



New Life Presbyterian Church

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God can pour out blessings
in abundance
so that you're ready for anything
and everything,
more than just ready to do what needs to be done.
2 Corinthians 9: 8

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† Please stand if you are able SF - Sing the Faith PH - Presbyterian Hymnal  
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The chimes call us to the tables for worship.

Prelude

Grace and Peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ

Gathering

† Hymn "Christ Beside Me" SF 2166

*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.

† Hymn "Come Sing, O Church in Joy" PH 430

Call to Worship Psalm 47

One: Sing songs to God, sing out!
Sing to our Sovereign, sing praise!

**All: God rules over earth,
so sing your best songs to God.**

One: God is Ruler of godless nations—
sovereign, God stands on the mountaintop.

**All: Royal people from all over are gathered,
people of Abraham and Sarah's God.
The powers of earth are God's—
God soars over all.
Let us worship God.**

Prayer for Today

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession in Unison

**Like thirst for rain on parched earth we come to you, dear God;
hear our prayer.**

We confess we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong.

We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you.

We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others.

**We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor,
and the oppressed.**

**In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness,
that we may choose your will and obey your commandment
to love one another, through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

Assurance of Pardon

NL Choral Ensemble

Directed by Matalie Wham

“Wa wa wa Emimimo” “Come, O Holy Spirit, Come
from Nigeria Taught by Samuel Solanke, translated I-to Loh

Come, O holy Spirit come,

Holy Spirit come.

Come, almighty Spirit come.

Almighty Spirit come.

Come, come, come.

O Spirit, come.

Come, come, come.

O Spirit, come.

Fill us with Spirit power come,

Holy Spirit come.

Wash us with Loving Power, come.

Almighty Spirit come.

Lead us to dance with joy, come

Holy Spirit come.

Chase all the tears a-way, o come.

Almighty Spirit, come

A time with the children
Children leave for Sunday Circle.

Sharing the Peace of Christ with each other

Hearing the Word

Reading from the book of Acts 1: 1-11

† Hymn "Live Into Hope" PH 332

Reading from John 17: 1-11

Sermon "Dear God" Rev. Bobbie G. McGarey

Hymn to draw us into Prayer "Santo, Santo Santo" SF 2007
(1st time in Spanish, 2nd time in English)

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

The Invitation to the Offering

Offering Improvisational Music by Matalie Wham

† Doxology Copies on Tables

† Unison Prayer of Dedication
All That we have is Yours dear God—a trust we return to you.

† Hymn "O For a World" PH 386

Going Out

† Charge and Benediction From the Brief statement of faith

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.
In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Go Now in Peace

Postlude

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This morning's service was prepared by Bobbie McGarey and the Worship Committee.  
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Everyone, please join us this afternoon at 4:00
for a Service of Celebration, Remembrance, and Thanksgiving
for the Passage of Presbyterian Amendment 10-A.

And don't forget the Pentecost celebrations on June 12:
Communion, Tongues of Fire Barbecue and potluck after worship.
If you have red....wear it!



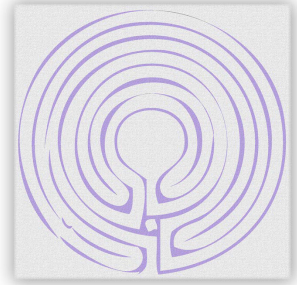
Welcome to New Life Community Presbyterian Church, a welcoming family of believers and seekers from diverse spiritual backgrounds, striving to be a cooperative and mutually respectful community in which to pursue our individual and community relationship with God.

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 meets today 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