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# *New Life Presbyterian Church*

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July 30, 2017

10:00 a.m.

*But the fruit of the Spirit is*



*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  
Eighth 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 the goodness and kindness of God's 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 the goodness and kindness of God in Christ Jesus!*

\*HYMN #366      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

CALL TO CONFESSION

## UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*God of goodness and ever loving kindness, you call us to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you. We confess that too often we fall short of your call. We feel the injustices of the world are beyond our influence, so we stand silently by. We seem always pressed for time, so that we reach out in kindness only when it is convenient. And, when we do seek justice or act in kindness, we view ourselves as good. Remind us to walk as Jesus walked with humble generosity toward those around him. Fill us with your Spirit of goodness and kindness. Let your loving generosity work through us reaching out to those in need. Hear us now, as we offer you 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

\*#286

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God (verses 1-3)*

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

THE WORD INTERPRETED FOR CHILDREN

SPECIAL MUSIC

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD OF GOD

Titus 3:4-8

Pew Bible NT p. 203

This is the Word of the LORD;

*Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

*You are THE Somebody*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*HYMN # 60

*I, The Lord of Sea and Sky*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## 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.*

## SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

### OFFERTORY

#### \*SONG OF DEDICATION

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

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### SENDING OUT INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN #309      *Come, Great God of All the Ages*

\*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, Jupiter First Church (Deborah Kaiser-Cross) 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** – New Life collects canned goods for the needy in our community on the first Sunday of the month. Please bring your donation to church next Sunday but we ask that you be sure that all food donated is not expired. Thank you for your cooperation.



**Rachel Circle** The ladies of Rachel Circle will meet for lunch at Noon on Thursday, August 10th at the Honey Tree Restaurant. It is located in the Walmart Plaza at Mound and Hall Road. All ladies are welcome to join us for a tasty lunch and friendly conversation. Please let Lynn Booth know if you will attend.



**Red Cross Blood Drive** – New Life is hosting a blood drive on Thursday, August 17th from 2:00 pm to 7:45 pm in Agape Hall. Please help the Red Cross fight the usual summer blood shortage by signing up to donate blood that day. Sign up on the bulletin board or call the office to make an appointment. Walk-ins are always welcome, too. Contact the Church Office with any questions.



**Bakers and Hosts Needed!**

We are in need of volunteers to donate baked goods (pies and cookies) and also to host the Canteen on August 17th for 2 hour time slots. To volunteer to help in any way, sign up on the bulletin board or call Bruce Short. Special thanks to all who are able to volunteer to make our drive a success!



**Deacons Meeting**



The Deacons will meet after church on August 27th to finalize plans for the church picnic to be held on Sunday, September 10. See you then!

Joyce Harrison, Moderator

### 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!



### 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!



### The Minister's Memo...



Mother Teresa once said: "Three things in human life are important;  
The first is to be kind,  
The second is to be kind,  
The third is to be kind."

### Telling Your Story



Pastor Mary has been 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.

# ***PRAYER CONCERNS***

## PRAY FOR HEALING

**Karen Duff**  
**Fred Walker**  
**David and Joseph** - friends of Gough family  
**Dorene Rockey**  
**Francis Booth**  
**Winnie Fulton**  
**Glenn Watterworth**  
**Dave Bousquette**  
**Brenda Pomeroy**  
**James Tomlinson**  
**Louise Koczab**  
**Shirley Honor**  
**Joan Mc Bride**  
**Marge Kunz**  
**Mark & Shannon McGregor**  
**John Turner**-(Jeff's brother)  
**Joan Lockard**  
**Lindle Lussier**- friend of Pat Tomlinson)  
**Shirley Wintermuth**  
**Sherie** -(Marlene Misuraca's daughter)  
**Jayne** (Sandra Day's daughter/Karen Tuck's sister)

## STRENGTH AND HOPE

**Heather** --(friend of Shelley)  
**Jenni Madigan**  
**Danielle and her preemie**  
**Catherine Meeka**- --(friend of Shelley)  
**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**

## COMFORT IN MOURNING

**Marilyn Wright and Family**-after Reg's passing this week  
**Family of Manuel Rodriguez** (Margie Hurst's brother-in-law) after his recent passing  
**Family of Corinne McGill**- after her recent passing  
**Family of Joan Babbit**- after her recent passing

## 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.

## ***New Life Presbyterian Church***

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*Church Office 586-731-6133 fax 586-731-6629*

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[office@newlifepresby.org](mailto:office@newlifepresby.org)

*Reverend Mary Bahr-Jones, Interim Pastor*

### **CHURCH STAFF**

Wendy Mueller, Secretary  
Shelley Claeys, Secretary

Edyta Jaros – Music Director  
Sana Mansour – Child Care Supervisor

### **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

### **DEACONS**

Moderator: Joyce Harrison

Secretary: Shayla Hansen

Francis Booth  
Lynn Booth  
Shirley Coar  
Joyce Harrison

Bruce Duff  
Shayla Hansen  
Carlene Kneebone  
Randy Tuck

Sue Gough  
Jodie Horan  
Margie Hurst

## **NLPC Weekly Calendar**

### **MONDAY, July 31, 2017**

9:00 AM Honey-Doers  
11:00 AM Study Group  
8:00 PM AA

### **THURSDAY, August 3, 2017**

11:00 AM Prayer/ Study Group  
7:00 PM Band Practice

### **TUESDAY, August 1, 2017**

9:00 AM Presbytery COM Meeting  
8:00 PM AA, Alanon, Alateen

### **SUNDAY, August 6, 2017**

9:30 AM Prayer Partners  
10:00 AM Worship w/Lord's Supper  
11:15 AM Coffee & Fellowship  
7:00 PM Venture Crew

### **WEDNESDAY, August 2, 2017**

7:00 PM Discipleship Growth  
7:00 PM Anxiety Support Group