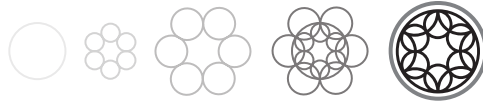


**NEW CITY**  
presbyterian church

**THE LORD'S DAY:  
SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024**





## WELCOME TO NEW CITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are grateful to have you with us as we worship God today. This bulletin is intended to help guide you through the elements of our worship service, including explanations of why we do what we do in corporate worship. We invite you to prepare your heart to come into the presence of our Triune God.

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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.

## WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

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Hebrews 1:1-4

<sup>1</sup> Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. <sup>3</sup> He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

## GATHERING HYMN

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### I Want To Know You

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I've tried in vain a thousand ways  
My fears to quell, my hopes to raise  
But what I need, Your word has said  
Is ever, only, Jesus

Though some should curse me for your name  
I have no fear, I have no shame  
You stand with me for all my days  
My ever, only, Jesus

You died, you live, you reign, you plead  
There's love in all your words and deeds  
This weary heart finds all it needs  
In ever, only, Jesus

Like wave after wave on the ocean  
Like all of the sand on the shore  
Your beauty and glory are endless  
O Jesus I must know you more

*I want to know you, Jesus my Lord  
King of the Heavens, King of my soul  
I trade my treasure and all my rewards  
Jesus to know you, then know you more*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

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Psalm 82

True worship is biblical worship. Throughout our worship service, we read, pray, and sing the words of Scripture.

- <sup>1</sup> God has taken his place in the divine council;  
in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:  
<sup>2</sup> "How long will you judge unjustly  
and show partiality to the wicked? Selah  
<sup>3</sup> Give justice to the weak and the fatherless;  
maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.  
<sup>4</sup> Rescue the weak and the needy;  
deliver them from the hand of the wicked."  
<sup>5</sup> They have neither knowledge nor understanding,  
they walk about in darkness;  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.  
<sup>6</sup> I said, "You are gods,  
sons of the Most High, all of you;  
<sup>7</sup> nevertheless, like men you shall die,  
and fall like any prince."  
<sup>8</sup> Arise, O God, judge the earth;  
for you shall inherit all the nations!

## HYMN OF PRAISE

How Rich A Treasure We Possess

Matt Boswell and Matt Papa.  
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How rich a treasure we possess in Jesus Christ our Lord  
His blood our ransom and defense, His glory our reward  
The sum of all created things is worthless in compare  
For our inheritance is Him, whose praise angels declare

How free and costly was the love displayed upon the cross  
While we were dead in untold sin the Sovereign purchased us  
The will of God the Father demonstrated through the Son  
The Spirit seals the greatest work; the work which Christ has done

*For Yours is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory  
Yours is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, Amen*

How vast and measureless the flood of mercy unrestrained  
The penalty was paid in full, the spotless Lamb was slain  
Salvation what a priceless gift received by grace through faith  
We stand in robes of righteousness; we stand in Jesus' Name

## MEMBERSHIP VOWS

We are privileged to receive the newest members of New City Presbyterian Church this morning:  
Ben Ammons, Sal & Leslie Calo, Sebastian Calo, Emalia Chisholm, Santiago Contesse, Trinidad  
Contesse, Sarah Davis, Chris & Christina Kittrell, Jacob Kittrell, Joshua Nelson, Rachel Partyka.

### 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?

## THE SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Today, we are delighted to celebrate the baptism of Jacob Kittrell upon his own profession of faith.

Baptism is the washing with water, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to signify and seal these three spiritual realities:  
1) Our ingrafting into the body of Christ.  
2) Our partaking of the covenant of grace.  
3) Our engagement to be the Lord's

The Pastoral Prayer is a time to express our gratitude for—and dependence on—God’s provision for the life and ministry of His Church.

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## PASTORAL PRAYER

Oliver Jeromin

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.

## TITHES & OFFERINGS

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### FOR TEXT & ONLINE GIVING

Text dollar amount (e.g.: \$50) to 843-21

Give online through Church Center by scanning the QR code.

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



The Offertory accompanies the giving of Tithes & Offerings with the purpose of guiding our minds and hearts as we continue in worship.

## OFFERTORY

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Here Is Love

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Here is love, vast as the ocean,  
Lovingkindness as the flood,  
When the Prince of Life, our Ransom,  
Shed for us His precious blood.  
Who His love will not remember?  
Who can cease to sing His praise?  
He can never be forgotten,  
Throughout Heav’n’s eternal days.

