



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

August 18, 2019

MEDITATION

Who has believed our report?
And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

He is despised and rejected by men,
A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.
And we hid, as it were, *our* faces from Him;
He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

Surely He has borne our griefs
And carried our sorrows;
Yet we esteemed Him stricken,
Smitten by God, and afflicted.

-Isaiah 53:1, 3-4

We gather to worship the
King of Kings and the Lord of
Lords. Jesus rules as Priest -
King having sacrificed Himself on
the cross for our sins and
triumphing over death, He rules
as the source of life. We come to
Him to receive life and strength
for this week.

In Christ no evil will prevail
but is only God's goodness in a
mysterious form. Losses enrich
him. Reproach is his honor
and death is gain.

- Charles Spurgeon

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL to WORSHIP

HYMN

#305 "Arise, My Soul, Arise"

PRAYER of INVOCATION

Pastor Doug Kittredge

SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP

You are My All in All

Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King

A LAMENT: Psalm 88 (on screen)

O LORD, God of my salvation,
I have cried out day and night before You.
Let my prayer come before You;
Incline Your ear to my cry.

For my soul is full of troubles,
And my life draws near to the grave.
I am counted with those who go down to the pit;
I am like a man who has no strength,
Adrift among the dead,
Like the slain who lie in the grave,
Whom You remember no more,
And who are cut off from Your hand.

You have laid me in the lowest pit,
In darkness, in the depths.
Your wrath lies heavy upon me,
And You have afflicted me with all Your waves. *Selah*

You have put away my acquaintances far from me;
You have made me an abomination to them;
I am shut up, and I cannot get out;
My eye wastes away because of affliction.

(cont'd.)

Psalm 88 *(cont'd.)*

Lord, I have called daily upon You;
I have stretched out my hands to You.
Will You work wonders for the dead?
Shall the dead arise and praise You? *Selab*
Shall Your lovingkindness be declared in the grave?
Or Your faithfulness in the place of destruction?
Shall Your wonders be known in the dark?
And Your righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?

But to You I have cried out, O LORD,
And in the morning my prayer comes before You.
LORD, why do You cast off my soul?
Why do You hide Your face from me?
I have been afflicted and ready to die from my youth;
I suffer Your terrors;
I am distraught.
Your fierce wrath has gone over me;
Your terrors have cut me off.
They came around me all day long like water;
They engulfed me altogether.
Loved one and friend You have put far from me,
And my acquaintances into darkness.

SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP

My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Pastor Sean Whitenack

OFFERING

Veronica Allison

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

(Junior Worship will resume in September)

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 26:57-68

SERMON

“Loneliness”
Pastor Doug Kittredge

HYMN

#481 “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

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

True worship will be odd
and perhaps even weird
to the watching world.
This oddness is not
lamentable but essential
to the church's faithfulness
and witness. For if
the gospel is foolishness,
it is foolishness only
to those who do
not believe.
- Hart and Muether

“Loneliness”*Psalm 88*

What could be worse than being alone in total darkness? A Syrian soldier imprisoned in an ISIS prison in the dark in solitary confinement said he would beat on the doors just to be taken out of the utter darkness knowing that he would be physically abused. This Psalm is a lament in the mouth of Jesus when He was in a pit in Caiaphas' house (see Matthew 26:57-68).

I. A Lament – *Psalm 88:1-9***A. Lament is different than complaint**

1. Lament is a prayer to the God who is there even when He is silent – *Psalm 88:1-2*
2. Complaining acts as if God isn't there to hear or just doesn't care about us – *Philippians 2:14-17*
3. A lament expresses grief toward God

B. Grief – Jesus was a man of grief and sorrows – *Isaiah 53:3-4*

1. God Himself put Him to grief – *Isaiah 53:10*
2. Jesus bore our sin to satisfy God's justice – *2 Corinthians 5:21; Isaiah 53:6*

C. Jesus' grief – *Psalm 88:3-9*

1. My life draws near to the grave – *Psalm 88:3*
2. I have no strength – *Psalm 88:4*
3. Adrift among the dead – *Psalm 88:5* – and forgotten by God
4. Laid in the lowest pit – *Psalm 88:6*
5. God's wrath laid upon Him – *Psalm 88:7*
6. All acquaintances left Him alone – *Psalm 88:8*
7. Silence of God – *Psalm 88:9*

