



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
November 22, 2020

"God designed marriage as the
foundational element of all
human society. Before there was
(formally speaking) a church,
a school, a business instituted,
God formally instituted marriage..."

- Jay Adams

MEDITATION

Restore us again, O God of our Salvation,
and put away Your indignation toward us!
Will You be angry with us forever?
Will You prolong Your anger to all generations?
Will You not revive us again,
that Your people may rejoice in You?
Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord,
and grant us Your salvation.

- Psalm 84:4-7

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CHORAL CALL to WORSHIP

"Thanksgiving Medley"

HYMN

#715 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" (vss. 1, 2, 4)

PRAYER of INVOCATION

Pastor Sam Capitano

SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP

Give Thanks to the Lord
To Christ the Lord
My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness

"Marriage is not mainly about being
or staying in love. It's mainly about
telling the truth with our lives. It's
about portraying something true
about Jesus Christ and the way he
relates to his people. It is about show-
ing in real life the glory of the gospel."

- John and Noël Piper

BAPTISM (10:30 a.m.)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER
followed by The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Sean Whitenack

OFFERING "Quiet Prelude on 'Come, Ye Thankful People, Come'" (715)
- Sanctuary Bells

SCRIPTURE **1 Corinthians 7:1-16**

SERMONS **"God's Plan for Marriage Is for Building His Kingdom"**
8:30 am - *Pastor Sam Capitano*
10:30 am - *Pastor Doug Kittredge*

HYMN #717 "Blest the Man That Feareth Jehovah" (vss. 1-4)

BENEDICTION *Pastor Sam Capitano*

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 church is...to be a place
where the world can see what
a society would look like
if Christ was the ultimate value
rather than sex, money,
power, or some other idols."
- Tim Keller

“God’s Plan for Marriage Is for Building His Kingdom”*1 Corinthians 7:1-16*

The Apostle Paul writes in chapter 7 regarding the most pressing question written to him, “What is the meaning of marriage for the new Christians who once led promiscuous lives?” How do you respond to those who thought their bodies were for pleasure but now see their bodies as “for the Lord?” (1 Corinthians 6:13b) This was a dramatic shift for the Corinthian believers. This also describes our culture as more young adults age 19-34 cohabit with a partner than are married, according to the census bureau. Whereas, in 1968 0.2% of 18-34 cohabited, now 24% live together before marriage. Whereas, the average age was 23 for men to marry and 20 for women; today it is 29 for men and 27 for women. With such a promiscuous society, what is the future for marriage in the USA? We, too, need Paul’s guidance.

I. Marriage Is For Mutual Help and Happiness – *1 Corinthians 7:1-5*

- A. It is not good for the man to be alone – *Genesis 2:18*
 - 1. Instead of being so casual with women, too touchy, be intentional to seek a wife in a pure manner
 - 2. To be known as a unique person – Adam knew his wife Eve – *Genesis 4:1*
 - 3. Naked and not ashamed – *Genesis 2:24-25*
- B. The marriage bed is honorable – *Hebrews 13:4*
 - 1. Marriage was always taught by God to be between a man and woman for life – *Matthew 19:4-6*. God joins them together not even they themselves
 - 2. Only those deceived spiritually forbid marriage out of a guilty conscience – *1 Timothy 4:1-3*

II. Marriage Builds Christ’s Kingdom – *1 Corinthians 7:10-16*

- A. “The culture is increasingly seeing marriage as for the affluent. It is a voluntary and consumption-oriented institution. If you own a car, maybe a home, have savings, you may qualify for marriage.”
- B. Marriage is not about staying “in love” but keeping covenant
 - 1. God joins the husband and wife together by covenant – *Malachi 2:14*
 - 2. If a husband or wife becomes a Christian and their spouse is not a Christian, continue to honor your vows – *1 Corinthians 7:12-13*
 - 3. The unbelieving spouse is holy set apart for the Lord – *1 Corinthians 7:16*
 - 4. This is not a justification for “missionary” dating – *2 Corinthians 6:14*
- C. Marriage is for godly children – *1 Corinthians 7:14*
 - 1. Children of even one parent are “for the Lord”
 - 2. Caesar Augustus issued government marriage licenses to give children an identity
 - 3. In Roman society, men were so promiscuous that they were not required to take responsibility for their children
 - 4. Many were abandoned to die in the weather or left to animals
 - 5. Men only took responsibility for their children at ages 12-13 when they adopted them
 - 6. Marriage licenses elevated both the standing of women and the value of children. Even a polytheistic idolator such as Augustus Caesar recognized the family as foundational to society.

