
New Life Presbyterian Church

December 24, 2018

5:00 p.m.



Light

Calm & Bright

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 Director:	Edyta Jaros
Liturgist:	Cheryl Rockey
Ushers:	Francis Booth, Jodie Horan and Don Soule

Service for the Lord's Day
Christmas Eve

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Brass Ensemble
Milek Jaros, Frank Kunz, Marge Kunz

STANDING ON THE THRESHOLD

RESPONSIVE OPENING PRAYER

Lighting the Advent Candles

O God-with-Us, dear Emmanuel,
as we gather together as a church family
remembering that we are
part of the constellation of the human galaxy,
we open ourselves to you this night,
to become those who help to shine the light of Christ
wherever we are—in our lives,
our families, our communities, and our world.

*Fill us with your holy light,
make the world so calm and bright.*

*HYMN #133 *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

CALL TO CONFESSION

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

Amen!

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

ANTHEM *Hallelujah, Light Has Come*

Calliandra Bowman-Tomlinson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD OF GOD

MUSIC *Do You Know the Way to Bethlehem* Choir

Luke 2:1-16

MUSIC *Little Drummer Boy* Alex Jones
Milek Jaros, trumpet

Matthew 2:1-11

MUSIC *One King* Praise Band

John 1:1-14

This is the Word of the LORD;

Thanks be to God.

SERMON SERIES

CALM & BRIGHT

SERMON

God's Light

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN # 128 *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

...And now hear us as we pray together as Jesus taught us :

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

In The Bleak of Winter

Tone Chimes

*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 #122 *Silent Night*

Please, share the light with one another

By holding the lighted candle straight up and tilting the candle to be lit toward it

*Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright
'Round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.*

*Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar;
Heavenly host sing "Alleluia!"
"Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born!"*

*Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.*

*Silent night, holy night! Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King,
Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born.*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

We Need a Silent Night

Praise Band

POSTLUDE

**Those that are able may stand.*

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SESSION

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