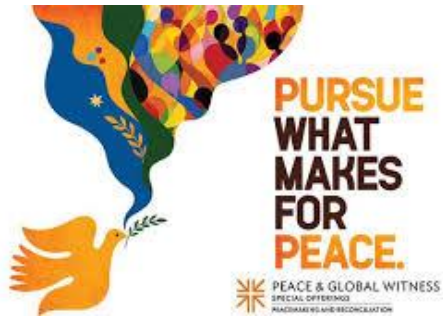




 Newlonsburg Presbyterian Church
WORSHIP • SERVE • GROW
October 19, 2025

Vision Statement

Be Christ's Hands, Feet, and Voice on Earth

Mission Statement

We are a Christ-centered community.
In joyful response to Christ's love, we worship God, nurture
disciples, accept all as God's children,
and reach out in love and service to further the Kingdom of God.

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VISITOR SIGN IN



THE CELEBRATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

October 19, 2025
11:00 am - Service is Live-streamed

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Paul

THE INTROIT

God is Love

Sunday School Singers and Sunday School Choir

Kloe Jarosz, flute

CALL TO WORSHIP

Joshua Kenst

Leader: The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when, just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow and destroy,

People: so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord.

Leader: I will put my law within the people, and I will write it on their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

People: Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is always with me.

Leader: We will continue in what we have learned and firmly believe:

People: Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth, and God will grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night.

*OPENING HYMN

633 Praise Ye the Lord

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Joshua Kenst

God of mercy and justice, you administer to each according to your grace and not according to what we deserve. Keep from us all evil, the evil we commit and the evil committed by others. Preserve us by your providence, all for the sake of your holy name. Amen.

(Let us take a moment for our silent confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Joshua Kenst

***GLORY TO GOD #582 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

HEARING GOD’S WORD

CELEBRATION WITH CHILDREN Rev. Lori Bass-Riley
#188 (vs 1) Jesus Loves Me

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 4:1-30 Joshua Kenst

ANTHEM Holy Manna arr. Raney

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 4:31-42 Rev. Paul

SERMON “Someone with Faith doesn’t Pretend to have It All Together” Rev. Paul

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*SERMON HYMN # 462 I Love to Tell the Story

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS Joshua Kenst
(Please mention first names only)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD’S PRAYER (Debts)

OFFERING OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE Joshua Kenst
Please continue to give to NPC by check or by texting 855-287-7898. The text should be the amount of your donation. Please visit the GIVE Section of the NPC website or email giving@newlonsburgchurch.org with any questions.

- Call for the Offering
- Offertory
- *Doxology
- *Prayer of Dedication

CARRYING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN # 846 Fight the Good Fight

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Paul

*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CLOSING RESPONSE

May the light of God shine on us today (repeat)
May it show us where to travel, lead us back if we should stray
May the light of God shine on us today and everyday

POSTLUDE

SERMON NOTES

1. Faith that is tentative, full of questions, and not yet mature can bear witness and do so effectively. Pg. -118*
2. Faith has powerful results when it is shared with others, but faith based on the witness of others must move on to first-hand experience with Jesus. Pg.119*
3. No matter who you are. No matter your status the revelation of God in Christ is for you. Pg. 120*
4. One of the key tasks of discipleship is to witness to Jesus. Pg. 128*

* Notes from *Back to the Well: Women's Encounter's with Jesus in the Gospels*, by Frances Taylor Gench

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU TO OUR ACOLYTE: Happy Berk

FLOWERS: Given by the Kemerer Family

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING THIS MORNING: Your gift today to the annual PC(USA) Peace & Global Witness Offering supports programs that restore communities through peacemaking and reconciliation. Of the total contributed to our offering, 25% is used each year for a project selected by the NPC Outreach Ministry. This year those funds will again be sent for relief in South Sudan. When you give to the Peace & Global Witness Offering, your true gift is

the peace of Christ, for all of God's children. With each gift, we can begin to create a world of peace – together. When we all do a little, it adds up to a lot. Please give generously. NPC Outreach

QUICK UPDATE ON LAST SUNDAY'S CROP HUNGER WALK! There were 26 folks of all ages – plus three dogs - participating in person from the four local teams, with others joining virtually. We had a great group of 15 from NPC walking, with two others helping with the sign-in and check-in at the end of the Walk. We'll have details on how much we raised in the weeks to come. At this point, some contributions are still coming in, so our final total is yet to be determined. So far, it looks like we're on track to exceed the total we raised in 2024. Stay tuned! Thanks to all who participated in this year's Walk in any way. **GENEROSITY** – It's a Newlonsburg thing! Roger Schneider NPC Member and Murrys ville CROP Hunger Walk Coordinator