III. Marriage Peace – 1 Corinthians 7:15

- A. Marriage is a living image of Christ's love for His bride the church – *Ephesians 5:25-32*
 - 1. As a husband finds joy in his wife, so the Mighty One rejoices over His bride – *Zephaniah 3:17*
 - 2. Marriage is for happiness
- B. God hates divorce – *Malachi 2:16*
 - 1. Yet there may be a just reason for divorce
 - 2. If an unbelieving spouse abandons the marriage, such abandonment may be justification for divorce – 1 Corinthians 7:15

WCF XXIV-6. Although the corruption of man be such as is apt to study arguments unduly to put asunder those whom God has joined together in marriage: yet, nothing but adultery, or such willful desertion as can no way be remedied by the Church, or civil magistrate, is cause sufficient of dissolving the bond of marriage: wherein, a public and orderly course of proceeding is to be observed; and the persons concerned in it not left to their own wills, and discretion, in their own case.

In this way of life, Christians glorify God with their body.

Sunday School Classes

Through December, three classes are available:

*Online Adult class: Systematic Theology II
by Bob Rumbaugh and Skip Tyler*

Online Children's class: "Long Story Short" Gospel in the Old Testament

In-person 7/8th Grade Girls class: 9:50-10:20am in rm. 116

Pastors

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* denotes currently serving on session
**denotes elder emeritus

NLIC GIVING 2019-20	General Fund	Faith Promise
Weekly Budget	\$16,091	\$2,112
Giving last week	21,198	3,125
+/- for week	+ 5,107	+ 1,013
+/- fiscal year	- 4,603	+ 9,710

Online Giving Available at www.nlicc.org/online-giving

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.

The Family Room (aka Cry Room) is open, and the Nursery is open during 10:30 service.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

TODAY

8:30 am Adult Sunday School Class "Systematic Theology" - recorded and posted online
 Worship Service - Pastor Sam Capitano preaching
 Congregational Meeting to vote on returning Elders (following both AM services)
 10:30 am Worship Service (online streaming at www.nlicc.org) Pastor Doug Kittredge preaching
 Congregational Meeting to vote on returning Elders (following both AM services)
 4:30 pm Youth Discipleship Groups (inside - masks required)
 4:30 pm *Abundant*: Adoption, Foster Care & Trauma Ministry Meeting (room 100)
 6:00 pm Evening Service - Bob Rumbaugh preaching

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 4:00 pm **NO** Children's Arts Ministry - register at nlicc.org
 7:15 pm **NO** Adult Choir (room 100)
 Wednesday 9:30 am **NO** Women's Study: Mark - via Zoom (contact Mary Shaffer or Gale Puffenberger)
NO Pioneer Girls:
 4:00 pm Pre-K to 6th grade (via Zoom)
 4:00 pm Challengers (in person)
 6:00 pm **NO** Boys Brigade (meeting inside - masks required)
 Thanksgiving Day Ministry (see insert / webpage: nlicc.org)
 Office closed
 Thursday
 Friday
 Saturday 9:00 am Women's Study: *Matthew, Part 1* - via Zoom (contact Joy O'Toole)

NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 am Adult Sunday School Class "Systematic Theology" - recorded and posted online
 9:50 am Worship Service - Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
NO 7th and 8th Grade Girls Sunday School Class (resumes December 6)
 10:30 am Worship Service (online streaming at www.nlicc.org) Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
 4:30 pm Youth Discipleship Groups (inside - masks required)
 6:00 pm Evening Service - Honoring Billy and Yashmin Clark

