



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

August 7, 2022

Reflection:

“Evangelism is considered one of the Christian’s greatest fears. But to reformed Christians it should be one of their greatest joys. Once you have a good perspective and realize that we are all part of God’s plan you realize how he is behind it all. Let’s look behind the curtain today and how Acts 2 can encourage us to get in the game.”

-Richard Smith

Welcome and Announcements

Joe Heidler

Call to Worship – Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

² Serve the LORD with gladness!

 Come into his presence with singing!

³ Know that the LORD, he is God!

 It is he who made us, and we are his;

 we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

 and his courts with praise!

 Give thanks to him; bless his name!

⁵ For the LORD is good;

 his steadfast love endures forever,

 and his faithfulness to all generations.

Prayer of Praise

As It Is In Heaven

Verse 1

Our Father Who art in Heaven
Hallowed be Thy name
Come and let Your glory come
And let Your glory fall
Our Father Who art in Heaven
The rocks cry out Your fame
Come and let Your glory come
And let Your glory fall

Pre-Chorus

I will sing sing a new song
I will sing sing a new song
I will sing sing a new song
To the Lord

Chorus

Let Your Kingdom come
Let Your will be done
On earth as it is in Heaven
Ev'ry heart proclaim
The mercy of Your name
On earth as it is in Heaven

Verse 2

God give us new ev'ry morning
Mercy as daily bread
In the name of Jesus
In the name of Jesus we pray
And lead us not to temptation
But deliver us with Your hand
In the name of Jesus
In the name of Jesus we pray
Father we pray

Bridge

For the Kingdom is Yours
And the power is Yours
And the glory forever amen
And the Kingdom is Yours
And the power is Yours
And the glory forever amen

Ending

As it is in Heaven

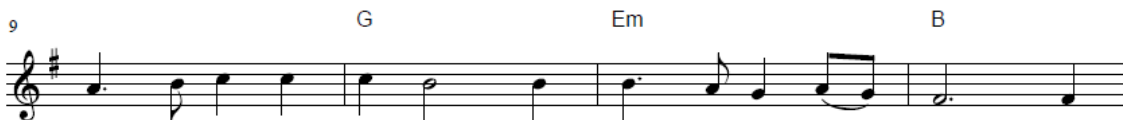
I Love to Tell the Story



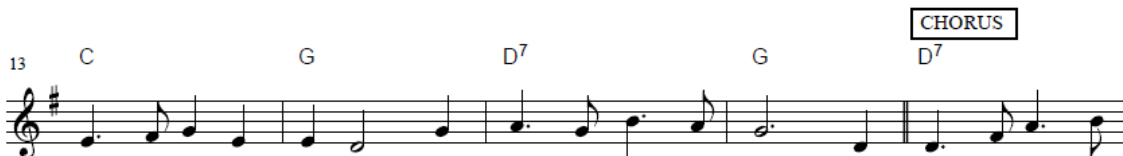
1. I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things — a - bove, of
 2. I love to tell the sto - ry; more won - der - ful — it seems than
 3. I love to tell the sto - ry; 'tis pleas - ant to — re - peat what
 4. I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know — it best seem



Je - sus and His glo - ry, of — Je - sus and — His love. I
 all the gold - en fan - cies of — all our gold - en dreams. I
 seems each time I tell it more — won - der - ful - ly sweet. I
 hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to — hear it like — the rest. And



love to tell the sto - ry be - cause I know 'tis — true. It
 love to tell the sto - ry; it did so much for — me, and
 love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er — heard the
 when in scenes of glo - ry I sing the new, new — song, 'twill



sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else can do. I love to tell the
 that is just the rea - son I tell it now to thee.
 mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly Word.
 be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.



sto - ry! 'Twill be my theme in glo - ry to



tell the old, — old sto - ry of Je - sus and His love.

Affirmation of Faith – *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Scripture Reading – *Psalm 67*

Sue Ann Randall

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, loving King, our thoughts and motives cannot be hidden from your sight. Our self-pity and pride, our cowardice and sloth, our anger and envy are laid bare before your eyes. We open ourselves to you and ask that you cover us in Christ. Let us hear your voice saying: His blood is your peace, His death is your freedom, His Spirit is your power. And let our hearts know that your service is perfect freedom. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness – *Ephesians 2:8-10*

⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Glorify Thy Name



1 Fa - ther, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
 2 Je - sus, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
 3 Spir - it, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,



glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth.



Glo - ri - fy Thy name, glo - ri - fy Thy name,



glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth.

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Prayers of the People

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 – Acts 2

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵ For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶ But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ ““And in the last days it shall be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams;

¹⁸ even on my male servants and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,

before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

²² “Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you

yourselves know— ²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵ For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.
²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.
²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

²⁹ “Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“The Lord said to my Lord,
“Sit at my right hand,
³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool.”