FALL FESTIVAL TRUNK OR TREAT SIGN UPS

October 26 3pm-5pm will be our Trunk or Treat Fall Festival in our church parking lot! This is a celebration of fall and an outreach to our wider community! Sign up to volunteer, to give out treats from your car trunk, or if your child will be participating by collecting candy! There will be pumpkin decorating/carving, games, and Kona Ice! Use the QR code or sign up after worship. Questions? Contact Pastor Lori 412-737-1412



REALM PRIVACY CHANGE EMAIL ALERT: During early November, you may receive an email(s) alerting you that your privacy settings were changed in Realm. This notification will likely be auto-generated by the system as we update the Realm online directory to match the NPC printed directory. Your information is secure. No private personal or financial information will be compromised while updating the directory. The privacy change just means that the same information you currently share in the print directory will be shared only with other members in the online directory. If you have any questions, please email realm@newlonsburgchurch.org.

INTERESTED IN GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP? So many in our church family are grieving lost loved ones. Care of Members is exploring the possibility of offering a GriefShare support group if members would be interested. This 13-week

support group program includes a weekly video featuring respected experts on grief-related topics and helpful stories from people who have experienced loss. This is followed by a discussion by group members about what was presented in the video and what is going on in their lives. If you think you could benefit from a GriefShare support group, please email lauren.babich@gmail.com or call the church office (724-327-0061) to let them know. Note: if you emailed the careofmembers@newlonsburgchurch.org with your interest, that address has been deactivated, so please resend your email to Lauren Babich.

EMERGENCY MEALS AVAILABLE: If you or someone in our church family is facing a short-term challenge that makes it hard to prepare meals, we'd love to help. Emergency meals are available for anyone in need. Please reach out to Pastor Travis, Pastor Curtis, or Carol Byers (412-841-5508) to let us know how we can support you.

WOMEN'S FALL BREAKFAST: Come enjoy a morning of food, fellowship, and spiritual refreshment at our Women's Fall Breakfast on Saturday, October 25th, at 9:30am-11:30am. We will welcome Lori Bass-Riley, our new Director of Children and Family Ministries, as our speaker. Ages 13+ welcome. Bring a friend or two! You can sign up on the church sign-up boards or through Realm.

Thanks in advance to our Women's Fall Breakfast Chairs (Linda Gossar-Loesch & Diane Scullo) and Team Members: Kim Anderson, Debbie Andrachek, Don & Darlene Blansett, Brian Boyd, Lori Brickner, Dreama Delmar, Bob Dippolito, Shauna Franz, Rhonda Johnston, Doug Jones, John Kaye, Michelle Lint, Maddy Lint, Todd & Lindsay Lippman, Kaitlyn Lippman, Mark Loesch, Michael & Connie Lowe, Michelle McAllister, Jon & Kate Moerdyk, David & Lynne O'Connor, Mary Ann Roberts, Joe & Jessica Phillips, Walter & Joelle Pitts, John & Leanne Salava, Joshua Salava, Hope Schilling, Frank Scullo.

ALL SAINTS DAY: As described in the most recent edition of the Good Newlonsburg, our Sunday service on October 26th will include a celebration of All Saints Day. Those of our members who have died between October, 2024, through September, 2025, will be honored during the special "Act of remembrance" with the reading of each name, followed by the lighting of a candle and the ringing of a bell, along with liturgy reflective of the theme of remembrance. Each honoree's picture will also appear in the bulletin. Please join us on line or in person, for this service of grateful celebration of our Newlonsburg "saints."

PUZZLES & PIZZA NIGHT: Calling all puzzlers age 9 to 90! Join us for some puzzling fun on Wednesday, 10/29/25 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Competition begins at 6:15pm sharp, so don't be late! Assemble your own team of 2-4 people or come solo and join some fellow puzzlers for a friendly jigsaw puzzle race. Each adult team will tackle a 500-piece puzzle and each youth team will complete a 300-piece puzzle. Pizza will be served! Bring a snack or dessert to share and invite your friends. Sign up online through our Fellowship Event Sign-up Form.

FALL WORK PARTY (CLEAN UP DAY): will take place November 1st starting at 8AM. All are welcome to come and help!

