

THE GOOD NEWLONSBURG

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Gifted Together

What gifts can you use to build Christ's Community? We enter the harvest season offering our first fruits to the Lord.

We've been exploring how God uniquely gifts each of us and calls us to use those gifts together as Christ's Body. In Exodus 25, God invites Israel to bring their gifts to build the Tabernacle (a mobile tent)—the dwelling place where God lives among them as they travel through life. It took artists, craftsmen, organizers, laborers, and visionaries working together. No one person could do it alone.

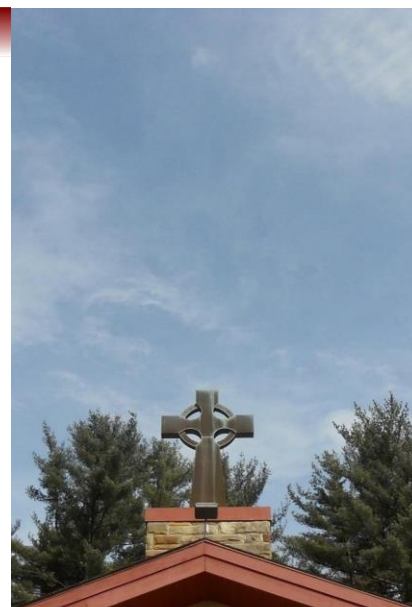
Christ's Church works the same way today. God's greatest work happens when our diverse gifts unite around a common mission. We don't have to think alike or have the same gifts. Jesus calls us to discover our gifts, appreciate the gifts of others, and use what God has given us to make Christ known.

Christ's Community is a place where dignity is greater than disagreement, uniqueness is celebrated rather than feared, and people are valued because they are made in God's image. Most importantly, Jesus remains at the center of who we are. Few of us harvest wheat or corn at this point. Our harvest is making students of Christ to discover joy.

Church is better together. What gift has God given you, and how might you use it to build Christ's Community? Enjoy sharing the harvest!

If you haven't discovered your gifts, everyone can spot others' gifts and encourage them to use them! Faith is being cultivated: harvest joy.

Bring your gifts to the Lord at NPC with the intentional outcome of experiencing Christ's joy together.



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Receive the harvest by joining the Daily Dose of Christian Friendship by either going to the Realm App or Realm Connect to opt in for yourself, or email office@newlonsburgchurch.org to be added to the Daily Dose messages.

For the glory of God and the betterment of humanity,

Pastor Curtis

WHAT IS STEPHEN MINISTRY?

Stephen Ministry is grounded in Jesus' command to love one another. Through one-to-one caring relationships, those who are hurting receive the love and care they need to support them.



- Is life more than you can handle alone right now?
- Is your health, your attitude, or your relationship suffering?
- Are you adjusting to a new job, change in marital status, a serious illness, the death of a loved one, or a recent move?
- Would you like to have someone in your life who really cares?

Everyone goes through difficult times. Having someone to care, to listen, to share God's love with you can help you get through the confusion, stress, or loneliness you may be experiencing.

What is a Stephen Minister? A Stephen Minister is...

- A child of God who walks beside a hurting person;
- A caring Christian friend who really listens;
- A lay person who has received 50 hours of training in how to provide distinctively Christian care.

A Stephen Minister is not...

- A counselor or therapist;
- A problem-solver;
- A casual visitor.

If anyone needs a Stephen minister, please contact Pastor Curtis. All Stephen Ministry communications are confidential.

WELCOMING MATT KLUMPP AS FULL-TIME MUSIC DIRECTOR

We are pleased to share that Session has approved making Matt Klumpp our full-time Music Director, effective January 1, 2027!

Matt's exceptional musical talent, creativity, and passion for worship have already been a wonderful gift to Newlonsburg Presbyterian Church. In this expanded role, Matt will provide leadership for both our traditional and contemporary music ministries while helping us to grow opportunities for children, youth, and adults to participate in music and worship.

As our full-time Music Director, Matt will also help develop new ensembles and seasonal music opportunities, strengthen our youth music programs, expand our concert series community outreach, and continue to bolster the connections between our music ministry and the Newlonsburg Music Academy. He will also take a greater role in worship technology, digital ministry, and coordinating the many musicians and volunteers who help make our worship services special.

