
New Life Presbyterian Church

January 13, 2019

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

Worship Leader:	Rev. Mary Bahr-Jones, Pastor
Music Director:	Edyta Jaros
Liturgist:	Lori Haralson
Ushers:	Francis Booth, Jodie Horan and Don Soule

Service for the Lord's Day
Baptism of the Lord
Ordination & Installation

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Jubilate Deo

Tone Chimes

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 25)

Where We lift up our souls to you, Holy God.

We trust the Lord with our past, present, and future.

Teach us, Lord, that we may know your ways.

Guide our every move, Holy One,

that we may walk in your paths of love and mercy.

Let us worship the One who leads us in what is right.

Together, let us worship God!

*HYMN #450 *Be Thou My Vision*

CALL TO CONFESSION

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our world offers many wide avenues
and beautiful boulevards to walk;

Our God invites us to walk the road of service and sacrifice.

Our society suggests we put down our roots
in the shallow soil of pleasure and greed.

*Our God seeks to plant us on the banks of hope,
watered by the rivers of joy and grace.*

Our culture promotes achievement, success,
climbing to the top, ringing the bell.

*Our God tells us if we want to be first
we need to go to the end of the line.*

Let us turn to God in our time of worship!

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.

*SONG OF PRAISE

#448 *Peace of God Be with You* (2 times)

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

THE WORD INTERPRETED FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Ancient of Days

NLPC Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD OF GOD

Mark 9:30-37

Pew Bible NT p. 42

Philippians 2:1-11

Pew Bible NT p. 186

This is the Word of the LORD;

Thanks be to God.

SERMON SERIES

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

SERMON

Apostolic Jostling

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN # 761

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND
DEACONS

RESPONSIVE SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

There are varieties of gifts,

but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

*There are different ways of serving God,
but it is the same Lord who is served.*

God works through each person in a unique way,
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

*To each is given a gift of the Spirit
to be used for the common good.*

Together we are the body of Christ,
and individually members of it.

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

RENUNCIATIONS

To all present in the congregation:

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin
and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I do.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior,
trusting in his grace and love?

I do.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his
love?

I will, with God's help.

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

With the whole Church, let us stand and confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

Eternal and gracious God ...

...Remember your baptism and be thankful.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF ORDINATION

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

WELCOME

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

...This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ,
Who taught us to pray together 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

Forever

NLPC Praise Band

*SONG OF DEDICATION

#614 *Great Are You, Lord*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING OUT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #301 *Let Us Build a House*

*RESPONSIVE CHARGE AND BLESSING

We go nowhere by accident. Wherever we go,

God is sending us.

Wherever we are,

God has put us there.

God has a purpose in our being there.

God calls us to witness to world too often blind to his majesty!

Believe this and go in the grace and love and power
of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And let all God's people say:

Alleluia and Amen!

POSTLUDE

**Those that are able may stand.*

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!



Liturgists Needed! 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!



Greeters Needed!- We are in need of greeters to welcome all who enter our doors each Sunday. No experience is necessary, just sign up on the bulletin board and arrive with a smile on Sunday! The sign up sheet is posted across from Pastor Mary's office with many opportunities. Thank you in advance for being the face of our warm and welcoming congregation.

Notes and reflections on this week's sermon:

Today's liturgy inspired/adapted from the following resources: Prayers for Worship by E. Lee Philips; The Worship Resource Book by the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship; Book of Common Worship, PC(USA); Worship Service @ First Presbyterian Church of Ypsilanti.



Today the following Elders and Deacons were ordained* and installed:

Elders:

Shayla Hansen*
Dave Konikson
Frank Kunz*
Marge Kunz
Calliandra Bowman-Tomlinson

Deacons:

Lou Angyal*
Lynn Booth
Francis Booth
Dorothy Harrington

Please keep them in your prayers for guidance as they strive to provide strong leadership here at New Life Presbyterian Church.



**Special Congregational Meeting
Sunday, January 20, 2019**

The Session has called a Special Congregational Meeting for the purpose of presenting a proposal to sell the Clinton Township property and to seek approval to request permission from the Trustees to pursue the sale of that property. Please plan to attend.



