

WELCOME

Welcome to New Life. We are a community of those who follow Jesus and, like millions of other followers, we gather on the first day of the week every week to worship our risen Savior and King. We're glad you're with us today and hope you'll join us again.

- **Children are welcome** to worship with us, but a **nursery** for infants and toddlers (ground floor, room B06) is available during both services.
- **The Sanctuary** is located upstairs on the main floor, and **restrooms** are located on the ground floor.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	<i>Joyful, Joyful</i>	Worship Team Diane Wassenar, Leader
Call to Worship		Bruce Johnson, Elder
Song	<i>Joy to the World</i>	
Advent Reading and Candle Lighting		The Krasinski Family
Songs	<i>Our God Reigns (Awake, Awake, O Zion)</i> <i>Immanuel (From the Squalor of a Borrowed Stable)</i> <i>Behold Our God</i>	
Offering		Caitlyn Fogg, Jr. High Ministry Leader
Announcements		
Testimony		Carol Davis
Time of Greeting		
Song	<i>O Come, O Come, Emmanuel</i>	
Prayer for the Church		Darryl Rearson, Elder
Sermon	Immanuel: God With Us Matthew 1:18-25 (pg. 807; Children's Bible pg. 1154)	Mark Moser, Pastor
Response	<i>God With Us</i>	
Benediction		

TODAY AT NEW LIFE

- **Worship services** at 9 & 10:45am. Our sermon series "Baby Names" continues today.
- **Fellowship Café** in the Fellowship Hall between services.
- **Sunday School** classes for all ages. See inside for details.
- **Connect 18-24** (young adults), 12:30pm in The 109.
- **Spain Mission Team Informational Meeting**, 12:30pm in Room 107.
- **Sr. High Christmas Party** (grades 9-12), 1:30pm.

MISSIONS UPDATE

Besides supporting missionaries sent out by our church, through our church missions budget we also directly support national church planting efforts around the world. One main criterion for who we choose to support, is that we should already have some kind of ongoing connection with the people or organizations to be supported. This year, we have 3 organizations that we support.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- **Prayer Chain:** If you have a prayer request or would like to join the prayer chain, contact Linda Woods at lwoods3@gmail.com.
- **Join our Facebook Page:** "New Life Church in Glenside Facebook Page" <http://facebook.com/newlifeglenside>
- **Pastors' Blog:** <https://newlifeglenside.com/blog/>, or www.newlifeglenside.com and select BLOG under the RESOURCES tab.
- **New Life's Weekly E-News:** To receive our weekly e-news, email Greg Raysor at graysor@newlifeglenside.com or sign up at <http://eepurl.com/hbCAY>
- **Deacons' Cell Phone:** If you have or know of a need, please call our deacon on staff at 267-528-8637.
- **Meals Ministry:** If meals are needed, please contact December coordinator Sara Diehl at 917-439-3624 or at NewLifeMeals@gmail.com.
- **Perpetual Food Drive:** *Urgent needs: canned pasta and plastic grocery bags.* Place your donations in the cabinet by the Weldon Room.
- **Food Cupboard Hours:** Mon.: 7-7:30pm for New Life families; Tues.: 6:15pm for the community; Thurs.: 1pm for seniors. Hot meals will be served on Tuesdays at 6:15pm; food distribution follows.
- **New Life Nursery School:** Piper Fordham, Director
NewLifeNurserySchool@gmail.com, 215-576-0783
www.facebook.com/NewLifeNurserySchool
- **New Life Thrift Stores—www.newlifethriftinc.org—two locations:**
800 N. Easton Rd., Glenside, 215-886-8619 | M-F: 9am-7pm; Sat.: 9am-6pm
67 Cheltenham Ave., Cheltenham, 215-635-0820 | M-F: 9am-6pm; Sat.: 9am-5pm

HELP NEEDED

➤ Food Cupboard

Have a couple spare hours on your hands? Looking for a way to serve? The New Life Food Cupboard needs some more volunteers to help with the Giant pick up in Huntingdon Valley on Saturday mornings. Requires a car and some lifting. Please contact Sally Andrade at 215-287-0136 for more information.

