All our fears are washed away.
(Washed away)

Chorus

Hosanna, hosanna,
You are the God who saves us,
Worthy of all our praises.
Hosanna, hosanna,
Come have Your way among us.
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

Verse 2

Hear the sound of
Hearts returning to You.
We turn to You.
In Your Kingdom
Broken lives are made new.
You make us new.

Ending

Hosanna, hosanna.

Affirmation of Faith – from 1 Corinthians 15:3b-4

Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, he was buried, he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

Scripture Reading – Zechariah 9:9-17

Kathleen Donovan-Snavely

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession:

Lord God, to you every heart owes allegiance, before you every knee should bow, on you every mind should meditate, for you every hand should labor. We confess, Father, our frequent failures and the shortcomings of our sin. At times our hearts are enticed toward other loyalties, on occasion we serve others besides you, we find that our minds do not stay focused on you, and we acknowledge too much of self in the work of our hands. Have mercy, we pray! Do not give us over to our idols! By the power of your Spirit, soften our hearts, transform our wills, renew our minds, and direct our hands! We ask in Jesus name, Amen!

Assurance of Forgiveness – Isaiah 53:4-5

Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.
But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.

All Glory, Laud, and Honor




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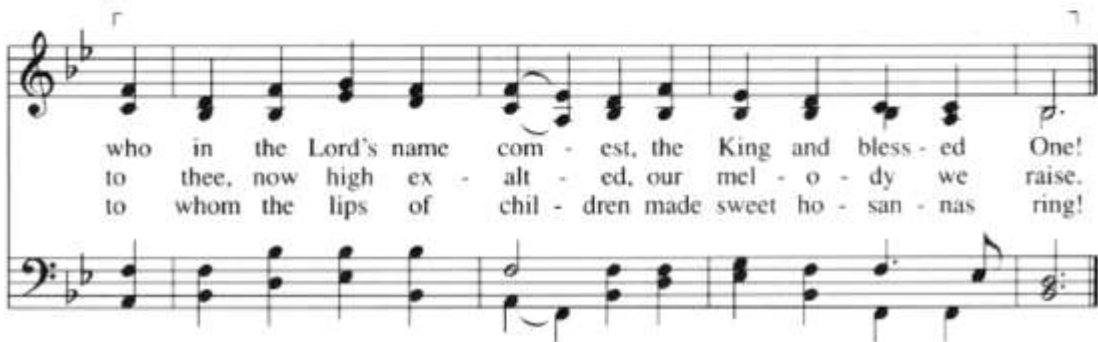
1. All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,
2. The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
3. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,



to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!
our praise and prayer and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent;
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King!



Thou art the King of Is - rael, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
to thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise:
All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re - deem - er, King,



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who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One!
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

Prayers of the People

Missions Moment

Marlene Spark

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 – *Matthew 21:1-16*

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." ⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵ "Say to the daughter of Zion,
'Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'"

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸ Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" ¹⁰ And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" ¹¹ And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

¹² And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. ¹³ He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you make it a den of robbers."

¹⁴ And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. ¹⁵ But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children

crying out in the temple, “Hosanna to the Son of David!” they were indignant, ¹⁶ and they said to him, “Do you hear what these are saying?” And Jesus said to them, “Yes; have you never read,

“‘Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies
you have prepared praise’?”

Sermon: The Real King. Our True Salvation.

Pastor Erik Swanson

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

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,
3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song we sing,

The first system of musical notation features a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of three flats. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the treble staff.

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang.
the vic - tory palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud.
for Christ is our Re - deem - er, the Lord of heaven, our King.

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment, with lyrics printed below the treble staff.

To Je - sus, who had blessed them, close fold - ed to his breast,
The Lord of earth and heav - en rode on in low - ly state,
O may we ev - er praise him with heart and life and voice,

The third system continues the melody and accompaniment, with lyrics printed below the treble staff.

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren should on his bid - ding wait.
and in his bliss - ful pres - ence e - ter - nal - ly re - joice.

The fourth system concludes the piece with the final melody and accompaniment, with lyrics printed below the treble staff.

