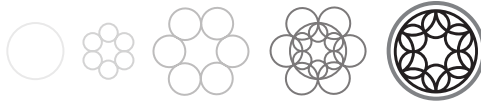


**NEW CITY**  
presbyterian church

**THE LORD'S DAY:  
SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024**





## WELCOME TO NEW CITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are grateful to have you with us as we worship God today. This bulletin is intended to help guide you through the elements of our worship service, including explanations of why we do what we do in corporate worship. We invite you to prepare your heart to come into the presence of our Triune God.

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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.

## WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

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Psalm 100

- <sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!
- <sup>2</sup> Serve the LORD with gladness!  
Come into his presence with singing!
- <sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD, he is God!  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- <sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!
- <sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

## GATHERING HYMN

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Come Praise And Glorify

*Tim Chester, Bob Kauflin.*

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Come praise and glorify our God, the Father of our Lord  
In Christ He has in heavenly realms, His blessings on us poured  
For pure and blameless in His sight, He destined us to be  
And now we've been adopted through His Son eternally

*To the praise of Your glory  
To the praise of Your mercy and grace  
To the praise of Your glory  
You are the God who saves*

Come praise and glorify our God, who gives His grace in Christ  
In Him our sins are washed away, redeemed through sacrifice  
In Him God has made known to us, the mystery of His will  
That Christ should be the head of all, His purpose to fulfill

Come praise and glorify our God, for we've believed the Word  
And through our faith we have a seal, the Spirit of the Lord  
The Spirit guarantees our hope, until redemption's done  
Until we join in endless praise, to God, the Three-in-One

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

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

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Numbers 27:12-17

<sup>12</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "Go up into this mountain of Abarim and see the land that I have given to the people of Israel. <sup>13</sup> When you have seen it, you also shall be gathered to your people, as your brother Aaron was, <sup>14</sup> because you rebelled against my word in the wilderness of Zin when the congregation quarreled, failing to uphold me as holy at the waters before their eyes." (These are the waters of Meribah of Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.) <sup>15</sup> Moses spoke to the LORD, saying, <sup>16</sup> "Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation <sup>17</sup> who shall go out before them and come in before them, who shall lead them out and bring them in, that the congregation of the LORD may not be as sheep that have no shepherd."

## CHRIST HYMN

What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to His  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Savior He will stay  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley He will lead  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

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## Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

*Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, Rich Thompson.*  
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No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that He will bring me home  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

## PASTORAL PRAYER

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

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Scott Cairo

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

The Offertory accompanies the giving of Tithes & Offerings with the purpose of guiding our minds and hearts as we continue in worship.

## OFFERTORY HYMN

The King of love my Shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am His  
And He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow  
My ransomed soul He leadeth,  
And where the verdant pastures grow,  
With food celestial feedeth.

And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise  
Within Thy house forever.

## CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

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.

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

In anticipation of the proclamation of God's Word, we lift a prayer of illumination to God asking Him to speak to us through His living and active Word.

### FOR TEXT & ONLINE GIVING

Text dollar amount (e.g.: \$50) to 843-21

Give online through Church Center by scanning the QR code.

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



## The King Of Love My Shepherd Is

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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.

## John 10:1-10 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. <sup>2</sup> But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup> To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup> When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. <sup>5</sup> A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup> This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup> So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup> All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup> I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.

<sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.



**"I Am The Door Of The Sheep"**

**APR 28**

John 10:1-10

"I Am The Door Of The Sheep"

**MAY 5**

John 10:11-21

"I Am The Good Shepherd"

**MAY 12**

John 10:22-42

"I And The Father Are One"

**MAY 19**

John 11:1-16

"Lazarus Has Fallen Asleep"

**MAY 26**

John 11:17-27

"I Am The Resurrection  
And The Life"







## DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

*Thomas Ken.  
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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!



## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Westminster Confession of Faith, Article 8.3

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, along with biblical confessions.

The Lord Jesus, in His human nature thus united to the divine, was sanctified and anointed with the Holy Spirit above measure, having in Him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge; in whom it pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell; to the end that, being holy, harmless, undefiled, and full of grace and truth, He might be thoroughly furnished to execute the office of a mediator and surety.

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 our merciful God.

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have strayed from Your path of righteousness. We have followed our own ways instead of Your guiding voice. We have wandered into danger and distanced ourselves from Your protective love. We admit our stubbornness, our unwillingness to heed Your call, and our reluctance to follow You. Forgive us for the times we have foolishly ignored Your direction and resisted Your care. In Your mercy, wash us clean and restore our souls. Lead us back to the safety of Your fold where we enjoy life in abundance. By Your Spirit move us to listen, trust, and follow You wholeheartedly, we pray in our Good Shepherd's name. Amen.

