

New Life Presbyterian Newsletter

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**We Are
An
Inclusive
Faith
Community**



Happy Thanksgiving!

ECUMENICAL SERVICE

Wednesday November 21

7:00 pm

You are invited to our combined service with Como Park Lutheran and Falcon Heights United Church of Christ at New Life on Nov.21 at 7:00 pm. Joint choir rehearsal that evening is from 6:00 pm to 6:45pm . Pie and ice cream will be served following worship.

From Pastor Riz

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. -Matthew 6:9-10 (King James Version)

Our Father in heaven, Reveal who you are. Set the world right; Do what's best — as above, so below. – Matthew 6:9-10 (The Message)

Dear Church,

Peace be with you. On October 23rd one of our saints Eugene Peterson returned home to the Lord. Mr. Peterson was a professor of spiritual theology, a Presbyterian pastor in Maryland and the author of the bible translation best known as The Message, the Bible in contemporary language. As we live out our lives in the 21st century, we should not forget about our spiritual ancestors.

November 1st there is a religious day of remembrance known as All Saints Day. It is a day for us to remember the Saints that have passed on and recall their gifts to the church, sacrifices and what a testament to the Gospel their very lives have been. We all have been influenced and inspired by the everyday Saints in our lives, those who have gone before us and those who remain with us. Eugene Peterson is no exception.

God gives us our mission in a straight forward text in Matthew 28:19-20 (look it up if you can't immediately recite what it is) and this should remain central in our lives as disciples who follow Jesus Christ. God gives us the what, that is known as The Great Commission. The how is up to us and open for interpretation as we minister to an ever changing world.

We come to church once a week for about an hour. The other six days we are bombarded with messages ranging from what is wrong with us and what you can buy to fix it; to who we should be afraid of this week and a whole lot of mess in-between. As disciples we are to hold on to our spiritual anchor and guide Jesus and the teachings found in our holy scriptures. If you don't know how you are supposed to be living, how can you be a faithful disciple and consequently share that good news with a troubled world? The genius of Eugene Peterson's, The Message is not so much technical as far as translating goes. But it faithfully communicates the spirit of what Jesus came to teach us. Take a look at these translations side by side:

Matthew 5:13 NRSV- "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot."

Matthew 5:13 The Message- "Let me tell you why you are here. You're here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God flavors of this earth. If you lose your saltiness, how will people taste godliness? You've lost your usefulness and will end up in the garbage."

Different translations speak to different people. I have found that for sharing the good news in our contemporary context, The Message, faithfully communicates the Kingdom of Heaven to the world. Read The Message translation, I highly recommend it, you can find a copy at church.

In Christ,

Rev Riz



Announcements & In Your Words



"Nativity"
Save the Date...
Sunday, December 16
A Christmas Musical

It is with a heavy heart that I write this: I have officially put in my resignation from work at New Life Presbyterian Church. My last day in the office will be Friday, November 2nd.

It has been a stressful transition time for me in my life, and in order for me to be healthy with my career and personal life, I can no longer work two church jobs. I would like to thank the entire congregation for welcoming me, and for having me be a part of your team. I appreciate the time and patience you have shown in working with me, and I wish only the best for this congregation and its future ministry work. I sincerely hope that New Life and Como Park will continue to be friends in ministry and I wish to continue fostering our relationship together as we move forward.

God's peace,

~Joshua Svenulski

November Birthdays

Robbie Link	11/2	Jenni Mancha	11/14
Deb Griffin	11/2	Melinda Maurey	11/15
Emily Laizans	11/5	Greg Brown	11/19
Penelope Lee	11/5	Adam Schultz	11/20
Ardys Randall	11/5	Roger Williams	11/20
Autumn Hubbell	11/7	Ginny Seaborg	11/21
Julian Leggs	11/9	John Miller	11/22
Jill McRae	11/9	Ed Galle	11/27
Jo Ann White	11/9	Keldan Hendricksen	11/29
John Silliman III	11/11	A D Dickson	11/30
Caroline Andin	11/13	Michelle Pohl	11/30
Kim Spear	11/13	Joyce Yeboah	11/30



NORTHCOMO PRESCHOOL

In October, North Como Preschool enjoyed a visit from the Roseville Fire Fighters. They had so much fun learning about what the firefighters do and that anyone can be a fire fighter, boys, girls, mommies, daddies, aunts, uncles, brothers, and sisters. It was so much fun watching our preschoolers understand that they could grow up to be fire fighters if they wanted too!

Also, in October, we visited NLPC's pumpkin patch. We Trunk or Treated through the church offices and in the parking lot where the families all came to participate in decorating their vehicles. Such a fun event! In November, we will be sharing our school day with "Someone Special" and have "Lunch with a Loved One". Grandparents, aunts, uncles, a favorite relative or friend will be joining us for the preschool/pre-k day. I love watching the kiddos share their day with their favorite grown-ups!

We wish you all the best this Thanksgiving Season! May you have many Blessings and much to be thankful for!