II. Persevering Prayer – *Psalm 88:10-12***A. Doubt expressed toward God**

1. Question: “Shall the dead arise and praise You?” *Psalm 88:10*
2. “Shall Your love be declared from the grave?” *Psalm 88:11*
3. “Shall Your wonders be known in the dark?” *Psalm 88:12*

B. Jesus learned obedience from God's silence

1. The Father answered His prayers “no” by refusing to take away His affliction – *Matthew 26:36-42*
2. Jesus worshipped by accepting “no” as an answer – *Hebrews 5:7-8*

III. An Offering – *Psalm 88:13-18***A. No one takes Jesus' life from Him**

1. He accepts the cup of suffering from His father – *John 10:15, 17, 18*
2. True faith accepts pain and sorrow from the Father's hand – *Job 13:15*

B. Jesus wrestles with God by faith – *Psalm 88:13*

1. He continues to pray!
2. He continues to question – *Psalm 88:14*
3. Jesus' entire life from his birth was suffering! *Psalm 88:15*

The terror of total loneliness in total darkness – this is hell! His being forsaken by God is worse than the scourging and physical torment! Jesus endured the hell of being forsaken by God so that you would not have to endure hell but always live in His presence!!

**While it is a day of salvation and grace, do not push the Savior out of your life!!
Bow before Him no matter the circumstance.**

Adult Sunday School Classes

Covenant of Discipleship (Pastor Doug's office)
1 Corinthians (fireside room)
Covenants (room 100)
Redeeming the Realities of Marriage (room 217)

NLIC GIVING 2018-19	General Fund	Faith Promise
Weekly Budget	\$15,118	\$2,360
Giving last week	11,719	2,137
+/- for week	- 3,399	- 223
+/- fiscal year	- 12,103	- 1,646
Online Giving Available at www.nlicc.org/online-giving		

Next Week's Nursery Attendants - 8/25

10:00 am Jonathan and Liz Rumbaugh
Jonathan and Jennifer Worman
6:00 pm Kurt and Amanda Nordstrom

Prayer Chain - Have a **prayer request contact** either **Krystal Dowell** 786-4218; adowell8@msn.com or **Kathy Wilson** 891-7235; r2wilson22@hotmail.com.

Women's Connection Weekly Liaison:

Gretchen Trump 540-842-5160

Deacon on call this week: e-mail: nlicc@nlicc.org
Robin Wilson 540-891-7235
(Next week: Tom Worman 540-379-3894)

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FOOD PANTRY IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Shampoo, conditioner, lotion, toothpaste, floss, face soap; powdered detergent; Drinks: Kool aid envelopes, powdered drinks, tea bags, hot chocolate envelopes; dry milk; bag of sugar; cereal, oatmeal envelopes.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

TODAY

9:00 am Children and Adult Sunday School Classes
 10:00 am Worship Service - Pastor Doug Kittredge preaching
 11:45 am Visitor Luncheon hosted by Whitenack Care Group (fireside room)
 4:30 pm Care Group Leaders Meeting (room 219)
 6:00 pm Evening Service - Ozgur and Allison Jerdan
 7:00 pm Open House at the home of Dan and Brenda Deaconson: 4024 Glazebrook Dr., 22407

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 7:00 pm *Financial Peace University* (room 100) - contact Steve Marple or Jonathan Worman
 Wednesday 9:30 am Summer Women's Study: *Women of the Word* (room 217)
 10:30 am **NO** *Child's Praise* (Music class for under age 3 - contact Veronica Allison)
 7:00 pm Summer Women's Study: *Women of the Word -see insert* (room 217)
 7:00 pm Missions Committee Meeting (room 217)
 Thursday 7:00 pm *Foundations* Community Group Bible Study (manse 2)
 7:30 pm College Bible Study (1708 Franklin Street)
 Saturday 7:00 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
 11:45 am All Church Picnic - *see insert*
 4:30 pm *Abundant: Adoption, Foster Care & Trauma Ministry Meeting* (room 100)
 6:00 pm **NO** Evening Service