We are excited about this next chapter in the life of our church's music ministry and grateful for the many ways Matt shares his gifts with our congregation. Please join us in celebrating Matt and looking forward to all that God will do through his leadership!

OCTOBER MEN'S SATURDAY BREAKFAST

The Men's Saturday Breakfast will be on **October 3rd, 2026**, at 8:30 am in Fellowship Hall. This is one week earlier than usual. All NPC men and their male friends are invited. No reservations are required. For more details or questions, contact Carl Vernon.

BRING LAUNDRY DETERGENT

Once again, NPC will support the Westmoreland Food Bank by providing laundry detergent to our neighbors who attend the distribution at Mother of Sorrows on **October 6th**. We need to provide 220 containers. During September and early October, please place laundry detergent in the narthex and hallway. This is a generous request, and the Outreach Ministry says, "THANK YOU!"

NPC WAYS TO GIVE TO NPC

In addition to cash, checks, and online, there are a variety of ways that you can financially support the mission and ministry of NPC. Please visit <https://www.newlonsburgchurch.org/give> to explore ways to contribute. For more information, please contact giving@newlonsburgchurch.org. Thank you for your generosity.

SPONSORS AND WALKERS STILL NEEDED FOR THE OCTOBER 11TH CROP HUNGER WALK

CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



The 47th annual Church World Service Murrysville CROP Hunger Walk will be held in-person on **Sunday, October 11th**. As you read this article, we will likely be approaching the beginning of October, and you may be wondering if you can still join the NPC Walk team or sponsor a walker. The answer is a resounding YES! Contributions may be made through Walk Sunday, and same-day registration will also be available at the Duff Park Shelter off School Road South beginning at 1:00 pm. The Walk will begin at 1:30.

Last year, our NPC Walk team raised a total of \$7,468.00! Nationwide, there were over 2,200 teams – and thanks to YOUR amazing generosity, our NPC team ranked as #63 in fundraising in the **entire** country.

This is an event for ALL AGES - from little children in strollers to grandparents. Even the family dog is welcome! This year we'll follow the same route as last year, initially heading west on the Westmoreland Heritage Trail and then returning. The total distance is approximately 3½ miles. The estimated walk time is 1½ hours. There will be a water stop at the Walk midpoint, which will be located near the Murrysville Community Center in the parklet where Carson Avenue intersects the Heritage Trail.

HOW TO JOIN THE NPC TEAM OR CONTRIBUTE ONLINE - We hope to expand previous years' online giving through the Church World Service Hunger Walk website, with each NPC walker or family registering to have a personal page on the NPC team page. All team members are encouraged to do the bulk of their fundraising online from the CROP website and/or by using social media, as we did so successfully last year.

To REGISTER TO JOIN the NPC team or to CONTRIBUTE to the NPC team or to an individual walker, please use the following secure web link or the QR code:

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/chw/team/newlonsburg-presbyterian-church>



Once on the site, you'll see a separate box at the top to click on to register, either by using your email address or by using social media. By clicking on the word "donate now", you can choose to make a general contribution in support of the NPC team – OR if you'd like to support an individual NPC team member, just scroll down to the bottom middle of the page and select a walker name. Then click on "donate" to the right of the name. Once in any of these sections, just follow the simple instructions provided.

For more information, please contact the local walk coordinator and NPC member, Roger Schneider, at 412-613-8470 or by email at rogerls@comcast.net.

Remember that hungry people in developing countries typically walk as much as six miles a day to get food, water, and fuel, and to take their goods to market. We walk, in-person and virtually this year, to be in solidarity with their struggle for existence. WE WALK – RAIN OR SHINE - BECAUSE THEY WALK. Of the money we raise each year, 25% of the total comes back to be used here in our local community.

Please join us on October 11th as we continue our shared commitment to stand up for the poor, the forgotten, those left behind, and to fight hunger around the world. The continued generous support of the NPC congregation is greatly appreciated.

Roger Schneider – Murrysville CROP Hunger Walk Coordinator and NPC Member

OCTOBER HUNGER OFFERING TO PROVIDE HAITI RELIEF

The Hunger Offering on **Sunday, October 4th** will benefit our hungry brothers and sisters in Haiti. For over twenty-five years, NPC has had a strong relationship with the LaCroix New Testament Mission in Haiti. Many NPC members have taken mission trips there, and many schoolchildren have been sponsored, so we have a close relationship with them. Perhaps you had an opportunity to read the eBlast that was sent out on August 28th that described the current situation in Haiti, and especially in LaCroix. Things are now much worse there than they've been in many, many years.