Let me all Thy love accepting,  
Love Thee, ever all my days;  
Let me seek Thy kingdom only  
And my life be to Thy praise;  
Thou alone shalt be my glory,  
Nothing in the world I see.  
Thou hast cleansed and sanctified me,  
Thou Thyself hast set me free.

On the mount of crucifixion,  
Fountains opened deep and wide;  
Through the floodgates of God’s mercy  
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.  
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,  
Poured incessant from above,  
And Heav’n’s peace and perfect justice  
Kissed a guilty world in love.

In Thy truth Thou dost direct me  
By Thy Spirit through Thy Word;  
And Thy grace my need is meeting,  
As I trust in Thee, my Lord.  
Of Thy fullness Thou art pouring  
Thy great love and pow’r on me,  
Without measure, full and boundless,  
Drawing out my heart to Thee.

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.

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## CHILDREN’S DISMISSAL

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## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

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

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# THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

When we hear the Word of God proclaimed and preached, we are listening to the voice of God. The Holy Spirit makes the inspired texts and spoken words the chief means of nourishing and comforting God's people, and awakening others to new faith.

## John 10:22-42 (ESV)

<sup>22</sup> At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup> Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one."

<sup>31</sup> The Jews picked up stones again to stone him. <sup>32</sup> Jesus answered them, "I have shown you many good works from the Father; for which of them are you going to stone me?" <sup>33</sup> The Jews answered him, "It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you but for blasphemy, because you, being a man, make yourself God."

<sup>34</sup> Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your Law, I said, you are gods'? <sup>35</sup> If he called them gods to whom the word of God came—and Scripture cannot be broken— <sup>36</sup> do you say of him whom the Father consecrated and sent into the world, 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'? <sup>37</sup> If I am not doing the works of my Father, then do not believe me; <sup>38</sup> but if I do them, even though you do not believe me, believe the works, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father." <sup>39</sup> Again they sought to arrest him, but he escaped from their hands.

<sup>40</sup> He went away again across the Jordan to the place where John had been baptizing at first, and there he remained. <sup>41</sup> And many came to him. And they said, "John did no sign, but everything that John said about this man was true." <sup>42</sup> And many believed in him there.



**"I And The Father Are One"**

**MAY 12**

John 10:22-42

"I And The Father Are One"

**MAY 19**

John 11:1-16

"Lazarus Has Fallen Asleep"

**MAY 26**

John 11:17-27

"I Am The Resurrection  
And The Life"

**JUNE 2**

John 11:28-37

"Jesus Wept"

**JUNE 9**

John 11:38-44

"Lazarus, Come Out!"

**JUNE 16**

John 11:45-57

"The Plot And The Twist"

**JUNE 23**

John 12:1-19

"The Anointed One"

**JUNE 30**

John 12:20-43

"Sir, We Wish To See Jesus"







## DOXOLOGY

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Romans 11:33-36

*Javier Contesse*

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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!

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!  
How unsearchable are all of His judgments, inscrutable His ways!  
For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.  
And To Him be glory forever. Amen.



## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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From the Nicene Creed

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 Catechisms serve us in this regard, along with biblical confessions.

[We believe] in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
begotten from the Father before all ages,  
God from God,  
Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made;  
of the same essence as the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven;  
he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and was made human.  
He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried.  
The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.  
He ascended to heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again with glory  
to judge the living and the dead.  
His kingdom will never end.

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 our merciful God.

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sovereign Lord of the universe, we confess our rebellious and stubborn hearts that fail to acknowledge Your sovereignty and resist submitting to Your rule. We have thought ourselves kings and judges over our own lives, and over the lives of others, and we are ashamed. We confess our lack of perspective and the foolishness that drives us towards all kinds of vice and destruction. Forgive us for our idolatrous pursuits, our failure to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with You. Teach us to run to the cross of Christ instead, to rest in His salvation, and to act in the righteousness He has acquired on our behalf. We make our prayer in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Judge. Amen.

### 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 in Christ.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 1:7

<sup>7</sup>In [Jesus Christ] we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of God's grace

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# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

"Our Lord Jesus, on the night that he was betrayed, instituted the sacrament of his body and blood, called the Lord's Supper, to be observed in his church, unto the end of the world, for the perpetual remembrance of the sacrifice of himself in his death; the sealing all benefits thereof unto true believers, their spiritual nourishment and growth in him, their further engagement in and to all duties which they owe unto him; and, to be a bond and pledge of their communion with him, and with each other, as members of his mystical body.

