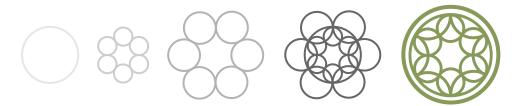


WELCOME TO NEW CITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



New City is a collection of people of all ages and professions, from a wide variety of spiritual and social backgrounds. We embrace Jesus' claims to be true and transformational. We also believe the central message of the Bible is the good news, or "gospel," of a God who created us for Himself and desires us to live fully as we enjoy relationship with Him and with each other.

The Bible's radical message of grace centers on Jesus and creates a new city comprised of renewed individuals living not for themselves but for the God who redeems. For this reason, New City exists to be a community rooted in truth, real in conversation, and hopeful for deep renewal in our lives and our city.

It is our privilege to welcome you and to invite you to be astonished, together with us, by the splendor and grace of God.

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NEW CITY VISION & VALUES

To be a people in awe of God, made new by the gospel, for the sake of people throughout our city, the nations, and the generations to come.

Our vision leads us to hold closely three values that shape our life and ministry as a church:

ROOTED CONVICTION in the truths of God's Word **REAL CONVERSATION** as we engage the gospel, culture, and each other **RENEWAL OF THE CITY** as we live and do life in relationship with God

God always comes to us before we can come to Him. Biblical worship is a response to God's gracious revelation of Himself, calling us to worship.

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Exodus 15:13-18

"You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode; the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established. The LORD will reign forever and ever."



GATHERING HYMN

God Is For Us

Michael Farren, James Ferguson, Tiarne Kleyn, Jesse Reeves Jonny Robinson, James Tealy, Rich Thompson. © 2003 Thankyou Music CCLI #4477026

We won't fear the battle; we won't fear the night We will walk the valley, with You by our side You will go before us; You will lead the way We have found a refuge, only You can save

Sing with joy now: our God is for us The Father's love is a strong and mighty fortress Raise your voice now, no love is greater Who can stand against us if our God is for us

Even when I stumble, even when I fall Even when I turn back, still Your love is sure You will not abandon, You will not forsake You will cheer me onward with never ending grace

Neither height nor depth can separate us Hell and death will not defeat us He who gave His Son to free us Holds us in His love

MEMBERSHIP VOWS

We are privileged to receive the newest members of New City Presbyterian Church this morning: Ronald & Joyce Cieslak, and Nathan Khoury.

MEMBERSHIP VOWS:

Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?

Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the follower of Christ?

Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?

Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?



HYMN OF GRACE

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt, Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured, There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within; Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that is greater than all our sin.

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, What can avail to wash it away! Look! there is flowing a crimson tide; Whiter than snow you may be today.

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, Freely bestowed on all who believe; You that are longing to see His face, Will you this moment His grace receive? Grace Greater Than Our Sin Julia Harriette Johnston. 1911, Public Domain The Pastoral Prayer is a time to express our gratitude for-and dependence on-God's provision for the life and ministry of the Church.

During the remainder of our worship service, preschool-aged children are welcome to stay with their parents in the Sanctuary, or will now be dismissed to attend Kids' Bible Time.

All we have is given to us by God. Our offerings express this joyful dependence, and our commitment to join God in His work of renewal.

PASTORAL PRAYER

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We would love to know more about you and how to serve you. Please scan this QR code with your smartphone to let us know you came and so that we can follow-up with you.

VISITING US?



TITHES & OFFERINGS

FOR TEXT & ONLINE GIVING Text dollar amount (e.g.: \$50) to 843-21

Give online through Church Center, at <u>newcitypc.churchcenter.com/giving</u> or by scanning the QR code.

Alternatively, A dropbox is available in the Welcome Area for cash or check offerings.

Elder Ken Reynolds



The word "doxology" comes from the Greek translation of the Old Testament word for worship. Throughout our service, we respond to the gospel of God's grace with songs of praise!



As a confessional church, we participate in the rich heritage of biblically faithful summaries which seek to build and strengthen our faith in Christ. Creeds, Confessions, and Cathechisms serve us in this regard.



In anticipation of the proclamation of God's Word, we lift a prayer to God asking Him to speak to us through His living Word.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow Thomas Ken. 1551, Public Domain

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

From Psalm 119:105-112

LEADER:	Your word is a lamp to my feet
	and a light to my path.
	I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,
	to keep your righteous rules.
ALL:	Your testimonies are my heritage forever,
	for they are the joy of my heart.
	I incline my heart to perform your statutes
	forever, to the end.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION



are listening to the voice of God. The

inspired texts and spoken words the chief

Holy Spirit makes the

means of nourishing

others to new faith.

and comforting God's people, and awakening

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

When we hear the Word of God proclaimed and preached, we

TO THE CHOIRMASTER. A PSALM OF THE SONS OF KORAH.

¹LORD, you were favorable to your land: you restored the fortunes of Jacob. ² You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin. Selah ³You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger. ⁴Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us! ⁵Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations? ⁶Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? ⁷ Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation. ⁸ Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly. ⁹ Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land. ¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other. ¹¹ Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky. ¹²Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. ¹³ Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

PREACHER

ALL

The grass withers, the flower fades, But the Word of our God stands forever.

