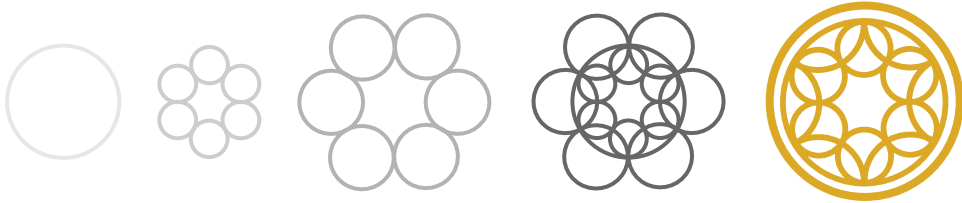




NEW CITY
presbyterian church

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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

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

Psalm 30:4-5

⁴ Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

⁵ For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

GATHERING HYMN

All Creatures Of Our God And King

*St. Francis of Assisi, William Henry Draper.
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All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Oh praise Him; alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
Oh praise Him, oh praise Him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
Oh praise Him; alleluia
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three-in-One
Oh praise Him, oh praise Him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

All the redeemed washed by His blood
Come and rejoice in His great love
Oh praise Him; alleluia
Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him
Oh praise Him, oh praise Him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

He shall return in power to reign
Heaven and earth will join to say
Oh praise Him; alleluia
Then who shall fall on bended knee
All creatures of our God and King
Oh praise Him, oh praise Him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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

THE SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Today, we are delighted to celebrate the baptisms of *David Calvin Ng*, and *Eli Josiah Ng*, sons of Steven and Jordan Ng, born August 2, 2021.

BAPTISM VOWS

PARENTAL VOWS:

Do you acknowledge your children'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 children, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you have for your own?

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

CONGREGATIONAL VOWS:

Will you, as members of New City Church, promise to guide and nurture David and Eli by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ, and to be faithful members of His Church?

BAPTISMAL READINGS

Psalm 16:11 (David) & Psalm 42:8 (Eli)

DAVID ¹¹You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

ELI ⁸By day the LORD commands his steadfast love,
and at night his song is with me,
a prayer to the God of my life..

BAPTISMAL PRAYER PASTORAL PRAYER

The Baptismal prayer is a prayer offered by the minister to bless the covenant child, or confessing adult, as they grow deeper into the reality of their baptism. It's also a call to church members to remember God's faithfulness and find strength in their own baptism.



HYMN OF GLORY

Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious:
 See the Man of Sorrows now;
 From the fight returned victorious,
 Ev'ry knee to him shall bow.
 Crown him! Crown him!
 Crowns become the Victor's brow.

Crown the Savior, angels, crown him;
 Rich the trophies Jesus brings;
 In the seat of pow'r enthrone him,
 While the vault of heaven rings.
 Crown him! Crown him!
 Crown the Savior King of kings.

Look Ye Saints The Sight Is Glorious

*Thomas Kelly.
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Sinners in derision crowned him,
 Mocking thus the Savior's claim;
 Saints and angels crowd around him,
 Own his title, praise his name.
 Crown him! Crown him!
 Spread abroad the Victor's fame!

Hark! those bursts of acclamation!
 Hark! those loud triumphant chords!
 Jesus takes the highest station;
 O what joy the sight affords!
 Crown him! Crown him!
 King of kings and Lord of lords.

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.

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

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

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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.



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;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.



PROFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 69

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. How does holy baptism signify and seal to you the benefits of the one sacrifice of Christ on the cross?

A. In this way: Christ instituted this outward washing and with it gave the promise that, as surely as water washes away the dirt from the body, so certainly his blood and Spirit wash away the impurity of my soul, that is, all my sins.



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.



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.

Revelation 14:1-5 (ESV)

¹ Then I looked, and behold, on Mount Zion stood the Lamb, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads. ² And I heard a voice from heaven like the roar of many waters and like the sound of loud thunder. The voice I heard was like the sound of harpists playing on their harps, ³ and they were singing a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and before the elders. No one could learn that song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. ⁴ It is these who have not defiled themselves with women, for they are virgins. It is these who follow the Lamb wherever he goes. These have been redeemed from mankind as firstfruits for God and the Lamb, ⁵ and in their mouth no lie was found, for they are blameless.