FUTURE

August 31 Junior and Senior High Youth Group Swim Party at the Plaia home
 September 2 Labor Day (office closed)
 September 4 7:00 pm Congregational Meeting to vote on Pastoral Transition
 September 6 7:00 pm Session/Deacons Meetings (room 217/215)
 September 8 7:00 pm Youth Group begins
 September 9 Care Groups begin this week
 September 9 6:30 pm English for Speakers of Other Languages "ESOL" begins (room 118)
 September 10 Youth/Children's Arts Ministries begin (for class schedule and to register: nlicc.org)
 September 11 Pioneer Girls and Boys Brigade begins (4pm / 7pm)
 September 13 7:30 pm Creation Club (fireside room)
 September 14 Women's Fellowship Day at Fredericksburg Rod & Gun Club -*see insert*
 -Session 1: 9am-Noon / Lunch: Noon / Session 2: 1-4pm. Register: jworman3@gmail.com
 September 20-21 Junior High Retreat at Shenandoah Springs
 September 27-29 Christian Service (Boys) Brigade Campout
 October 4-6 Pioneer Girls Campout at Camp Hemlock
 October 25-27 Women's Retreat - sign up in foyer
 November 2 Appreciation Dinner for Pastor Doug and Mary Jane Kittredge

This week's Fighter Verses (memorization):

Psalm 27:1 [2-3] (fighterverses.com)

Library Hours:

Sundays 8^{:50}-9^{:10}/9^{:45}-10/11^{:30}- Noon

NEW LIFE KOREAN CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday	1:00 pm	Worship (sanctuary)
Wednesday	7:30 pm	Bible Study (room 203)
Saturday	6:00 am	Prayer (sanctuary)
Daily	5:30 am	Prayer (Tues.-Fri.) sanctuary

Prayer and Praise

Pray for New Life in Christ Church as we enter a time of pastoral transition. On September 4 at 7 pm, we will have a congregational vote to accept Pastor Doug's resignation and to call Pastor Sean as Senior Pastor. If you have any comments or concerns, please speak with an elder in the church.

Praise God for covenant marriages. This morning's flowers are in celebration of Doug and Gail Bergen's 40th wedding anniversary.

Pray for Elisa Wassum as she awaits a kidney donor.

Pray for the work of missions around the world. This week's focus: Tracy and Joy Dager and Karl and Debbie Dortzbach (Africa).

Pray for the children to come to Jesus. Pray for God to raise up teachers and mentors to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with children. We are assembling teaching teams for Junior Worship to teach children during the worship service once a month. **Praise God** for Nate and Angie Henriksen and their leadership of our Sunday School ministry. Our new Sunday School year begins 9/1/19. **Praise God** for Lucinda Lorei's leadership to our Junior Worship ministry. Junior Worship begins 9/8/19. **Praise God** for Amber Forcey and Erin Ritchie as they coordinate our Nursery ministry.

Pray for our civil servants, particularly police and firefighters, and give thanks for their courageous service to our communities.

Pray for God's provision for leaders in Pioneer Girls, Christian Service (Boys) Brigade, Arts Ministry, and Youth Group as our fall ministries gear up for the school year (*see insert*).

Prayer Request and Praise

Date: _____

This request is for Pastors and Elders only

To Sign Up

- Would like to be considered for babysitting
- Would like to **be a Greeter** Sunday morning
- Help fold bulletins** on August 23
- Would like to **place flowers** at the altar on

Occasion: _____

Date: _____

For: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Announcements and Events

The *Choices Women's Center* would like to thank New Life in Christ for everything the church has done to help provide life affirming choices to our community. The church raised \$2,218 in our latest Baby Bottle Campaign of which \$950 was raised by our 7th and 8th graders. We praise God!

Welcome Visitors - If you are visiting New Life today for the first time or are new to the congregation, we have a special lunch for you hosted by the Whitenack Care Group immediately following the worship service. Come join us in the "Fireside Room" next to the sanctuary after the service today.

The church is compiling a babysitting list that ministries can use for childcare. If you or your daughter is between the ages of 13 and 18, and have gone through an official babysitting training, and would like to be considered for babysitting, please let us know on the tear-off.

Bulletin folding assistance is needed on Friday, August 23. Sign up on the tear-off sheet.

Need a Bible? We have Bibles available in the back of the sanctuary.

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

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 Grades 1-3 Grades 4-6

Jr High Sr High Age 18-24

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

Korean Worship Service 1:00 pm

Our Address:

11925 Burgess Lane
Fredericksburg, VA 22407
(Behind the Spotsylvania Towne Center Mall)

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

Ministry Team:

Douglas Kittredge, *Senior Pastor*

Sean Whitenack, *Associate Pastor*

Sam Capitano, *Assistant Pastor*

Jonathan Allison, *Music Director, Office Admin.*

Christine Fulcrod, *Assistant to Senior Pastor,*

Ass't Administrator

Veronica Allison, *Assistant Music Director*

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