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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 in Christ.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 Peter 2:24-25

<sup>24</sup> He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup> For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

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# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

"Our Lord Jesus, on the night that he was betrayed, instituted the sacrament of his body and blood, called the Lord's Supper, to be observed in his church, unto the end of the world, for the perpetual remembrance of the sacrifice of himself in his death; the sealing all benefits thereof unto true believers, their spiritual nourishment and growth in him, their further engagement in and to all duties which they owe unto him; and, to be a bond and pledge of their communion with him, and with each other, as members of his mystical body.

In this sacrament, Christ is not offered up to his Father; nor any real sacrifice made at all, for remission of sins of the living or dead; but only a commemoration of that one offering up of himself, by himself, upon the cross, once for all: and a spiritual oblation of all possible praise unto God, the alone propitiation for all the sins of his elect.

The Lord Jesus hath, in this ordinance, appointed his ministers to declare his word of institution to the people; to pray, and bless the elements of bread and wine, and thereby to set them apart from a common to an holy use; and to take and break the bread, to take the cup, and (they communicating also themselves) to give both to the communicants; but to none who are not then present in the congregation."

*Westminster Confession of Faith 29.1-3*

We welcome all who trust in Jesus Christ for salvation and are members of a local church to partake of the Lord's Supper. We ask that children refrain from taking communion until they have met with the elders to make a profession of faith in order to be admitted to the table.

You will be directed to one of the four stations in our sanctuary where you will receive the bread and the wine or juice. Gluten-free crackers are available. Please take both elements back to your place so that we may all partake together as one body in communion with Christ.

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

## INVITATION & FENCING OF THE TABLE

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

## PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

ALL

## HYMN AT THE TABLE

The King of love my Shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am His  
and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow  
my ransomed soul He leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow,  
with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love He sought me,  
and on His shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.

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## The King Of Love My Shepherd Is

*Henry Williams Baker.  
1868, Public Domain.*

In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with Thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thine unction grace bestoweth;  
and O what transport of delight  
from Thy pure chalice floweth.

And so through all the length of days  
Thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise  
within Thy house forever.

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## WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PARTAKING OF THE BREAD & WINE

The Words of Institution  
echo Jesus' words at the Last  
Supper, which now invite us  
to partake of the bread and  
wine in remembrance of Him.



## SENDING HYMN

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Jesus Shall Reign

Isaac Watts.  
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Jesus shall reign wherever the sun  
Does its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
Till sun shall rise and set no more.

Blessings abound wherever He reigns:  
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains,  
The weary find eternal rest,  
And all the sons of want are blest.

*He shall reign in glory, crowned with grace and might.  
Bless His name and praise the sovereign King.  
He shall reign forever with His chosen bride;  
All the earth shall sing that Jesus is the King!*

Where He displays His healing power  
Death and the curse are known no more;  
In Him the tribes of Adam boast  
More blessings than their father lost.

Let every creature rise and bring  
Blessing and honor to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again,  
And earth repeat the loud Amen!

## BENEDICTION

Our gathered worship service concludes with God's blessing; a joyful declaration of God's satisfaction in us in Jesus Christ, and a vow to be in fellowship with us wherever we may go.

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# NEW CITY NEWS

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



## NC KIDS' SUMMER NIGHTS

During the Summer months (May-Aug), on select Fridays from 5-8pm, our NC Kids will become olympiads training to grow in Christlikeness by strengthening their grip on the truths of the gospel! All children grades K-5th, are invited to join us for these Summer Nights for games, activities, songs, teaching, and a pizza dinner. Scan QR Code for more information and registration – *Volunteers, please register too!*



## NC KIDS' SUMMER NIGHTS ALL-VOLUNTEER MEETINGS

All Kids' Summer Night Volunteers are requested to attend our book overview and instructional meetings **TODAY** after worship, and on May 19th.



## FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Fund Contributions as of 4/25/24	\$ 219,360
General Fund 2024 Annual Budget	\$ 822,186
Mortgage Balance as of 4/25/24	\$ 211,586

# New City exists to be a church in awe of God, made new by the gospel, for the sake of all people.

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## VISITORS & GUESTS

If you are new to New City, we would love to be able to welcome you personally. Please scan this QR code with your smartphone to let us know you came and so that we can follow-up with you.



## CHURCH CENTER

To access our calendar, register for events, join a small group, request prayer, schedule a baptism, give online, or access the membership directory, download our app at [newcitypc.churchcenter.com](http://newcitypc.churchcenter.com).



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## PRAYER

If you would like to share a prayer request with the elders or/and prayer team, please scan this QR code to share it with us. It would be our privilege to pray with you and for you.

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