

THE PEOPLE OF GOD GATHER

WELCOME / GLORY TONES

As you prepare for worship, remember that Jesus promises more than mere existence. He offers us abundant life. This is good news, especially when we consider how this world often feels cold, hurried, and hollow. Jesus words remind us that true abundance isn't found in wealth or status, but in knowing Him. Remember to be grateful for the relationship you have with Jesus. Open your heart to the richness of His presence, trusting that even in the ordinary, He is offering a deeper, more joyful way to live. God bless you as we worship together.

"Passacaglia in C minor"
("Built on the Sure Foundation") by Fred Gramann

Glory Tones

PRAISE SONGS

"This Is Amazing Grace"
"As It Is In Heaven"

New Life Band

OPENING PRAYER

CENTERING SONG

"Beautiful Scandalous Night"

SCRIPTURE READING

John 10: 1 – 15

Amy Evans

MESSAGE

Abundant Life

Pastor Andy

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Consider Making Us Your Church Family

GIVING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERING SONG

"My Lighthouse"

New Life Band

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: your presence is a gift that we never take for granted and hope you received a warm welcome this morning. We treasure the opportunity to be your church family. Our church website is a great resource to learn more about this church family.

SUNDAY MORNINGS: at 10:00am, we serve coffee & refreshments in the fellowship hall.

At 10:15am, we have small groups that meet until 11am for Bible study & spiritual growth.

SUNDAY PARKING: if you're able, consider using the north parking lot to help create more spaces for the lot near the sanctuary. The main doors (by the church office) will be unlocked.

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH: we are starting a Ladies Lunch Bunch that will meet at 11 a.m. the first Thursday of each month to give the ladies of the church a chance to get to fellowship with one another. The first lunch will be at Orsak's in Fayetteville, Thursday, May 7, at 11 a.m. Please sign up in the Narthex so that we can make a reservation. The bus will leave at 10:30 a.m.

FRIENDS 'N FELLOWSHIP: Saturday, May 16, at 8:45 a.m. we will tour the Giddings Stone Mansion in Brenham. Steeped in history, the mansion was built as an escape from yellow-fever producing mosquitos. A lunch outing follows at Must Be Heaven. Sign-up in narthex.

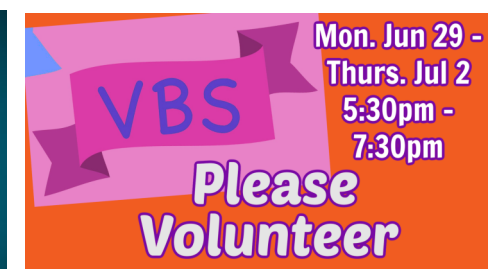
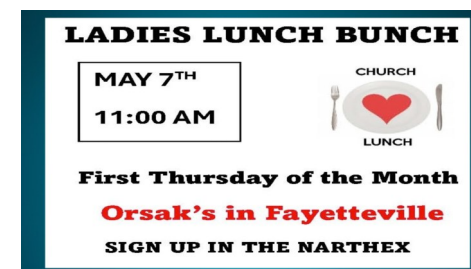
PRAYER TEAM: we have a dedicated group that meets on Wednesdays at 1pm in the Conference Room. This is open to all. This group lifts up our church's prayer requests and is always willing to pray for you.

MOTHER'S DAY: begins our missions project to support the Brenham Pregnancy Center. Through Father's Day, we will collect diapers, baby wipes, and baby bottles. More details to come.

GREAT COMMISSION EVENT: We welcome missionaries Steve & Pam English May 29 - 31. The purpose of this weekend is to discern God's calling upon our congregation regarding our opportunities for evangelism & missions. More details to come. Please set aside these dates.

UM ARMY: the UM Army Youth Mission trip this summer is in Boerne, TX, July 12 - 18. If you are youth member or adult volunteer who would like to attend, please contact Jay Watson at 979-249-6201 or email jwatson316@gmail.com or call the church office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: it's not too early to put our VBS on your calendar! Dates are Monday, June 29 thru Thursday, July 2 from 5:30p.m. to 7:30 p.m. We will need some wonderful volunteers to lead kids and help decorate and prepare curriculum.



As Disciples of Jesus Christ...We Pray For:

- *For our Military & their families
- *Nursing Home & Homebound members
- *Larry Joost (*healing mercies & encouragement*)
- *Debbie Weber (*healing mercies from fall*)
- *Ed Murphy (*concern over more strokes*)
- *Twila Thurman (*diagnosed with cancer*)
- *Linda Hartson (*hospice care*)
- *Marie Allen (*healing mercies*)
- *Bill Wegmann (*healing from broken ankle*)
- *Gary Martyr (*healing mercies*)
- *Donna Pyle (*upcoming hand surgery*)
- *Barbara & Frank Walla (*healing mercies*)
- *Dustin Machinsky (*healing from a tumor*)
- *Stephanie Bunch (*healing from a brain tumor*)
- *Jack Anderson (*breathing difficulties*)
- *E.J. and Beverly Gray (*healing mercies*)
- *Dave Swartz (*recovering from surgery*)
- *Maxine Ballard (*encouragement*)

For Our Extended Family:

- *Cathy Gillentine (*struggling with COPD*)
- *Michael Ballard (*cancer treatments*)
- *Randall Slinkard (*healing from stroke*)
- *Mark Gillentine (*fighting cancer*)
- *Sheila Traybig (*Stage 4 colon cancer*)
- *Brea Laudano (*recovering from back surgery*)
- *Merry Douberly (*healing mercies*)
- *Ron Boggess (*Sarah Janisch's dad, bone cancer*)
- *Adam Lively (*Maxine Ballard's son-in-law, healing mercies*)
- *Freida Dallmeyer (*Jennifer Golan's mom, hip & knee rehab*)
- *Marvin Alexander (*healing mercies*)

Birthdays

- *Janice Alexander (4.29); *Jo Anne Hill (4.29);
- *Lisa Davis (4.29); *David Jenkins (4.30)

JOINING THE CHURCH...

We treasure the opportunity to be your church and invite you to consider joining through one of the ways listed below. Questions? Talk with Pastor Andy: andy@newlifelg.org Cell: 830-203-0881

_____ by **Transferring** your membership from your current church.

_____ by **Profession of Faith:** declare your belief in Jesus Christ and commitment to His church.

*A second baptism is **NOT** necessary, but if you have never been baptized, please contact Pastor Andy to make arrangements.*

_____ by **Restoration:** for former members of this congregation who wish to renew their commitment to commitment to Christ's Church.

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN CHRIST'S CHURCH TODAY

(Come Forward during the final song and give this information to the Pastor)

NAME (S):

Former Church: _____

You will be asked to faithfully respond to these questions:

1. Do you confess Jesus Christ as Savior, put your whole trust in His grace, and promise to serve Him as your Lord?
2. Will you be loyal to Christ's church and strengthen its ministries by your prayers, presence, gifts, service, & witness?

11:10am PRAISE & WORSHIP SERVICE

April 26, 2026



New Life Methodist Church

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