FUTURE

December 11 Middle School and High School Youth Group Caroling and ~~C~~hristmas Parties
 December 13 6:00 pm Family ~~C~~hristmas Service (to participate contact Jonathan Allison)
 December 19 8:00 am Men's Breakfast (fireside room)
 December 20 6:00 pm ~~C~~hristmas Concert: *Bells and Voices*
 December 24 5 and 7 pm ~~C~~hristmas Eve Candlelight Services
 January 6 7:00 pm All Church Day of Fasting and Prayer
 January 23 8:30 am Focus Day
 February 5-6 Festival of the Arts

Deacon on call this week: e-mail: nlicc@nlicc.org
 Josh Wassum 786-4848
(Next week Fred Yarborough)

This week's Fighter Verses (memorization):
 Psalm 84:10-11 [12] (fighterverses.com)

While the **library** is not open at this time, you may email nlicc.library@gmail.com with your requests.

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
http://nlkchurch.org/		

Prayer and Praise

Pray for our upcoming *Thanksgiving Dinner Ministry* (November 26). Pray that we would share the hope of Christ. Pastor Sam will be leading a team into the neighborhoods on Monday, November 23 at 12:00 pm. Contact him if you would like to help.

Praise God for Keziah Faith Hepperle as her parents Paul and Yaasha Hepperle present her for baptism (10:30 a.m.). Pray for them as they seek to raise her in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Pray for James and Jeneva Griffin as they anticipate the arrival of their baby. Marie Jankowski is planning meals.

The flowers this morning are an expression of thanksgiving from Martin and Mindy Yang who are members of New Life Korean Church.

Praise God for His provision and love to His people. This Thanksgiving, because times are so hard for so many, it is especially important to live in gratitude. "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever." 1 Chronicles 16:34

Praise God for our ministry leaders and their flexibility during the COVID pandemic. Our Youth Group leaders, Pioneer Girls, Boys Brigade, Music/Drama, Thanksgiving and Nursery leaders are working hard to disciple and connect youth and children, while being sensitive to health concerns and health requirements.

Pray for a spiritual awakening in our region. An association of churches in our region is planning an evangelistic outreach in 2022 with Will Graham from the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

Pray for Lucas Adams as his grandfather, Jay Adams, went to be with the Lord. Pray for Erica Kasraie as her father passed away this week. Pray for Patrick Peapples as his father passed away this week.

Pray for our national, state, local and church leaders as they make decisions about handling rising COVID cases.

Pray for the work of missions. This week's focus: Frank and Cindy Sindler (Africa), Jim and Karen Weaver (Senegal).

Pray for our *Operation Christmas Child Outreach*. Collection day is today. Pray that the boxes we send out will have an impact on the lives of those who receive them.

Announcements

Praise God for our leaders. Dan Deaconson and Eric Schroeder have been renominated as Elders. We will have a congregational meeting after both services today to vote on their return. Contact an elder or pastor if you have questions.

Join us for *Abundant*: Adoption, Foster Care & Trauma Ministry Meeting. We will meet today at 4:30 pm in room 100. There will not be a meeting in December, but we will resume in January 2021. If you would like to show Christ's love through caring for children, consider joining *Abundant*.

Nursery openings. There are openings to serve in our Nursery. See the bulletin insert for details or contact: Lucinda Lorei or Erin Ritchie.

Women's Connection Weekly Liaison:

Eileen Roberts: 540-419-7720

Prayer Chain - Have a prayer request? Contact:

Krystal Dowell 786-4218; adowell8@msn.com
or Kathy Wilson 891-7235; r2wilson22@hotmail.com.

Prayer Request and Praise

Date: _____

This request is for Pastors and Elders only

To Sign Up

- Would like to be a **Greeter** Sunday mornings
- Would like to be an **Usher** Sunday mornings
- Help fold bulletins**
- Would like to **place flowers** at the altar on

Occasion: _____

Date: _____

For: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

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 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

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:

Sean Whitenack, *Lead Pastor*

Douglas Kittredge, *Founding Pastor*

Sam Capitano, *Assistant Pastor*

Jonathan Allison, *Music Director, Office Admin.*

Christine Fulcrod, *Ass't to Senior Pastor, Ass't Admin.*

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