

# **New Life United Methodist Church**

**November 19, 2023**

Sunday School, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:30 am

# *Thankful*

Today's service is being recorded to be  
available on YouTube

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Please see an usher if you need assistance

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**Good Morning, Opportunities, Joys**

**Greeting and Passing of the Peace ...Pastor Ed Fisher**

**Introit ..... “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

*UMH #400*

**\*Call to Worship (Psalm 90)**

L: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, Rejoice!

**P: God, we delight in your creation. We thank you for soft breezes, crisp apples, and changing seasons that remind us of your presence and provision.**

L: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, Rejoice!

**P: God, we delight in our connectedness. We thank you for friends who check in, for church family who lift one another up, for neighbors who show up in the good and challenging times.**

L: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, Rejoice!

**P: God, we delight in your peace that dwells among us. We give thanks for neighbors who offer help in times of trouble, gentleness in the midst of pain, and acts of kindness during seasons of struggle.**

L: Let us come into God’s presence with thanksgiving and rejoicing!

**P: Come! Let us worship God together. Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn “For the Beauty of the Earth” UMH #92**

**Presentation of tithes and offerings^^**

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology ..... UMH #95**

**\*Prayer**

**\*\*Children’s Message**

*Children ages 3 through 4<sup>th</sup> grade will be dismissed to attend Junior Worship*

**Prayer Concerns**

**Prayer Hymn “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” UMH #526**

**Prayer .....Pastor Ed**

**Scripture Reading: Philippians 4:4-13**

Message.....Pastor Ed

***“Being There, Being Thankful . . .”***

**Responsive Reading**

L: The voice of God is speaking to you. God is calling you today to come and rejoice. Come to me, dear ones. Open your hands.

**P: We can’t, Lord. Our hands are calloused and dirty, rough.**

L: Open your hands. My healing and cleansing love will protect and soothe you. Come to me, beloved friends. Open your hands.

**P: We can’t, Lord. Our hands have been wounded and they are bleeding.**

L: Open your hands and I will touch your wounds and stop the bleeding. Come to me, disciples, witnesses. Open your hands.

**P: We can’t, Lord. We have nothing to offer to you. Our hands are empty.**

L: Open your hands and I will give you my peace. Now you are healed.

**P: Now we can reach out to help.**

L: Now you can go into the world to offer blessing and hope.

**P: Praise be to you, O God, who has taken our excuses and turned them into commitment.**

**\*Closing Hymn   *“Blessed Assurance”   UMH #369***

**\*Benediction**

\*Please stand if you are able

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**This week @ New Life**

Every Day:       Spend time with God; Exercise--Walk with God

Today:            Sunday School, 9:30 am; Worship, 10:30 am

Monday:         Newsletter deadline, midnight; Scouts, 6:30 pm

Tuesday:        Euchre, 6:30 pm

Thursday:       GIVE THANKS!

Saturday:       Fellowship Hall reserved

Next Sunday:   Sunday School, 9:30 am; Worship, 10:30 am; Youth, 6 pm

Bible Reading for This Week

Today—Ezekiel 33

Mon., 11/20/23—Eze. 34

Tues., 11/21/23— Eze. 35

Wed., 11/22/23—Eze. 36

Thurs., 11/23/23—Eze.37

Fri., 11/24/23—Eze. 38

Sat., 11/25/23—Eze. 39

Sun., 11/26/23—Eze. 40