



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 21, 2021

MEDITATION

“That is the astounding thing about the Christian life. Your great sorrow leads to joy, and without the sorrow there is no joy...A deep doctrine of sin, a high doctrine of joy, and the two together produce this blessed, happy [person] who mourns, and who at the same time is comforted.”

D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

“...and upon the apprehension of his mercy in Christ to such as are penitent, [a sinner] so grieves for, and hates his sins, as to turn from them all unto God...”

*Westminster Confession of Faith,
Of Repentance unto Life*

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases.
- *Psalm 103:1-3 (ESV)*

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CHORAL CALL to WORSHIP

“This Is the Day the Lord Has Made”

HYMN

#103 “Holy God, We Praise Your Name” (vss. 1, 2, 4)

PRAYER of INVOCATION

Pastor Sean Whitenack

SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP

*Creation Sings the Father's Song
How Deep (is Your love)*

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought,
word,
and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.

Amen

ASSURANCE of PARDON: Isaiah 1:18.

“Come now, let us reason together,” says the Lord: “though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.”

SONG of PRAISE and WORSHIP

I Will Wait for You

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

followed by The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Sean Whitenack

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul”

SERMONS

“A Time to Mourn: Finding My Identity in Christ”

Matthew 5:4

Pastor Sam Capitano

HYMN

#528 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” (vss. 1-3)

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

“Dear refuge of my weary soul,
On Thee, when sorrows rise
On Thee, when waves of
trouble roll,
My fainting hope relies”
Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul
by Anne Steele

**A Time to Mourn:
Finding My Identity in Christ**
Matthew 5:4

Do you aspire to greatness? Do you have what it takes to be great? But how do your desires measure up to the will of God? What if being great meant that you were the least? What if significance in the kingdom of God meant that you were insignificant in the kingdom of this world? What if the way to finding comfort was not through the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life (1 John 2:15-17), but through grief and mourning?

There is a Time

“There is an appointed time for everything ...” (*Ecclesiastes 3:4*)

The time to mourn is when you recognize your poorness of spirit
(*Isaiah 6:1-5*)

There is a Way

A right and wrong way to mourn: worldly sorrow vs. godly sorrow
(*2 Corinthians 7:6-10*)

Those who mourn find comfort (*Matthew 5:4; Psalm 12 and 13*)

- i. Cry out to God and lament (state your concern)
- ii. Petition the Lord (make your request)
- iii. State your confidence in God (and even make a vow to praise Him)

There is a Man

Only Jesus Christ fulfilled the promises foretold by the prophets, including Isaiah. (*Isaiah 61:1-2; Luke 4:16-21*)

Let your discomfort motivate you to come to the One who comforts you.
(*Matthew 11:20-21, 25-27, 28-30*)

The Sermon on the Mount is a picture of what a citizen of the kingdom of heaven looks like. As you consider the beatitudes, such as,

“Blessed are those who mourn...”

ask the Lord to help you mourn over the things that grieve the Savior.

NOTES

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 and the New Life in Christ
 YouTube channel.

Pastors

Pastor Sean Whitenack*	379-5385	sean@nlcc.org
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 George Giddens*, Nathan Henriksen*, Kim Lorei,
 Bob McMichael**, Larry Plating, Joe Plaia*,
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 Jay Storms*

* 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	17,067	2,3978
+/- for week	+ 976	+ 266
+/- fiscal year	+ 6,860	+ 5,257

Online Giving Available at 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) 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

THIS WEEK

Monday	6:00 pm	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 - Child's/Youth, Choirs/Bells
	4:45 pm	<i>Theatre Explorers</i> , 2nd-6th grades begins (register at nlicc.org)
	5:30 pm	<i>Teen Drama</i> , 7th-12th grades begins (register at nlicc.org)
	6:15 pm	Sanctuary Bells
	7:15 pm	Adult Choir (room 100)
Wednesday	9:30 am	Women's Study - <i>Grace: Ephesians Study</i> - via Zoom
	4:00 pm	Pioneer Girls - via Zoom
	7:00 pm	Christian Service (Boy's) Brigade - sanctuary
Thursday	7:30 pm	College Ministry Bible Study
Saturday	9:00 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) Pastor Sam Capitano preaching
4:30 pm	Abundant: Adoption/Foster Care support group
4:30 pm	Youth Group Discipleship (via Zoom)
6:00 pm	Evening Service - Youth testimonies of NLIICC Missions

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 "StockKar" races
March 14		Daylight Saving Time begins
April 2	6:00 pm	Good Friday Worship and Communion Service - Pastor Sam preaching
April 4		Resurrection Sunday (8:30 am and 11:00 am)
April 9-11		College Retreat - contact Josh and Anacari Storms
April 16-18		YOWAW 2021
April 17	9:30 am	Share Your Faith Workshop - contact sam@nlicc.org
April 23-25		Young Adult Retreat "Living Fearlessly in the Fear of the Lord" - contact 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
Fred Yarborough 786-4848
(Next week: Drew Kittredge)

This week's Fighter Verses (memorization):
Romans 8:1 (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 growth in discipleship. We plan to restart Sunday School classes 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.

Pray for Stacy Hunter as she recovers from surgery.

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 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 tonight at 6 pm.

Pray for the work of missions. This week's focus:
Danny and Joy Awad (Bethlehem, Israel),
and Norman and Julie Beck (Cherokee, NC).

Pray for our mission trips this year. There will be a Cherokee Mission trip this summer. Contact Jay Storms if you would like to participate.

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

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)

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:

Sandie Beauchemin: 540-548-1240

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

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
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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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