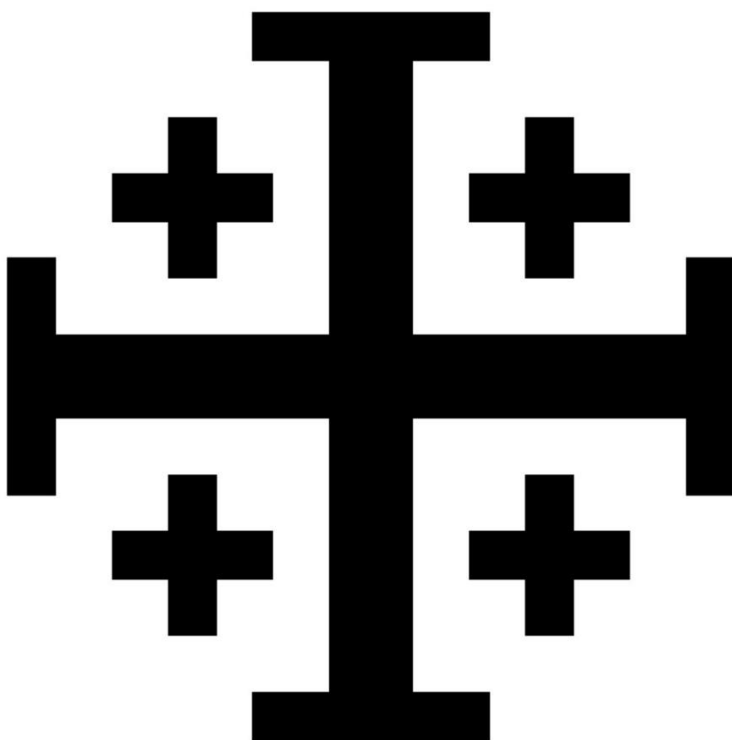


NEW LIFE



THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 24, 2025

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining us for worship today. We welcome you into our fellowship as together we gather in the presence of God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

If you are a visitor, please take a moment to scan the QR code below and fill out the form.

We want to acknowledge your presence today with a note of thanks. Please let us know if there is a way we may be of help or encouragement to you today.

If you have any prayer requests or concerns, questions about your faith or the Christian life, if you have updates to your contact information, or if there is anything you need to communicate, please note those remarks on the form.



On the front: The Jerusalem Cross, an ancient Christian symbol. The five crosses are said to represent the five wounds of Christ or Christ and the four gospels.

WORSHIP MEDITATIONS

I can only answer the question, "What am I to do?" if I can answer the prior question, "Of what story or stories do I find myself a part?"

-Alasdair MacIntyre

The most evangelistic thing the church can do today is to be the church.

-Bryan Stone

Man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy him forever.

-Westminster Shorter Catechism

ADVENT + CHRISTMAS + EPIPHANY + LENT + EASTER + PENTECOST

Pentecost Season, sometimes called Trinity Season, the Time of the Church, or Ordinary Time, is the long season that follows Pentecost until the end of the church year and the beginning of Advent. During this season we celebrate the Holy Spirit, the mission of the Church, and the growth that the church experiences guided by the Spirit. The symbols of the season are any Trinity symbol, images of the Apostles or Saints, symbols of the church, or symbols of Christ. The liturgical color for the season is green, symbolizing the new growth of the Church that the Spirit brings.

THE WORSHIP OF ALMIGHTY GOD

GREETING

Let us worship Almighty God,
In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Our help is in the name of the Lord
The maker of heaven and earth.

Let us pray.

COLLECT

O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

CALL TO CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP

Splendor and majesty are before him;

we will bless the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!

- Psalm 96:6a; 115:18; 117

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

1. Come, thou al - mighty King, help us thy name to sing;

7
help us to praise. Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous;

13
come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.

2. Come, thou Incarnate Word,
gird on thy mighty sword,
our prayer attend.
Come, and thy people bless,
and give thy Word success;
Spirit of holiness,
on us descend.

3. Come, Holy Comforter,
thy sacred witness bear
in this glad hour.
Thou who almighty art,
now rule in every heart,
and ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

4. To the great One in Three
eternal praises be,
hence evermore.
His sovereign majesty
may we in glory see,
and to eternity
love and adore

*Words: Anonymous, 18th c.
Music: Felice de Giardini, 1769)*

CONFESSING OUR SINS

You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence. ¹¹ Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you? ¹³ Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants!

- *Psalm 90:8, 11, 13*

O Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserved your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray you of your boundless mercy and for the sake of the innocent and bitter sufferings, and death of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

Continue your confession of sins in silent prayer

RECEIVING ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Glory to God in the highest!

And peace to his people on earth!