BOY SCOUTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Come to the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, 11/15/25 between 8am and 12pm for Boy Scout Troop 205's Pancake Breakfast in honor of local Veterans. Veterans and children 3 and under eat free. Tickets are available at the door or from any member of Troop 205 (\$10 for Adults, \$5 for Kids ages 4-10). This event is open to everyone in the community.

FUTURE EVENTS: Save the dates for these other events so you don't miss out on the fun.

- Hoss's Lunch on Sunday, 11/9/25 after the 11am service
- Advent Dinner on Sunday, 12/7/25 at 6pm in Fellowship Hall
- Christmas Caroling & Celebration on **SATURDAY** (yes, Saturday), 12/20/25 at 3pm. It's worth scheduling your other holiday celebrations around this if you can!



DONATION STATEMENTS WERE SENT OUT FOR

GIVING FROM JANUARY THROUGH AUGUST, 2025: They will be either emailed or sent out via USPS for those not using email. If you have any questions please contact Ginny Rygg (412-491-7937) or Lindsey Berk (412-559-7862). You can also check your giving through REALM. As always, thanks for your continued generosity.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY: Thank you to all those who give in gratitude for what God has given to us. As of the end of September 2025:

	Common Good+	Special Gifts *
Giving for Month	\$ 38,899	\$ 14,549
Year to Date Giving	\$445,050	\$ 184,833
Year to Date Spending Budget	\$ 503,161	Not Applicable
Year to Date Spending Actual	\$ 475,669	\$ 168,928

+ Common Good giving includes offerings, short-term investment interest and facility usage.

*Special gifts include Haiti Kids support, Hunger Offerings, Youth Fund-Raising, Legacy Endowment Fund Gifts, 2025 Property Improvements, Reserve Account giving, Memorial Gifts, and others.

OFFERING OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE: Please continue to give to NPC by check or text "Newlonsburg" to 73256. Please visit www.newlonsburgchurch.org/give to give online or email npcgiving@gmail.com with any questions.

JOIN REALM: NPC is rolling out Realm as a new church management system. This system provides better donation tracking and accounting programs while giving NPC expanded management capabilities and resources for events, volunteer scheduling, small groups, etc., (and it is a cost savings to NPC!) **Realm Logins :** Everyone should have received an email invitation from Realm to join Realm. You can use the link in the email to sign into the system and create a password. This will give you access to your profile's basic information and your giving information.

If you did not receive an email (perhaps it went to spam, your email wasn't in the church system, etc.), you can request a Realm login <https://onrealm.org/NewlonsburgPres/Account/Start>

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Please have all articles for the bulletin to the church office no later than Wednesday at noon. your appetite! You can enjoy lunch and vote on your favorite dishes. Cook-off will be held in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:00 service on Sunday, September 28th. Sign-up sheet coming soon!

Generosity In Action- Property Improvements

Thanks to the generosity of over 75 families and individuals, our church has completed the parking lot and replaced the sign—key achievements in the 2025 Property Improvements Projects. Though we initially fell short of our goal by September 30th, a family's subsequent commitment ensured we reached it, allowing us to proceed with the new Common Ground HVAC.

Your support not only honors our history but also secures our future, continuing the legacy of previous generations. We are grateful for your ongoing faith and

contributions. May Christ's grace and peace be with you as we build an inclusive, loving church together. Session & Leadership Team

CONGRATULATIONS



TO OUR NPC STICKER CONTEST WINNERS!

Who is my neighbor?
The one who shows mercy



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ADDIE MOERDYK



JULIET OATES



ELIZA MONTGOMERY



ERICA STERNIAK



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Delmont, PA 15626-1607

August 19, 2005

Newlonsburg Presbyterian Church
Attn: Judy Radcliff
4600 Old William Penn Highway
Murrysville, PA 15668

Dear Judy & the Newlonsburg Presbyterian Church:

We would like to take this opportunity to send you a sincere note of thanks on behalf of the 57 households served by Fresh Express on **August 18, 2025**. With your help, we were able to provide fresh produce, beverages, and mixed non-perishable items to members of your community who might not otherwise have enough to eat. We were able to distribute **10,831** pounds during this distribution.

At Westmoreland Food Bank, we see sadness in the faces of the thousands of families who struggle with food insecurity every day, whether it is the single mother who skips meals so that her children can eat, or the elderly couple who pays the rent, but cannot afford food to sustain their health. Hunger hurts. It drains human energy, erodes human dignity, and diminishes human potential. However, your efforts have helped to put food on to the tables of needy families.