The Outreach Ministry has been in regular contact with Pastor Pierre in LaCroix and also with Denise Douglas, our contact person at Pittsburgh area "Friends of Haiti." Our NPC contributions for food and financial relief and school children sponsorship at the New Testament Mission are passed along to LaCroix through this organization. In response to our recent concerned questions, Pastor Pierre had stated, in part: "In recent years, we have experienced many challenges in LaCroix. Despite these difficulties, we were still able to function to some extent. Now, many people have had to move away from LaCroix to other villages. We are working on a plan for school, if the LaCroix schools are not safe for the school year to begin. They normally open in early October. We have found an unused school building, and the owner is allowing us to use it.

Another need we are able to meet is food distribution. A businessman gave us permission to use his property as a distribution site for the community. We are no longer able to distribute food in large groups as we did in LaCroix. Instead, we contact those who are in need and arrange a time for them to come and receive their food. (In addition, Denise Douglas also reports that "the mission has still been able to supply food for the sponsored families by also having them go to the supplier and pick it up themselves.")

Providing for regular worship is also a concern. The church also meets now in a school building every Sunday for services and on Monday for Bible study. On Wednesdays, they visit each other and pray. Some Sundays, there are more than 100 adults in attendance. We praise God for that. We are praying that God continues to guide us and give us the wisdom and strength to keep serving the community of LaCroix. We are also praying that everything returns to normal soon so that we can go back to our location. We always need your prayers, but now, more than ever, we truly need them. Please continue to keep the community of LaCroix and us in your prayers."

Our October Hunger Offering for the LaCroix New Testament Mission will help ensure that no Haitian family will go hungry in these extremely challenging times. Please help feed His children and keep all of them in your prayers. It's a Newlonsburg thing!

Roger Schneider - Outreach Ministry

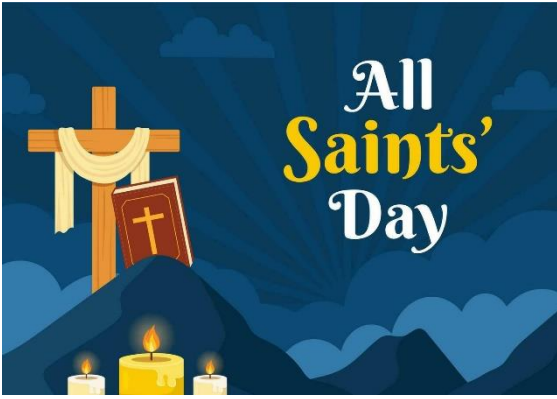
Our usual options are available to make your contribution: by check, online at our website, or by text.

Give by check: Checks can be made out to "Newlonsburg Presbyterian Church" and mailed to 4600 Old William Penn Highway, Murrysville, PA 15668 or placed in the offering plate. Please include your envelope number and "hunger" on the memo line.

Give online: <https://onrealm.org/NewlonsburgPres/-/form/give/now> or click the **Give** button on the website. You can select a specific fund or multiple funds when making your donation.

Give by Text: Text **NEWLONSBURG** to **73256**. You will receive a giving link and can then select a specific fund for your donation.

ALL SAINTS' DAY, 2026



On Sunday, October 25th, we will celebrate our annual All Saints' Day. According to an article from the Presbyterian Mission Agency, All Saints' Day began as an early Christian tradition to mark the anniversary of a martyr's death- his or her "birthday" as a saint. However, by the middle of the church's first millennium, there were so many martyrs (due to the persecution by Diocletian) that it was difficult to give each of them their due. All Saints' Day was established then as an opportunity to honor all the saints, known and unknown.

In the Reformed tradition, this celebration has taken on a different focus. While we may give thanks for the lives of the particular "luminaries" of times past, the emphasis is on the ongoing sanctification of the whole people of God. Rather than putting saints on pedestals as holy people set apart in glory, we give glory to God for the ordinary, holy lives of the believers in this and every age. This is an appropriate time to give thanks to members of our community of faith who have lived in the past year. We also pray that we may be counted among the company of the faithful in God's eternal realm.

