



# 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 19, 2023

### MEDITATION

“The LORD is in His holy temple;  
let all the earth keep silence before Him.”

- Habakkuk 2:20 (ESV)

"You pursue excellence when  
you care about something other  
than your own excellence."

- Michael Horton

"Death says you are less important  
than you've ever allowed yourself  
to believe. The gospel says you are  
far more loved than you've ever  
imagined. You are not too important  
to die. But you are important enough  
that God gave his only begotten Son,  
so that if you believe in him you will  
not perish but have eternal life  
(John 3:16). You will not be  
defined by death."

- Matt McCullough

"All true religion begins with  
reverence. Reverence is due  
to God, because He is great  
and He is gracious."

- Dr. Robert Rayburn

### GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

### HYMN

#165 “Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim” (vss. 1-4)

### PRAYER of INVOCATION

- Pastor Bob Rumbaugh

- Pastor Douglas Kittredge

### SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP

- *King of Love*

- *Psalm 73*

### CONFESSION of SIN *(on screen)*

O Lord, let not your law be a cursing to our consciences, but rather give us grace under this extreme and heavy burden of sin, to be fully persuaded, that you, by your death have taken away all our sins, and fulfilled the law for us, and by this means have delivered us from the curse of the law and paid our ransom; and then we, being thus fully persuaded, may have quiet and settled hearts, and a free conscience, and glad desiring wills to forsake this wicked world. Amen.

- based on a prayer by Henry Smith

### ASSURANCE of PARDON *(on screen)*

“I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.”

- Ezekiel 36:25–27(ESV)

SONGS of PRAISE and WORSHIP *(cont'd.)*  
- Isaiah 43

MISSIONS REPORT

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN REPORT

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER *- Pastor Sam Capitano*  
*followed by the Lord's Prayer*  
*(Children 3-4 years old may leave (2nd service only)*  
*for Junior Worship - room 134B)*

OFFERTORY "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" (381)  
- Amanda Oberlin

DOXOLOGY  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

SCRIPTURE Genesis 23:1-20

SERMON Buying a Tomb and Raising a Flag:  
Bridging the Gap Between Promise and Reality  
- Pastor Sean Whitenack

HYMN #94 "How Firm a Foundation" (vss. 1-4, 6)

BENEDICTION - Pastor Sean Whitenack

**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

"Abundance isn't God's provision  
for me to live in luxury. It's his  
provision for me to help others  
live. God entrusts me with  
his money not to build my  
kingdom on earth, but to build  
His kingdom in heaven."  
- Randy Alcorn

**Buying a Tomb and Raising a Flag:  
Bridging the Gap Between Promise and Reality  
Genesis 23:1-20**

Have you ever found yourself with nowhere to turn? Have you faced a challenge that seemed insurmountable, without even knowing where to begin? Our passage today tells us about Abraham and his quest to lay his beloved wife Sarah to rest after many years of marriage. Where will he bury her, given that he doesn't have a single square inch of land to call his own? Although God had promised Abraham a vast and prosperous land, it did little good when it came to burying Sarah. But could it? Just like Abraham, we all struggle to apply God's divine promises to the problems we encounter in the tangible world. How do we bridge the gap between God's promise and what we need right now?

**1. Bridge the Gap by Knowing your Hope (*Genesis 23:1-9*)**

1. Death is our great enemy (*Genesis 23:1-2*)
2. The challenge of life as a stranger - the absence of permanence (*Genesis 23:3-4*)
3. The world will give God's people charity, so long as it does not impede it's aspirations (*Genesis 23:5-6*)
4. We have a deep-seated desire to honor our dearly departed (*Genesis 23:7-9*)

**2. Bridge the Gap by Persistent Pursuit (*Genesis 23:10-11*)**

1. The world resists making space for God's kingdom (*Genesis 23:10-11*)
2. Making a place for God's work in the world will require hard work (*Genesis 23:12-16*)

Philippians 2:12–13

1 Corinthians 15:10

1 Corinthians 15:58

**3. Bridge the Gap by Focusing on What Has Been Fulfilled (*Genesis 23:17-20*)**

Genesis 49:29–33

Hebrews 11:13

Colossians 3:1–2

**You are forgiven. You are adopted. You are loved. As you believe in Jesus Christ, those are your promises. Go back to those simple promises, over and over. Understand your life through those gospel promises. They were purchased by Jesus Christ because of his love for you.**

