

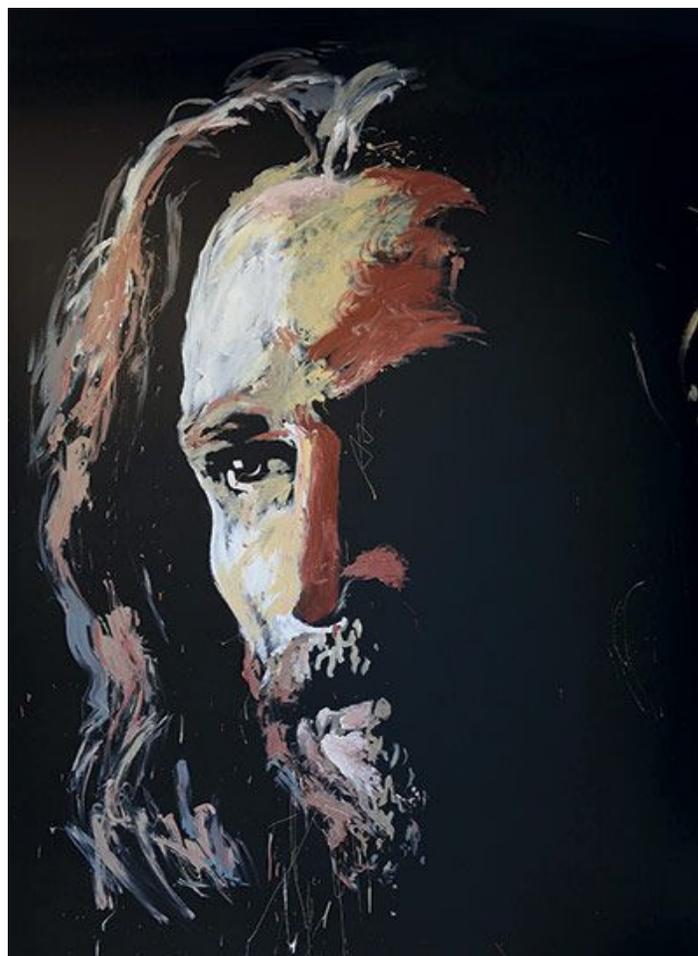
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# *New Life Presbyterian Church*

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March 10, 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:	Cheryl Konikson
Ushers:	Francis Booth, Jodie Horan and Don Soule

Service for the Lord's Day  
First Sunday in Lent

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEEKING the FACE of GOD *Man of Grace*

OUR CREATOR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

One thing do we ask.

*One thing do we seek.*

Our hearts say: "Seek the face of God!"

*We cry out: "Lord, do not hide your face from us!"*

God hears us.

*God sends us his Son.*

Our hearts long for Jesus.

*Jesus! Jesus! Man of Grace!*

We come seeking Jesus!

*Amen.*

\*HYMN #392 *Jesus, We Are Here* [3xs]

CALL TO CONFESSION

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

*Amen!*

SHARING the PEACE of JESUS

...May the peace of Jesus be with you!

*Also, with you!*

*Please share the peace of Jesus with those around you.*

\*SONG OF PRAISE

#842      *The Lord is My Light*      (verses 1, 8 & 1 )

FOCUSING on THE FACE of JESUS

THE WORD INTERPRETED FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM      *Praise the Name of Jesus*      NLPC Choir

PRAYER FOR INSPIRATION

THE WORD OF GOD

John 1:1-18

Pew Bible NT p. 86

This is the Word of the LORD;  
*Thanks be to God.*

SERMON SERIES      The FACES of JESUS

SERMON              *Son of God*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*HYMN # 630      *Fairest Lord Jesus*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Let us pray.*

*...And now hear us as we pray together as Jesus 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      *Wonderful, Merciful Savior*

Calli Bowman-Tomlinson

\*SONG OF DEDICATION

#605 *Praise to God the Father*

*Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son;  
Praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One.  
Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.  
Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING OUT INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN #596 *You Are Holy* [2 times]

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING (Numbers 6:24-26)