Our Newlonsburg Church family members who have died between September 2025 and September 2026 will be honored at this service. There will be a "Solemn Act of Remembrance," during which each name will be read, followed by the ringing of a bell and the lighting of a candle on the communion table. This reminds us of everyone's light and resonance in our lives that will always be with us. We also hope to display a photo of each person being honored.

At both in-person services, there will be votive candles on tables, to which the congregation is invited to light a single candle in remembrance of family members or loved ones who have been instrumental in supporting and guiding us at life's critical crossroads. Throughout these services, prayers, readings, and hymns will focus on the themes of remembrance, honor, and gratitude to God for all the saints who, over the years, have prepared the way for us.

Special invitations will be mailed to family members of those to be honored. We hope you will participate in this meaningful service of grateful remembrance, as we truly are all "saints" together, children of God.

LEGACY GIVING

Endowment Funds: NPC has two endowments. You can donate directly to one of these funds or name one of the funds to your list of beneficiaries in your estate planning documents. Please contact the Endowment Committee with any questions.

REV. DR. LAWANA L. BUTLER



We welcome Rev. Dr. LaWana L. Butler to our pulpit at both services on **October 25th, 2026**. She will also lead adult education between services.

She was born and raised in McKeesport, PA, licensed to preach the gospel in November 2004, and ordained in October 2005 under the tutelage of Pastor Earlene Coleman of Bethlehem Baptist Church. Rev. Butler served for over 13 years in ministry at Bethlehem Baptist Church as the leader of the Counseling Ministry, Ordination Ministry, Altar Workers Ministry, and Healing Streams Ministry.

Rev. Dr. Butler is a graduate of McKeesport School District. She possesses a Doctorate in Philosophy/Community Engagement from Point Park University, a Master of Science in Counseling Psychology from Chatham University, a Master of Business Administration, and a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Point Park University, a Certificate in Leadership from Geneva College's Center for Urban Biblical Ministries, and she completed 30 credits from the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. She is a firm believer that education is the foundation of success, professionally as well as spiritually.

Rev. Dr. Butler's current Board relationships include Healthy Start, Inc., and Center for Urban Biblical Ministries. She is also a member of The National Association of Black Accountants and the National Black MBA Association. She recently received the following awards: in 2024, the Annual Women in Community Engagement Award from Sisters Saving Ourselves Now/ Pittsburgh-Western PA and the Agape Worship Center - Woman of Excellence Award; in 2023, the Pennsylvania Prevention Award and the McKeesport Past & Present Community Award; and in 2022, the New Pittsburgh Courier's Women of Excellence award and the Za'Kiyah House's Pioneer in Recovery award.

She is currently the Chief Executive Officer of Foundation of HOPE, an Adjunct Faculty member with the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public and International Affairs and the College of General Studies, and the previous Executive Director of Heuer House Substance Abuse Intervention & Prevention. She is the founder of Commissioned to Thrive Consulting LLC, Divine Healing Counseling, and Twisted Hearts Transitional Services Ministries.

She is married to Rev. Walter C. Butler, and they are the proud parents of eight children, grandparents of 39, and great-grandparents of six.

Favorite Scripture:

"And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28

Enjoy our Sunday YouTube service?

Be sure to **Like, Subscribe, and Turn on Notifications** so you never miss a worship service from Newlonsburg Presbyterian Church. Your engagement helps us share God's love and message with more people in our community and beyond. Thank you for being part of our online church family!



CARE OF MEMBERS FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

PANERA SOCIAL GATHERING

Please join us at our new meetup location, Panera in Murrysville, immediately after the second service on **Sunday, October 25th, 2026**. Look for the balloons; we will have several tables reserved. Come if you have time to sit and enjoy lunch, or even if you can stop by for just a few minutes. Please sign up through the Realm app or on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. We hope to see you there!

WOMEN'S FALL BREAKFAST

Come enjoy a morning of food, fellowship, and spiritual refreshment at our Women's Fall Breakfast on **Saturday, November 7th** from 9:30 am-11:30 am. 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 (Lauren Babich and Kimberly Burch) and Team Members: Buck Babich, Hal Burch, Mary Ann & Tom Austin, Natalie & Craig Bolinger, Lynn Comstock, Diane & Jim Delbridge, Caroline & Greg Franko, Di & John Hapach, Sylvia Henriquez, Cindy Hopper, Gale Lieber, Sue & Dean Matanin, Andrew & Jordan McBurney, Megan & Matthew Nicely, Susan & Robert Purdue, Heidi & Jim Scriven, Nicole & Kevin Tomer.

