
New Life Presbyterian Church

May 5, 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:	Reverend Charles Sadler II
Music Director:	Edyta Jaros
Liturgist:	Lori Haralson
Ushers:	Francis Booth, Jodie Horan and Don Soule

Service for the Lord's Day
Third Sunday of Easter

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

The bread of life opens our eyes.

The word of life opens our ears.

The risen one shows us God's own brokenness,

and by those wounds we are healed.

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

*HYMN #242 *Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded*

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God,

Easter has come and gone, and we are not living into the new life

that Jesus gave us. You promised and gave to us life abundant, yet we so easily slip into old habits we want to leave behind. We sin day to day, and then night to night. Holy God, we know that our old lives are dead to sin and that we are free to new lives with Christ. Call and Guide us towards being in new creation with you and forgive us of our sins.

Hear now our silent confessions...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

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

And also with you.

Please share Christ's peace with those worshipping around you

*SONG OF PRAISE #243 *Be Not Afraid (2xs)*

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

THE WORD INTERPRETED FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Anchored to the Rock

NLPC Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD OF GOD

John 21:13-19

Pew Bible NT p. 109

Acts 9:1-19

Pew Bible NT p. 119

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

SERMON

Suffer for God

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #314 *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

... through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who taught us to pray, 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

#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 #828 *More Love to Thee, O Christ*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

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

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! 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!

Notes and reflections on this week's sermon:



Canned Goods – Today is the first Sunday of the month so we are collecting canned goods for the needy in our community. Please place your donation in the baskets in the sanctuary. Please be sure that all food donated is not expired. Thank you for your cooperation.

Circle News



The Presbyterian Women and Dorcas Circle meet on Tuesday, May 14 at 7:00 pm in the Church Library. We will finish up our current study led by Joan Lockard. Elaine Watterworth will lead our meeting and share a devotion. Dessert to be provided by Dorothy Harrington. All women are invited to attend.



The ladies of **Rachel Circle** will meet on Thursday, May 9th at 12:30 pm at Lakeside Family Restaurant. It is located on Schoenherr just S. of Lakeside Mall behind the Kroger Gas Station. Come and join us for good conversation and tasty food!



Looking for 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!



Listening for God's Whisper

In our effort to listen for God's guidance at this pivotal moment in the life of our church, the Session has posted a book on the bulletin board in the hall. This book –entitled Old and New – is for ideas. The church leadership would like to hear about your ideas of things the church family might do to be more hospitable to both friends and strangers. These could be things that the church has done in the past, which we could do again, or they could be things that the church has never tried.

Please, share your thoughts with your church leaders ... you never know when God is whispering to us through you!



Graduate Recognition Sunday

All NLPC members, their children and grandchildren who are graduating from high school or college (or did in the past year) will be recognized during worship on Sunday, June 2. All graduates must complete an Information Sheet and submit it to the church office by May 19th. Forms are available in the Narthex. Contact the church office to obtain one electronically. Thank you and congratulations to all of our graduates!



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.

GO FISH! Begins this Thursday!

Join us on Thursday night as we share soup and the first of six DVD study sessions by Andy Stanley that is sure to take the struggle out of sharing your faith. *Go Fish* offers a new perception of the word "evangelism" by showing how we can make it a natural, easy part of everyday life. Over the next six weeks, we will explore the motivation behind sharing our faith and engage in thought-provoking dialogue that can help change the way we approach others and share our faith. The first session focuses on the foundation of our call to be "fishers of men" from the perspective that we too were once in a position of needing to hear the good news about Jesus. Recalling our own need helps us grasp the importance of answering God's call to "go fish."





DISCIPLESHIP GROWTH

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

Sunday School- Kids

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

"Souper" Study – Go Fish

Thursdays: 6:00 pm Begins on May 9!



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Through six-DVD study sessions, we will explore the motivation behind sharing our faith and engage in thought-provoking dialogue that can help change the way we approach others and share our faith. The first session focuses on the foundation of our call to be "fishers of men" from the perspective that we too were once in a position of needing to hear the good news about Jesus. Recalling our own need helps us grasp the importance of answering God's call to "go fish."

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

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

Lynn Booth
Art Taylor-(friend of Julie and Lou Angyal)
Jeff Turner
Patty- (Shelley's sister-in-law)
Pastor Henry
Sue Gough
Jodie Horan
Paul & Kelsey Gryelewski
Joyce Pitchford
John Turner- (Jeff Turner's brother)
Marilyn Winter
Nancy Bechtel
Lori Haralson
Bill Pitchford
Dana and family – (friend of Shelley)
Alyssa- (Wendy Martin's granddaughter)
Tara Sumners- (friend of Joyce Harrison)
Jeanne- (friend of the Robbins family)
Steve Jones
Marge Kunz
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

Paul Hurst & family- after the passing of his brother, David this week
Joan McBride and family- after Jim McBride's recent passing
Family of Jacob Mathis- after his recent passing
Karen Duff and family-after Bruce Duff's recent passing
Paul Winter and family-after the recent loss of their great granddaughter, Rilynn

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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CHURCH STAFF

Edyta Jaros
Music Director

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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, May 6, 2019

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

THURSDAY, May 9, 2019

11:00 AM Prayer/Study Group
6:00 PM Souper Study BEGINS!

TUESDAY, May 7, 2019

Church Office CLOSED
8:00 PM AA, Alanon, Alateen

FRIDAY, May 10, 2019

7:00 PM LaLeche League

WEDNESDAY, May 8, 2019

6:45 PM Tone Chimes
7:15 PM Band Practice

SUNDAY, May 12, 2019

8:45 AM Choir Practice
10:00 AM Prayer Partners
10:30 AM Worship w/ Communion
11:45 AM Coffee Time
12:00 PM Sunday School

