



NEW LIFE

IN CHRIST CHURCH

A Communion of the Presbyterian Church in America

A service of worship of our Triune God

We welcome those visiting today and rejoice that you chose to worship with us!
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ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

October 20, 2024

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are joining us online, please sign our online guest book

SCRIPTURE CALL to WORSHIP

“Our help is in the name of the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.”

- Psalm 124:8 (ESV)

We are adding a “Call to Confession” this week. As we hear this Scripture being read, we remember that “no mere man, since the fall, is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but daily breaks them in thought, word, and deed.”

(WSC 82)

CHORAL MEDITATION

“A Jubilant Psalm”

- Adult Choir

HYMN

#23 “God of Gods, We Sound His Praises” (vss. 1-4)

PRAYER of INVOCATION

- *Pastor Sam Capitano*

SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP

- *Only a Holy God*

- *Oh the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus*

CALL to CONFESSION

Hear God’s Word as His will for your life:

The words of our Lord Jesus Christ:

“And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.””

- Matthew 22:37-40 (ESV)

The “Assurance of Pardon” in a Reformed worship service reminds us of God’s grace and forgiveness through Christ, to all who have believed in Him, affirming that as they confess their sins they are fully pardoned, that they walk in God’s love, and that they can serve and worship God with a clear conscience.

CONFESSION of SIN

Almighty God,

unto whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden—
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
so that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer (1552)

ASSURANCE of PARDON

[Jesus said,] “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

- Matthew 11:28–30 (ESV)

SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP *(cont’d.)*

- *His Mercy Is More*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

followed by the Lord’s Prayer

- *Pastor Bob Rumbaugh*

(Children 3-4 years old may leave for Junior Worship - room 134B)

OFFERTORY

“A Jubilant Song”

- Sanctuary Bells

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 3:14-16

SERMON

**Politics and Providence (Part 6):
“The Mission of the Church in a Negative World”**
- *Pastor Sean Whitenack*

HYMN

#255 “O Jesus, We Adore Thee” (vss. 1-3)

BENEDICTION

- *Pastor Sean Whitenack*

The 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.”

- Matthew 6:9-13

In the closing benediction, we look up believing that through Jesus Christ, we can approach God and know Him personally. In this way, we have the hope to “see His face”. We are expectant, trusting, and hopeful as we look to God for His grace, guidance, and peace. Physically looking up reminds us that true blessing comes from God above, and we point our hearts and minds heavenward.

**Politics and Providence (Part 6):
"The Mission of the Church in a Negative World"
1 Peter 3:14-16 and the Book of Daniel**

We need to remember what our mission is for the world. It is easy to become discouraged, to compromise, or to become fearful when basic Christian truths are rejected and ignored. We may become quiet or obnoxiously loud. As we look at 1 Peter 3 and the book of Daniel, we will remember our call to live faithfully as Christians in a hostile world by standing firm in our convictions, devoting ourselves to God, and boldly proclaiming the truth of the gospel, trusting that Christ is Lord, even when the world resists us.

How should Christians live out their faith and mission in a world that is increasingly hostile to the gospel?

1. Living by Christian Conviction (Daniel 3)

Hebrews 11:6

2. Living by Christian Devotion (Daniel 6)

1 Peter 2:12

3. Living by Christian Proclamation (Daniel 4)

Matthew 28:18-20

2 Timothy 4:1-5

Romans 1:16

Jesus had a clear understanding of His mission, and He endured the hostility of our world for the sake of saving His people (Isaiah 53:3-5).
In Him, we find the grace to boldly live out our faith.

Adult Sunday School Classes
Fall Quarter: September 1 - November 24
 (9:00 am - 9:45 am)

New Members: Covenant of Discipleship Class
 Pastor Sean's Office

Bible: Romans: Part 1 (Room 100)

When Helping Hurts (Room 219)

Our Presbyterian Heritage (Fireside Room)

Theology of Discipleship (Room 217)

See the "Welcome Board" in the foyer for details

| NLIC GIVING FY 2024 | General Fund | Faith Promise |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Weekly Budget | 19,124 | \$3,430 |
| Giving last week | 21,950 | 3,840 |
| +/- for week | +2,826 | +410 |
| +/- fiscal year | +607 | -2,400 |

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Parents check out our **Family Room** if your children get restless during the service. From there you can comfortably see, hear and participate in the service. The room is located across from room 139 in the educational wing. Please see a greeter or usher if you need assistance locating it. If the Family Room is full, room 100 serves as an alternate and receives the livestream on two monitors with ample seating.

The Nursery is available during Sunday School and worship service.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

TODAY

October 20 9:00 am Children and Adult Sunday School Classes
 10:00 am Worship Service - Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
 11:30 am Congregational Meeting (sanctuary)
 4:30 pm Youth Discipleship (6th - 12th grades)
 6:00 pm Evening Service: Jim Melnick speaking/NYC Mission Team Report

THIS WEEK

Monday

6:00 pm *Aging With Grace* study - Capitano home (see Lisa Capitano)
 6:30 pm ESOL (English Speakers off Other Languages) (rooms 100, 118, 120, Library)
 7:00 pm Missions Committee Meeting (room 217)
 7:00 pm Pickup Basketball

Tuesday

9:30 am Caregivers Support Group (room 215)
 3:00 pm Child's Praise (room 100)

Wednesday

4:00 pm Children's Arts Ministry (register at nlicc.org)
 9:30 am Women's Bible Study - 1 Corinthians (room 217)
 4:30 pm Pioneer Girls (fireside room)
 6:30 pm Spanish Language Bible Study (room 118)