SAVE THE DATE FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Advent Dinner** on Sunday, 12/6/26 at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall
- **Christmas Caroling & Celebration** on **Sunday, 12/20/26** at 3:00 pm. It's worth scheduling your other holiday celebrations around this if you can!
- **New Year's Brunch Potluck:** Sunday, 1/3/27 in Fellowship Hall between worship services

GLASS RECYCLING COLLECTIONS – A HUGE THANK YOU AND AN END TO A CHAPTER

We want to say a huge thank you to all those who supported the Murrysville Glass Recycling food collections for Loaves and Fishes over the past five years. The donated food and money have played an important part in supporting the fight against hunger in our community. On a typical Saturday collection, several hundred dollars of monetary donations and multiple carloads of food were collected. While the pantry is housed in NPC's physical space, Loaves and Fishes is a community pantry outside of NPC. As such, giving the opportunity for community support and seeing the community's response for the pantry by generously giving was a powerful and inspiring reminder about the place where we live.

An extra special Thank You goes out to the volunteers who took shifts in collecting and then bringing the food to the pantry. We won't list them all here, but they were many and mighty. Collections happened in the heat of summer, the bitter cold of winter, driving rain, and on beautiful, pleasant days. There were regulars and one-timers, families and individuals, the youth in elementary school, and some of our more seasoned members. Often, there were more volunteers than slots. All the volunteers' time and energy made what happened special and possible. So, thank you, thank you, thank you to you who volunteered. It is bittersweet that, since Murrysville is moving to a new recycling service that collects glass from

individuals, the quarterly glass recycling events and the related food collection will be coming to an end at the September collection. However, we are working to find other ways for Loaves and Fishes to partner with the municipality. So, stay tuned and continue to spread the word to your neighbors and friends about Loaves and Fishes!

FROM THE YOUTH DIRECTOR

The Communion of Saints

Who do you think of when you hear the word “saint”? Is it a loved one? A friend? A historic figure? Martin Luther once said that we are “simultaneously sinner and saint.” We are all members of the communion of the saints, past, present, and future. Paul writes, “So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God.” Ephesians 2:17-19.

Through Christ, we are united with all those who believe. I have known a number of people I could consider saints. One of them is my grandma, who passed away a few months ago. I have many fond memories of helping her in her garden, talking with her about our family history, and praying and talking about faith. She was a devout Catholic who was always praying her rosary. Every time I saw her, she would remind me of the importance of staying close to God and of his love for me through Jesus.

I think being a saint isn’t about doing extraordinary things or performing extraordinary miracles, but being present with the people we care about and sharing the love of God with them. All God asks of us is to be a witness of His love. This is the real work of the saints, the work that we are doing daily. I hope and pray that you keep the faith and continue to share it with all you encounter.

In fellowship,

Joshua Kenst



YOUTH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

As you think about ways to share your faith with others, mark your calendars with these opportunities to enjoy some fellowship with the saints.

October 11 - Crop Hunger Walk: The Crop Hunger Walk is scheduled for Sunday, October 11th, beginning at 1:00 pm. We’ll meet at Duff Park.

October 16-19 - THE BIG ONE: The BIG one is an amazing way to experience a retreat at Pine Springs Camp! Packaged like a student conference, the BIG one invites students in grades 6-12 for a retreat full of evangelism, fellowship, discipleship, worship, and a whole lot of fun—Pine Springs Camp style. The weekend is packed with activities, games, entertainment, worship, teaching, friends, and fun. This experience is great for individual campers and youth groups! Want to catch a glimpse of what The Big one is like? Make sure you plan to attend The BIG one in 2026! <https://www.pinesprings.org/the-big-one>

November 7 - Amen for Action: Amen for Action is Scheduled for Saturday, November 7th, from 8:30 am - 11:30 am @ Murrysville Christian Concern. This event is in partnership with the Outreach Committee. More details to come.

December 12 - Cookie Walk: The NPC Youth Cookie Walk Fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, December 12th. We will be calling families in November to bake cookies. Look for announcements in the bulletin. Please let Joshua Kenst know if you are interested in baking for this event.

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER/DECEMBER CHILDREN AND FAMILY CALENDAR!

Special events are marked in yellow! Blue indicates children singing in worship!

