
New Life Presbyterian Church

November 3, 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. Dr. Judith McMillan, Pastor
Music Leaderr:	Frank Kunz
Liturgist:	Bob Hitchcock
Ushers:	Francis Booth, Jodie Horan and Don Soule

Service for the Lord's Day
21st Sunday after Pentecost
Service of the Lord's Supper

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Come Now is the Time to Worship* NLPC Band

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Infinitely Faithful God, you draw near to us

in our joy and in our grief,

in our hope and in our fear.

When we are bowed down, you raise us anew.

We turn to you now in search of your healing touch.

God of eternal love,

move among us this hour.

Open our eyes, dispel our fears,

and show us the real life you have to offer.

Amen.

*HYMN #305 *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ininitely Faithful God, we confess that at times our doubts and fears override our faith and confidence. Forgive us when we lose sight of the promise of Your love and instead fall into fear and apprehension. Lift up our spirits, O Faithful One, and help us to remember the promise of new life here and now, not just the hope of resurrection for the future. We give thanks for Your Son, Jesus the Christ, who continues to offer us new life, who continues to turn us around and upside down, who continues to break down the walls of death in our own lives. Forgive us, restore us and renew us. In the name of our risen Savior, Jesus the Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

*...May the peace offered to us through Jesus be with you!
And also with you.*

Please share Christ's peace with those worshipping around you

**SONG OF PRAISE #658 God Is So Good*

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

THE WORD INTERPRETED FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

A New Mind

NLPC Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE WORD OF GOD

Numbers 6:22-26

Luke 19:1-10

Pew Bible OT p. 119

Pew Bible NT p. 77

This is the Word of the LORD;

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

I See You

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #69

Here I Am, Lord

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe:

The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for women and men when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience, the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to all, moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.

The new life takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.

The new life does not release people from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust, and fear. They still have to struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems. Nevertheless, as they mature in love and faithfulness in their life with Christ, they live in freedom and good cheer, bearing witness on good days and evil days, confident that the new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others.

The new life finds its direction in the life of Jesus, his deeds and words, his struggles against temptation, his compassion, his anger, and his willingness to suffer death. The teaching of the apostles and prophets guides men and women in living this life, and the Christian community nurtures and equips them for their ministries.

(PCUSA Confession of 1967: 9.21-9.24)

SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

OFFERTORY

All Things New

NLPC Band

*SONG OF DEDICATION #614 *Great Are You Lord*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

As Presbyterians, we welcome all those who trust in Christ to come to the Lord's Table with us, trusting not in our own worthiness, but in God's grace. We will receive communion today by intinction. At the indicated time, you may come forward by the center aisle to take a piece of bread from the basket, dip one end of it in the cup, and eat before returning to your seat by the side aisles.

A separate plate and chalice will be provided for those who choose gluten free bread. There is no alcohol in the communion juice.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

O Infinitely Faithful God,...

...Trusting...

...Jesus, 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

...These are the gifts of God for the people of God;
Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

I Come With Joy

Tone Chimes

CONCLUDING PRAYER

SENDING OUT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #203

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

*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 a world desperately in need of his infinite love!

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!

Notes and reflections on this week's sermon:



Welcome Pastor Judi!

New Life Presbyterian Church is pleased to welcome our newly selected pastor, Judith McMillan. Today is her first official service as Pastor of New Life Presbyterian Church . We are happy to welcome her with kind, loving and supportive arms.



Annual Meeting
of the Congregation

Mark Your Calendar!

New Life Presbyterian Church will hold our annual congregational meeting following worship on Sunday, November 17. The meeting is for the purpose of electing new elders and deacons to lead our church into the future and to elect the 2020 nominating committee. Please plan to attend.



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.



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.

Veteran Recognition Sunday! November 10, 2019



The New Life Presbyterian Church family is grateful for the service of all men and women who have served our country. All are welcome to join us to celebrate courage and to honor our veterans.



We will meet in Fellowship Hall following worship for a time of fellowship and appreciation while enjoying light refreshments.



Presbyterian Women Thank Offering Dinner

The Presbyterian Women and Dorcas Circle invite All to our Thank Offering Dinner Out at the Aspen Restaurant (20333 Hall Road, Macomb, MI 48044.) on Tuesday, November 12th at 6:30 PM There will be a short program and a good will offering collected. Please let Dorothy Harrington or Lynn Booth know if you will attend.

The Thank Offering is collected in the fall of each year and gives women a tangible way to express their gratitude for the special blessings in their lives. The offering funds projects such as, child care, community organization, drug counseling, economic justice, elderly care, homelessness, literacy, violence and women's concerns. Donations can be made using the envelopes at the back of the sanctuary. Please let Dorothy or Lynn know if you will attend-by November 10th so a final count can be provided.



Red Cross Blood Drive – New Life is hosting our last blood drive of the year on Thursday, November 14th from 2:00 pm to 7:45 pm in Fellowship Hall. Please help the Red Cross meet their goal of saving 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.



Together, we can save a life

Bakers and Hosts Needed!

We are in need of volunteers to donate baked goods (pies and cookies) and also to host the Canteen on November 14th for 2 hour time slots.

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!



Urgent Need for Liturgists!

Our Liturgist Sign up sheet is full of openings! 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!



Rachel Circle The ladies of Rachel Circle will meet on Thursday, November 14th at 12:30 pm at Lakeside Family Restaurant. It is on Schoenherr just S. of Lakeside mall across from Kroger Store and behind their Gas Station. Come and join us for lively conversation and a tasty lunch together. Please let Lynn Booth (586-781-6753) know if you will attend.





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.

Job Opportunity!



