



NEW LIFE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Embrace God's Beauty; Extend God's Love

Good Friday – April 3, 2026

Welcome to New Life Presbyterian Church

Dear Visitor,

Welcome! It is a joy and privilege to gather tonight 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 tonight 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 evening. 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 tonight.

May the grace and peace of Christ be with you all!

Joyfully,

Pastor Erik Swanson

Please be aware that we livestream our services.

*A special welcome to our brothers and sisters from
Canadochly Evangelical & Reformed Church.*

Congregational Introit – The Old Rugged Cross



1. On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross, the
2. O the old rug - ged cross, so de - spised by the world, has a
3. In the old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine, a
4. To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true; Its



em - blem of suf - f'ring and shame; And I love that old cross, where the
won - drous at - trac - tion for me; For the dear Lamb of God left His
won - drous beau - ty I see; For 'twas on that old cross Je - sus
shame and re - proach glad - ly bear. Then He'll call me some day to my



dear - est and best for a world of lost sin - ners was slain. So I'll
glo - ry a - bove to bear it to dark Cal - va - ry.
suf - fered and died to par - don and sanc - ti - fy me.
home far a - way, where His glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share.

CHORUS



cher - ish the old rug - ged cross, till my tro - phies at last I lay down. I will



cling to the old rug - ged cross, and ex - change it some day for a crown.

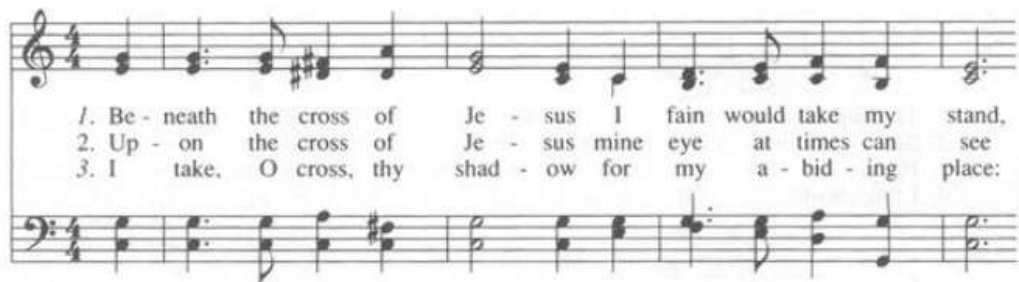
Welcome

Rev. Erik Swanson

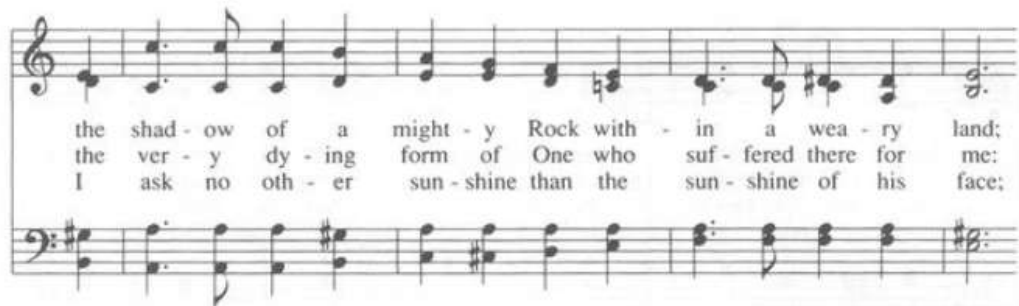
Call to Worship – Psalm 130

Prayer of Invocation

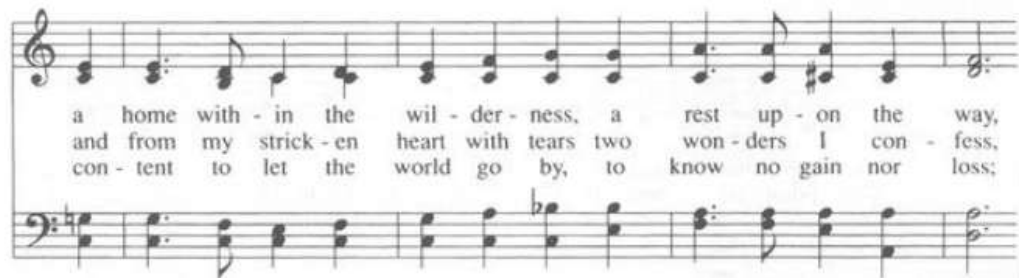
Song of Approach – Beneath the Cross of Jesus



