

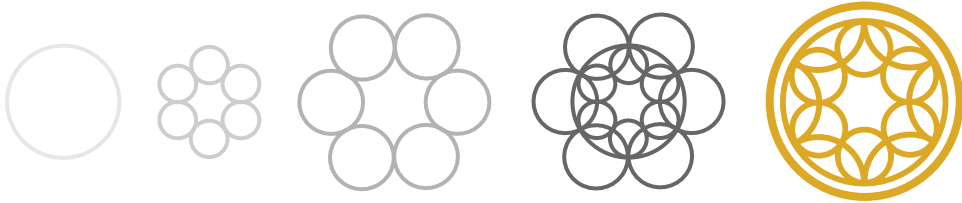


**NEW CITY**  
presbyterian church

**JUNE 5, 2022**



# 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.

As the Senior Pastor of New City, it is my privilege to welcome you and to invite you to be astonished, together with us, by the splendor and grace of God.



Rev. Ryan McVicar

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## NEW CITY VISION & VALUES

*To be 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

Isaiah 40:25-31

<sup>25</sup> To whom then will you compare me,  
that I should be like him? says the Holy One.

<sup>26</sup> Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
who created these? [...]

<sup>28</sup> Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary; [...]

<sup>30</sup> Even youths shall faint and be weary,  
and young men shall fall exhausted;

<sup>31</sup> but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;  
they shall run and not be weary;  
they shall walk and not faint.



## GATHERING HYMN

How Firm A Foundation

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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.

## MEMBERSHIP VOWS

We are privileged to receive the newest members of New City Presbyterian Church this morning: Scott & Deborah Montgomery, Mark & Tamara Paauw, Jeff & Lauren Rogers, Craig & Mycah Toren, William & Angelin Vijverberg, and Jackson Wright.

### 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?

## ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF ELECTED OFFICER COMMISSIONING OF ELECTED DEACONESS

As elected by our congregation, Oliver Jeromin will be ordained and installed as Ruling Elder, and Jennifer Schoon will be commissioned as Deaconess.

## QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule for faith and practice?
2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you and yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this vow?
3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?
4. Do you accept your office in this church, and promise to faithfully perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the church of which God has made you an officer and a deaconess?
5. Do you promise subjection to each other in the Lord?
6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the church?

## QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION

Do you, the members of New City Presbyterian Church, acknowledge and receive Oliver as a Ruling Elder, and Jennifer as Deaconess, and do you promise to yield all the honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord, according to the Word of God?

## CHARGE TO THE OFFICERS PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND THE LAYING OF HANDS THE PRONOUNCEMENT



### HYMN OF TRUST

Come, Holy Spirit, Creator Blest

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Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest,  
And in our hearts take up Thy rest  
Come with Thy grace and heavenly aid  
To fill our hearts which Thou hast made,  
To fill our hearts which Thou hast made.

Come Holy Spirit, through Thee alone,  
Know we the Father and the Son;  
Be this our firm unchanging creed,  
That Thou dost from them both proceed,  
That Thou dost from them both proceed.

O Comforter, to Thee we cry,  
Thou heavenly gift of God most high;  
Thou fount of life, and fire of love,  
And sweet anointing from above,  
And sweet anointing from above.

Praise we the Lord, Father and Son,  
And Holy Spirit with them one;  
And may the Son on us bestow  
All gifts that from the Spirit flow,  
All gifts that from the Spirit flow.

*Be not afraid,  
Where you go there I am with you,  
Be not afraid,  
Where you go there I am with you.  
(Be not afraid)*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### VISITING US?

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.



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

### FOR TEXT & ONLINE GIVING

Text dollar amount (e.g.: \$50) to 843-21  
Give online through Church Center, at [newcitypc.churchcenter.com/giving](http://newcitypc.churchcenter.com/giving) or by scanning the QR code.

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





## DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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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!

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Oh praise Him, Hallelujah!

Praise Him, above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Oh praise Him, oh praise Him,  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!



## PROFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 53

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.

**Q.** What do you believe concerning the Holy Spirit?

**A.** First, that He is co-eternal God with the Father and the Son. Secondly, that He is also given unto me, by true faith makes me a partaker of Christ and all His benefits, comforts me and shall abide with me forever.



## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

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.



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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.

## Psalm 121 (ESV)

A SONG OF ASCENTS.

<sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

<sup>2</sup> My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.

<sup>4</sup> Behold, he who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.

<sup>5</sup> The LORD is your keeper;  
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

<sup>6</sup> The sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup> The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.

<sup>8</sup> The LORD will keep  
your going out and your coming in  
from this time forth and forevermore.

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



Sermon Series

**Psalms for the Summer**

Rev. Ryan McVicar



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**You Need A Guardian For This Trip**

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# 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

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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.

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all grace, forgive us for the ways we have not resisted temptation. We have doubted Your care and succumbed too often to anxiety and fear. We have become wearied by the guilt and shame of our past. We have not fixed our eyes on You as our hope and deliverance. Help us, O Lord, to be more aware of our weaknesses, more content in our circumstances, and more thankful for Your mercies. In Jesus' name we pray. 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.

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hebrews 12:1-2

<sup>1</sup> [...] Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

MINISTER

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

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

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MINISTER

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

## PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

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## HYMN AT THE TABLE

## There Is A Fountain

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There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel's veins  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains  
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains

The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day  
And there may I though vile as he wash all my sins away  
Wash all my sins away, wash all my sins away  
And there may I though vile as he wash all my sins away

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its power  
Till all the ransomed Church of God be saved to sin no more  
Be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more  
Till all the ransomed Church of God be saved to sin no more

Ever since by faith I saw the stream, Thy flowing wounds supply  
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die  
And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die  
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die

When this poor lisping stammering tongue lies silent in the grave  
Then in a nobler sweeter song I'll sing Thy power to save  
I'll sing Thy power to save, I'll sing Thy power to save  
Then in a nobler sweeter song I'll sing Thy power to save

### 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



## SENDING HYMN

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my Wisdom, And Thou my true Word  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord  
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not, Nor man's empty praise  
Thou my inheritance now and always  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart  
High King of heaven, My Treasure Thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

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Be Thou My Vision  
*Mary E. Byrne, Eleanor H. Hull.*  
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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.

## BENEDICTION

# BUILDING MAP

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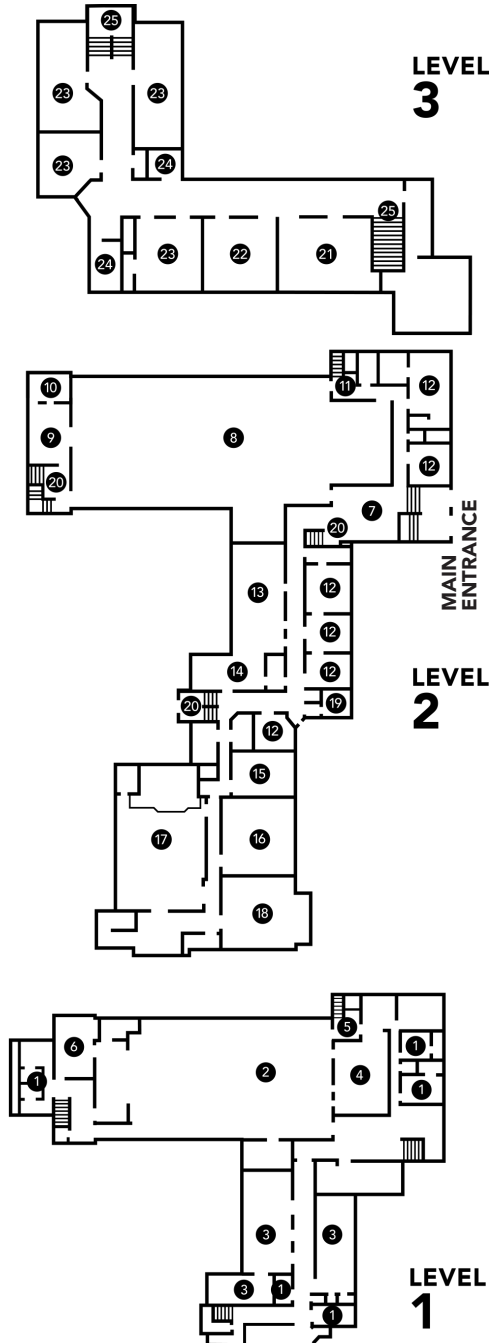
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### VISITING US?

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

Our new Small Group season has launched with several groups already meeting, and many new groups to explore. 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](http://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!