Thank you again. It is always gratifying to see caring and concerned people reach out to those in need. Your generosity and compassion are truly inspiring to all of us. We are proud to have you as our partner in the fight against hunger.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Guay".

John Guay
Program Coordinator



Please consider donating today or including us in your will or estate plans for tomorrow.

A copy of the official registration and financial information of Westmoreland County Food Bank, Inc. may be obtained from the PA Department of State by calling toll free within Pennsylvania, 1.800.732.0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.



THIS WEEK AT NPC

Sunday October 19	8:30 AM	Worship – Arc Patio
	11:00 AM	Worship - Sanctuary
Monday October 20	2 – 9:30 PM	208 - Sanctuary
	3:30 PM- 8:00 PM	Music Academy- Room 101
	4:00 PM- 6:30 PM	Music Academy- Room 102/103
	4:30 – 7:30 PM	Music Academy – Rooms 202/203
	5:00 PM- 8:30 PM	Music Academy- Room 201
	7:30 PM- 8:30 PM	Music Academy- Sanctuary
	6:30 – 8:30 PM	Boy Scouts – Rooms 104, 106, ARC
Tuesday October 21	8:30 – 9:30 AM	Men’s Breakfast – Dicks Diner
	11:00 AM	Leadership Programming
	1:00 - 3:00	Crochet Group - Gathering Place
	1:15 PM	Leadership Meeting – Offsite
	2:00 – 3:30 PM	Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	3:00 - 4:45 PM	RAM - Arc
	2:30 PM- 3:30 PM	Music Academy- 208
	3:00 PM	Music Academy – Rooms 101, 102, 103, 201, Nursery
	3:30 PM- 7:30 PM	Music Academy- 202/203
	7:00 - 9:00 PM	Session - Gathering Place
	7:00 – 9:00 PM	NA – Common Ground
Wednesday October 22	8:30 AM	Women’s Breakfast
	10:15 AM - 12:15 PM	Along the Way Church History Class - Gathering Place
	3:00 PM	Music Academy – Rooms 101- 103, 201, 208, Nursery
Thursday October 23	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM	Music Academy
	3:00 - 4:45 PM	Ram - Arc
	5:30 - 6:15 PM	Beginning Bells - Choir Room
	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Praise Team Rehearsal - Fellowship Hall
	6:15 - 7:15 PM	Bell Choir - Choir Room
	7:30 -8:30 PM	Choir Practice - Choir Room
	8:30 PM-9:30 PM	Music Academy- Sanctuary
Friday October 24	4:00 - 5:30 PM	Music Academy - 101/102
Saturday October 25	8:30- 9:30 AM	Newlonsburg Music Academy – 205
	9:30 - 11:30 AM	Women’s Fall Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
	11-1:00 PM	AA – Common Ground
Sunday October 26	8:30 AM	Worship - Fellowship Hall
	11:00 AM	Worship - Sanctuary

NEWLONSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

The Rev. Curtis Lane Paul II, Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Travis A. Webster, Associate Pastor

Matt Klumpp, Music Director & Organist

Bettie Jarosz, Choir & Bell Director

The Rev. Lori Bass-Riley, Director of Children and Family Ministries

Joshua Kenst, Youth Director
Jennifer Wagner, Office Manager
Rachel Oates, Interim Office Manager
Leanne Salava, Treasurer

BOARD OF DEACONS AND ASSIGNMENTS

Emily Bondi, Ushers, '26

Debbie Carlson, Baptism Books and Newborn Roses/Affirmation Liaison, '26

Natalie Bollinger, Childcare, '27

Kathy Groll, Flowers/Reminder Cards, '25

Bruce Hanington, Counters, '27

Tyler Hanchey, At-Large, '26

Matthew Hand, Coffee and Doughnuts/Vice Moderator '26

Lois Nesbitt, HOPE/COM Liaison, '25

Jim Scriven, Moderator/Liaison to Nominating Committee, '25

Larry Stoken, Correspondence Cards, '25

Lori Novak, Secretary, '27

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Amanda Neely, '26

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Ken Bird, Chair, '25

Lindsey Berk, '27

Human Resources

Jan Hill, Chair, '26

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Kate Montgomery, Chair, '27

Rachel Oates, '25

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Susan Keaney, Chair, '25

Property

Robin Pokrzywinski, Chair, '27

Michael Rhoades, '26

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Rhonda Johnston, Chair, '26

Angel Stahl, '27

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