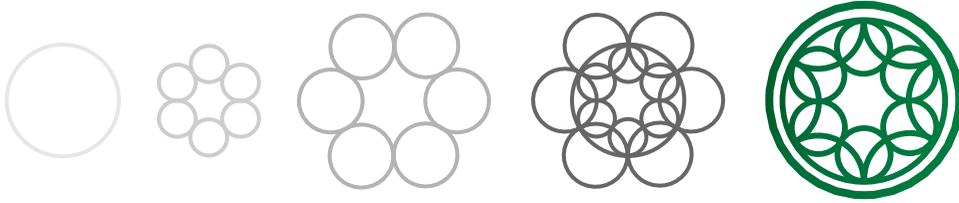




NEW CITY
presbyterian church

AUGUST 23, 2020

WELCOME TO NEW CITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Welcome to our new house! We're delighted you've joined us this morning for our gathered service of worship on our front lawn.

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

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

GATHERING HYMN

Rejoice

Dustin Kensrue, Stuart Townend.

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Come and stand before your Maker full of wonder, full of fear
Come behold His power and glory, yet with confidence draw near
For the one who holds the heavens and commands the stars above
Is the God who bends to bless us with an unrelenting love

*Rejoice, come and lift your hands and
Raise your voice, He is worthy of our praise
Rejoice, sing the mercies of your King
And with trembling, rejoice*

We are children of the promise, the beloved of the Lord
Won with everlasting kindness, bought with sacrificial blood
Bringing reconciliation to a world that longs to know
The affections of a Father who will never let them go

All our sickness, all our sorrows Jesus carried up the hill
He has walked this path before us, He is walking with us still
Turning tragedy to triumph, turning agony to praise
There is blessing in the battle so take heart and stand amazed

*Rejoice, when you cry to Him He hears
Your voice, He will wipe away your tears
Rejoice, in the midst of suffering
He will help you sing*

SCRIPTURE READING & PRAYER OF ADORATION

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

The Prayer of Adoration is a praiseful pondering of the attributes and works of God, intended to draw our hearts closer to Him.

HYMN OF PRAISE

All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name

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All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!

O seed of Israel's chosen race
Now ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all!

Let every tongue and every tribe
Responsive to His call,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all!

Oh, that with all the sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.
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And crown Him Lord of all.

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

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TITHES & OFFERINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER

FOR TEXT & ONLINE GIVING

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



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.

1 Peter 1:6-12 (ESV)

⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹ obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

¹⁰ Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, ¹¹ inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. ¹² It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.

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 different stations around the lawn where you will receive the prepackaged cup containing grape juice and a wafer. Please take it back to your place so we can wait for each other and partake the elements together.

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

HYMN AT THE TABLE

Jesus Paid It All

*Elvina Mabel Hall, John Thomas Grape.
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I hear the Savior say,
“Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray
Find in Me thine all in all”

*Jesus paid it all; all to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow*

Lord now indeed I find
Thy power and Thine alone
Can change the leper’s spots
And melt the heart of stone

And when before the throne
I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save
My lips shall still repeat

Oh, praise the One Who paid my debt
And raised this life up from the dead

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 & BREAKING OF THE BREAD

HYMN OF RESPONSE

My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

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My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the 'whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay.

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in Him be found,
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

BENEDICTION

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.

Visit our website at:
NEWCITYPC.ORG

Thank you for being part of our service today! Our *Worship On The Lawn* season marks the initial move of our congregation into our new home. We will be meeting here every Sunday until we are able to meet inside our new sanctuary. In the event of inclement weather, our livestream will still be available at newcitypc.org/worship.

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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.



COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Gathering in the midst of an pandemic brings unique challenges that shape the way we gather. We have put together a list of measures and recommendations for reducing the risk of contagion as much as possible. The use of face masks is strongly encouraged as well as social distancing (at 6ft apart) at all times. Please review these guidelines to help everyone stay safe.



PRAYER REQUESTS

During this challenging season, our desire is to be a praying church. Please let us know how we can pray for you. You can choose to mark your prayer private for our pastors' and deacons' eyes only, or public so our entire congregation can pray for you.

View our public prayer list at newcitypc.org/prayerlist

HOW TO SCAN QR CODES?

QR Codes allow smartphone users to quickly access a web link without having to type a URL.

For most iPhone users, this technology is integrated into your camera app. Simply hover over the QR code using your camera app and wait for a pop-up notification that will open your web browser for you.

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