



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!
Please fill out the welcome card on the back of the bulletin ▶

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ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

February 23, 2025

"Our greatest hindrance in the Christian life is not our lack of effort, but our lack of acquaintedness with our privileges."

- John Owen
(d. 1683)

"We must re-grasp the idea of church membership as being the membership of the body of Christ and as the biggest honour which can come man's way in this world."

- Martyn Lloyd-Jones
(d. 1981)

"The children of believers are no less heirs of the covenant than their parents, and therefore by the right of the covenant they ought to be baptized."

- John Calvin
(d. 1564)

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

SCRIPTURE CALL to WORSHIP

“For what we proclaim is not ourselves,
but Jesus Christ as Lord,
with ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake.
For God, who said, ‘Let light shine out of darkness,’
has shone in our hearts to give the light
of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.”

- 2 Corinthians 4:5–6 (ESV)

HYMN

#34 “The God of Abraham Praise” (vss. 1-3, 6)

PRAYER of INVOCATION

- *Pastor Bob Rumbaugh*

SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP *(on screen)*

- *Psalm 150*

- *Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King*

COVENANT of DISCIPLESHIP *(on screen)*

HYMN

#347 “The Church’s One Foundation” (vss. 1, 2, 6)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

followed by the Lord's Prayer

- Pastor Sam Capitano

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

OFFERTORY

“Wonderful Words of Life” (697)

- Laurie Tryfiates

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

Genesis 31:1-55 (ESV)

SERMON

“Genesis: Conflict and Covenant”

- Pastor Sean Whitenack

HYMN

#598 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (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

"He that is not a son of
Peace is not a son of
God. All other sins destroy
the Church consequentially;
but Division and Separation
demolish it directly."
- Richard Baxter
(d. 1691)

“Genesis: Conflict and Covenant”
Genesis 31:1-55

How do we deal with difficult people? Relationships are often broken by conflict, mistrust, and sin. Yet, God calls us to follow Him, act with integrity, and pursue peace in His covenant. In our passage today, we will see how God leads His people out of conflict and into His promises.

I. Following God's Call in Difficult Relationships (Genesis 31:1-21)

Recognizing When a Relationship Has Turned - Gen. 31:1-2

Seeking God's Direction in Conflict - Gen. 31:3

James 3:16-18 – Wisdom from above is pure and peaceable.

Seeking Confirmation from Trusted Voices - Gen. 31:4-16

Proverbs 11:14, Proverbs 15:22 – The value of wise counsel.

Making a Clean Break - Gen. 31:17-21

II. Acting with Integrity in Conflict (Genesis 31:22-42)

1 Peter 2:15-17 – Integrity silences false accusations

III. The Value of Covenant Relationships (Genesis 31:43-55)

A covenant establishes an ongoing relationship

A covenant defines the boundaries and expectations of a relationship

A covenant establishes accountability in relationships

God's new covenant of grace - Jeremiah 31:31-34; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Conclusion and Application:

- Are you handling your conflicts with integrity?
- How are you trusting God's leadership in difficult relationships?
- Are you honoring the covenants you have made with God, in marriage, in church, others?
- How have you seen God's love in the covenant He has made with us in Christ?

Next Sunday we will celebrate the LORD's Supper at our morning service.
Pray this week that the Lord will prepare our hearts for Communion.

Adult Sunday School Classes
Winter Quarter: December 1 - February 25
(9:00 am - 9:45 am)

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

Bible: Romans: Part 2 (Room 100)

How to Read the Bible Room 219)

Creation, A Berean Approach (Fireside Room)

Discipleship in Practice (Room 217)

See the "Welcome Board" in the foyer for details

NLIC GIVING FY 2025	General Fund	Faith Promise
Weekly Budget	19,124	\$3,430
Giving last week	24,180	3,465
+/- for week	+5,056	+35
+/- fiscal year	+24,078	-9,276
Online Giving Available at www.nlicc.org/online-giving		

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* denotes currently serving on session
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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

February 23	9:00 am	Children and Adult Sunday School Classes
	10:00 am	Worship Service - Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
	11:30 am	Visitor's Luncheon - hosted by Yee Care Group (fireside room)
	4:30 pm	Youth Discipleship (6 th - 12 th grades)
	6:00 pm	Evening Service - Israel Missions trip report (Pastor Sean and Jim Melnick)

THIS WEEK

Tuesday	9:30 am	Caregivers Support Group (room 215)
	3:00 pm	<i>Child's Praise</i> begins (see Veronica Allison)
	4:00 pm	Arts Ministries - Child's Drama, Vocal and Bell Choirs
	6:15 pm	Sanctuary Bells
	7:15 pm	Adult Choir / Teen Drama
Wednesday	9:30 am	Women's Study - <i>Isaiah</i> (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)
	6:30 pm	Christianity Explored "One Life" (room 217)
Saturday	7:00 pm	College Care Group - 1708 Franklin Street (see Pastor Bob or Dayra Rumbaugh)
	10:00 am	Christian Service Boys Brigade <i>Stockar Races</i>
	1:30 pm	Praise Team rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY

Celebration of the LORD's Supper

50th Annual Missions Celebration: Jubilee - Proclaiming the LORD's Favor

March 2	9:00 am	Children's Sunday School Classes
	9:00 am	Combined Adult and Youth Sunday School Class (sanctuary)
	10:00 am	Worship Service - Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
	3:30 pm	Youth Leaders meeting (room 217)
	4:30 pm	Youth Discipleship / OASIS (6 th - 12 th grades)
	6:00 pm	Evening Service - ESOL / Afghan Ministry