Outreach Ministry



NOVEMBER'S THANKSGIVING OFFERING & CHANGE THE WORLD OFFERING

...helping hungry families in our community

Both these offerings will go to Interfaith Action of Greater St. Paul's **Department of Indian Work Food Shelf** to assist low-income American Indian families with culturally appropriate food, including holiday food baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Donate to New Life in an envelope or with a check marked for Thanksgiving Offering or through your electronic giving designation. Put your loose change in the offering plate or in the Bowl of Abundance the last Sunday of the month. *Thank you for your generosity!*

SUPPORT DISASTER ASSISTANCE

WORLDWIDE THROUGH PDA

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is offering immediate aid to communities impacted by Hurricane Michael. This joins responses already underway for those affected by Hurricane Florence, and also by the recent earthquake in Haiti; monsoon flooding in Kerala, India; earthquakes resulting in a tsunami and volcanic eruption in Indonesia; and Super Typhoon Mangkhut in the Philippines, China and surrounding areas. Due to lack of widespread media coverage of some of these disasters, PDA needs our help to ensure that it can continue to provide emergency response (food, water, sanitation, shelter) and long-term recovery support (food security, water sources, restoration of livelihoods) for all these areas.

Outreach Ministry (Continued)

Please donate if you can: checks to New Life, memo PDA or cash in a New Life envelope marked for PDA. We pray that God's healing may spring up quickly and that hope will be drawn out of the chaos.

Saturday Nov 17

10am-4pm

Sunday Nov 18

11am-2pm



~Change lives

~Make the world a better place

~Find meaningful and unique gifts

~Finish your Christmas shopping by November 18th!

Come to the Holiday Fair Trade Market in the Great Room to shop for handcrafted fair trade gifts and food items from all over the world – jewelry, baskets, knit products, home décor, foods, crafts, toys and more!

Enjoy soup and snacks in the café while you shop! (free-will offering)

Come early and often! Bring your family and friends!

You'll be glad you did.

Cash or checks preferred.

*(*Fair Trade = a way of buying and selling products that benefits marginalized workers by making sure that the people who produce the goods receive a fair price.)*

Earth Care Team and Requests from the office

NOVEMBER



A GREENTHANKSGIVING FOOD FOR THOUGHT

“Not long ago we took for granted that food was produced and shared in a local community. Since World War II, the U.S. has lost more than 4 million family farms. Today, as corporate agricultural conglomerates have expanded, food travels 25% farther than it did in 1980, moving between 1,500 to 2,500 miles before it reaches your table. Mass production of food has led to a greater disconnect with the land that grows our food and the communities that harvest it. Mass production of food has also led to the use of monoculture (single crop agriculture), chemical fertilizers and pesticides, non-medicinal antibiotics in animal farming, and the use of fossil fuels for food production and transport.” (Pp. 2-3, “Where Two or More Are Gathered,, Eco-Justice as Community”, Presby. Earth Day Resources.)

With the new report that has recently come out about climate change, this may be a great time to plan a “Green Thanksgiving! Here are some ideas:

1. Celebrate local/organic food as much as you can by buying a locally produced, organic turkey that is humanely treated and free from chemicals & hormones. Favor locally grown fruits & veggies (awhile back, Byerly's sold apple pie that was made with local Macintosh apples & local flour), cheese, etc. (If your turkey can't be organic at least go local.)
2. Your meal can be less expensive so you can afford an organic turkey if you have a BRING YOUR OWN DISH celebration. Tell your guests you are trying to highlight local/organic if they can manage it and let them help with side dishes, desserts, etc.
3. Make it a NO WASTE/LOW WASTE event. Plan to buy foods with as little packaging as possible, RECYCLE, & COMPOST. Use washable dishes (or compostable ones NOT throwaways<), cups & utensils.
4. Use natural decorations.

REQUEST FOR PATIENCE AS WE EXPERIENCE TECHNICAL CHALLENGES.

Due to an update on my computer and the recent change to a new printer/copier we have experienced some technical challenges. Resolving these challenges is a work in progress. Two issues you may have noticed are: 1. The Website Calendar has not been updated with new requests or changes in previous requests have not been recorded. (these additions and changes are being recorded on a calendar to be added to the Website Calendar). 2) Changes in format and commands for the new printer may show a different look for the bulletin and this newsletter. **Your patience is appreciated!**

A REQUEST FROM THE OFFICE: PLEASE RESERVE ROOMS FOR MEETINGS TO AVOID DUPLICATE USE—NO MATTER HOW FEW PEOPLE YOU HAVE IN YOUR GROUP!

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November Calendar Highlights

Saturday, Nov. 17 — 9:00 am Fair Trade Market
Sunday, Nov. 18— 11:00 am Fair Trade Market
Monday, Nov. 12— 9:30 am Rebekah Circle
Tuesday, Nov. 13 - 1:00 pm Presbytery of the Twin City Area at New Life
Tuesday, Nov. 20.— 6:30 pm Esther Circle
Wednesday, Nov. 21 -7:00 pm Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service @ New Life
Thursday, Nov. 22 OFFICE CLOSED—Happy Thanksgiving!
Friday, Nov. 23 OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday, Nov. 27 — 6:30 pm Session Meeting

- December Newsletter articles due November 15th
- Sunday bulletin submissions due by noon Wednesday to:
office@newlifechurchroseville.org
- E-Note submissions due by noon Tuesday to
Pam Nofsinger at:
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Daylight Savings Ends
Sunday Nov. 4th