
New Life Presbyterian Church

July 2, 2017

10:00 a.m.



against such things there is no law.

Galatians 5:22-23

Welcome to this Lord's Day Worship. We rejoice that you are here!

NLPC Mission Statement (June 2016)

Assured of the new life we have received in Christ, we will live out our faith together through worship, prayer, education, fellowship, and mission.

Being called to love all people, we will use our gifts to serve God in an imperfect world.

Equipped with our faith and filled with the Spirit, we will:

- *reach out in acceptance to a diverse community;
- *embrace the marginalized and show love to all;
- *feed the hungry and care for the sick;
- *search for peace and work for justice.

Child Care is available during our worship service.
Ask an usher for the location of the Childcare Room.

Large Print Bulletins, Hymnals, and Bibles are available.

Participating in Worship

Worship Leader:	Rev. Mary Bahr-Jones, Pastor
Music Leader:	Frank Kunz
Liturgist:	Jodie Horan
Ushers:	Jason Boatwright, Jodie Horan and Don Soule

Service for the Lord's Day
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said: "I am the vine and you are the branches."

We find our source in Christ.

We are rooted in God's gracious love.

We are guided by God's Spirit.

Jesus said: "Abide in me as I abide in you.

Those who abide in me bear much fruit."

Today and everyday may we worship and serve the living God

By leading fruitful lives

Which reflect God's love in Jesus Christ!

*HYMN #291 *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O God of the gentle Spirit, for not bearing fruit. You

call and command us to bear the loving fruit of brotherhood and sisterhood, yet too often we sow seeds of division. You ask us to bear the fruit of loving-kindness, but somehow we carry the taste of envy in our mouths. You have ask us to care for our neighbors, and though we desire to do so, we frequently pass by those in need. God of the gentle Spirit, renew us as you move near us, that your Spirit might grow the fruit of graciousness within us. Hear now our silent confessions...

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

...May the peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you.

Please share Christ's peace with those worshipping around you.

Also please note: in this warm and welcoming congregation, there are people who need a hug and there are also people who are not comfortable receiving a hug. As you share Christ's peace, please respect this by either reaching your hand out for a handshake, or asking, "May I hug you?" before giving a hug.

SONG OF PRAISE

*#288

Spirit of the Living God (sung twice)

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

THE WORD INTERPRETED FOR CHILDREN

SPECIAL MUSIC *Hear Our Praises*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD OF GOD

Galatians 5:1,13-26

Pew Bible NT p. 179

This is the Word of the LORD;
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Does It Make a Difference?*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN # 707 *Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in humanity.
The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in
which men and women are reconciled to God and to one another.
God enables them to receive forgiveness as they forgive one*

another and to enjoy the peace of God as they make peace among themselves. In spite of their sin, God gives them power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and his gospel of reconciliation to all people.

(Confession of 1967, PCUSA)

SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Sing, Sing, Sing*

*SONG OF DEDICATION

*#606 *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

As Presbyterians, we welcome all who are baptized to come to the Lord's Table with us, trusting not in our own worthiness, but in God's grace. We will receive communion today by intinction. At the indicated time, you may come forward by the center aisle to take a piece of bread from the basket, dip one end of it in the cup, and eat before returning to your seat by the side aisles.

A separate plate and chalice will be provided for those who choose gluten free bread. There is no alcohol in the communion juice.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

...These are the gifts of God for the people of God;

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

CONCLUDING PRAYER

SENDING OUT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #729

Lord, I Want To Be A Christian

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

..And let all God's people say,
Alleluia and Amen!

POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able.*

Today's liturgy inspired / adapted from the following resources: Worship Service at White Memorial Presbyterian Church - 2013, re-worship.blogspot.com, liturgyoutside.net (by Katherine Hawker) and liturgylink.net.

New Life Opportunities & Announcements



Coffee Time- Please join your fellow NLPC members and visitors in a time of fellowship following the service this morning. Everyone is welcome!

Notes and reflections on this week's sermon:



Canned Goods – Today is the first Sunday of the month so we are collecting canned goods for the needy in our community. Please place your donation in the baskets in the sanctuary. Please be sure that all food donated is not expired. Thank you for your cooperation.



A Day at the Ballpark!

Mark your calendar for Sunday, July 16 to join your New Life friends for a fun day at Jimmy Johns Field to see the Birmingham Bloomfield Beavers take on the Westside Woolly Mammoths!



Game time is 1:35 PM and tickets are \$15 each. Please sign up on the bulletin board or see Dave Konikson or Phil Cunningham to purchase tickets.



Shop at Meijer!
(read on to find out why)

The Meijer store on Hall Road at Hayes has partnered with NLPC on our Food Basket Program by donating \$1000 to help fund the food purchases for our June Food Baskets and also donated toward our Thanksgiving Food Baskets last fall. Meijer's contribution enables NLPC to grow our Food Basket Program and help more families. Let's thank Meijer at Hall and Hayes by shopping there. What a great way to show our appreciation for their commitment to our community!