### ***Sunday School Classes*** (9:30 am - 10:15 am)

***Winter Quarter December 4 - February 26***

*New Members: Covenant Discipleship*  
(Pastor Sean's Office)

*Applied Theology: All Things For Good* (room 217)

*Theology: Church History Part 1* (room 100)

*New Testament Book: James* (room 219)

**See the "Welcome Board" in the Foyer for details**

NLIC GIVING FY 2022	General Fund	Faith Promise
<b><i>Weekly Budget</i></b>	<b>\$18,448</b>	<b>\$3,308</b>
<b><i>Giving last week</i></b>	20,364	12,490
<b><i>+/- for week</i></b>	+1,916	+9,182
<b><i>+/- fiscal year</i></b>	+19,412	+5,464
<b>Online Giving Available at <a href="http://www.nlicc.org/online-giving">www.nlicc.org/online-giving</a></b>		

#### **Ways to Give:**

Cash or Check written to New Life in Christ Church

Online: <https://www.nlicc.org/give>

By App: Tithe.ly

Or by Text: Text GIVE to (844)567-5606

#### **Pastors**

Pastor Sean Whitenack*	540-379-5385	<a href="mailto:sean@nlicc.org">sean@nlicc.org</a>
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#### **Elders**

Doug Bergen, Dan Deaconson\*, Chris Garcia\*,  
George Giddens, Nathan Henriksen, Kim Lorei\*,  
Larry Plating\*\*, Joe Plaia\*, Eric Schroeder\*,  
Mark Shigley\*, Jay Storms\*, Robert L. Williams\*

\* denotes currently serving on session

\*\*denotes elder emeritus

**The Family Room** (aka Cry Room) is available for nursing moms and young families. **The Nursery** is available during Sunday School and second service.

# CALENDAR of EVENTS

## TODAY

February 19	8:00 am	Worship Service - Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
	9:30 am	Children and Adult Sunday School Classes
	10:30 am	Worship Service - Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
	12:00 pm	Visitors Luncheon: Greenberg Care Group hosting
	4:30 pm	Youth Discipleship (6th - 12th grades)
	4:30 pm	Officer Training (room 219)
	6:00 pm	Evening Service - Capital Campaign Closing Celebration

## THIS WEEK

Monday		<b>Office Closed - Presidents Day</b>
	9:30 am	MOTS (Mother's of Toddlers) - contact Rachel Martin (fireside room)
	1:00 pm	GriefShare Support Group (fireside room)
	6:30 pm	ESOL (English Speakers of Other Languages)
Tuesday	10:30 am	Child's Praise - contact Veronica Allison (music room)
	3:15 pm	Cherub Choir
	4:00 pm	Children's Arts Ministry (Choir, Handbells, Drama)
	6:15 pm	Sanctuary Bells
	7:15 pm	Adult Choir / NO Teen Drama
Wednesday	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study: " <i>Blessed</i> " contact Mary Shaffer or Gail Puffenberger (room 219)
	4:30 pm	Pioneer Girls (fireside room)
	7:00 pm	Christian Service Brigade (fireside room)
Friday		Christian Service Brigade Overnighter
Saturday	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study: " <i>God of Covenant: Genesis 12-50</i> " contact Joy O'Toole (room 217)
	10:00 am	Christian Service Brigade <i>StockCar Races</i> (check-in begins at 7:00 am)
	1:30 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal (sanctuary)

## NEXT SUNDAY

February 26	8:00 am	Worship Service - Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
	9:30 am	Children and Adult Sunday School Classes
	10:30 am	Worship Service - Pastor Sean Whitenack preaching
	4:30 pm	Youth Discipleship (6th - 12th grades)
	6:00 pm	Evening Service - Jeremy Greenberg preaching