Thursday, October 1 – 6:00 pm-8:00 pm NPC Kids Club Grades K-5

Sunday, October 4 - World Communion Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Thursday, October 8 – 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm NPC Kids Club Grades K-5

Sunday, October 11 -8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Sunday, October 11 – 1:00 pm Crop Hunger Walk at Duff Park Shelter

Monday, October 12 - 9:00 am-2:30 pm Monday Funday for Grades K-5

Thursday, October 15 – 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm NPC Kids Club Grades K-5

Sunday, October 18 - Sunday School Singers sing at 11:00 | 8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Sunday, October 18 – 3:00 pm-4:30 pm Fall Festival Trunk or Treat

Thursday, October 22 – 6:00 pm-8:00 pm NPC Kids Club Grades K-5

Sunday, October 25 - 8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Thursday, October 29 – 6:00 pm-8:00 pm NPC Kids Club Grades K-5

Sunday, November 1 - All Saints Day 8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Thursday, November 5 – 6:00 pm-8:00 pm NPC Kids Club Grades K-5

Sunday, November 8 - 8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Thursday, November 12 – 6:00 pm-8:00 pm NPC Kids Club Grades K-5

Saturday, November 14 - 9:30 am Wonders and Wisdom Science and Scripture Family Activity

Sunday, November 15 - Sunday School Singers sing at 11:00 | 8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Thursday, November 19 – 6:00 pm-8:00 pm NPC Kids Club Grades K-5

Sunday, November 22 - 8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Sunday, November 22 - Following Late Service: Christmas Decorating

Thursday, November 26 - NO NPC KIDS CLUB!

Sunday, November 29 - First Sunday in Advent! | 8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Thursday, December 3 – 6:00 pm-8:00 pm NPC Kids Club Grades K-5 Christmas Party (Last one for 2026)

Sunday, December 6 - 8:30 & 11:00 Services | 9:45 Sunday School

Sunday, December 6 - 4:30 pm Advent Adventure followed by Churchwide Advent Dinner

Thursday, December 10 - Winter Break - NO KIDS CLUB UNTIL JAN 7

Sunday, December 13 - Cantata at both services - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday, December 20 - Sunday School Singers and Sunday School Choir sing at 11:00 |
9:45 Sunday School Birthday Party for Jesus! | 8:30 & 11:00 Services

Sunday, December 20 - AFTERNOON/EVENING Family Caroling and Christmas Party

Thursday, December 24 – 5:00 pm Children's Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 27 - 8:30 & 11:00 Services (No SS)

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES MINISTRY EVENTS

SUNDAY MUSIC FOR CHILDREN

We have a special time for music for our children every Sunday. **Sunday School Singers**, for our two youngest classes, rehearses during the last 15 minutes of class time from 10:30-10:45 in the choir room, which is located on the second floor of the education wing of the church. They sing at the very beginning of the 11:00 am service, ordinarily on the 3rd Sunday of the month. **Sunday School Choir**, for our 3rd-5th Graders, rehearses during the first 15 minutes of class time from 9:45-10:00 in room 104. They also sing at the very beginning of the 11:00 am service. Dates for that are TBD.

NPC KIDS CLUB K-5TH GRADE! EVERY WEEK 6:00 PM- 8:00 PM

Join us for our K-5th grade Kids Club! We will have games, Bible time, crafts, and lots of fun! Dinner will be included for participating children! A \$5/donation is suggested. Drop-off and pick-up are at the ARC (gym door #5 to the left back of the building). Families need to fill out the 2026-2027 School Year NPC Child/Youth Registration Form prior to attending for the first time.

2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR NPC CHILD/YOUTH REGISTRATION FORM

We are asking parents to complete this registration form for all children who will be involved in any of our programs. This allows us to be able to contact you in case of an emergency, know if there are any allergies or medical issues to be aware of, best ways to support a child with learning or physical needs, or if you are comfortable with us using their pictures for our church media. Once it is filled out, you will not have to fill it out again for the entirety of the school year, unless there are edits that need to be made.



https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeox08tGF_Yx6GTdRPdMY97rbp9e3dEC_E32kNHf0XNWbco1w/viewform?usp=header

GIVE YOUR CHILD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE IN WORSHIP! LITURGISTS AND ACOLYTES!