In this sacrament, Christ is not offered up to his Father; nor any real sacrifice made at all, for remission of sins of the living or dead; but only a commemoration of that one offering up of himself, by himself, upon the cross, once for all: and a spiritual oblation of all possible praise unto God, the alone propitiation for all the sins of his elect.

The Lord Jesus hath, in this ordinance, appointed his ministers to declare his word of institution to the people; to pray, and bless the elements of bread and wine, and thereby to set them apart from a common to an holy use; and to take and break the bread, to take the cup, and (they communicating also themselves) to give both to the communicants; but to none who are not then present in the congregation."

*Westminster Confession of Faith 29.1-3*

We welcome all who trust in Jesus Christ for salvation and are members of a local church to partake of the Lord's Supper. We ask that children refrain from taking communion until they have met with the elders to make a profession of faith in order to be admitted to the table.

You will be directed to one of the four stations in our sanctuary where you will receive the bread and the wine or juice. Gluten-free crackers are available. Please take both elements back to your place so that we may all partake together as one body in communion with Christ.

## MINISTER

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

## INVITATION & FENCING OF THE TABLE

## MINISTER

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

## PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

ALL

## HYMN AT THE TABLE

Nothing But The Blood Of Jesus

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What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

*Oh! Precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus!*

For my pardon this I see.  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
For my cleansing, this my plea.  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Naught of good that I have done  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace.  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness.  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

MINISTER

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PARTAKING OF THE BREAD & WINE

The Words of Institution  
echo Jesus' words at the Last  
Supper, which now invite us  
to partake of the bread and  
wine in remembrance of Him.



## SENDING HYMN

Come now Almighty King, rule and reign over us  
Help us your praise to sing, Father glorious  
Embracing us before all time  
You made us heirs with Christ on high  
By your Spirit now we cry:  
Abba Father

*We long for the day Great One in Three  
We finally behold your majesty  
Face to face we'll worship and adore, forevermore*

Speak now, Incarnate Word, of your relentless love  
Bearing our fatal curse with your living blood  
When guilt and doubt come rushing in  
Help us see your cross again  
You're the Rock on which we live;  
Jesus Savior

Come Holy Comforter, give grace to weary hearts  
Bring back the wanderer; drive away the dark  
You're the summer of our souls  
You're the fountain of our hope  
Our assurance here below;  
Spirit of the Son

## BENEDICTION

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

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### Great One In Three

George Romanacce, Steve and Vicki Cook.  
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# NEW CITY NEWS

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



## NC KIDS' SUMMER NIGHTS

Our first Kids' Summer Night is coming up! **Join us May 24th** (other dates posted on the registration) from 5-8pm, our NC Kids will become olympiads training to grow in Christlikeness by strengthening their grip on the truths of the gospel! All children grades K-5th, are invited to join us for games, activities, songs, teaching, and a pizza dinner. Scan QR Code for more information and registration – *Volunteers, please register too!*



## LANDSCAPE WORK DAY

Calling all green thumbs! We're seeking volunteers to help beautify our gardens in preparation for the upcoming Summer season on **Saturday, June 1st 9am-2pm**. Everyone is invited to participate, and we especially encourage families to join in on this fun and rewarding time of work and fellowship. *Please sign up by scanning the QR code!*



## FINANCIAL UPDATE

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| General Fund Contributions as of 5/8/24 | \$ 247,924 |
| General Fund 2024 Annual Budget         | \$ 822,186 |
| Mortgage Balance as of 5/8/24           | \$ 205,313 |

# New City exists to be a church in awe of God, made new by the gospel, for the sake of all people.

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## VISITORS & GUESTS

If you are new to New City, we would love to be able to welcome you personally. Please scan this QR code with your smartphone to let us know you came and so that we can follow-up with you.



## CHURCH CENTER

To access our calendar, register for events, join a small group, request prayer, schedule a baptism, give online, or access the membership directory, download our app at [newcitypc.churchcenter.com](http://newcitypc.churchcenter.com).



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## PRAYER

If you would like to share a prayer request with the elders or/and prayer team, please scan this QR code to share it with us. It would be our privilege to pray with you and for you.

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