



# 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

January 24, 2016

## MEDITATION

Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands!  
Serve the LORD with gladness;  
Come before His presence with singing.  
Know that the LORD, He is God;  
It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;  
We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. -*Psalms 100:1-3*

Come worship the One  
who has all life in Himself.  
The gospel of Jesus Christ  
is the power of God for salvation  
to all who believe.

## GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL to WORSHIP

“I Call You to Praise”

### HYMN

#77 “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

## PRAYER of INVOCATION

### SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP *(on screen)*

*Sing Alleluia  
Lord, For Your Glory*

### PRAYER of CONFESSION *(on screen)*

Our Confession of Sin is by faith in  
the God who perfectly accepts us  
in the righteousness of Christ  
alone. As we confess, we  
acknowledge our life is from Christ  
and not from ourselves. As Chris-  
tians we live by faith alone. We  
always need Christ not just at the  
beginning of our Christian life  
but always. -Romans 1:17

Forever O Lord Your Word is settled in heaven.

Your faithfulness endures to all generations. *(Psalm 119:89)*  
Forgive us O Lord for failing to see that everything and every  
situation is ordered by the Word of God. Your Word will  
always accomplish Your purposes. *(Isaiah 55:11)*

We do not live by bread alone but by every word that  
proceeds from the mouth of God. *(Matthew 4:4)*

Forgive us Father for not hiding Your Word in our heart that we  
might not sin against You. *(Psalm 119:11)*

Send forth Your living Word to discern the thoughts and  
motivations of our hearts. Wound us by Your Word but please send  
Your Word to lead us to Christ. *(Psalm 107:20, Hebrews 4:12)*

The word became Flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory,  
the glory as of the Only Begotten of the Father full of grace and truth.  
*(John 1:1,14)*

We bow and submit to the one clothed with a robe dipped in  
blood whose name is the Word of God. *(Revelation 19:13)*

Let the Word of Christ dwell in us richly in all wisdom that we may teach  
and admonish one another in psalms and hymns and  
spiritual songs, singing with grace in our hearts to the Lord.

**SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP** *(on screen)*

*We Have Been Healed*

*Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God*

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

**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.

**GREETING**

*(Children 3-4 years old may leave for Children's Church - room 134)*

**SCRIPTURE**

**Matthew 21:18-32**

**SERMON**

**"The Need for Spiritual Fruit"**

*Pastor Douglas Kittredge*

**HYMN**

#597 "Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire"

**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

*The Christian life is marked by the offering of one's self to God to be shaped, empowered, directed, and changed by God. In worship, God presents us with the costly self-offering of Jesus Christ. We are claimed by Christ and set free. In response to God's love in Jesus Christ we offer our lives, our gifts, our abilities, and our material goods, for God's service.*

**“The Need for Spiritual Food”**  
**Matthew 21:18-32**

Matthew 21 begins the last week of Jesus' earthly ministry. The events of what we know as Holy Week are:

**Friday Evening:** Jesus arrives at the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus (John 12)

**Saturday:** Shabbat dinner where Mary anoints Jesus' feet (John 12:2-8)

**Sunday:** Triumphal entry (Matthew 21:1-11); Cleansing of the Temple; Return to Bethany (Matthew 21:17)

**Monday:** Cursing the fig tree; Enters the Temple and confronted by the chief priests (Matthew 21:23-27)

**Tuesday:** Confrontation with chief priests (Matthew 23)

**Wednesday:** Prophetic teaching on the Mount of Olives (Matthew 24); Judas betrays Jesus (Matthew 26:14-16)

**Thursday:** Passover meal (Matthew 26:20-35); Gethsemane and betrayal

**Friday:** Arrest, trial, and crucifixion

**Sunday:** Resurrection

**I. The Fruitlessness of Israel** – *Matthew 21:18-22*

A. The fig tree represented Israel

1. God expected the fruit of righteousness from the Jewish people  
– *Jeremiah 24:1-7*
2. The temple was all about business – no self-examination, no gratitude to God, no righteous character – *Amos 8:1-4; Hosea 9:10*

