



New Life Presbyterian Church

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Sticks and stone break bones.
Words destroy.

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† Please stand if you are able      SF - Sing the Faith, BOJ - Book of Joy  
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The chimes call us to the tables for worship.

Prelude

Matalie Wham

Grace and Peace to you let us worship God.

Gathering

† Opening Chant “You Shall Be Like a Garden” Music is on the tables.

*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 (adapted from Psalm 119:1-9 in the Message):

One: We are blessed when we walk steadily on the road revealed by God.

**All: We are blessed when we follow God’s directions,
doing our best to find her.**

One: That’s right - walk straight along the road God has set,
not wandering off on our own.

**All: God has prescribed the right way to live
and now God expects us to live it.**

One: God speaks directly from her heart.

All: If we want a clean life, we must listen to God’s guidance

One: She will set out a pattern for her righteous ways

All: Keep our steps steady when we walk the course God has set;

One: If we do this, we will not have regrets when we compare our lives
with God’s path.

All: Thanks be to God that she will never abandon us!

† Hymn

“Will You Come and Follow Me?”

BOJ 185

Hearing the Word

Epistle Lesson

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Confession (Unison):

Oh God, here we are again.

This is the time each week when we come to ponder

and to celebrate your presence in our lives and to restore our spirits.

We are good people who try to live according to your teaching

but we fail in the little things.

We lose our patience and then our tempers. We say things that are hurtful.

We don't follow through on things we agree to do.

Our lives get too hectic to always be mindful.

Walk with us we pray.

Help us pay attention and to be real emissaries of your love in the world.

Amen

Choral Assurance of Pardon “Blessed Be God”

Blessed be God forever, who in time and eternity lives:

God the lord, who loves justice and mercy and who heals and forgives those who fall.

We will bandage the wounds of the broken and pay heed to each body and soul.

God has asked humankind not to fear but believe that the kingdom is at hand.

† Sung Statement of Faith “I Believe in God Almighty”

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A time with the children

Children leave for Sunday Circle.

† Sharing the Love and 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

“We Limit Not the Peace of God”

BOJ 185

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5: 21-37

Sermon

“Yes Yes..No No”

Rev. Bobbie G. McGarey

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

Offering

Improvisational Music by Matalie Wham

† Doxology

BOJ 86

† Unison Prayer of Dedication

**Accept these offerings of our material blessings.
We pray that they may bless others and further your mission of love,
acceptance, and justice in the world. Amen.**

Going Out

† Hymn

"Spirit of Life"

BOJ 138

† Charge and Benediction

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This morning's service was prepared by Lynn Coburn and the Worship Committee.  
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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