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” ³⁸ And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” ⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” ⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together

and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Sermon: Reaching the World God's Way

Rev. Richard Smith

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

King of Kings

Verse 1

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes

To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

Verse 2

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross

For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Verse 3

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death

And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

Verse 4

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint

By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

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Benediction – 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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. 8/7	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School	Fishbowl Room
Sun. 8/7	10:00 am	Corporate Worship Service	Sanctuary
W. 8/10	9:00 am	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	TV Room
W. 8/10	7:00 pm	Music Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Sat. 8/13	7:00 am	Men's Breakfast	Cracker Barrel
Sat. 8/13	10:00 am	Ladies' Picnic	William Kain Park
Sun. 8/14	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School	Fishbowl Room
Sun. 8/14	10:00 am	Corporate Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sun. 8/14	11:30 am	Second Sunday Lunch	Fellowship Hall
Sun. 8/14	6:00 pm	Young Adult Gathering	Henry Home

Church Financial Summary

Category	Budget	Actual
Year to Date 2022	\$133,538.47	\$151,277.29
Week of 7/31/22	\$4,307.69	\$3,609.00

Announcements

- **Ladies' Picnic:** We will be holding this at William Kain Park on Sat. Aug. 13. Hiking or kayaking is available at 10:00 while the picnic will begin at 11:00. See the sign-up sheet in the foyer to mark which activities you are interested in and what food you can bring. Please contact Holly Wirt with questions.

- **Youth Group Ice Cream Sampler:** Jr high and high school students (6-12th grades), meet at NLPC on Fri. Aug. 26 at 6:30pm for an evening of driving to York County's finest creameries. Bring \$ for any purchases you choose to make. Pick up is at NLPC at 9:30pm.
- **Young Adult Breakfast and Float Trip:** College and career ages, meet at the Henry's on Sat. Aug. 27 at 9:00 for breakfast, followed by a float trip (canoe/kayak) down the Susquehanna. The event will conclude by noon. Must RSVP. Breakfast invitations are open; there are a limited number of canoe/kayak seats.
- **Bees and Honey!** SILVERS, join in the fun and information on Sun. Aug. 28 at 4pm. Celia Berkstresser, an apiarist (bee keeper!) will present a program about bees and honey. Bring a "brown bag supper" to enjoy after her presentation. Questions? Contact Sue Ann Randall.
- **Women's Summer Book Club Dinner and Discussion:** The women's summer book club is reading *Defying Jihad* by Esther Ahmad. Dinner and discussion will take place on Sun. Aug. 28 at 5:30pm at the home of Connie Kay.
- **Sunday School in the Fall:** The Adults' Bible study will begin studying 1 Corinthians on Sept. 4. Due to the holiday and the church camping trip, the youth Sunday school classes will resume Sept. 25. A "New Attenders" Class will be offered for four weeks, starting October 2. That class will examine New Life's theology, vision/mission/values, history, and culture.
- **Child Protection Informational Training:** For any who wish to better understand NLPC's child protection plan, there will be two identical informational meetings, one on Tues. Sept. 6 at 8pm, and the other on Sun. Sept. 11 at 4pm. Both meetings are at NLPC. While this training is not mandatory for those who work with children (Our child protection plan does have elements that are mandatory), this informational training can be very helpful.
- **Community Movie Night:** Families and friends are invited to join in an outdoor (indoors for inclement weather) showing of "Encanto." Doors will open, with bounce house and other activities, at 7:00, and the movie will start at 7:30 PM on Fri. Sept. 9.
- **3rd Annual NLPC Camping Trip:** Reserve a site at Codorus State Park for the 3rd Annual NLPC Camping Trip from Fri. Sept. 16 through Sun. Sept. 18. Choose from sites as close as possible to sites 88/140 at Loop C. Early arrival on Thursday is an option. Come when you can; leave when you must. All of NLPC is invited to the community dinner at 5:30 pm on Sat. Sept. 17. Sunday worship at the camp site begins at 8:30 am.

Groups for Fellowship and Growth

Christian Education: Adult Sunday School meets at 9:00 am in the Fishbowl Room. During the summer, children and youth do not meet for their Sunday School classes.

Women's Bible Study: Resumes in the fall.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study: Interested in discussing the upcoming sermon text? Join us at New Life in the TV Room at 9:00 am.

Moms' Group: Currently operating on our summer schedule. For more information, contact Joy Swanson.

Men's Group: Meets at Cracker Barrel every 2nd and 4th Saturday at 7:00 am. 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): Resumes in the fall. 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: An intergenerational gathering of men, women, and children, is designed to be a microcosm of the church. All are welcome. Currently we are on break for the summer, but during the year we meet at the Swansons' home on the 1st and 3rd Sundays, from 6:00-7:30 pm. Come to enjoy food, fellowship, a discussion of Scripture, and prayer. Bring a snack to share, or just bring yourself!

New Life Presbyterian Church Vision, Mission, and Core Values

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

Mission: *To receive the grace of God, to give 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 to 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 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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