## FUTURE

March 3	7:00 pm	Session/Deacon Meetings (room 217/215)
March 4	9:00 am	All-Church Workday (contact Craig Cuddy)
March 5		48th Annual Missions Celebration begins
March 5	12:00 pm	Fairmont W.VA. Mission Trip Informational Meeting (room 200)
March 11	10:00 am	Ladies Missions Brunch (fireside room)
March 11	5:30 pm	Missions Banquet (doors open at 5:00)
March 19	12:00 pm	Visitors Luncheon: Ferguson Care Group hosting (fireside room)
March 31 - April 2		YoWAW (Youth World Awareness Weekend - Shenandoah Springs)
April 21-23		New York Missions Trip (contact Jim Melnick)
April 25	6:00 pm	Teen Drama presents: <i>A Family Reunion to Die For</i> (sanctuary)
May 6		"Share Your Faith" Workshop
July 17-21		Vacation Bible School
July 21-30		Peru Missions Trip (contact Kim or Lucinda Lorei or Sean O'Hara)

**Deacon on call this week:** e-mail: [nlicc@nlicc.org](mailto:nlicc@nlicc.org)  
Josh Wassum (540) 645-8527 (c)  
(Next week: Fred Yarborough)

**This week's Fighter Verses** (memorization)  
Psalm 37:5-6 [7-8] ([fighterverses.com](http://fighterverses.com))

**Library hours:** Sundays 9:45-10am and  
immediately after the am service until Noon

## 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

## Prayer and Praise

**Pray** as we continue our "Rising up...Reaching out...Welcoming in" stewardship campaign to create a more welcoming sanctuary by building a balcony. Join us this evening for our Capital Campaign Closing Celebration at our 6:00 service. Please stay after the service for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

**Pray** for healing for those fighting cancer, heart issues and neurological diseases and for those taking care of them.

**Pray** for our upcoming missions trips. If you would like to join our New York trip in April, speak with Jim Melnick or Jay Storms. If you would like to join our Peru trip in July, speak with Sean O'Hara. If you would like to join our Israel trip in October, speak with Jay Storms.

**Pray** for the work of Missions. This week's focus:  
Matt and Carly Chase (MTW - Japan).  
Billy and Yashmin Clark (Scripture Union Assoc. Dir. - Columbia)

**Pray** for Turkey and Syria as they recover from a devastating earthquake. Pray for the Jerdan family in their ministry to Turkey.

**Pray** for the Persecuted Church. This week's focus is Iran: pray that Bible smugglers will successfully distribute God's Word without detection.

**Pray** for Jonathan Rumbaugh who was deployed to Finland on February 13th. He will be there approximately one month. Pray for all those serving in the military and their families.

**Pray** for our ministry to children. Pray for us as we seek a director for our Vacation Bible School in July.

## Prayer Request and Praise

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ This request is for Pastors and Elders only

## To Sign Up

- ☐ Would like to be an **Usher** Sunday mornings
- ☐ **Help fold bulletins**
- ☐ Would like to **place flowers** on the communion table

Occasion: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

**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**

## Announcements

Interested in a summer Mission Internship? Check our Missions board for an MTW sponsored opportunity to Rwanda or contact Frank Sindler at fsindler@gmail.com.

Baseball season is upon us at New Life. This local outreach is one of our largest with over 160 players participating and approximately 500 family members. Volunteers are needed in umpiring, scorekeeping, concession stand, coaching, grounds keeping, administration, bookkeeping and working with our software program. Contact Connie Both or Christopher Dale if you are interested in helping.

"The CHOICES Pregnancy Center" under *IMGNL*Life, will be hosting their 2023 Gala on Friday, March 3rd at the Fredericksburg Expo Center. Eileen Roberts and Kyle and Catherine Ferguson will be hosting tables and would like to invite you to attend and learn more. For more information, please reach out to them.

Please note the **2022 donation summary statements** are available in the foyer for pick-up.

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

Krystal Dowell 287-3005; adowell8@msn.com  
or Kathy Wilson 891-7235; r2wilson22@hotmail.com.

## 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:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Care Group                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday School     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Group                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Missions          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult/College                           | <input type="checkbox"/> New Members Class |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Ministry                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Baptism           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's Ministry                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Call me           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music Ministry                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Appointment with  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boys Brigade                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Pastor or Elder   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pioneer Girls                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Church Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Would like to be added to church mailing list |  |

# New Life in Christ Church

## Sunday Service Times:

Adult & Children's Sunday School      9:30 am

Worship Service      8:00 am  
10:30 am

Evening Service      6:00 pm

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*

Skip Tyler, *Assistant Pastor*

Jonathan Allison, *Music Director, Office Admin.*

Christine Fulcrod, *Ass't to Senior Pastor, Ass't Admin.*

Veronica Allison, *Assistant Music Director*

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