B. Jesus cursed the fig tree

1. Not out of anger
2. But as a picture of the curse upon the Jewish people for their idolatry

C. Yet in the midst of judgment – Jesus hears our prayers – *Matthew 21:21-22; Matthew 7:7-11; Luke 11: 9-13*

**II. Whose Authority?** – *Matthew 21:23-27*

A. The Sanhedrin

1. Think all authority comes from them
2. Who gave you authority to disrupt the Temple?

B. Answers with a question

1. Religious leaders are trapped
2. John condemned them – *Matthew 3:7-8; Matthew 12:33-35*

**III. The Obedient** – *Matthew 21:28-32*

A. Does talking obedience make you obedient?

1. Knowledge puffs up
2. Love edifies – *1 Corinthians 8:1*

B. Does initial refusal to obey

1. Result in being lost?
2. Repentance toward God and faith in Christ results in spiritual fruit  
– *John 15:1-8*

**How much of what I do is religious ritual and how much is done out of love and gratitude for the Lord? - Deuteronomy 28:47-48  
Love the Lord with all your heart - 1 Corinthians 13:1-13.**

***Winter Sunday School Classes - Adults***

**Covenant of Discipleship** (*Pastor Doug's office*)  
**Bible: Exodus** (*room 219*)  
**Worshiping God in Spirit and Truth** (*room 118*)  
**Redeeming the Realities of Marriage** (*Fireside*)  
**The Promises of God** (*room 217*)

NLIC GIVING	General Fund	Faith Promise
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$12,626</b>	<b>\$2,102</b>
<b>Giving last week</b>	9,352	1,178
<b>+/- for week</b>	-3,274	-924
<b>+/- fiscal year</b>	10,635	-2,379
<b>Online Giving Available at <a href="http://www.nlicc.org/online-giving">www.nlicc.org/online-giving</a></b>		

**Next Week's Nursery Attendants - 1/31**

**10:00 am** Cameron and Amy Auker  
Amy and Family Liu  
**6:00 pm** Patrick and Tessie Crowley

**Prayer Chain** - If you have a **prayer request** during the week, you can call the prayer chain.  
**Contact either Krystal Dowell 786-4218 or Kathy Wilson 891-7235.**

**Deacon on call this week:** e-mail: [nlicc@nlicc.org](mailto:nlicc@nlicc.org)  
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**FOOD PANTRY IMMEDIATE NEEDS**

**(12/6)**

Cereal, microwave popcorn, soup, canned vegetables, canned meats (roast beef, ham, tuna, meatballs, sausage), pickles, macaroni & cheese, peanut butter & jelly, floss, toothpaste and face soap.

# CALENDAR of EVENTS

## TODAY

9:00 am	Children and Adult Sunday School Classes
10:00 am	Worship Service - Pastor Doug Kittredge preaching
4:30 pm	Officer Training (room 100)
4:30 pm	Cherokee Missions Team Meeting (youth room)
6:00 pm	Evening Service - Gary Mangus speaking
7:00 pm	Senior High Youth Discipleship (youth room) / Junior High Youth Group (room 217)
7:00 pm	Elder-led Prayer Time with Larry Plating (room 142)

## THIS WEEK

Monday	12:30 pm	Men's Prayer Lunch
Tuesday	9:30 am	Women's Study " <i>The Son of David</i> " (room 217)
	4:00 pm	Children's Vocal / Handbell Choirs and Drama ( <i>see newsletter for schedule</i> )
	4:00 pm	Quilting and Sewing Ministry interest meeting (room 217)
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Pioneer Girls (Fireside Room)
	7:00 pm	Christian Service (Boy's) Brigade (Fireside Room)
Thursday	7:00 pm	<i>YoungLife</i> "Capernaum" (room 100)
Saturday	8:30 am	<i>Focus Day</i> followed by lunch (room 100)
	1:00 pm	AM Praise Team rehearsal (sanctuary)

## NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 am	Children and Adult Sunday School Classes
10:00 am	Worship Service - Pastor Doug Kittredge preaching
4:30 pm	Care Group Leaders Meeting (room 219)
6:00 pm	Evening Service - Pastor Sean preaching
7:00 pm	Senior High Youth Discipleship (youth room) / Junior High Youth Group (room 217)
7:00 pm	Elder-led Prayer Time with Joe Plaia (room 142)

