

## Welcome Visitors & Newcomers

A warm welcome to visitors & newcomers! It is great to have you worship with us today. Please complete the information in the black welcome pads as they are passed and then pass it to your neighbor. Please take a welcome packet from the tables at the entrance.

At New Life we host an open table for Holy Communion. All are welcome to receive this free gift of God's grace. We believe Jesus is 'really present' in, with and under the bread and wine. Even though the bread and wine do not change in physical form, Jesus presence in, with and under the bread and wine makes this much more than a remembrance or symbol of God's love. Because of Christ's presence we also believe the real effects or benefits of this meal are; the forgiveness of sin, life with God here and the promise of life with God to come.

Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing. First communion instruction is scheduled before Holy Week for 2nd grade students. Gluten free wafers are also available for those that prefer that option. Note: The wine is red and the grape juice is white. The nursery is staffed during worship (10:30) and is located south of the worship space.

### This Week at New Life

- Sunday 2.17.19 - Worship 8:15 & 10:30 am; All Church Pancake Breakfast 9:30 am; Youth Group Outing 11:45 am, Women's Group to Pyra Pizzeria 5:30
- Monday 2.18.19 - Office Closed
- Tuesday 2.19.19 Financial Peace University 6:30-8 pm
- Wednesday 2.20.19 - Food Pantry 4:30-6:30 pm; WOW 6:30 pm; Confirmation Class 7 pm
- Saturday 2.23.19 - Men's Breakfast Bible Study 7:30 am
- Sunday 2.24.19 - Worship 8:15 & 10:30 am; Education Hour 9:30 am

### New Comers Coffee with Pastor Nate

Interested in learning more about New Life? Join a few of our council members & Pastor Nate for a cup of coffee and conversation following 10:30 worship on March 10. We'd love to have a chance to get to know you better & tell you more about New Life and some of our ministries.

## Worship Assistants

	Today 8.15	Today 10.30	2.24.19 8:15	2.24.19 10:30
Ushers	Kobernuxz	Porters	Loebes	Mike Geisler & Spencer Taylor
Media	Ed Kuhl	Shawn Thacker	Eugene Schultze	Ben Liedtke
Reader	Jaime Paca	Theresa Drew	Kari Murray	Sheila Taylor
Greeter	Jim Jones	Kathryn Leverman	Fran Dempsey	Clint Driftmier
Coffee	Pancake Breakfast	Karen Porter & Donna Sleeth	Allyson Seymour	Emily Blom & Kathryn Leverman
Servers	Lori Ordal & Connie Thompson	Luedtkes	Kuhls	Hautekeetes
Nursery	n/a	Laura & Brooke Kimball	n/a	Emily Blom & Ethan Bemis
Scrip	n/a	n/a	Dave Loebe	Donna Sleeth
Host	Audrey Harryman	Mike Thronson	Abbie Olson	Daira Driftmier
Counters	Jake Murray		Ron Fels	
	Abbie Olson		TBD	
Altar Guild	Danene VanZuuk			

### Recent Additions & Updates to the Prayer List\*

*Philippians 4. 6-7 - Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (NRSV)*

*Illness or Injury \* (A complete Prayer List is available in the back)*

Miles Haug

Judy Hitchman - Lucinda Sperry's sister

Sara Schneider - Cora Mondloch's friend

Tom Fitzpatrick - Amy Thacker's father

Gary Hays - Jeff & Allison Halvorson's brother-in-law

The Green family - friends of Bill & Danene VanZuuk

Tom Cahill - Sheila Taylor's father

Attendance last Week: (2.6 & 10.19) 139

### February Memory Verse

Let all that you do be done in love.

-1 Corinthians 16:14 (NRSV)



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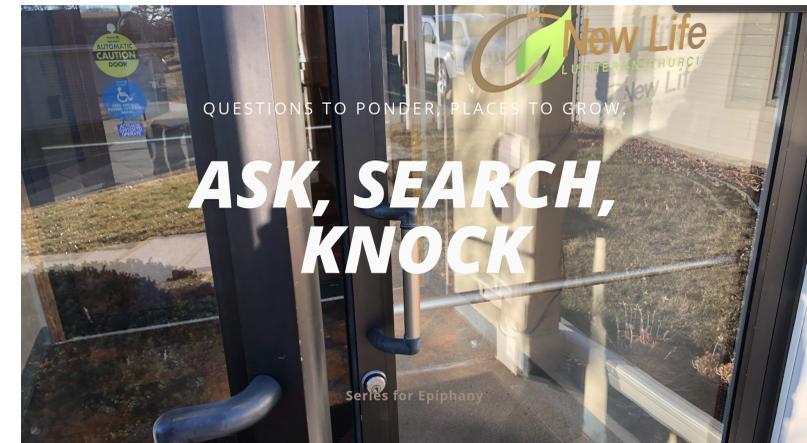
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We are a church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person--questions, complexities and all. Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world.