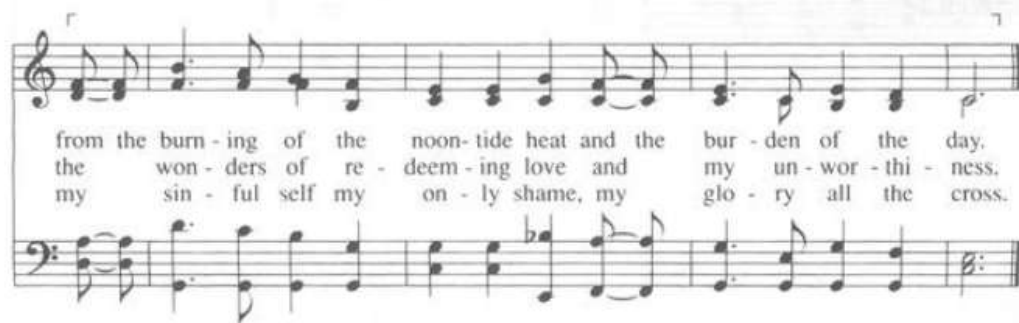
1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,
2. Up - on the cross of Je - sus mine eye at times can see
3. I take, O cross, thy shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place:



the shad - ow of a might - y Rock with - in a wea - ry land;
the ver - y dy - ing form of One who suf - fered there for me;
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;



a home with - in the wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
and from my strick - en heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess,
con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss;



from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and the bur - den of the day,
the won - ders of re - deem - ing love and my un - wor - thi - ness,
my sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all the cross.

Old Testament Scripture Readings on the Problem of Our Guilt

Rev. Bill Baral

Psalm 51:3-4

Isaiah 1:12-15

Scripture Readings on the Consequences of Our Guilt

Rebekah Skinner

Genesis 2:15-17

Ezekiel 18:1-4

Romans 6:23 a

Song of Confession – O Sacred Head Now Wounded

1. O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down;
 2. What thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered was all for sin - ners' gain;
 3. What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est Friend,

now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;
 mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.
 for this, thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?

O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!
 Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve thy place;
 O make me thine for - ev - er; and should I faint - ing be,

Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.
 look on me with thy fa - vor, vouch - safe to me thy grace.
 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.

Scripture Readings on the Promise of God's Forgiveness and the Call to Repentance

Leviticus 16:29-34

Rev. Justin Kleiner

Psalm 32

Isaiah 1:16-18

Ezekiel 18:30-32

Sid Martin

Micah 7:18-20

Romans 6:23

Song of Hope – What Wondrous Love Is This?

Chords: F Dm Am C Em Dm C Dm Dm⁷ C F

1. What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what
 2. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
 3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

Chords: C Bm Am G Am G C Dm C F C F C

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won - drous love is
 God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm

Chords: Dm C Am Bm⁷ C Dm Am Em Dm C

this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my
 Lamb, who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
 free, I'll sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

Chords: Dm Dm⁷ C F C Bm Am G Am G C Dm

soul, for my soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
 on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on!

Song of Hope – How Deep the Father’s Love For Us



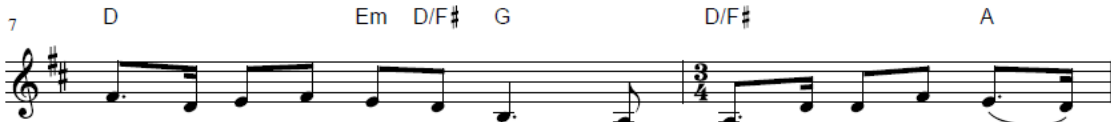
1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all meas - ure that
 (2. Be) - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -
 (3. I) will not boast in an - y - thing: No gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But