*Our Creator God...*

*...Let all God's people say:*

*AMEN.*

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*\*Those that are able may stand.*

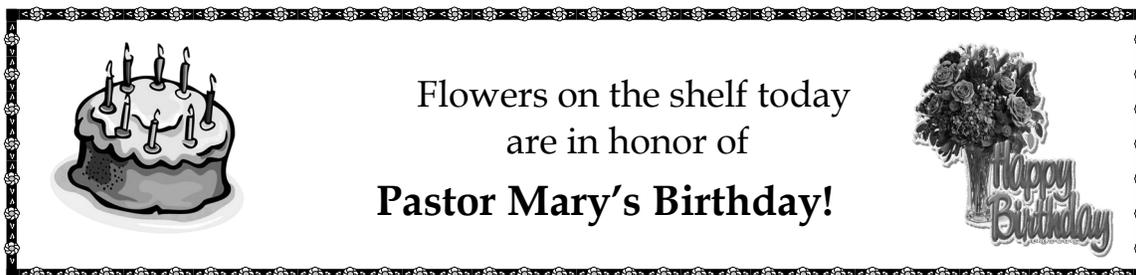
*Words and music for "Man of Grace" by Mary Bahr-Jones and Edyta Jaros.*

# 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:



Flowers on the shelf today  
are in honor of  
**Pastor Mary's Birthday!**



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.



**Red Cross Blood Drive** – New Life is hosting a blood drive this 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!



	<b><u>Church Office Hours This Week</u></b>	
	Monday, Wednesday- Friday Tuesday	9:00 AM – 3:00 PM OFFICE CLOSED



## 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.

## 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)



## Looking for Liturgists!

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!



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. One Great Hour of Sharing is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world. Each gift to the Offering helps provide relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. We will be collecting the OGHS offering during the season of lent, through Palm Sunday, April 14. For your convenience, envelopes are available in the pews. Please give prayerful consideration to your contribution this year.



## The Minister's Memo -Lent

Today is the First Sunday of Lent. This 40 day period of time from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday (not counting the Sundays during that time, which remain celebrations of Christ's resurrection) is one of the most significant seasons of the church year. It is a time of reflection, introspection, and repentance. It begins on Ash Wednesday with the reminder from the scriptures that "we are dust, and to dust we shall return". More than a time to "give things up for Lent", it is a time for every disciple of Christ to invest more fully in the spiritual journey of being formed more and more into the likeness of Jesus Christ. It is God's desire that each of us become a reflection of the face of Jesus!

### 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.



### 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.

**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**

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!

**New  
Study!**

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Reverend Mary Bahr-Jones, Interim Pastor

## **CHURCH STAFF**

Edyta Jaros  
Music Director

Shelley Claeys  
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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: Dorothy Harrington

Judy Doverspike  
Jodie Horan  
Margie Hurst

Bob Hitchcock  
Cheryl Konikson  
Joan Lockard  
Dorothy Harrington

Lou Angyal  
Lynn Booth  
Francis Booth

## **NLPC Weekly Calendar**

### **MONDAY, March 11, 2019**

9:00 AM Honey-Doers  
10:30 AM Study Group  
7:00 PM Troop 210 Committee  
8:00 PM AA

### **THURSDAY, March 14, 2019**

11:00 AM Prayer/Study Group  
2:00 PM Blood Drive  
6:00 PM Soup & Study  
7:30 PM Band Practice



### **TUESDAY, March 12, 2019**

***Church Office CLOSED***

2:00 PM Pulmonary Support Group  
6:00 PM Orchard Family Services  
7:00 PM Dorcas Circle/Presb. Women  
8:00 PM AA, Alanon, Alateen

### **SATURDAY, March 16, 2019**

11:00 AM Bruce Duff Memorial Service  
\*visitation at 10:30 AM

### **WEDNESDAY, March 13, 2019**

11:00 AM Jim McBride Funeral Service  
6:45 PM Tone Chimes  
7:00 PM Finance Committee  
7:00 PM Anxiety Support

### **SUNDAY, March 17, 2019**

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