**This is Christ's church. There is a place for you here.**



**February 17, 2019**

**6th Sunday after Epiphany**

We all come with questions. In fact, if we stop questioning, we stop growing. In this series during the church season of epiphany we will grow together in our understanding, knowledge and faith. E.E. Cummings once said, "Always the beautiful answer who asks a more beautiful question." We have some beautiful questions to ask! So let's ask, and search and knock together and answer your questions of faith. Together we'll spend eight weeks pondering and growing in the questions. Jesus said, "Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you." Matthew 7.7 (NRSV)

## Order of Worship

**Gathering:** *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing ELW 807 (8.15) How Great is Our God (10:30)*

**Readings:** Romans 7.14-24 page 948  
1John 1.5-9 989

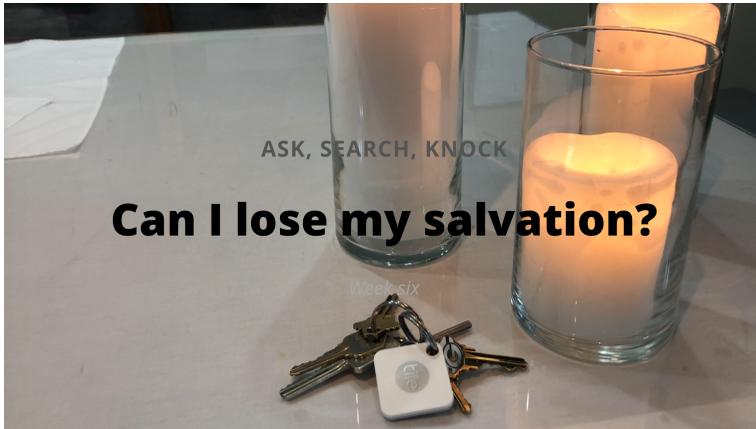
**Message:** Can I lose my salvation?

**Song of Response:** *Jesus Loves Me ELW 595 (8.15) Reckless Love (10:30)*

**Offering Song:** *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound ELW 779 (8.15) How Deep the Father's Love for Us (10:30)*

**Distribution:** *The Lord's My Shepherd ELW 778 (8.15) Good Good Father (10:30)*

**Sending Song:** *Children of the Heavenly Father ELW 781 (8.15)*



### Can I lose my salvation?

It's a thorny problem. It involves controversial theological subjects like "eternal security" and the doctrine of election or predestination. It raises questions about the pros and cons of Calvinism and Arminianism. It touches upon the mysterious relationship between God's sovereignty and human free will. The debate centers around soteriology, or the study of salvation, and includes disputes about total depravity, predestination, and atonement. It's confusing, and it helps us to answer again what kind of God do we worship and what kind of God for we believe in.

## Youth Group to Sleepy Hallow

All youth are invited for an afternoon of snow tubing at Sleepy Hallow following 10:30 worship TODAY. We'll carpool to lunch and then to the slopes. Confirm your spot and see Pastor Nate for a release form asap. Youth should bring money for their own food.

## Silent Auction

Our Annual Silent Auction will be held from March 24 - April 14. The auction raises funds for this summer's youth mission trip to Louisville, KY. Donation to the auction need to be received by March 17. Please let Amanda Fletcher know what you would be willing to donate (thefletchercrew@gmail.com or 515.210.9474).

## Pancakes TODAY!

It's time for the annual Journey Sunday School Pancake Breakfast. Come support the ministries of our JOURNEY Sunday school today from 9:30 to 10:20 in the church basement. For the first time, this year's breakfast will also feature the announcement of our 2019 VBS theme!

## Girlfriends in God

Come join other women of the congregation for a pizza social event 5:30 this evening at Pyra Pizzeria (729 Main St, Norwalk). All women are welcome - bring a friend! The GIG girls will be starting a new Book Study based on Beth Moore's *Quest* on March 10.

## Soup Suppers & Mid-Week Lenten Worship

Midweek Lenten Soup Suppers will begin on March 13th. Soup Suppers are provided by each committee of the church. Soup Suppers begin at 5:45 followed by worship at 6:30 p.m.

## Men's Group

The 2nd Sunday Men's Group will meet on March 10 at Smash Park (6625 Coachlight Dr, WDM) for some Pickle Ball starting at 5 pm followed by dinner and Bible Study from 6 - 7 pm. For more information, talk to Pastor Nate.

## NLLC Directories

The 2019 Directories are available in the back of the worship area. Please feel free to take one home.

## Are you well?

How are you? Like, really? How is your whole self? Wellness is increasingly understood as multi-dimensional — made up of spiritual, vocational, intellectual, emotional, physical, social, and financial dimensions of well-being. Spiritual well-being is intertwined with and influences our well-being in all other dimensions. During Lent, we want to focus on two areas of wellness; Physical Well-Being and Emotional Well-Being. It's our goal to have 40 families participate in one or both of these areas as we move towards wellness.

1. Sign up to participate in several physical activities and take the movement challenge during lent by running, walking, biking and more with Daira Driftmier, Lisa Smith and Kari Murray.
2. Sign up for a gratitude challenge which offers opportunities to get together and practice gratitude, a book study and a challenge to write and say thank you on a regular basis. Read the book "Grateful" by Diana Butler Bass and come to two group discussions...
  - Wednesday, March 27 2:30 and 7:30 -(Part 1 & 2) Gifts and Thanks, Awareness and Practice
  - Wednesday, April 24 2:30 and 7:30 -(Part 3 & 4) Joy and Celebration, Community and Politics

## Ash Wednesday Worship

Lent begins on Wednesday March 6. This year, our friends at the Norwalk Christian Church will join us for worship at 2:30 & 6:30 pm. Our theme: *Busy: Finding Rest in an unhurried God.*

## First Communion Classes

This year, two classes will be offered on Sundays from 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Classes will meet on April 7 & 14. First Communion will be celebrated during our Maundy Thursday worship on April 18. If you have a student in second grade, or have missed first communion instruction for any reason, please plan to attend both classes with your child.