Summertime...

Summer is here and with it comes the joy of vacation travel! We hope that you are relishing the wonderful weather and have the opportunity to share this blissful time with family and friends. While the travels of summer may take you away from our worshipping community, we ask that you keep current with your pledge commitments through these summer weeks. Even though you may take a much needed break, the work of our church continues. Thank you for your faithful support and enjoy your vacation journeys!





Telling Your Story

Over the coming weeks, Pastor Mary will be sharing the story of her faith journey with you all in her sermon messages during worship. Mary would also like to hear your stories. On the Sign-Up Board, there are opportunities to sign-up to share coffee or a meal with Mary. Please, take the time to meet with Mary and share with her your story.



Rachel Circle The ladies of Rachel Circle will meet for lunch at Noon on Thursday, July 13th at the Honey Tree Restaurant. It is located in the Walmart Plaza at Mound and Hall Road. Ladies, come and join us for a tasty lunch and friendly conversation. Please let Marilyn Winter or Lynn Booth know if you will attend.



Summer Music!



Sing a song, play an instrument, recite your favorite Bible passage, inspirational poem or get a group together and put on a short skit or choral reading.

Sign-up on the Bulletin Board to say you will share your gifts with us this summer!

Looking for Liturgists!

Check out the liturgist sign up sheet posted across from Pastor Mary's office with many opportunities for willing liturgists. No experience is necessary! If you can serve at one of our summer worship services, we would love to have your help so sign up today! We look forward to hearing many voices from our congregation lead us in praise each Sunday throughout the summer!



Church Office Holiday Hours

The Church office will be closed on Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

**Note that the office will be open on Wednesday, July 5 from 9 am to 3 pm.

PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAY FOR HEALING

Dorene Rocky
Francis Booth
Dave Bousquette
Brenda Pomeroy
James Tomlinson
Glenn Watterworth
Louise Koczab
Shirley Honor
Joan Mc Bride
George Bousquette
Marge Kunz
Mark & Shannon McGregor
John Turner- (Jeff's brother)
Joan Lockard
Bob Boatwright
Lindle Lussier- friend of Pat Tomlinson)
Shirley Wintermuth
Blake Stringer (Cliff Robbins' nephew)
Manuel Rodriguez (Margie Hurst's brother-in-law)
Sherie -(Marlene Misuraca's daughter)
Jayne (Sandra Day's daughter/Karen Tuck's sister)

STRENGTH AND HOPE

Jenni Madigan
Danielle and her preemie
Catherine Meeka- --(friend of Shelley)
Judy Dittman
Curt & Lisa Albrecht & Family--(friends of Schroeders)
Diane Burr-(Lori Haralson's friend)
Nancy Bechtel
Dean- (Margie Hurst's nephew)
Ken Pawlitz
Janet Riggs
Tom Dittman
Ryan V
Marilyn Anderson
Lois (Pat Tomlinson's friend)
Helen Goltz
Dorothy Johnson
Carlene Kneebone
Reginald Wright

COMFORT IN MOURNING

Larry McGill & Family- -after his wife, Corinne's recent passing
Family of Joan Babbit- after her recent passing
Family of Gordon Cumming- (May Shorthouse's brother in law)
Joanne Sharp Finnegan & family- husband, Paul passed suddenly

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

SrA Shawn Konikson- US Air Force
Mike Stroud- US Air Force (Shirley Coar's grandson)
Kendra- requested by Fred Walker
Jason Barr – Booths' cousin
PFC Julian Lee- US Army
Private Michael Hempton- US Army
Col. Jason Hollaran-US Army

GENERAL/GLOBAL

Members of Erin Presbyterian Church- last service held on June 25
 Those struggling in personal and spiritual crisis
 Victims of unrest & injustice throughout the world
 Second Mile Center
 Those seeking work
 Missionaries serving worldwide
 Those experiencing homelessness
 An end to violence in our nation

Please inform the church office of updates or if you know of someone who is well enough to be removed from our prayer chain. Thank you.

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SESSION

Moderator: Rev. Mary Bahr-Jones

Clerk: Valerie Robbins

Sharon Gire
Dave Konikson
Jeff Turner

Phil Cunningham
Dorothy Harrington
Marge Kunz

Lori Haralson
Matthew Hurst
Valerie Robbins

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Moderator: Joyce Harrison

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Joyce Harrison

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Carlene Kneebone
Randy Tuck

Sue Gough
Jodie Horan
Margie Hurst

NLPC Weekly Calendar

MONDAY, July 3, 2017

Church Office Closed

8:00 PM AA

TUESDAY, July 4, 2017

Church Office Closed

8:00 PM AA, Alanon,
Alateen



WEDNESDAY, July 5, 2017

**Please note that the church office will be
open from 9am to 3 pm on Wednesday, July 5

THURSDAY, July 6, 2017

11:00 AM Prayer/ Study Group

SUNDAY, July 9, 2017

9:30 AM Prayer Partners

10:00 AM Worship

11:15 AM Coffee & Fellowship