## FUTURE

February 3		Last day to submit items for the <i>Festival of the Arts</i>
February 5-6		7th Annual <i>Festival of the Arts</i> (see insert)
February 6	8:30 am	Pioneer Girls Father/Daughter Breakfast (Fireside Room)
February 13	9:00 am	Prayer Shower for Expectant Mothers (Fireside Room)
February 13	10:00 am	Central Virginia Justice Initiative Meeting (room 219)
February 20	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast (Fireside Room)
February 20		Easter Cantata rehearsals (10:30 am-Choir / 12:30 pm-Orchestra)
February 26		Christian Service (Boy's) Brigade Battalion Overnighter
February 27	9:00 am	Christian Service (Boy's) Brigade Shape 'n' Race
February 28		Missions Month Celebration begins "Proclaim Christ's Jubilee"
March 5	10:00 am	Women's Missions Brunch (Fireside Room)
March 12		Missions Banquet (Doors Open: 6:00 pm / Dinner: 6:30 pm)
March 19		Children's Missions Festival
April 22-24		YoWAW (Youth Missions Retreat)

**This week's Fighter Verses** (memorization):

Romans 11:33-36 ([fighterverses.com](http://fighterverses.com))

### Library Hours:

Sundays 8<sup>:50</sup>-9<sup>:10</sup>/9<sup>:45</sup>-10/11<sup>:30</sup>- Noon

### KOREAN AGAPE CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday	7:00 am	Prayer (room 203)
	1:00 pm	Worship (sanctuary)
Wednesday	8:00 pm	Midweek Service (room 203)
Friday	8:00 pm	Prayer Service (room 203)
Saturday	6:30 pm	Young Adults meet (room 203)
Daily	6:00 am	Prayer (M-S) (room 203)

## Prayer and Praise

**Praise God** for the Food Pantry Ministry and the congregation's participation. In 2015, we were able to give out 156 boxes and 10 Bibles to 61 families.

**Pray** for leadership in the church. Officer training begins this afternoon.

**Pray** for the *Festival of the Arts* at New Life in Christ Church. Pray that it would be a bold statement about God's sovereignty over all things, event the arts. This is an excellent opportunity to invite family and friends who may be curious about Christianity to show the fruit of Christian faith. The *Festival of the Arts* is February 5-6. See Jonathan or Veronica Allison to participate. Submissions are due by February 3.

**Pray** for Tamra Corbeau as she goes through cancer treatment.

**Pray** for our Women's Ministry Committee as they begin a new year of ministry. This year's committee is: Amy Aufer, Katie Crawford, Sandy Cuddy, Brenda Deaconson, Krystal Dowell, Kathryn Marple, Karen Melnick, Canaan Miller, Julie Root, Sarah Schroeder, and Gail Weeks. Phyllis DiBella is the Committee Chair.

**Pray** for our summer missions teams. Our Cherokee Team has its first meeting today at 4:30. Join us, even if you just want information.

**Pray** for the church as we fulfill our calling to the community and world. Saturday, January 30 is our *Focus Day*, our chance to look ahead to our vision and priorities in 2016. We will meet from 8:30 to noon and end the time with a lunch. This is an important gathering for us as we consider our future.

## Announcements and Events

The New Year is a great time to build new spiritual habits. Pick up your copy of a **Bible reading chart** and scripture memory cards for 2016 inside the Newsletter on the information table.

Online giving is now available at [www.nlicc.org/online-giving](http://www.nlicc.org/online-giving).

There will be a *Sewing & Quilting* interest meeting on January 26 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm in room 217. Come join us as we discuss our goals to serve our covenant body, our community and the international community. For more information contact Cassie Adams at 848-1089 or [gettiniintheswing@gmail.com](mailto:gettiniintheswing@gmail.com)

Is your family listed in our church directory? You don't have to be a member to be in the directory. We are **updating the directory** so if you want to be added or have any change in information, please mark the tear-off sheet and place in the offering plate.

Bulletin folding assistance is needed on Friday, January 29. Sign up on the tear-off sheet.

## Prayer Request and Praise

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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This request is for Pastors and Elders only

### To Sign Up

Would like to **help in Nursery** on Sundays  
 9:00 am  10:00 am  6:00 pm

Would like to **be a Greeter** Sunday morning

**Help fold bulletins** on January 29

Would like to **place flowers** at the altar on

I will provide the flowers myself

Occasion: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

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

Sermons and Bulletins are posted on the church website weekly at:  
**[www.nlicc.org](http://www.nlicc.org)**

## We Are Glad You're Here!

Thank you for worshiping 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

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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  
 Would like to be added to church mailing list

# New Life in Christ Church

## Sunday Service Times:

Adult & Children's Sunday School 9:00  
am

Worship Service 10:00 am

Evening Service 6:00 pm

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Korean Worship Service 1:00 pm

## Our Address:

**11925 Burgess Lane**  
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**Office Hours:** 8:30am - 4:30pm Monday-Friday

## Ministry Team:

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