IN CHRIST ALONE

1. In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ, I live

3. There in the ground, His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And, as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His, and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Music and Words: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Dear Jesus,
Sometimes, it feels like you are distant from us. Disappointments, failures, and sad things seem to take us far away from you. But that's not true because you promised to always be with us. So make your presence known to us now and remind us that we will always be home because you made your home in us. Amen.

PRAISES AND PETITIONS

Please see page 18 for additional prayers this week.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

All children may come forward for a brief lesson and prayer by Pastor Tim.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

While the children are being dismissed, we will have a brief time of welcome and greeting. You are welcome to "pass the peace of Christ" to one another.

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are visiting, or have a contact update, please scan the QR code below and fill out the form. Please see announcements on page 19.



THE LORD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

NEW TESTAMENT READING: GALATIANS 6:6-18

Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches.⁷ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap.⁸ For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.⁹ And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.¹⁰ So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

¹¹ See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. ¹² It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who would force you to be circumcised, and only in

order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ.¹³ For even those who are circumcised do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh.¹⁴ But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.¹⁵ For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation.¹⁶ And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

¹⁷ From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

¹⁸ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Antiphon:

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

- ² Sing the glory of his name;
 give to him glorious praise!
³ Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!
 So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.
⁴ All the earth worships you
 and sings praises to you;
 they sing praises to your name.”

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

- ⁵ Come and see what God has done:
 he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.
⁶ He turned the sea into dry land;
 they passed through the river on foot.
There did we rejoice in him,
⁷ who rules by his might forever,
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—
 let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

- ⁸ Bless our God, O peoples;
 let the sound of his praise be heard,
⁹ who has kept our soul among the living
 and has not let our feet slip.
¹⁰ For you, O God, have tested us;
 you have tried us as silver is tried.
¹¹ You brought us into the net;
 you laid a crushing burden on our backs;
¹² you let men ride over our heads;
 we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!



¹³ I will come into your house with burnt offerings;
I will perform my vows to you,
¹⁴ that which my lips uttered
and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
¹⁵ I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals,
with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;
I will make an offering of bulls and goats.

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

¹⁶ Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.
¹⁷ I cried to him with my mouth,
and high praise was on my tongue.
¹⁸ If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.
¹⁹ But truly God has listened;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
²⁰ Blessed be God,
because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

**My soul longs for your salvation;
I hope in your word.**

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 10:1-20

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go.² And he said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”³ Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves.⁴ Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road.⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’⁶ And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you.⁷ And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house.⁸ Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you.⁹ Heal the sick in it and say to them, “The kingdom of God has come near to you.”¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say,¹¹ ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.’¹² I

tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

¹³ “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.”¹⁴ But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you.¹⁵ And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

¹⁶ “The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!”¹⁸ And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.”¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you.²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

HEARING THE WORD PREACHED

Sermon Title:	“Mission and Meaning”
Sermon Text:	Luke 10:1-20
Preacher:	Rev. James Touchton

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sits on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE OFFERING

New Life is supported by the generous gifts of our church members and friends. If you are visiting, you are not expected to give, but if the Lord has blessed you today and you would like to support our ministry, it would be most appreciated. If you don't have cash or check, you can also give on-line at www.newlifeithaca.org/giving/

Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

-2 Cor. 9:6-7

OFFERTORY

THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

EUCCHARIST

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is proper and right to do so.

Truly it is proper, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the Church on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts!

Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER

THE ACCLAMATION

For as often as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of Faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven:

Hallowed be Thy Name,

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done,

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

As we forgive

our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom,

and the power,

and the glory,

For ever and ever.

Amen.

THE INVITATION

New Life Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who trust in Jesus Christ to receive Holy Communion with us.

-If this does not describe you, you are invited to come forward, crossing your arms in front of your chest when you reach the front, to receive a blessing from the pastor.

DISTRIBUTION

The congregation will come forward row-by-row, forming two lines in the center aisle. Cup your hands together to receive the bread, then proceed outwardly to the wine tray. There is juice in the very center and wine on the outside. Then use the outside aisle to return to your seat and wait until we eat and drink together.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

We partake together of the most holy body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

After the communion the pastor prays a prayer of blessing.

BREAD OF THE WORLD IN MERCY BROKEN

1. Bread of the world, in mer - cy bro - ken, Wine of the
 2. Look on the heart by sor - row bro - ken, look on the

6
 soul, in mer - cy shed, by whom the words of life were
 tears by sin - ners shed, and be thy feast to us the

12
 spo - ken, and in whose death our sins are dead:
 to - ken that by thy grace our souls are fed.

