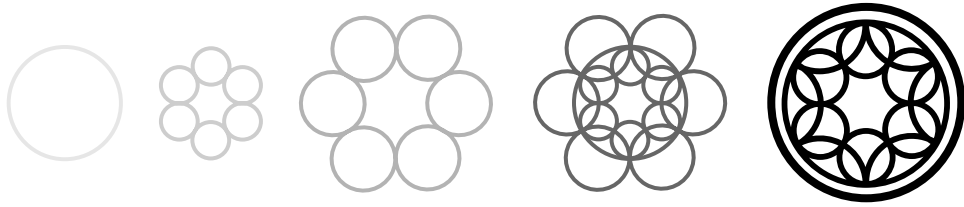


**NEW CITY**  
presbyterian church

**JULY 26, 2020**

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# 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

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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

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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.

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

## GATHERING HYMN

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Only A Holy God

Smith, Robinson, Farren, Thompson  
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Who else commands all the hosts of heaven  
Who else could make every king bow down  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles; Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises  
What other splendor outshines the sun  
What other majesty rules with justice; Only a Holy God

*Come and behold Him  
The One and the Only  
Cry out sing holy  
Forever a Holy God  
Come and worship the Holy God*

What other glory consumes like fire  
What other power can raise the dead  
What other name remains undefeated; Only a Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my failing  
Who else would offer His only Son  
Who else invites me to call Him Father  
Only a Holy God; Only a Holy God

## THE SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Wesley Yiu-Wah Ng, born September 18th, 2019, son of Steve & Jordan Ng.

## BAPTISMAL READING

1 Corinthians 16:13-14

<sup>13</sup> Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.

<sup>14</sup> Let all that you do be done in love.

Baptism is the washing with water, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to signify and seal 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

## BAPTISM VOWS

### PARENTAL VOWS:

Do you acknowledge your son's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God's covenant promises on behalf of your son, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you have for your own?

Do you now unreservedly commit your son to God, and promise in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of the Christian faith, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

### CONGREGATIONAL VOWS:

Will you, as members of New City Church, promise to guide and nurture Wesley, by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of his church?

## HYMN OF PRAISE

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By Faith

*Keith and Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend.  
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By faith we see the hand of God  
In the light of creation's grand design  
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness  
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith the prophets saw a day  
When the longed-for Messiah would appear  
With the power to break the chains of sin and death  
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith our fathers roamed the earth  
With the power of His promise in their hearts  
Of a holy city built by God's own hand  
A place where peace and justice reign

By faith the church was called to go  
In the power of the Spirit to the lost  
To deliver captives and to preach good news  
In every corner of the earth

*We will stand as children of the promise  
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward  
Till the race is finished and the work is done  
We'll walk by faith and not by sight*

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## PASTORAL PRAYER

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TITHES & OFFERINGS

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.

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.

# 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.

## Mark 11:15-18; Jeremiah 7:1-11 (ESV)

<sup>15</sup> And they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold and those who bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. <sup>16</sup> And he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. <sup>17</sup> And he was teaching them and saying to them, "Is it not written, My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers." <sup>18</sup> And the chief priests and the scribes heard it and were seeking a way to destroy him [...]

<sup>1</sup> The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: <sup>2</sup> "Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the Lord, all you men of Judah who enter these gates to worship the Lord. <sup>3</sup> Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Amend your ways and your deeds, and I will let you dwell in this place. <sup>4</sup> Do not trust in these deceptive words: 'This is the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord.'

<sup>5</sup> "For if you truly amend your ways and your deeds, if you truly execute justice one with another, <sup>6</sup> if you do not oppress the sojourner, the fatherless, or the widow, or shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not go after other gods to your own harm, <sup>7</sup> then I will let you dwell in this place, in the land that I gave of old to your fathers forever.

<sup>8</sup> "Behold, you trust in deceptive words to no avail. <sup>9</sup> Will you steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, make offerings to Baal, and go after other gods that you have not known, <sup>10</sup> and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, 'We are delivered!'—only to go on doing all these abominations? <sup>11</sup> Has this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, I myself have seen it, declares the Lord.

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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 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

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### Rock Of Ages

*Augustus Montague Toplady, Thomas Hastings.  
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Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee  
Let the water and the blood, From Thy wounded side which flowed  
Be of sin the double cure, Save from wrath and make me pure

All the labors of my hands, Can fulfill Thy law’s demands  
Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow  
All could never sin atone, Thou must save, and Thou alone

Nothing in my hands I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling  
Naked come to Thee for dress, Helpless, look to Thee for grace  
Foul I to the fountain fly, Wash me, Savior, or I die

While I draw this fleeting breath, When my eyes shall close in death  
When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee

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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

*We will feast in the house of Zion  
We will sing with our hearts restored  
He has done great things we will say together  
We will feast and weep no more*

We will not be burned by the fire  
He is the Lord our God  
We are not consumed by the flood  
Upheld protected gathered up

In the dark of night before the dawn  
My soul be not afraid  
For the promised morning oh how long  
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
You are the faithful one  
And from the garden to the grave  
Bind us together bring shalom

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We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

*Joshua Moore, Sandra McCracken.  
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### 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.

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Visit our website at:  
**NEWCITYPC.ORG**

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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](http://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](http://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.

For older iPhone models and most Android phones, download the *Quick Scan* app to scan the codes.