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Psalms for the Summer

Prelude To A Kiss

Javier Contesse

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Communion-also known as the Lord's Supper-has always been a common, shared, joyous family meal. This meal is for those who have placed their faith in Jesus Christ; for those Baptized Christians who trust in His once-for-all sacrificial death upon the cross for their salvation. When we celebrate this feast, we commune with the risen Lord Jesus who stands as our host to offer spiritual nourishment, renewal and life. We also commune with one another, participating together in the reconciling grace of God.

We warmly welcome to the table all who trust in Jesus and who have publicly professed their faith as members of a Christian congregation. At New City, we ask our children not to take communion until they have met with the elders to share of their faith in Christ, although all children are invited to come forward to receive a blessing and a word of encouragement. If you are not a Christian, we encourage you to spend this time reflecting on the prayers below in the hopes that a relationship with Jesus and membership in His Church may be considered.

You will be directed to make your way to one of the four stations in our sanctuary where you will receive the bread and the wine (gluten-free cracker and grape juice available). Please take it back to your place so we can partake together.

Jesus is truly and spiritually present and stands ready to feed you. Come hungry. Come thirsty. Come ready to be filled.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS FOR PRAYING DURING COMMUNION

PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR THE TRUTH

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who You are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of You that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that You promise. Amen.

PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through You, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank You for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive You as my Savior. Amen.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

I do not presume to come to Your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in my own goodness, but only in Your righteousness credited to me. I am not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under Your table. But You are the same Lord whose manner is always to show mercy. Grant me, O Lord, the grace to commune now with Christ by faith, that I may evermore live in Him and He in me. Amen.

The Call To Repentance is an invitation to privately examine and prepare our hearts to confess our sins.

CALL TO REPENTANCE

ALL

Because of the gospel, our relationship with God is a relationship in which honesty about our sin is welcome and safe. Therefore, with one voice, we are able to openly and sincerely confess our sins to Him.

MINISTER

God's Word assures us of our forgiveness in Christ, and we cannot but continue in praise to the grace, mercy, and peace offered to us.

MINISTER

All who can examine themselves regarding their faith and participation in Christ, are invited to participate in the Lord's Table.

MINISTER

This prayer is offered to set apart the bread and the wine as holy, for the purpose of nourishing us spiritually through ou communion with Christ

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our Father, we come to You repentant of our sin and acknowledging our infinite need of You. Forgive us how quickly we forget the testimonies of Your grace in Scripture, throughout the Church age, and even in our own lives; Forgive us for living our lives apart from what we know is true about Your steadfast love and faithfulness; And forgive us for putting our future hope in any other place that is not in the cross of our Savior, and the righteousness and peace He has acquired for us. In Jesus' glorious name we pray. Amen.

Psalm 103:11-12

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

⊘ ALL

HYMN AT THE TABLE

How deep the Father's love for us How vast beyond all measure That He would give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the chosen One Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross, My guilt upon His shoulders Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice Call out among the scoffers It was my sin that held Him there Until it was accomplished His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything, No gifts, no powers, no wisdom But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom

MINISTER

The Words of Institution echo Jesus' words at the Last Supper, now inviting us to partake of the Bread and Wine in remembrance of Him.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PARTAKING OF THE BREAD & WINE

How Deep The Father's Love For Us Stuart Townend. © 1995 ThankYou Music CCLI #1558110



SENDING HYMN

How Firm A Foundation John Rippon. 1787, Public Domain CCLI #107816

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; For I am your God, and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply; The flame shall not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

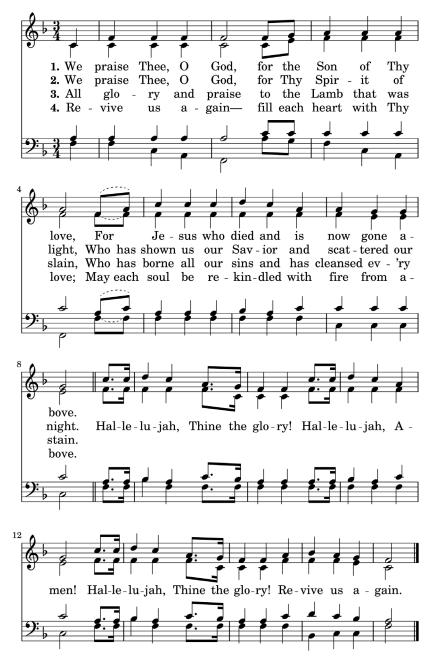
The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

BENEDICTION

⊘Please Rise

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Our gathered worship service concludes with God's blessing; a joyful declaration of God's satisfaction in us through Jesus Christ, and a vow to be in fellowship with us as we scatter.



African American Heritage Hymnal 569

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Text: William P. Mackay, 1837-1885 Tune (REVIVE US AGAIN 11 11 with refrain): John J. Husband, 1760-1825

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Thank you for spending some time with us and getting to know us first-hand! We are excited to finally be in our property and in this season of transition into our beautiful new building. We would love to know more about you and how to serve you. Please scan this QR code with your smartphone to let us know you came and so that we can follow-up with you.



SMALL GROUPS

Small Groups are New City's main avenue for cultivating relationships in Christ, and experiencing the deepest blessings of what it means to be in community. For more information scan QR code or visit: **newcitypc.org/smallgroups**



NEED PRAYER?

Our Prayer ministry team seeks to undergird and strengthen New City's congregation, mission, and ministries through prayer. Please let us know how we can pray for you!