



# 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

February 14, 2021

### MEDITATION

"All those whom God hath predestinated unto life, and those only, he is pleased, in his appointed and accepted time, effectually to call, by his Word and Spirit, out of that state of sin and death, in which they are by nature, to grace and salvation, by Jesus Christ; enlightening their minds spiritually and savingly to understand the things of God, taking away their heart of stone, and giving unto them a heart of flesh renewing their wills, and, by his almighty power, determining them to that which is good, and effectually drawing them to Jesus Christ: yet so, as they come most freely, being made willing by his grace."

Westminster Confession of Faith,  
Of Effectual Calling

What do we pray for in the second petition (of the Lord's prayer)? In the second petition, which is, Your kingdom come, we pray that Satan's kingdom may be destroyed, and that the kingdom of grace may be advanced, ourselves and others brought into it, and kept in it; and that the kingdom of glory may be hastened.

Westminster Shorter Catechism,  
Question 102

Now it happened that as He was praying alone, the disciples were with Him. And He asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" And they answered, "John the Baptist. But others say, Elijah, and others, that one of the prophets of old has risen." Then He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" And Peter answered, "The Christ of God."

- *Luke 9:18-20* (ESV)

### GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

### CALL to WORSHIP

#### HYMN

#111 "This Is My Father's World" (vss. 1-3)

#### PRAYER of INVOCATION

*Pastor Sean/Pastor Sam*

#### SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP

*How Great Is Our God*

*Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

#### PRAYER of CONFESSION

adapted from *Streams of Mercy* by Barbara Duguid, pp. 152-153

Incomparable Savior,

We thank You, with all of our hearts, for Your wondrous love in bearing all of our guilt on the cross. May Your cross sweeten every bitterness in our lives, encourage us with hope in every trial, and connect us to You as the true vine - the only source of all our strength and power. Lord, we have died with You, are risen with You, and are seated with You already in heavenly places. Yet we find that sin continues to have great power over us, because we quickly forget who You are, and who we are in You. Father, forgive us for the self-gratifying and self-exalting lives that we lead from moment to moment.

Jesus, Thank You for giving up the praise and glory of heaven in order to please Your Father and rescue us from ourselves. You denied Yourself the adoration and worship that You richly deserved, in order to enter a world of people who would misunderstand, reject, and hate You. We thank You for Your radiant robe of righteousness, which replaces the filthy and tattered rags of our own attempts to be good.

Holy Spirit, As true worship fills the panorama of our souls, may we grow into people who swiftly turn away from our own desires in order to love others as we have been so greatly loved. We pray in the beautiful name of Jesus, Amen.

**ASSURANCE of PARDON:** John 14:1-6 (ESV)

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

**SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP**

*Out of the Depths*

**DEACONS REPORT**

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

*followed by The Lord's Prayer*

*Pastor Sean Whitenack*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

“Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul”

**SERMONS** 8:30 am - “**A Time to Mourn: Finding My Identity in Christ**”

*Matthew 5:4*

*Pastor Sam Capitano*

10:30 am - “**Christ Ruling in the Midst of His Enemies**”

*Psalms 110:1*

*Pastor Doug Kittredge*

**HYMN**

#580 “Lead On, O King Eternal” (vss. 1-3)

**BENEDICTION**

*Pastor Sam/Pastor Doug*

**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

“For though we cannot understand it, God wants us, and as our Father, He likes us, to speak to Him [in the same manner in which His Son taught His disciples to pray].”  
- Martin Lloyd Jones

The exaltation of Christ is basic to all the promises because every outpouring of power from on high proceeds from Christ...The Lord's response to the rebellion of kings and rulers is expressed in Psalm 2:6, "I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill."  
- David Brown

**“Christ Ruling in the Midst of His Enemies”**

*Psalm 110:1*

Christ ruling and reigning at the right hand of the Father, is the most often quoted Old Testament verse in the New Testament (quoted 10 times). Hebrews 12:1-2 teaches us that life in Christ is a race to run with endurance looking unto Jesus who despised the humiliation of those who hated Him in order to rule and reign.