New Life is actively seeking a Children's Ministry Teacher. This would be a part-time, paid position within the church. About 4 hours a week is what is desired, with extra time as needed to assist with special programs that occur throughout the year. The curriculum is provided, but the teacher would be expected to work creatively with that material to engage the children through fun, active, creative experiences and games that reinforce the lessons. This individual needs to be at least 18 years old, have good interpersonal skills and the ability to work gracefully with children, volunteers and parents. They must be dependable and have reliable transportation. It is preferred that they have previous experience with children-volunteer work or being enrolled in childhood development or primary education courses in college is acceptable. There is another adult volunteer that will be assisting during Sunday school also. If you or someone you know sounds like the perfect match, please contact Lori Haralson for a full job description and/or to set up an interview.



Thanksgiving Mission Food Baskets

New Life Presbyterian Church is planning a Thanksgiving Food Basket Delivery Program to help families in our community. The baskets will contain items for a Thanksgiving dinner plus grocery gift cards, paper products and baby supplies. We are collecting food items as well as monetary donations each Sunday through November 17th in order to fulfill our mission goal. See below for a list of desired items. Baskets will be assembled on the morning of Saturday, November 23rd. Assembly will start at 10am and delivery will follow at 11:30am. Drivers should arrive by 11:00 am. Please sign up on the mission bulletin board to participate. Also, if you are available on Friday, November 22 to help with the shopping of items for the baskets, please let Bruce Short know. Please see Bruce Short or any Mission Committee member with questions. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Mission Baskets

Please join the Mission Committee of New Life Presbyterian Church in filling Mission food baskets for those in need in our community. Please choose items from the list below (items tend to be the most expensive for families to obtain) when shopping for your donation:

*Canned Ham	Box of Jell-O	Can of Spaghetti-O's
*Canned Chicken	Box of Cake Mix	Can of Soup w/Meat
*Canned Turkey	Can of Frosting	Box of Success Rice or
*Canned Tuna	Can of Fruit	a bag of rice
*Jar of Peanut Butter	Boxed Macaroni	Box of Instant Potatoes
Jar of Jelly	& Cheese	(plain)
Box of Bisquick		

*** Items are High Protein Items**

The Mission Committee will be collecting donations through Sunday, November 17th, with the baskets being assembled on Saturday, November 23rd in Fellowship Hall. Thank you for helping to provide assistance to families in our community.



**Please join us at 11:45AM in Fellowship Hall for light refreshments.
Childcare is available from 10:00AM-12:00PM.**

Sunday School – New format!

Starting November 3rd, we will have Sunday School every other week only through the end of the year. The children will stay in church with their parents through the Children's message, and then be dismissed to their classroom. Everyone is enjoying the new curriculum, and we are excited to be working on the children's participation in the Christmas Concert. We are again seeking another teacher in our rotation. As participation increases, both student and teacher wise, we will happily return to offering classes every week. Please keep our team in your prayers.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact Lori Haralson.

"Souper" Study – Hebrews"

Thursdays: 6:00 pm

Join us on Thursday nights for a shared meal of soup and bread at 6:00 PM followed by an engaging bible study led by Charles Sadler beginning at 7:00 PM. The study will be based on the Book of Hebrews and we will dig deep into the message it has for us and how to keep growing with God. Come with an open heart and mind to see how to enrich your faith and improve your relationship with God.



Prayer Group

Thursdays: 11:00 am – NOON

Join with Pastor Mary and other members of our congregation to pray for special intentions here in our church and offer support for those needing God's guidance and healing love.

PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAY FOR HEALING

Marge Kunz
Patti-(Cliff Robbins' sister)
Judy Doverspike
Sandra Blair-(Dorothy Harrington's daughter)
Pastor Mary
Eva Claeys
Sue Stepniak
Suzanne Saunder
Barbara Kratz
Joyce Lawrence
Tom Hamblen--(friend of Craig Watson)
Sandy Bousquette
Nancy Bechtel
Norma O'Connor
Karen- (Fred Walker's daughter)
Henry, Amanda and Veronica- (friends of Paul Winter)
Denise Bidson--(Joan McBride's niece)
Ken Savage
Cameron Duff
Tara Duff
Jeffrey-(Joyce Lawrence's son)
Sharon Gire
Ken Pawlitz
John Turner- (Jeff Turner's brother)
Dana and family -- (friend of Shelley)

STRENGTH AND HOPE

Wendy Quick
Nya Hardeman
Ewa Grzybowska -- (friend of Edyta)
Lee Rosen-
Jeff Turner
Shirley Honor
Alex Rimac-(friend of Wendy Quick)
Kenneth Bonkowski and family
Bill & Joyce Pitchford
Josie
Pete Wickens & Family--(friend of Haralsons)
Carlene Kneebone
Tom Dittman
Marilyn Anderson

COMFORT IN MOURNING

Family of Larry Lawson- after his recent passing
Family of Mel Johnson- after his recent passing
Joan McBride & family- after Jim McBride's recent passing
Family of Jacob Mathis- after his recent passing

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Nathan Call- US Army (Valerie Robbins' nephew)
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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Edyta Jaros
Music Director

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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

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, November 4, 2019

9:00 AM Honey Doers
7:00 PM Troop 210 Leadership Meeting
7:00 PM Band Practice
8:00 PM AA

THURSDAY, November 7, 2019

11:00 AM Prayer Group

FRIDAY, November 8, 2019

7:00 PM LaLeche League

TUESDAY, November 5, 2019

Election Day

8:00 PM AA, Alanon, Alateen

SUNDAY, November 10, 2019

9:45 AM Choir Practice
10:00 AM Prayer Partners
10:30 AM Worship w/Veterans Day
Celebration
11:00 AM Sunday School
11:45 AM Coffee Time



WEDNESDAY, November 6, 2019

6:30 PM Tone Chimes
7:00 PM Anxiety Support Group
7:30 PM Choir Practice