
New Life Presbyterian Church

April 22, 2018

10:30 a.m.



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

Guest Worship Leader:	Reverend Caleb Jones
Music Director:	Edyta Jaros
Liturgist:	Jodie Horan
Ushers:	Francis Booth,, Jodie Horan and Don Soule

Service for the Lord's Day
Fourth Sunday of Easter

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in the name of the risen Lord.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

We gather as sisters and brothers of the resurrected one.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

We gather to share our faith and to worship God.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

We gather to continue to proclaim the good news of Easter!

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

HYMN #267 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Risen Lord, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and

too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name and what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open us to a future in which we can be changed; and help us to grow more and more in our likeness. This we ask in your name.

Hear now our silent confessions...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus, our Risen Lord,
Is a Lord of love and of forgiveness.
Know that you are forgiven in his name.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

...May the peace of our Lord Jesus be with you!
And also with you.

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

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 hope, please be mindful of this by either reaching your hand out for a handshake, or asking, "May I hug you?" before giving a hug.

SONG OF PRAISE

*#305

Come Sing, O Church, In Joy! (v 1, 3 & 4)

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

THE WORD INTERPRETED FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Not to Us, O Lord

NLPC Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD OF GOD

1 John 3: 3-24

Pew Bible NT p. 226

Acts 4:5-12

Pew Bible NT p. 113

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

SERMON

Anonymous Christianity

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #263 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray...

...Hear us as we pray together the prayer that you taught us, saying:

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

Grace Like Rain

Praise Band

*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 heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING OUT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #264

At the Name of Jesus

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Go now...

...And let all God's people say:

Alleluia and Amen!

POSTLUDE

**Those that are able may stand.*

Today's liturgy inspired / adapted from the following resources: PCUSA Book of Common Worship; re-Worship.blogspot.com.

New Life Opportunities & Announcements



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



2017 Giving Statements – have been distributed. If you did not receive a statement, please call the church office to have one prepared for you. Thank you!

Notes and reflections on this week's sermon:

Looking for Liturgists!

We are in need of liturgists for the coming summer months. 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 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!



*New Life Fellowship
is sponsoring ...*



Take this opportunity to get to know your church family better through fellowship, food, and fun!
Each group of 8 will meet together for 4 consecutive months to share a meal.
Your group can meet at a restaurant or rotate hosting dinner at your homes with each person bringing a dish to share.
Sign up on the bulletin board outside the office!

Beautiful Flowers!



Please remember that you may order flowers to display in the sanctuary for any occasion throughout the year. Warm someone's heart while beautifying our sanctuary! Honor a special person or occasion or place flowers in memory of a loved one. Order forms are available on the bulletin board across from the office. See Margie Hurst for more details.

NLPC Self Study



In response to several inquiries, the self study report that was submitted to the Presbytery has been made available to all members. There are three copies in the library that are available for your viewing on site. If you would like to have a copy of the report to view at home at your leisure, please contact the church office and one will be emailed to you.



DISCIPLESHIP GROWTH

**Please join us at 11:45AM in Agape Hall for light refreshments.
12:00 PM Sunday School
Childcare is available from 10:00AM-1:00PM.**

By providing educational opportunities for all ages our mission is to deepen knowledge and understanding of the Bible, strengthen relationships with Christ, increase the desire to share our faith and to grow Christian leaders both within and outside the church community.

Sunday School – Ages 3-12 Deep Blue Learn & Serve!

The children will have the opportunity to dive deep into God's word with the CEB Deep Blue Bible. This program will teach them about God and what it means to be a follower of Jesus through Bible stories and opportunities to serve as disciples in the classroom, the local community, and the world! Kids will explore Guatemala, Kenya, Alaska, and Armenia throughout the year as they dive deep into God's Word together.



Prayer Group

Thursdays: 11:00 am - NOON

The Thursday Prayer Group has finished the Prayers of Jesus program. We will continue to meet for weekly prayer at 11:00 AM, so please feel free to join us. A new prayer program will begin very soon. Keep your eyes and ears open!

Faith Lessons Video Series-

Mondays: 10:30 am - 11:45 am in Agape Hall

Filmed on location at Israel's historic sites, Faith Lessons on the Death and Resurrection of the Messiah focuses on the last week of Jesus's life, his death and resurrection, and the Holy Spirit's arrival at Pentecost. In this next volume in the Faith Lessons Series, Ray Vander Laan—a noted historian and teacher—will help us to understand the significance of the sacrifice that Jesus made on our behalf by taking us to the locations of the events leading up to the crucifixion of Jesus and sharing with us the cultural context in which these events took place. The insights offered in this marvelous series will help to deepen your faith in God's love expressed in the sacrifice of Jesus.

PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAY FOR HEALING

Steve Jones
Brinlee Capazolli- (Jeff Turner's cousin)
Lana Horvath
Lillian Dodge- (friend of the Goughs)
Baby Scarlett (Sandra Day's great granddaughter)
Wendy Quick
Bruce Short
Marge Kunz
Shirley Wintermuth
Sallie Bousquette- (George Bousquette's sister-in law)
Jodie Horan
Autumn Zeisler
John Turner
Patti Jones- (Cliff Robbins' sister)
Nancy Bechtel
Terry North
Ian- (Anne Rae's grandson)
Steven- (Friend of Dave Konikson)
Rusty Estlow- (Karen Duff's mother)
Michael DiPasquale
May Shorthouse
Winnie Fulton
Glenn Watterworth
Shirley Honor
Joan Mc Bride

STRENGTH AND HOPE

Carlene Kneebone
Catherine Meeka- --(friend of Shelley)
Curt & Lisa Albrecht & Family--(friends of Schroeders)
Diane Burr-(Lori Haralson's friend)
Dean- (Margie Hurst's nephew)
Ken Pawlitz
Tom Dittman
Marilyn Anderson
Helen Goltz

COMFORT IN MOURNING

Pastor Renee & Family- after the recent passing of her brother
Family of Janet Riggs- after her recent passing
Family of Rosemary Janowicz- (Chuck Gough's aunt) after her recent passing
Family of Dorothy Johnson- after her recent passing
Sandra Harting & family - after the recent passing of her mother, Marilyn Harting

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
Col. Jason Hollaran-US Army

GENERAL/GLOBAL

Those suffering loss and hardship from recent natural disasters
 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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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

Phil Cunningham
Dorothy Harrington
Marge Kunz
Calliandra Bowman-Tomlinson

Lori Haralson
Matthew Hurst
Valerie Robbins

Bill Bowman
Sharon Gire
Charles Gough

DEACONS

Moderator: Joan Lockard

Secretary: TBA

Bruce Duff
Shayla Hansen
Bernice Rutherford
Randy Tuck

Judy Doverspike
Jodie Horan
Margie Hurst

Bob Hitchcock
Cheryl Konikson
Joan Lockard

NLPC Weekly Calendar

MONDAY, April 23, 2018

9:00 AM Honey-Doers
10:30 AM Study Group
8:00 PM AA

THURSDAY, April 26, 2018

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

TUESDAY, April 24, 2018

8:00 PM AA, Alanon, Alateen

SUNDAY, April 29, 2018

8:45 AM Choir Practice
10:00 AM Prayer Partners
10:30 AM Worship
11:45 AM Coffee & Fellowship
12:00 PM Sunday School
2:00 PM Private Recital

WEDNESDAY, April 25, 2018

6:45 PM Tone Chimes Practice