Attention All Committee Chairs

The 2018 Annual Reports are due in the church office no later than January 29, 2019. Please submit your reports in electronic format either on a CD or by emailing it to office@newlifepresby.org. (2 to 4 PowerPoint slides would be perfect). Contact the church office if you have any questions.



Newsletter Deadline— Please note that the deadline for the February newsletter is Thursday, January 17. Please submit all articles electronically to the church office by 10:00 AM. Thank you!



Presbyterian Coffee Project

Help the farmers in third world countries. The next fair trade product order is being assembled for February delivery. See Stanley Iobst to place your order for coffee, tea and cocoa.

Many Thanks from the Mission Committee



On Saturday, December 22nd, NLPC assembled and delivered food baskets and Christmas gifts to 16 families in Macomb County, easing their food insecurity and helping them enjoy their holidays. A total of 83 people received enough food for over 1,740 meals. In addition, the 41 children in these families each received a Christmas gift. Thank you to all who donated money and/or bought gifts for the children. Thank you to the Christmas Food Basket Teams: 1) Shopping Team of Julie Angyal, Bob Hitchcock, Dave and Cheryl Konikson, and Denise Pauley, and 2) Assembly and Delivery Team of Lou Angyal, Bill Bowman, Calli Bowman-Tomlinson, Phil Cunningham, Bob Hitchcock, Shayla and Troy Hansen, Shirley Honor, Matthew and Danielle Hurst, Margie Hurst, Dave Konikson, Larry McGill, Denise Pauley, Cheryl Rockey, Don Soule, and James Tomlinson. And, a special thank you to Chuck and Sue Gough for managing and facilitating all of the activities for the Giving Tree and Christmas gifts. We made a difference in the lives of these families.



Attention All Deacons and Elders- Mailboxes have been assigned to all new deacons and elders. Please remember to check your mailbox often. Continuing deacons and elders should double check their mailboxes as some have been moved around. Non continuing deacons and elders should kindly empty their mailboxes as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Extended Communion

A new committee of elders and deacons has been formed to offer Extended Communion to anyone who is shut in: at home, in the hospital or in rehabilitation. Pastor Mary has trained these elders and deacons on how to share the elements and there is an abbreviated worship service to accompany communion. This service is available on the first Sunday of each month. If you know anyone interested in receiving communion in this manner please contact Dorothy Harrington at 586-552-7969 by the Thursday prior to the first Sunday of the month. This will allow time to make arrangements to serve all who request this service.





NEW LIFE Eco Challenge

Our Eco Challenge is well underway! We are inviting all members and friends to challenge one another to participate in activities that can make a difference to our environment. Check out the Eco Challenge bulletin board to see how you can participate!



Stewardship Thanks!

Thank you to all who have turned in promise cards of support for NLPC in 2019. If you have not yet submitted your card, please do so as soon as possible. Additional promise cards are available in the sanctuary. The session is thankful for your generosity which will help them to prepare the 2019 church budget.



There are still a few boxes of 2019 Giving Envelopes in the Narthex. Please check to see if you have a box waiting for you! Any questions can be directed to the church office.



Pastoral Search Update

The PNC is please to report that Presbytery COM has approved our Ministry Information Form and we are currently receiving resumes. The PNC will evaluate them and begin interviewing those who are deemed to be a good fit for our church. Please pray for God's guidance for our committee as we move forward toward selecting a new pastor here at NLPC.

2019 Per Capita



One of the regular expenses in the church budget is Per Capita, a yearly apportionment that each Presbyterian congregation is asked to pay to cover the administrative costs of the governing bodies. Your Per Capita contribution allows our mission dollars to be spent directly on mission projects rather than on the costs of administering a mission. Per Capita for the year 2019 is \$28.55 per church member. The total apportionment for New Life Presbyterian Church is \$3,939.90 . This is how much more New Life would have available for programs and missions if each member paid their per capita for the year. You may use the blue "Per Capita" envelope included with your offering envelope pack or clearly mark your contribution as "per capita". Feel free to contact the church office for more details on Per Capita contributions.



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.

Sunday School- Kids

Our Spark House All Kids program continues with studies from the Old Testament.

Adult Sunday School

CHRISTIAN: It's Not What You Think

Have you ever stopped to wonder, what it means to be Christian? Curiously, the term is never used in Scripture. Through eight engaging and enlightening sessions, Andy Stanley – a pastor and bestselling author – will examine the characteristics Jesus used to define those who followed him. The qualities, which Jesus prescribed for his followers, made them unique in the ancient world. What if believers today embodied these traits? This DVD based study will push us all to become better followers of Christ. We still have room for more- join us this week!