Words: Reginald Heber, 1827
Music: J. S. B. Hodges, 1868

Prayers for Those Not Communing

New Life Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who trust in Jesus to receive Holy Communion with us. If you are not able to receive Communion, please use the time to meditate on one of the following prayers:

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus Christ, I recognize that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

For Those Struggling with Sin

If you are a baptized believer in Christ who is struggling with sin, you should still come forward for communion. As it says in our Larger Catechism 172:

One who doubteth of his being in Christ, or of his due preparation to the sacrament of the Lord's supper, may have true interest in Christ, though he be not yet assured thereof; and in God's account hath it, if he be duly affected with the apprehension of the want of it, and unfeignedly desires to be found in Christ, and to depart from iniquity: in which case (because promises are made, and this sacrament is appointed, *for the relief even of weak and doubting Christians*) he is to bewail his unbelief, and labour to have his doubts resolved; and, so doing, he may and *ought to come to the Lord's supper, that he may be further strengthened.*

BENEDICTION

The Pastor pronounces a blessing upon the congregation from Scripture.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Words: Thomas Ken

Music: Louis Bourgeoise, 16th c.

DECLARATION OF PEACE

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Go in peace.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD

- **Pray** for the **persecuted church in Cambodia**, where **audio recordings of the Bible** are being **secretly distributed** and **listened to** at night. **Pray** that **God's truth opens hearts and eyes**, and that the **Gospel** will continue to **spread**.

PCA CHURCHES AND PASTORS IN THE NEW YORK STATE PRESBYTERY

- **Affirmation Presbyterian Church, Somers; Bill Spanjer**, pastor

SISTER CHURCHES IN ITHACA

- **Tabernacle Baptist Church; Elijah Beltz**, pastor

NEW LIFE ALUMS IN VOCATIONAL MINISTRY

- **Matt Coburn**, **Trinity Baptist Church** in **New Haven, CT**

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL LEADERSHIP

- **Ithaca Mayor Robert Cantelmo**; the **Common Council** and the **Administration Committee**; **City Manager Deb Mohlenhoff**; and local governments in **Tompkins County** and **surrounding villages and townships**; that they may **govern with wisdom** according to **your word** that we may all **live quiet and peaceable lives**.

NEW LIFE CHURCH

- **Ryan Yoo**: **Pray** for his tenure as **president of Cornell's Christian Legal Society**, for a **good year** at the **law school**, and that their **student outreach** would be fruitful.
- **Ann Williamson**: **Praise** for a **good time with family** during their vacation, and that God has **kept Abigail safe** as she travels and works overseas. **Pray** for **Daniel** as he **begins his year** at **Keuka College**.
- **Jim Thomforde**: **Praise** for the **good time Ella** has had at **Stanford** this summer, and **pray** for her **safety** as she **travels home**.
- **Angela Brodie**: **Pray** for her **brother-in-law Steve**, whose **brain tumor biopsy** was **cancerous**. **Praise** that the **biopsy** appears to have **removed the whole tumor**, but **continue to pray** that this **cancer will not recur**.
- **Pray** for all **New Life alums** working for the federal government, that they would retain their jobs and funding during this time. **Pray** also for those working at Cornell who may be affected by the related hiring freezes and budget cuts.

If you do not wish to have praises and requests shared during the worship service printed in the bulletin for the next three weeks, please inform Angela Brodie in an email (angelabrodie@gmail.com).

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Sermon Series on Galatians

Next week, we will continue our sermon series on Paul's letter to the Galatians, which will last through the Fall. Come ready to hear weekly about God's irresistible and unconditional grace!

GCF Ice Cream Social – August 26th

The Graduate Christian Fellowship at Cornell University is holding an ice cream social for Cornell Graduate Students this Tuesday, August 26th, at 7:00pm at the Arts Quad. If you are going, please contact cornellgcf@gmail.com to RSVP.

Fall Ministry Launch – September 7

We will launch our Fall with the start to children's ministry and a yummy reception after service. Please plan to attend to hear about our Fall events!

Volunteer Sign-up

We are in need of many hands to make Sunday mornings run smoothly and facilitate our worship of God. Please see the sign-up sheet and volunteer if you are able and willing.

Morning Prayer

Join us on Tuesdays at 7:45AM for a short time of prayer. We will be using the traditional form for the Daily Office, which has confession of sin, psalms, scripture readings, and intercessory prayer; and our time together should last about 20 minutes.

Meeting with the Pastor

Pastor Tim is available at a variety of times throughout the week for consultation or conversation. If you are interested in meeting with him, please contact him at tim@newlifeithaca.org.

July Financial Report

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$13,305.27	\$20,000
Expense	\$16,742.14	\$20,000

Year to date

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$130,287.07	\$140,000
Expense	\$124,077.30	\$140,000

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Please let us know you worshiped with us today!

We would like to acknowledge your presence with us today. You will not be added to any mailing lists without your permission and we will not share your information with anyone. Please fill this out and place it in the offering when it comes by.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Mobile Number: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

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- ☐ I am an out-of-town visitor.
- ☐ I reside locally and I am visiting New Life Church today.
- ☐ I would like more information about New Life. Please have someone contact me.
- ☐ Please send me more information about: _____
- ☐ I would like to meet the pastor for coffee.

Other comments: _____