

**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

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P.S. Due to COVID 19 concerns, for the time being there is no nursery. When it is wise and practical, we will resume our nursery. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to worship. Even as children and parents may need to use the backspace of the sanctuary to move around, the church rejoices in the blessing that families are!

# **Worshiping God**

August 2, 2020

#### Reflection:

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.' - Jesus

#### Prelude

#### Welcome and Announcements

Joe Heidler

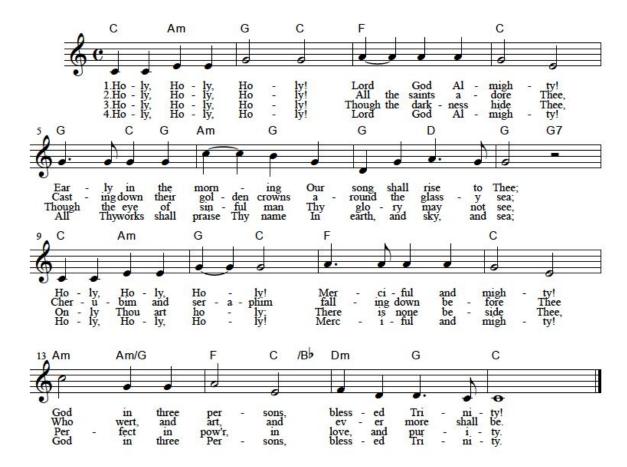
Call to Worship – Psalm 72:18-19

<sup>18</sup>Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.
<sup>19</sup>Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!

# **Prayer of Praise**

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Words by Reginald Heber Music by John Dykes



## Confession of Faith - Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Q. What is your only comfort in life and death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

OT Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 30:11-20 Joy Swanson

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

## **Prayer of Confession:**

#### All:

O Lord, you are our Father, and we are but earth and mire; You are our Creator, and we are the work of your hands; You are our Shepherd, and we are your flock; You are our Redeemer, and we are the people you have bought back; You are our God, and we are your inheritance. Therefore, do not be angry against us, to correct us in your wrath. Do not recall our sin, to punish it, but chastise us gently in your kindness. Be mindful that your name is upon us, that we bear your mark and badge. Undertake the work you have already begun in us by your grace, that the whole earth may recognize that you are our God and Savior. In Jesus' name. Amen.

### **Assurance of Grace –** *Psalm 37:39-40*

Leader: <sup>39</sup>The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; he is their stronghold in the time of trouble. <sup>40</sup>The Lord helps them and delivers them; he delivers

them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.

# In Christ Alone

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend



## **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 – 1 John 2:1-6

<sup>1</sup>My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. <sup>2</sup>He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. <sup>3</sup>And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. <sup>4</sup>Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, <sup>5</sup>but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: <sup>6</sup>whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

Sermon: Walking As He Walked Rev. Erik Swanson

**Series: Assurance of Salvation** 

# **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.

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** 

# Blessed Be Your Name

Words and Music by Matt Redman and Beth Redman





### **Benediction –** *Hebrews* 13:20-21

Leader:

<sup>20</sup>Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, <sup>21</sup>equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **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, 8/2	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
Sun, 8/2	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship	Sanctuary
Wed, 8/5	9:00 AM	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
Thur, 8/6	8:00 PM	College and Career Ages Meeting	Homes via Zoom
Sat, 8/8	11:00 AM	Mystery Sister Picnics	Various Parks
Sun, 8/9	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
Sun, 8/9	10:00 AM	Corporate Worship	Sanctuary

# **Church Financial Summary**

Category	Budget	Actual
Year to Date Offering	\$120,000.00	\$115,570.03
Last Week	\$4,000.00	\$2,035.50

## **Announcements**

- Men's Event: Wednesday, Aug 12th, at 5:30 PM the men of the church are invited to meet at Lake Redman for an outdoor picnic. BYO dinner/dessert. You are more than welcomed to drop by after dinner if you prefer. Go to the Hess Farm road entrance. Rain Date: Aug 19th. Please contact Rob Rothermel with questions.
- **SILVERS Event:** A Brown Bag Luncheon is scheduled for August 30 in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service. Please bring your own brown bag lunch. Drinks will be provided or feel free to bring your own. Following lunch, there will be fun and fellowship you do not want to miss! All older adults (married, single, or married to an older adult) are welcome to join us. Please sign up at the communications table.
- **Summer Youth Event:** Volleyball, Nukem (a game similar to volleyball that takes less volleyball skills for people to play), and ice cream sundaes on Saturday, August 22 at New Life from 6:30-8:00 PM. Ice cream will be provided but please bring a topping to share. August 29th rain date.
- Administrative Assistant Opening: Please share the Administrative Assistant opening with any
  whom you think may be qualified and interested. The packet of information will be available on
  the website (under "learn: resources and forms.") as well as in the information center.
- **Summer Book Club:** At the end of August we will be discussing, "Leaving Buddha", by Tenzin Lahkpa. Books are available at amazon for \$9.99-kindle version, or for \$10.99 paperback at both amazon and Christianbook.com. Feel free to invite a friend.
- Worship Service Options: All are invited to attend in person. New Life is also offering (for the time being) an 8:00-8:45 AM outdoor service, weather permitting. The service will be live streamed via YouTube on the church website home page. Click the livestream button. PDF's of the bulletin will be available for download. They may be found under the sermons tab. Click on the title that lists that service date, and the bulletin is there as a download. The complete service will be available on the church website, under the sermons tab, as well as on the church Facebook page. A CD will be burned and distributed to those who request it.

# **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.
- Thursday Morning "Mom's Group" Bible Study: Contact Joy Swanson for more information.
- Men's Group: Contact Rob Rothermel for more information.
- Women's Bible Study: Resuming in the fall. Contact Marlene Spark for more information.
- **Youth Group:** Please contact the church office for more information.
- Second Sunday Lunch: Postponed
- Prayer Small Group: Contact Sue Rothermel for more details.
- Bible Study Fellowship (BSF): Summer recess. Resuming in September with a study of Genesis.

# 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 equiped 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: <a href="http://www.newlifeyorkpca.com/about-us.html">http://www.newlifeyorkpca.com/about-us.html</a>

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