

New Life Presbyterian Church

July 10, 2011

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Psssst — I've got the Love of Jesus up my head; pass it on..

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Happy, Happy, Joy, Joy

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† Please stand if you are able, BOJ - Book of Joy, PH - Presbyterian Hymnal  
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The chimes call us to the tables for worship.

Prelude

Grace and Peace to you in Jesus' name.

Gathering

† Gathering Hymn "I've Got the Love of Jesus Up in My Head"

*Announcements and Introductions
Welcome and Introduction of Guests*

The chimes signal a time of silence in order to center ourselves for worship.

We kindle the first light.

*It is our custom at New Life to light the votive candles on the Communion table
as we sing hymns, pass the peace of Christ, and offer prayers of the people.*

Please come forward at any of these times.

Call To Worship

One: Come let us sing God's praise.

All: Even if we can't sing we can praise

One: Come let us raise our thanks to God

All: In everything I will give thanks

One: Come let us worship

All: Joining our hearts in prayer, song and the Word.

† Hymn

"Sing to the Mountains"

BOJ 120

Hearing the Word

Biblical Calling

Psalm 119: 105-112

Invitation to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

O God, you have called us by name.

We come to you from the desert and we thank you for your grace.

We know where we have fallen and not reached the goals you have shown us.

**We have enjoyed justice, and understanding, and mercy, and praise,
and love when it is applied to us,**

but we have been all too short in granting it to others.

Turn us God. Open our eyes that we may see,

**our hearts that they may be filled with compassion,
our minds that we may be transformed.**

Assurance of Pardon.

One: Friends, Declare the Good News!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

One: Friends, Hear the Good News!

All: In Jesus Christ I am forgiven. Alleluia! Amen

NL Choral Ensemble

Directed by Matalie Wham

A time with the children

Children leave for Sunday Circle.

† Sharing the Peace of God

*To our guests and first time visitors today: During the sharing of the Peace
it is our custom to move around and greet one another. Please join us.*

† Hymn

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

PH 377

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Sermon "Bloom where you are planted"

Rev. Bobbie McGarey

Choral Call to Prayer (remain seated) "Jesus Loves Me!"

PH 304

The Chimes Signal the Prayers of the People
*As we offer our prayers of petition and of thanks, the people respond,
"God, you hear our prayers," or "God, we thank you."
Pastoral Prayer*

The Prayer of Jesus
*We pray this prayer inviting each of you to pray it in the version closest to your heart.
Even as we pray, we listen to the rich diversity here.*

Sharing Our Bounty

Invitation to the Offering

Improvisational Music by Matalie Wham

*And then the sheep will ask, "Master, what are you talking about?
When did we ever see you hungry and feed you, thirsty and give you a drink?
And when did we ever see you sick or in prison and come to you?"
Then the Master will say,
"I'm telling the solemn truth:
Whenever you did one of these things to someone overlooked or ignored,
that was me - you did it to me."*

Matthew 25: 37-40

† Doxology

BOJ 86

† Unison Prayer of Dedication

**You call us God to dream new dreams, to work for Justice,
to speak for the voiceless.**

**We dedicate these gifts of heart and hand to your glory.
In the name of the Creator, the Redeemer and the Spirit so Holy.**

Going Out

† Sending Hymn “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

PH 369

† Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Go into the world to love and serve God.

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This morning’s service was prepared by Bobbie McGarey and the Worship Committee.  
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Psssst : I’ve got the Love of Jesus all over—
in my heart, my head, my arms, hands, feet!
It’s ready to explode!
Pass it on!

Welcome to New Life Community Presbyterian Church, a welcoming family of believers and seekers from diverse spiritual backgrounds, striving to be a cooperative and mutually respectful community in which to pursue our individual and community relationship with God.

We carry out God's mission for New Life as a joyful, sensitive faith community modeled on the inclusive and healing love of Jesus Christ. We reflect Christ's love to all who come through our doors, regardless of gender, sexual orientation, age, race or economic status. We extend this ethic to our pastor, elders and deacons.

- We are open to freedom of interpretation of Scripture, believing that truth is also found in our experiences of God in our individual and communal lives.

- We practice freedom of expression in worship, inviting participation from the whole congregation.

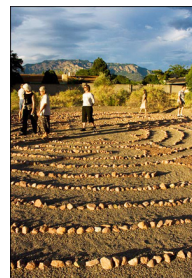
- We worship at round tables to signify inclusivity, connection and equality.

- As part of our ministry to explore and deepen our individual and collective spirituality, we host an ancient form of walking meditation called the labyrinth.

- We reach out to the community at large through our ongoing participation with Project Share, Habitat for Humanity, the Martineztown House of Neighborly Services, and other projects.

NEW LIFE is home to two labyrinths, tools for walking prayer and meditation, that date back to the 12th century pattern found in Chartres Cathedral in France. Our indoor canvas labyrinth is used for meditative services throughout the year. The outdoor labyrinth is open from dawn to dusk daily year-round.

Every Sunday evening, a contemplative Taizé service from 6:30 - 7:15 is held at New Life. On the last Sunday evening of each month we hold a shorter Taizé service with a labyrinth walk following. The Labyrinth walks will be held outside, weather permitting. In 'uncooperative' weather and on special occasions, we will have the walk on the indoor labyrinth.



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The New Life Session ordinarily meets on the second Sunday of each month after worship and Random Sacks of Kindness.
Contemplative Taizé Service ~ Every Sunday evening at 6:30
Taizé service and Labyrinth walk ~ the last Sunday of each month