He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His treas - ure. How
 -shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers. It
 I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why

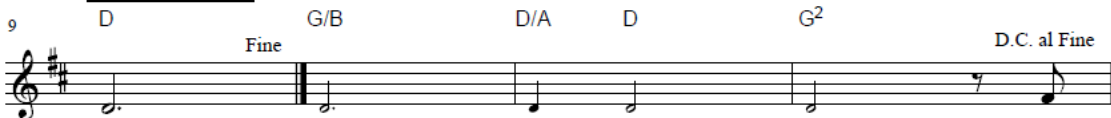


great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns His face a - way as
 was my sin that held _ Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished; His
 should I gain from His _ re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But



wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo -
 dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin -
 this I know with all my heart: His wonds have paid my ran -

TURNAROUND



-ry.
 -ished.
 -som.

2. Be -
 3. I

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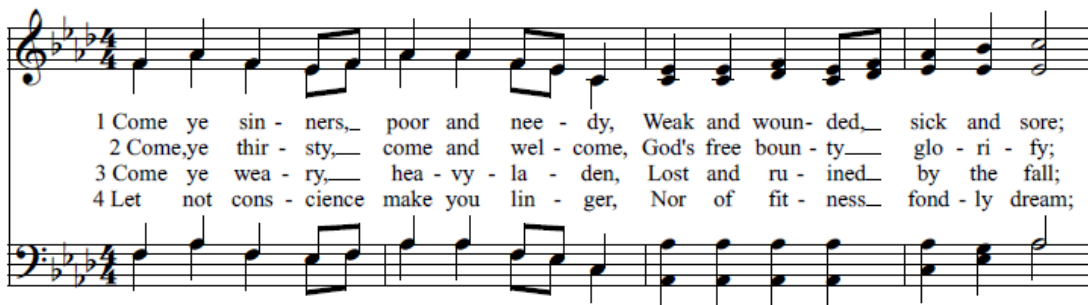
Forgiven Guilt

Luke 23:32-38

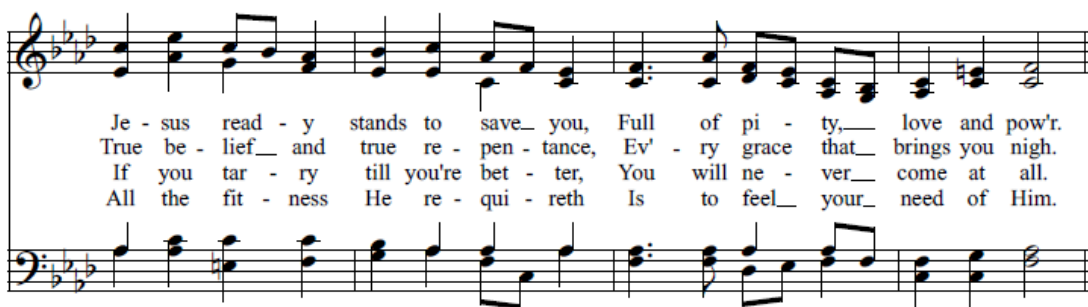
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Homily

Song of Repentance – Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy

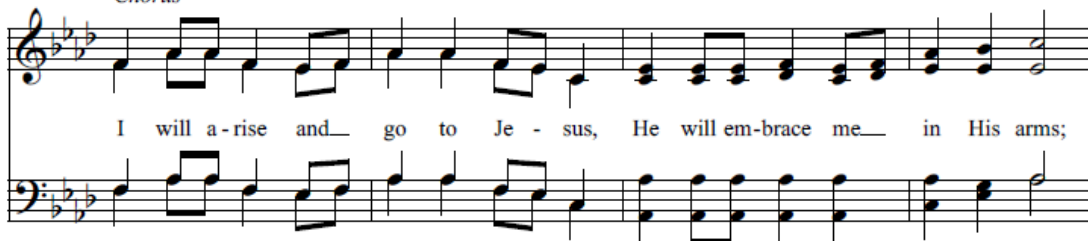


1 Come ye sin - ners, poor and nee - dy, Weak and woun - ded, sick and sore;
2 Come, ye thir - sty, come and wel - come, God's free boun - ty glo - ri - fy;
3 Come ye wea - ry, hea - vy - la - den, Lost and ru - ined by the fall;
4 Let not cons - cience make you lin - ger, Nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream;