Benediction – Number 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 4/10	9:00 AM	Sunday School for All Ages	Classrooms + Fishbowl Rooms
Sun 4/10	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sun 4/10	11:30 AM	Second Sunday Lunch	Fellowship Hall
Sun 4/10	5:00 PM	Women's Fellowship Gathering	Marlene Spark Home
Sun 4/10	6:00 PM	Young Adult Gathering	Swanson Home
M 4/11	7:00 PM	Women's Zoom Bible Study	Zoom
Tu 4/12	7:00 PM	Bible Study Fellowship	New Life and/or Zoom
W 4/13	9:00 AM	Moms' Group	Fellowship Hall
W 4/13	9:00 AM	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	TV Room
W 4/13	5:30 PM	Parenting Seminar/Kids' Club	New Life
W 4/13	7:00 PM	Music Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Th 4/14	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study	New Life
F 4/15	7:00 PM	Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
Sun 4/17	6:30 AM	Easter Sunrise Service	New Life Lawn
Sun 4/17	10:00 AM	Easter Worship Service	Sanctuary

Church Financial Summary

Category	Budget	Actual
Year to Date 2022	\$60,307.70	\$66,697.75
Week of 4/3/22	\$4,307.69	\$5,295.00

Announcements

- **Easter at New Life:**
 - Good Friday service will be on Apr. 15 at 7pm.
 - Easter Sunrise Service will be at 6:30am, followed by a potluck breakfast.
 - There will be no Christian education classes (adult or children) on Easter.
 - Our Easter service will be at 10am, as usual.
- **Women's Fellowship:** Join us TODAY at 5pm for a potluck dinner and book/movie discussion. Come ready to talk about why your favorite has special meaning for you. If you have a copy, and are willing to loan it out, we can also do an exchange at the end of the evening. Contact Holly Wirt with any questions. RSVP to Marlene Spark.
- **Parenting Class and Kids Club:** Parents and kids are invited to our 8-week class on Wednesdays starting April 13. Dinner will be served at 5:30 and classes will begin at 6:00 (Nursery for 0-4, classes for 5-12). If anyone wants to volunteer to help in the kids' classes, please see pastor Erik.
- **Inquirer's Class:** The Inquirers class will meet at New Life on Sat. Apr. 23 and Sat. May 7 from 10am-12pm each time. Even if you can only come one week, please join us!
- **SILVERS Sat. Apr. 23:** Enjoy **Chair Exercising** at New Life at 4pm. **Food and Fellowship** at 5pm. Bring a healthy side dish to share. Sign up in the foyer. Any questions contact Mary Brubaker.
- **Local Service and Outreach June 5-10:** Servants' summer work camps are week-long mission opportunities in York County that focus on residential home repair for people in need. Projects range from painting and yard work to bathroom modifications and wheelchair ramps. More importantly, participants spend the week serving Christ through serving others. There will be an informational meeting on Sun. Apr. 24 at 11:30 in the sanctuary. Please consider attending this meeting as there are various opportunities for involvement. Please contact Barbara Henry for more details.
- **Cinco de Mayo and Silent Auction Fundraiser:** Mark your calendars for Fri. May 6 from 5:30-7:30pm for a Cinco De Mayo dinner and Silent Auction. This fundraiser for our summer mission trip is open to all, but Eventbrite tickets (or RSVP to Sue Ann Randall) are required. There will be a suggested donation for dinner, and there will be plenty of time to bid on the items you desire. Please contact Sue Ann if you have any items or services to donate. Please invite your community to come out to this event.
- **Spring Festival:** Invite your friends and community to come out to a spring festival at New Life on Sat. May 21. Held outdoors, the event starts at 5pm, with a pulled pork dinner served at 5:30pm. Games, bounce house, and activities available for family fun.

Groups for Fellowship and Growth

Christian Education: Sunday School Class is offered for all ages at 9:00 AM.

Women's Bible Study: Meeting to study the Word using Jen Wilkin's, *God of Freedom: Exodus 19-40*. For more information, contact Marlene Spark.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study: Anyone interested in discussing the upcoming sermon text is welcome to join us at 9:00 AM here at New Life.

Moms' Group: Meets at the church from 9:00-11:00 AM on Wednesdays and is studying the virtue of wisdom. The children are welcome in the nursery/preschool class, the elementary school class, or study hall. For more information, contact Joy Swanson.

Men's Group: Meets at Cracker Barrel every 2nd and 4th Saturday at 7:00 AM. Currently we are discussing *Life Together* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Contact Rob Rothermel 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 10:00 AM. Contact Sue Rothermel.

Bible Study Fellowship (BSF): Meets Tuesdays at 7:00 PM at New Life and studies the book of Matthew via Zoom. Contact Joe Heidler 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 6:00-7:30 PM) 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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