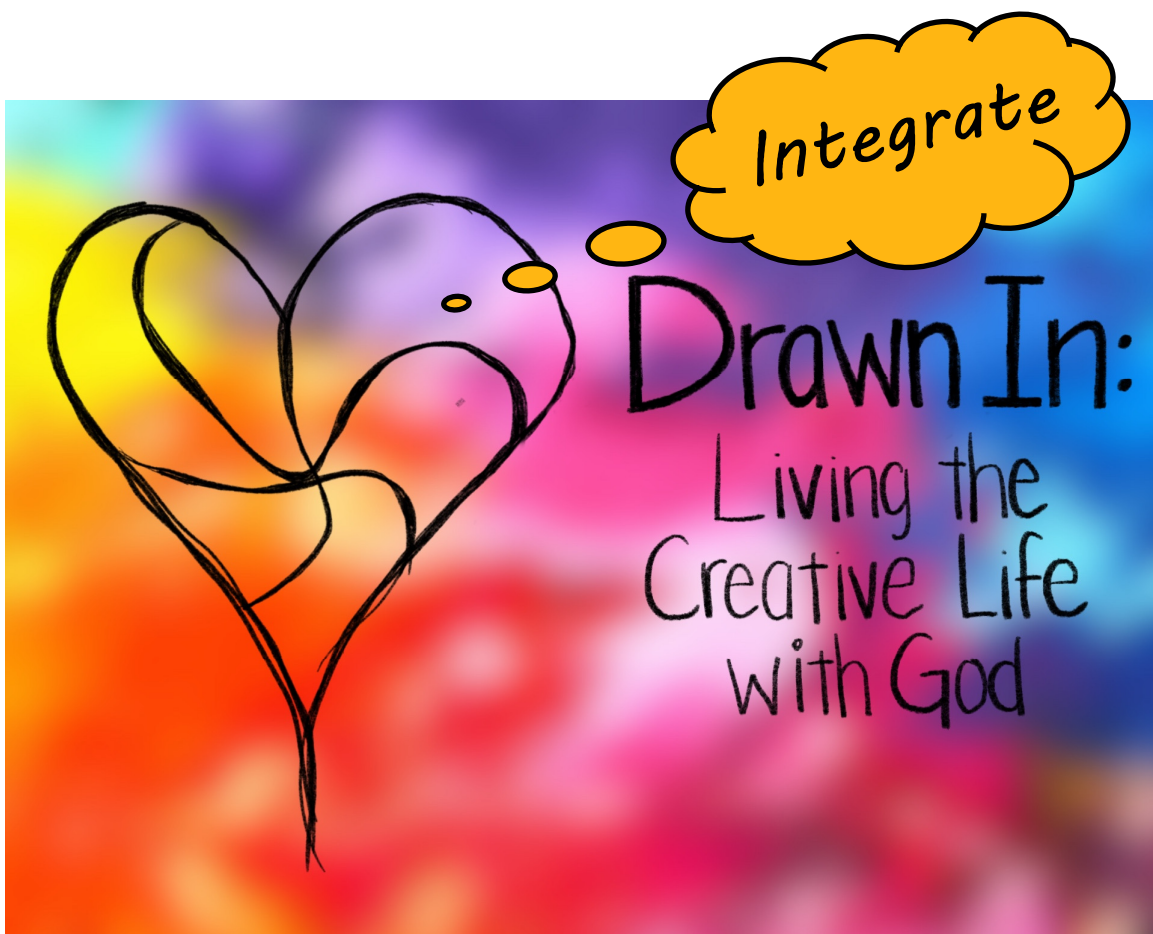

New Life Presbyterian Church

February 24, 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
Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING TO THE CREATIVE SPIRIT

In the world of the driven

Let us be drawn in

Let your love be a given

Let us be drawn in

To imagine, to dream, to create, to redeem

For the sake of the livin'

Let us be drawn in

INTEGRATING WITH GOD

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PRAYER INVOKING the CREATING SPIRIT of GOD

*HYMN #401 *Here In This Place*

CALL TO CONFESSION

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

Amen!

SHARING GOD'S CREATIVE SPIRIT

...

Please share God's vulnerability with those worshipping around you .

*SONG OF PRAISE

#291 *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* (verses 1 & 4)

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

THE WORD INTERPRETED FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM *One Bread, One Body* NLPC Choir & Band

PRAYER FOR INSPIRATION

THE WORD OF GOD

I Corinthians 12:12-19

Pew Bible NT p. 163

This is the Word of the LORD;

Thanks be to God.

SERMON SERIES

DRAWN IN

SERMON

Best Laid Plans

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN # 761 *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

INTEGRATING WITH GOD

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

(Adapted from "There is a Vitality" by Martha Graham)

OFFERTORY

We Are One in the Spirit

Tone Chimes

Offerings of the Heart

*We invite you to come forward and
place the names of those
who have touched you deeply
on the indicated section of the heart.*

Offerings of Treasure

*Tangible offerings in support of the church's ministry
may be placed in the offering plates
which are located at the front of the sanctuary.*

*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.*

*RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

...we contribute goodness to the world,
creating more life, more joy, and more love."

Praise be to God!

The Creator of all that is!

SENDING OUT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #733 *We All Are One in Mission*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

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For the sake of the livin'

Let us be drawn in

POSTLUDE

**Those that are able may stand.*

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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!