**I. The Mystery of Christian Suffering** – *Romans 8:33-39*

A. Why are Christians killed?

1. Jesus' prophetic words – *John 17:14-16*

2. Unbelievers are at war with the risen Christ and hate him.

Therefore, they hate those who know and love Christ – *John 15:18-25*

B. Do we as Christians genuinely believe in Jesus Christ and His home for us? *Matthew 24:8-13; 1 Peter 1:7*

1. We are not to be surprised by suffering – *1 Peter 4:12-19*

2. Christ is building His church and kingdom and Christians are to be aggressive to attack the gates of hell – *Matthew 16:16-19*

*Foxe's Book of Martyrs*, John Foxe, chapter one

**II. Christians Are More Than Conquerors in Christ**

A. Persecution cannot separate you from God's love – *Romans 8:35-39*

1. Do not believe those who accuse you for being bad citizens or something charged based on godless standards – *Romans 8:33-34*

2. Christians conquer Satan by the word of their testimony and the blood of the Lamb – *Revelation 12:11*

B. Privilege of suffering – *Philippians 1:29; Matthew 5:10*

“Let goods and kindred go this mortal life also; the body they may kill, God's truth abideth still; “His kingdom is forever.” Martin Luther

**III. Christ Ruling in the Midst of His Enemies**

A. Christ's servants are at war – *Ephesians 6:10-13*

1. Stephen's martyrdom – *Acts 7:54-60*

2. Stephen's prayer to the risen Christ – *Acts 7:59-60*

B. Rebels warring against God do not know what they are doing unless God reveals it to them

1. The Apostle Paul – *Acts 9:1-5*

2. Jesus answered Stephen's prayer – *Acts 7:58-60*

3. Jesus ruled by only saving one but the others perished in their foolish Rebellion

4. Christians are to forgive – *Matthew 5:44; Romans 12:17-21*

Is Christ not ruling in the midst of His enemies?

C. Christians overturned the Roman Empire

1. Julian the emperor tried to obliterate Christianity in the empire

Julian said “Atheism (the Christian faith opposed to polytheistic state worship) has been especially advanced through the loving service rendered to strangers, and through their care for the burial of the dead. It is a scandal that there is not a single Jew who is a beggar, and that the godless Galileans care not only for their own poor but for ours as well; which those who belong to us look in vain for the help we ought to render to them.”

– John Piper, *Savoring the Supremacy of God in All of Life*

2. Christ died but yet triumphed in the resurrection – *Acts 2:22-24*

3. Forgiveness of sin offered through this great Savior – *Acts 2:36-39*

**Will you receive Christ’s forgiveness and the gift of the Holy Spirit?**

***Sunday School Classes***

*New virtual class (see Announcements).  
7/8th Grade Girls class: 9:50-10:20am in room 116.  
Other in-person classes are on hold until further notice.*

Previously recorded online adult and children’s classes are available at [www.nlcc.org](http://www.nlcc.org) and the New Life in Christ YouTube channel.

**Pastors**

Pastor Sean Whitenack*	379-5385	sean@nlcc.org
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**Elders:**

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\* denotes currently serving on session  
\*\*denotes elder emeritus

NLIC GIVING 2019-20	General Fund	Faith Promise
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$16,091</b>	<b>\$2,112</b>
<b>Giving last week</b>	14,060	2,795
<b>+/- for week</b>	- 2,031	+ 683
<b>+/- fiscal year</b>	+ 5,884	+ 4,991

Online Giving Available at [www.nlcc.org/online-giving](http://www.nlcc.org/online-giving)

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

**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

8:30 am Worship Service - Pastor Sam Capitano preaching  
 10:30 am Worship Service (online streaming at [www.nlicc.org](http://www.nlicc.org)) Pastor Doug Kittredge preaching  
 12:00 pm Cherokee Mission Trip information meeting (youth room)  
 4:30 pm Youth Group Discipleship (via Zoom)  
 4:30 pm Care Group Leaders Meeting (room 100 and via Zoom)  
 6:00 pm Evening Service - Jeremy Greenberg preaching

### THIS WEEK

**Monday**  
 6:00 pm Presidents' Day - office closed  
 Sunday School on Monday (via Zoom/YouTube)  
 Sunday School link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85034244180>

**Tuesday**  
 4:00 pm Arts Ministry - register at [nlicc.org](http://nlicc.org) - Child's/Youth, Choirs/Bells  
 4:45 pm Theatre Explorers, 2nd-6th grades begins (register at [nlicc.org](http://nlicc.org))  
 6:15 pm Sanctuary Bells  
 7:15 pm Teen Drama, 7th-12th grades begins (register at [nlicc.org](http://nlicc.org)) - via Zoom  
 7:15 pm Adult Choir (room 100)