Thursday

7:00 pm Christian Service (Boys) Brigade (sanctuary)
 7:00 pm College Care Group - 1708 Franklin Street (see Pastor Bob or Dayra Rumbaugh)

Friday

College Ministry Retreat (October 25-27)
 6:00 pm *IMGN Life/CHOICES* Women's Center - Infant Memorial Service
 6:00 pm Middle School Bonfire - Greenberg home (6:00 pm - 8:00 pm)
 7:00 pm Jujitsu class (room 100)

Saturday

Christian Service (Boys) Brigade - Battalion backpack trip (October 26-27)
 8:30 am Women's Breakfast - see insert (fireside rom)
 6:00 pm Harvest Party: *Trunk 'n' Treat* (fireside room/parking lot)

NEXT SUNDAY

October 27 9:00 am Children's and Adult Sunday School Classes
 10:00 am Worship Service - Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
 4:30 am Singles Mixer Planning meeting (fireside room)
 4:30 pm Youth Discipleship Groups (6th -12th grades)
 6:00 pm Evening Service: Reformation Service with Pastor Rick Trumbo preaching

FUTURE

November 1-3 MTW Global Mission Conference in Atlanta, Georgia
 November 2 10:00 am Christmas Cantata rehearsals (Choir 10:00 am / Orchestra 11:30 am)
 November 9 6:00 pm Orientation Dinner (fireside room)
 November 10 Early Registration begins for Women's Retreat (April 4-6)
 November 15-16 2024 Regional Women's Conference in Annapolis, MD
 November 16 9:00 am Youth Rake Day
 November 28 8:00 am Thanksgiving Day Dinner Outreach

This week's Fighter Verses (memorization)
1 Peter 3:18 (fighterverses.com)

Deacon on call this week: e-mail: nlicc@nlicc.org
 Drew Kittredge (540) 786-4848 or
www.nlicc.org and click on "Tell A Deacon"
 (Next week: Larry Root)

NEW LIFE KOREAN CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 1:00 pm Worship (sanctuary)
 Saturday 6:00 am Prayer (sanctuary)
 Daily 5:30 am Prayer (Tues. - Fri.) sanctuary

Library hours: Sundays
 9:45 -10:00 am and 11:30 - 11:45 pm
 Also by appointment.
 Contact Angie Henriksen - nlicc.library@gmail.com

Prayer and Praise

Pray for the victims of Hurricanes Helene and Milton. If you would like to help the victims you can do so through the PCAMNA website: pcamna.org/ministry/mna-diaster-response/. Pray for Jon Worman, Phil Stevenson, and Patrick Whalen as they return from a disaster relief trip today or tomorrow.

Pray for the work of Missions. This week's focus:

Jim and Karen Weaver - *MTW* (Senegal)
David and ETI Zadok - *JGP* - (Israel)

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. **Pray** for Christians, churches and missionaries in the Middle East given the recent warfare in the region. Pray for the gospel to spread and Christians to be protected.

Pray for healing for: Joe DiBella, Ricardo Perez, Fred Coppell and Elsie Cross (surgery 10/21) Pray for Eileen Roberts' recovery from knee replacement surgery. Pray for those caring for sick parents and for those dealing with neurological disorders.

Pray for the upcoming elections. Pray for godly leaders who lead in righteousness and justice. Pray for Christians as they exercise their liberty to vote. If you would like to register to vote, Laurie Tryfiates will be available in the foyer today to assist you.

Praise God for our Men's Retreat this weekend.

Pray for *Operation Christmas Child* and our ministry to children around the world.

Pray for our College Retreat (25th-27th) and the Christian Service (Boys) Brigade Battalion backpack trip (26th-27th)

Praise God for Jeremiah Both successfully passing the BAR exam. Pray for the witness we all have in our work.

Pray for our upcoming outreach ministries: *Trunk 'n' Treat* (October 26th) and our *Thanksgiving Dinner Ministry* (November 28th). Pray that we would share the hope of Christ at both of these events.

Praise God for the men who serve as elders. The session has nominated Dan Deaconson and Eric Schroeder to return to the session in 2025. We will have a congregational meeting on November 24th to consider and vote on these nominations. Speak with an elder or pastor if you have questions or concerns.

Announcements

The next meeting of the Singles Mixer Group is scheduled for October 27 at 4:30. Single men and women who are interested in organizing a young singles social group that focuses on shared events and activities are encouraged to attend. Contact Pastor Sean or Tami Mattozzi for more information.

CHOICES Women's Center is hosting a Infant Memorial Service for families who have lost a baby regardless of the circumstances. The service will be held on October 25th from 6:00-7:00 pm at The Riddick House at Stevenson Ridge, 6901 Meeting Street, Spotsylvania, VA 22553.

CCS Nursery Volunteers Needed: We are looking for a few people who can serve for two or more hours on Monday and Friday mornings from 8:30 - 12:30. It would enable our teaching moms to use that time with the students. We have three little ones in our nursery. If interested, please contact George Giddens.

Prayer Chain - Have a prayer request? Contact:

Krystal Dowell 540-287-3005; adowell8@msn.com
or Julie Root 540-842-3582; jrootva@gmail.com.

Prayer and Praise Requests

Date: _____

This request is for Pastors and Elders only

To Sign Up

(Name) _____

(Name) _____

- Would like to be a **Greeter** on Sundays
- Would like to be an **Usher** Sunday mornings
- Help fold bulletins**
- Would like to **place flowers** on the communion table

Occasion: _____

Date: _____

For: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

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