PREACHER
ALL

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



Looking For Motivation To Live

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

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 Him.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, Your Word stirs our soul, and gives us life by the good news of the gospel, yet we are slow to notice how quickly we drift into mistaken priorities and selfish pursuits. We are sinners, and we sin. We confess our guilt and plead Your forgiveness. Merciful Savior, when errant, correct us; when ignorant, illumine us; when tempted, strengthen us; by the power of Your Holy Spirit. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. 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

Psalm 130:7-8

⁷ O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is plentiful redemption.
⁸ And he will redeem Israel
from all his iniquities.

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

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

HYMN AT THE TABLE

The Blood Of Jesus

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What fountain's unrelenting stream is mighty as a flood?
With force and care it ever cleans 'tis Jesus' precious blood

What river carries off my sins? What balm can heal my wounds?
There is no tide or medicine But Jesus' blood alone

*All the guilty are forgiven
All the captives are made clean and then set free
Praise the Lord of power and mercy
The blood of Jesus, shed for me*

What treasure, land, or salary could pay the debt I owe?
The only valid currency is Jesus' blood that flows

Who pleads for me with His own blood and then my soul renews?
He is my advocate and judge, and served my sentence, too

What theme shall now my soul employ in song before my God?
A melody of love and joy and thanks for Jesus' blood

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

Rejoice, the Lord is King:
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing,
And triumph evermore.

*Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again
I say, rejoice!*

Jesus the Savior reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains,
He took his seat above.

Rejoice, The Lord Is King

*Charles Wesley.
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He sits at God's right hand
'Til all His foes submit,
And bow to His command,
And fall beneath His feet.

Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,
And take His servants
Into their eternal home.

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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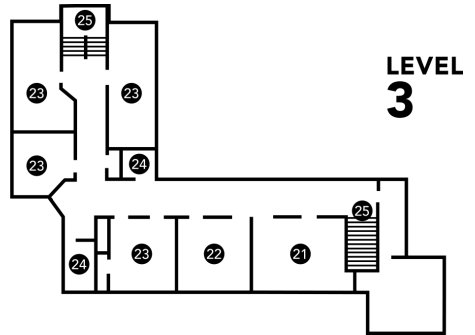
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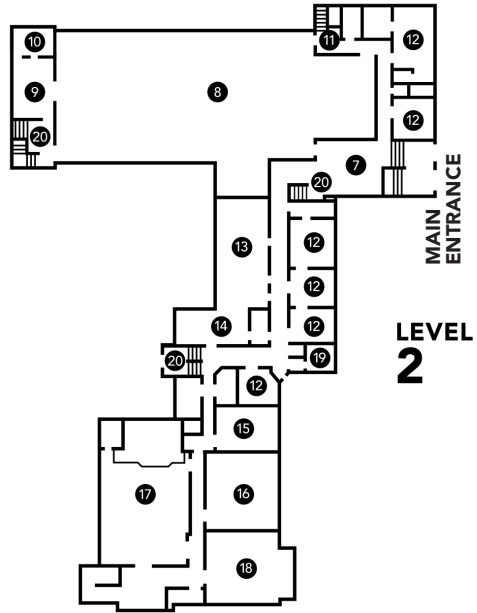
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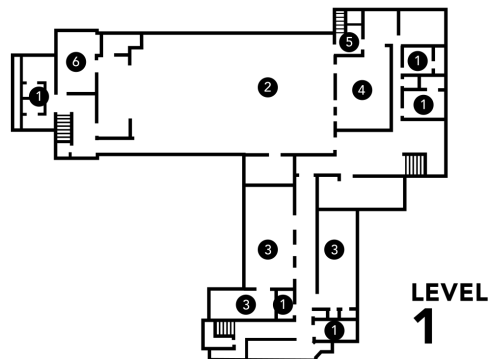
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- 3 NC KIDS
- 4 KITCHEN
- 5 ELEVATOR
- 6 BACKSTAGE ROOM



LEVEL 3



LEVEL 2



LEVEL 1

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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**



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!