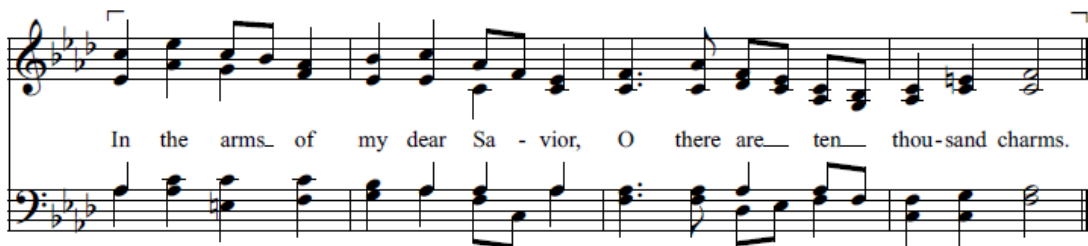


Je - sus read - y stands to save you, Full of pi - ty, love and pow'r.
True be - lief and true re - pen - tance, Ev' - ry grace that brings you nigh.
If you tar - ry till you're bet - ter, You will ne - ver come at all.
All the fit - ness He re - qui - reth Is to feel your need of Him.

Chorus



I will a - rise and go to Je - sus, He will em - brace me in His arms;



In the arms of my dear Sa - vior, O there are ten thou - sand charms.

Prayer of Confession

Corporate Prayer

Silent Prayer

(In the silence of the moment, bring your sins and sorrows before Christ)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:14-18

Song of Trust – In Christ Alone

1 In Christ a - lone, my hope is found, He is my
 2 In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, ful - ness of
 3 There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the
 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

3 G D/F# Em7 G/A D G D G

light, my strength, my song; This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id
 God in help - less babel! This gift of love and right - eous -
 world by dark - ness slain; Then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious
 pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal

6 A D/F# G D/F# Em7 G/A D D/F#

Ground, firm through the fier - est drought and storm. What heights of
 ness, scored by the ones He came to save. Till on that
 Day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He
 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of

9 G D/F# Asus A D/F# G Bm7

love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings
 cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -
 stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on
 hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His

12 Asus A G D G A D/F# G D/F# Em7 G/A

cease. My Com - fort - er, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I
 fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I
 me; For I am His and He is mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of
 hand; Till He re - turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll

16 D Am7 Em7 D Dsus D

stand.
 live.
 Christ.
 stand!

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New Testament Scriptures on the Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Luke 24:44-48

Peter Filkins

Colossians 1:13-14

Romans 5:15-21

Roxanne Malick

Romans 8:1

Time of Silent Prayer and Reflection

Song of Assurance – The Power of the Cross



1. Oh to see the dawn of the dark-est day: Christ on the road to
 2. Oh to see the pain writ-ten on Your face; Bear-ing the awe-some
 3. Now the day-light flees now the ground be-neath Quakes as its Mak-er
 4. Oh to see my name writ-ten in the wounds, For through Your suff-'ring,



Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men. Torn and beat - en, then
 weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, ev - 'ry ev - il deed
 bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two. dead are raised to life.
 I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,



nailed to a cross of wood. 1.2.3. This the power of the cross:
 crown-ing Your blood stained brow. 4. This the power of the cross:
 Fin - ished the vict - 'ry cry!
 Won through Your self - less love.



— Christ be - came sin for us. Took the blame,
 — Son of God slain for us. What a name



— bore the wrath, We stand for - giv - en at the cross.
 — what a cost, We stand for - giv - en at the cross.

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Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

Rev. Justin Kleiner

Benediction Response – Amazing Grace

1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound—
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
 3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me,
 4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years,

that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost
 and grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did
 his word my hope se - cures; he will my shield
 I have al - read - y come; 'tis grace hath brought
 bright shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days

but now am found, was blind but now I see.
 that grace ap - pear the hour - I first be - lieved!
 and por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 to sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

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 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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