Notes and reflections on this week's sermon:



Bible Journaling Postponed

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Bible Art Journaling Retreat scheduled for Saturday, March 2nd has been postponed. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for release of the rescheduled date. Sorry for any inconvenience.



Red Cross Blood Drive – New Life is hosting a blood drive on Thursday, March 14th from 2:00 pm to 7:45 pm in Agape Hall. Please help the Red Cross save lives 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 March 1st for our blood drive. 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!

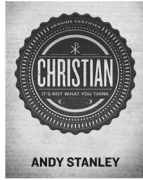


Canned Goods – New Life collects canned goods for the needy in our community on the first Sunday of the month. Please bring your donation to church next Sunday but we ask that you be sure that all food donated is not expired. Thank you for your cooperation.

YOU ARE INVITED!



Presbyterian Women of Detroit Invite You to a Day of Spiritual Renewal, Fun & Fellowship. All Women are Welcome! Saturday, March 23, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. \$30 registration fee. The retreat will be held at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington, 26165 Farmington Road Farmington Hills, MI 48334. Pick up a brochure from the back of the sanctuary for more details. Direct questions to Joan Lockard. (Note: Some men come with their spouses)



Monday Adult Study Group Note!

The group finished up the Faith Lessons video series and has begun the Andy Stanley series, *CHRISTIAN: It's Not What You Think*. Please feel free to join us this Monday as we always have room for more!



The ladies of **Presbyterian Women and Dorcas Circle** will meet together at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 12th in the church Library. Joan will be presenting the next 2 lessons in our study book. Lynn will bring a dessert. We will be planning for our annual Easter project of treat bags to be done for nursing homes at our April meeting. All ladies are welcome to join us.



Dinner for 8

New Life Fellowship's DINNER FOR 8 –
It went great!!!
SO

We're going to do it again ...

Each group will be meeting for dinner over the next few months. It will be a wonderful opportunity to get to know one another better through sharing food, fellowship, and fun!

If you would like to participate, we will be organizing new groups in February. If you are interested in joining in the 3F's, look for a sign-up on the bulletin board.



Liturgists Needed!

There are 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!



Church Office Hours This Week

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Office CLOSED Tuesday and Thursday



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.

Soup & Study Thursdays: 6:00 pm –

Join Us

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. Instead, Christian was a label used by outsiders to define Jesus' followers. Jesus referenced 'disciple' as the key word he used to describe his supporters along with the fact that they would be known for their love – a novel concept for their time – and ours today. Through eight engaging and enlightening sessions, we will listen to best-selling author and pastor, Andy Stanley, unpack the qualities Jesus prescribes for his followers that made them unique. What if believers today embodied these traits? Would the non-believing world put aside its definition of 'Christian' and instead know us by our love? Explore this question and more with us Thursday evenings at 6:00 pm as we share soup, break bread and challenge what you think!

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!

CHRISTIAN: It's Not What You Think

**New
Study!**

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

The group just began this new study on February 11 and we have room for more! Instead of calling his followers Christians, Jesus used the word 'disciple' to describe his supporters, who were known for their love. Through eight engaging and enlightening sessions, we will listen to best-selling author and pastor, Andy Stanley, unpack the qualities Jesus prescribes for his followers that made them unique. What if believers today embodied these traits? Would the non-believing world put aside its definition of 'Christian' and instead know us by our love? Explore this question and more as we challenge what you think!

PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAY FOR HEALING

Paul & Kelsey Gryelewski
 Sue Gough
 Joyce Pitchford
 Nancy -(Cheryl Konikson's mom)
 John Turner- (Jeff Turner's brother)
 Marilyn Winter
 Nancy Bechtel
 George Steiger
 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 Sumners- (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

Alex Rimac-(friend of Wendy Quick)
 Kenneth Bonkowski and family
 Savana
 Bill & Joyce Pitchford
 Josie
 Marlene Kanthook
 Pete Wickens & Family--(friend of Haralsons)
 Carlene Kneebone
 Catherine Meeka- --(friend of Shelley)
 Ken Pawlitz
 Tom Dittman
 Marilyn Anderson

COMFORT IN MOURNING

Karen Duff and family-after Bruce Duff's recent passing
 Paul Winter and family-after the recent loss of their great granddaughter, Rilynn
 Bob Boatwright & family- after the recent passing of his father
 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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SESSION

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Sharon Gire
Charles Gough

Shayla Hansen
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Marge Kunz

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Lou Angyal
Lynn Booth
Francis Booth

NLPC Weekly Calendar

MONDAY, February 25, 2019

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

TUESDAY, February 26, 2019

Church Office CLOSED

8:00 PM AA, Alanon, Alateen

WEDNESDAY, February 27, 2019

6:45 PM Tone Chimes Practice

THURSDAY, February 28, 2019

Church Office CLOSED

11:00 AM Prayer/Study Group
6:00 PM Soup & Study
7:30 PM Band Practice

SUNDAY, March 3, 2019

8:45 AM Choir Practice
10:00 AM Prayer Partners
10:30 AM Worship w/ Communion
11:45 AM Coffee & Fellowship
12:00 PM Sunday School
1:00 PM Discipleship Growth
7:00 PM Venture Crew