Allow your child to participate in the service in a special way! On most Sundays, we have a worship candle lighter (acolyte), and on the second Sunday of every month, we also have a child worship reader (liturgist). Acolytes must be at least four years old and able to hold the candlelighter and reach the candles. Parents may accompany them in this job! Liturgists must be able to read well and be willing to practice their part several times at home during the week before Sunday worship and before the service from the microphone. Sign up using this link!



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0445A9A622AAF9C52-65313962-npcmid>

FALL MONDAY FUNDAY FOR KINDERGARTEN- 5TH GRADE! 10/12/26 9:00 AM-2:30 PM

Looking for something fun for your kids on their day off? We have all-day activities, including a pottery painting session with Brushes and Beans! There will be fun in the gym, arts and crafts, and fun fall-themed games! The cost is \$25!



<https://onrealm.org/NewlonsburgPres/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=MjEzOTVhYmQtOTZlNy00ZmM2LTkwMDgtYjRhZDAwZWl0NzE0>

FALL FESTIVAL TRUNK OR TREAT 10/18/26 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Join us for a fun party for our church in the church parking lot! We will have trunks for treating, pumpkin carving/decorating, games with prizes, and KONA Ice! This event will happen, rain or shine! We will move indoors if we need to! Please sign up if you have children participating, if you plan on handing out candy, or if you want to help with games or activities!



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE NEW YEAR'S UPCOMING EVENTS!

January 3 - Congregational Brunch

January 23 - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM- Morning Play Date in the ARC (gym)

February 10 - Ash Wednesday

February 15 – 9:00 AM-2:30 PM Monday Funday for grades K-5

March 28 - Easter

April 25 - Children's Musical is during both worship services!

REALM CONNECT APP

Getting Started with Realm and the Realm Connect App

Realm is Newlonsburg's online portal to access a member directory, view and register for events, communicate with other members, give online and view giving records, schedule volunteer roles, share documents and messages for group activities, and receive news and announcements from NPC.

Realm Connect is accessible in both web and app versions. Once you establish a username and password, the login will work for either platform.

Each member is a user in the system and uses an individual email address for the login. You cannot have the same email for login purposes as another member.

Members with emails in the system will periodically receive Realm invitations via email. To request a Realm Connect Account:

<https://onrealm.org/NewlonsburgPres/Account/Start>



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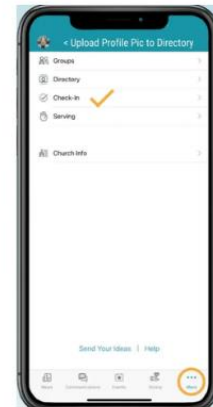
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Realm Connect Features

Directory

The searchable online directory contains all the information in the print directory plus you can call or message anyone with one click. Members can directly add and edit their email, phone numbers, addresses, and profile pictures.

Communications

Email, call, or text with one click from the directory. Have a discussion with a small group. The communications portal enables you to send photos and messages to one or a large group of members.

Events

You can view, register, and receive reminders for upcoming NPC events. You can also use mobile check in to sign into worship and other events.



Newsfeed

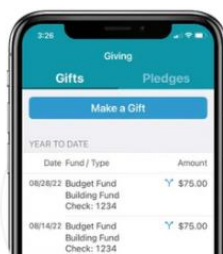
You can receive news, announcements, and notifications to always get the most up to date NPC information.

Volunteering

Learn about volunteer positions, get reminders about when you are scheduled to volunteer, and access your volunteer group's schedule.

Giving

Make a one-time gift to any NPC fund (common good fund, hunger offering, etc) or set up recurring donations. You can also view past gifts and print a copy of your current giving statement. For any questions about setting up online giving, please contact:
giving@newlonsburgchurch.org.



Frequently asked Questions

Is my information secure?

Yes. Information is encrypted. For online gifts, Realm's payment processor complies with the highest level of security standards.

Do I have to download the app to participate in NPC events?

No. Realm is a tool to make staying connected and getting involved in activities/events easier. There will continue to be ways to access all aspects of NPC without Realm.

What if I forgot my password?

If you have a Realm account, but forgot your password, you can visit the main login page and request to reset the password:



How do I know when there is new information in the app?

You can turn on notifications to receive new updates from NPC and NPC members.

Can I give online without a Realm login?

Yes. You can make one-time gifts to any fund online without needing to log in. A login is only necessary for recurring gifts.

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