FUTURE

March 7	7:00 pm	Session/Deacon meetings (rooms 217/215)
March 8	10:00 am	Easter Cantata rehearsal (10:00 am Choir / 11:30 am Orchestra)
March 15	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast - Scott Hill with <i>Cherokee Mission</i>
March 17	7:00 pm	Missions Committee Meeting (room 217)
March 22	10:00 am	Ladies Missions Brunch
March 22	5:30 pm	Missions Banquet - International Potluck
March 28-30		Senior High Youth Retreat (YoWAW)
April 4-6		Women's Retreat
April 11-13		College Ministry Spring Retreat - Corolla, NC
April 18		Good Friday Service
April 20		Resurrection Sunday with Cantata: <i>Come to the Cross and Remember</i>
April 25-27		PCA Singles Retreat
May 3		Baseball Season Opening Ceremonies

This week's Fighter Verses (memorization)
Romans 8:29-30 (fighterverses.com)

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

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.libraryatgmail.com

Prayer and Praise

Pray for those joining the church and taking the Covenant of Discipleship this morning: TJ Davies, SK Davies, David Fitzpatrick, Buz Jewell, Anne Jewell, Liam Stewart, Anna Stewart and Silas Reed.

Pray for the *50th Annual Missions Month Celebration: Jubilee - Proclaiming the LORD's Favor*, starting on March 2nd. Pray for the spread of the gospel in the work of worldwide missions. Join us for combined Sunday School classes in the sanctuary starting next week, and for breakfast food before Sunday School starts.

Pray for the work of Missions. This week's focus:
Jim and Karen Melnick *Friends of Russian Jewry*
Chris and Gosia Osiecki - *Slavic Gospel* (Poland)

Pray for the growth of the church in Israel. We will have an Israel Mission report at our 6:00 pm service tonight.

Praise God for a successful kidney transplant for Joe DiBella. Continue to pray for his recovery and the donor. Pray for those fighting neurological disorders.

Pray for New Life in Christ Church's 50th Anniversary Celebration. Our theme is, "We Have Seen His Glory" (1 Peter 2:9, Psalm 40:9). Pray for the picture directory, anniversary banquet and special events to renew us in our vision to build the kingdom through training leaders.

Pray for those struggling to make ends meet, for those looking for new work, and for those embarking on a new business endeavor. Pray for those who have been recently terminated from their jobs. Pray for those looking for work.

Pray for the work of church planting. We will have an interest meeting for a new church in Bowling Green or Ladysmith. The meeting will be April 7th at Calvary Baptist Church, 120 Milford St. Bowling Green, VA 22427.

Pray for the Hispanic Bible study here on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 with Pastor Rafael Santamaria. If you would like to connect someone with this Bible study, please speak with a pastor.

Let prayers be offered for all who are in authority, so that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified (see 1 Timothy 2:1-2). Why? So that the gospel message will go out (see 1 Timothy 2:3-4). Would you be willing to fast and pray this week for this purpose? Consider a week of social media fasting, with prayer and God's Word. Then invite someone to coffee and conversation, prayerfully expecting the Lord to advance the gospel in your life and the lives of your neighbors.

Announcements

Women's Retreat - There will be a final Women's Retreat sign-up table on Sunday March 2nd and 9th. Plan on making your final payments, picking roommates, carpooling, Saturday outings and other items those days.

Lost and Found - Once again our Lost and Found is bursting at the seams. Please take a look and see if any of these items belong to you. We have Bibles, books, drink containers, coats and more. If items are not claimed by March 9th they will be donated or tossed. Thank you.

Please note that the 2024 donation summary statements are available in the foyer for pick-up.

Prayer Chain - Have a prayer request? Contact:
Krystal Dowell 540-287-3005; adowell8atmsn.com
or Julie Root 540-842-3582; jarootvaatgmail.com.

Prayer and Praise Requests

Date: _____

This request is for Pastors and Elders only

To Sign Up

- 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: _____

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Need a Bible? We have Bibles available in the foyer.

Please turn off or silence your cell phones when entering the Worship Service

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We Are Glad You're Here!

Thank you for worshipping with us today.
Please let us know of your presence.

May God richly bless you!

Date _____

First and Last Name

First and Last Name

Family Members (Children)

Email: _____

Street/Apt

City/State/Zip

Telephone - Residence/Cell

1st visit? 2nd visit? 3rd visit?

Permanent residence/here until _____

Desire a local church home

Home church

 What brought you to our church?

 Update directory information

Comments

Please check appropriate groups:

- Pre-K/K Grades1-3 Grades4-6
 Jr High Sr High Age18-24
 25-40 41-55 Over 55

I'D LIKE INFORMATION OR INTERESTED IN:

- Care Group Sunday School
 Youth Group Missions
 Young Adult/College New Members Class
 Women's Ministry Baptism
 Men's Ministry Call me
 Music Ministry Appointment with
 Boys Brigade Pastor or Elder
 Pioneer Girls Church Membership
 Christ Covenant School
 Would like to be added to church mailing list

New Life in Christ Church

Sunday Service Times:

Worship Service 10:00 am
Adult & Children's Sunday School 9:00 am
Evening Service 6:00 pm

Office Hours: 8:30am - 4:30pm Monday-Friday

Ministry Team:

Sean Whitenack, *Senior Pastor*
Sam Capitano, *Assistant Pastor*
Bob Rumbaugh, *Assistant Pastor*
Jonathan Allison, *Music Director, Office Admin.*
Christine Fulcrod, *Ass't to Sr. Pastor, Ass't Admin.*
Veronica Allison, *Assistant Music Director*
Debbie Burnett, *Office Assistant*
Hannah Reed, *Children's Ministry Director*
Esther Servais, *Theatre Arts Director*
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