**Wednesday**  
 9:30 am Women's Study - Grace: Ephesians Study - via Zoom  
 4:00 pm Pioneer Girls - via Zoom  
 7:00 pm Christian Service (Boy's) Brigade - sanctuary  
 7:00 pm Missions Committee Meeting (room 217 and via Zoom)

**Thursday**  
 7:30 pm College Ministry Bible Study

**Friday**  
 7:30 pm Creation Club (room 100)

**Saturday**  
 8:30 am Men's Breakfast (Zoom only)  
 9:30 am AM Praise Team Rehearsal - sanctuary

### NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 am Worship Service - Pastor Sam Capitano preaching  
 10:30 am Worship Service (online streaming at [www.nlicc.org](http://www.nlicc.org)) Pastor Sam Capitano preaching  
 4:30 pm Youth Group Discipleship (via Zoom)  
 6:00 pm Evening Service - Focus Day: Local Evangelism/Outreach - Pastor Sam & Rob Wilson

### FUTURE

March 6 2:00 pm Baby Shower for Krisee and Zach Yee (fireside room)  
 March 7 First Sunday of Missions Month  
 March 7 Planning to start Sunday School (Adult and Children)  
 March 13 Boys Brigade "Stockar" races  
 March 14 Daylight Saving Time begins  
 April 2 6:00 pm Good Friday Worship Service  
 April 9-11 College Retreat - contact Josh and Anacari Storms  
 April 16-18 YOWAW 2021  
 April 23-25 Young Adult Retreat "Living Fearlessly in the Fear of the Lord" - contact [sam@nlicc.org](mailto:sam@nlicc.org)  
 July 12-16 Vacation Bible School  
 July 17-24 Cherokee Mission Trip  
 November 11-13 Men's Retreat

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

**This week's Fighter Verses** (memorization):  
 Psalm 62:5-7 [8] ([fighterverses.com](http://fighterverses.com))

While the **library** is not open at this time, you may email [nlicc.library@gmail.com](mailto: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
<a href="http://nlkchurch.org/">http://nlkchurch.org/</a>		

## Prayer and Praise

**Pray** for our growth in discipleship. We plan to restart Sunday School classed on March 7 at 10 am. **Please note that starting March 7, the second service will move to 11 am.** Pray for God to raise up Sunday School teachers for youth and children.

**Praise God** for the generosity of the congregation as we were able to send 100 relief food packages to suffering believers in Lebanon through one of our missionaries. This was supported through the Deacons Fund.

**Pray** for our national, state, local and church leaders as they make decisions about handling COVID cases. Pray for hope and light to the distressed, depressed and lonely. Pray for healing and hope to our nation through the gospel. Pray for those in quarantine and for those recovering. Pray that those who want the vaccine would be able to get one. Pray for those hospitalized with Coronavirus.

**Pray** for Julie and Pastor Sean as they anticipate the arrival of their baby. Kristen Garcia is organizing meals.

**Pray** for the church as we envision our ministry for the year to come and praise God for the year that is past. This year's *Focus Day* will be spread over three evening services. Our remaining service: "Local Outreach" on February 21.

**Pray** for the work of missions. This week's focus: Jim and Karen Weaver (Senegal), and David and Eti Zadok (Israel).

**Pray** for our mission trips this year. There will be a Cherokee Mission trip information meeting today after the 10:30 am worship service. The meeting will be in the youth room. This may be our only mission trip this year.

**Pray** for a 2022 outreach to our region with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. Pray as a leadership team of local leaders is being organized.

## Prayer Request and Praise

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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)

## Announcements

**Baby Shower for Krisee and Zach Yee**, March 6th, 2 pm in the fireside room. They are expecting a girl in May and are registered at Target and Babylist. RSVP to Yaasha Hepperle at wordkeeper419@gmail.com.

**Sounds/Slides/Video Training.** On Saturday, February 27 beginning at 8:30 am., training will be offered for those interested in learning how to run Sound and/or Slides and Video for our Sunday services. Please contact Scott Oberlin or Jonathan Allison if you are interested.

### Women's Connection Weekly Liaison:

Beth Lee: 540-724-1126

### Prayer Chain - Have a prayer request? Contact:

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

**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

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First and Last Name

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Family Members (Children)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Street/Apt

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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**

**Fredericksburg, VA 22407**

*(Behind the Spotsylvania Towne Center Mall)*

**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.*

Veronica Allison, *Assistant Music Director*

Dayra Rumbaugh, *Office Assistant*

Michele Trampe, *Bookkeeping*

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