Prayer Group

Thursdays: 11:00 am - NOON

Have you ever thought of Christian faith as something that is contagious? Rather like a disease that you catch? What would it take for your faith to become contagious, so that other people actually wanted to be caught by God? On Thursdays our Prayer Group continues to study what it means to be Contagious Christians. Come join with us and find out!

Faith Lessons Video Series-Walk as Jesus Walked

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

Becoming a disciple of Jesus demands more than merely a deep commitment to the text and complete devotion to Christian community. The Messiah is king, and believers are called to pick up their crosses in daily pursuit after becoming like Him. Come join us for another insightful series by Ray Vander Laan – a noted historian and teacher – and rediscover the fierce passion of the apostle Paul and our early Christian brothers and sisters as the rabbi leads you through cities such as Aphrodisias, Antioch Pisidia, Lystra, and Cappadocia in ancient Asia Minor.

PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAY FOR HEALING

Sue Gough
 Nancy Bechtel
 Marilyn Winter
 George Steiger
 John Turner- (Jeff Turner's brother)
 Lori Haralson
 Bill Pitchford
 Dana and family -- (friend of Shelley)
 Alyssa- (Wendy Martin's granddaughter)
 Baby Scarlett (Sandy Day's great-granddaughter)
 Mike Day- (friend of Kevin Konikson)
 Tara Summers- (friend of Joyce Harrison)
 Jeanne- (friend of the Robbins family)
 Steve Jones
 Marge Kunz
 Jodie Horan
 Patti Jones- (Cliff Robbins' sister)
 Shirley Honor
 Joan Mc Bride

STRENGTH AND HOPE

Savana
 Bill & Joyce Pitchford
 Josie
 Rilynn, Paul & Kelsey Gryelewski
 Marlene Kanthook
 Pete Wickens & Family--(friend of Haralsons)
 Brendan Bonkowski and family
 Carlene Kneebone
 Catherine Meeka- --(friend of Shelley)
 Ken Pawlitz
 Tom Dittman
 Marilyn Anderson
 Helen Goltz

COMFORT IN MOURNING

Sue & Joe -- (friends of Fred Walker) after the recent death of Sue's mother
 Family of Bill Mundle-- (JoAnn DiPasquale's cousin) after his recent passing
 Family of Ellen Plume -- after her recent passing
 Family of May Shorthouse- after her recent passing

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Justin Wright- (grandson of Marilyn Wright)
 SrA Shawn Konikson- US Air Force
 Mike Stroud- US Air Force (Shirley Coar's grandson)

GENERAL/GLOBAL

All people dealing with hardship and loss from recent natural disasters, including evacuees and first responders
 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

Edyta Jaros
Music Director

Shelley Claeys
Secretary

Sana Mansour
Child Care Supervisor

SESSION

Moderator: Rev. Mary Bahr-Jones

Clerk: Valerie Robbins

Lori Haralson
Frank Kunz
Valerie Robbins
Calliandra Bowman-Tomlinson

Bill Bowman
Sharon Gire
Charles Gough

Shayla Hansen
Dave Konikson
Marge Kunz

DEACONS

Moderator: Joan Lockard

Secretary: TBA

Judy Doverspike
Jodie Horan
Margie Hurst

Bob Hitchcock
Cheryl Konikson
Joan Lockard
Dorothy Harrington

Lou Angyal
Lynn Booth
Francis Booth
Bruce Duff

NLPC Weekly Calendar

MONDAY, January 14, 2019

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

TUESDAY, January 15, 2019

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 PM Deacons Meeting
8:00 PM AA, Alanon, Alateen

WEDNESDAY, January 16, 2019

6:45 PM Tone Chimes Practice
7:00 PM Finance Committee

THURSDAY, January 17, 2019

Newsletter Deadline

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

SUNDAY, January 20, 2019

8:45 AM Choir Practice
10:00 AM Prayer Partners
10:30 AM Worship
11:45 AM Special Congregational
Meeting
11:45 AM Coffee Time
12:00 PM Sunday School
7:00 PM Venture Crew