➤ Easy Worship

Join the team that runs the slides and videos during Sunday services. Learn our Easy Worship system and serve one Sunday every 4 to 6 weeks. Training provided. Contact Greg Raysor at graysor@newlifeglenside.com.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

<u>General Offering</u>	This Week	Fiscal YTD	Average	Giving Shortfall
Needed:	\$20,159	\$463,657	\$20,159	
Received:	\$31,532	\$401,462	\$17,455	\$62,195

NEW LIFE STAFF

Pastor - Mark Moser, ext. 25, moser@newlifeglenside.com
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Custodial Assistant - Andrée Seu-Peterson

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 Office Hours: Mon. 10:30-4:30, Tues. 8:30-4:30, Wed. 11:30-4:30, Th. & Fri. 8:30-4:30

AT NEW LIFE GLENSIDE, WE ARE COMMITTED TO:

- Worshipping God in an accessible and authentic manner
- Preaching, teaching, and believing God's word
- Training for a lifetime of service and spiritual growth
- Loving one another as God has loved us
- Serving our local community
- Sending our people to participate in God's work around the world
- Praying and relying on God's power



SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY

► For Adults: AdultEd at 9 & 10:45am

9am: Amazing Grace: A Fresh Look at How God Saves Sinners

Aug. 25–Dec. 15 Library (left side, Room 119) | Steve Smallman

We will consider together, both from Scripture and from our own experiences, how the Holy Spirit makes us partakers of the redemption purchased for us by Jesus.

10:45am: Many Kings and The King: A Study of the Book of 1 Kings

Aug. 11–Dec. 15 Library (left side, Room 119) | Kenneth Teo

In the time of 1 Kings, God's people were divided into two nations, Israel and Judah, each with its own ruler(s). Kings, Kingdom, prophets, land, covenant, people—but it all points to One King. Join us for this final retrospective on the book.

► For Youth: StudentLife at 9am

Sr. High (grades 9-12) meets in The 109 (main floor).

Jr. High (grades 6-8) meets in the Jr. High Room (2nd Floor).

► For Children: KidsLife at 9 & 10:45am

BabyLife Nursery: Infants and Toddlers to age 2, (Room B06, ground floor)

KidsLife Preschool: Bumble Bees (ages 2 & 3) - (Room B10, ground floor)

Grasshoppers (ages 4 & 5) - (Room B11, ground floor)

KidsLife Elementary (K thru 5th):

9am: Children gather in Room B12 (ground floor) at the start of the service. (Parents, please pick up your children promptly after the service.)

10:45am: Children worship with parents in the service until dismissed, then proceed to Room B12 (ground floor).

► For Young Adults: Connect 18–24 at 12:30 pm

For young adults on various paths: college students, career, military, interns—that is, anyone 18–24 is welcome! We'll meet following the second service in The 109 (main floor) to explore God's word together in community. Contact Dave Hopping or Devon Bradford with questions. See email listings under "New Life Staff."



PRAYER AND PRAISE

Pray for Andy Collins as he grieves the passing of his mother, Toni Collins.

Pray for those in our congregation who are undergoing cancer treatment:

Miska, Daniel, Kris, Rick Warner



THIS WEEK AT NEW LIFE

Monday, 12/16

8:00am: Justice Prayer Meeting

7:00pm: Food Cupboard

7:30pm: The Gift

Tuesday, 12/17

8:30am: Tuesday AM Fellowship

10:30am: Staff Meeting

6:15pm: Food Cupboard

7:00pm: ESL Classes

Wednesday, 12/18

7:00pm: KidsLife Clubs

Thursday, 12/19

9:30am: Community Prayer Meeting

1:00pm: Food Cupboard

No ESL Classes

Friday, 12/20

6:00am: Men's Prayer Meeting

6:30pm: Jr. High Christmas Party

Saturday, 12/21

6:30am: Men's Ministry

No Women's Prayer Meeting

5:00pm: Longest Night Service

Sunday, 12/22

7:50am: Prayer Meeting

9:00am: Worship Service,
Sunday School

10:45am: Worship Service,
Sunday School

12:30pm: Connect 18-24

6:30pm: Children's Christmas Pageant

7:00pm: Sr. High D-Groups



HIGHLIGHTS

Family Advent Guides Available

Family Advent Guides are available on the table in the Upper Lobby. Please take one for your family.

Sharing Christmas Joy

All gifts should be dropped off today in the designated box in the Upper Lobby. Thank you for supporting families that are experiencing a season of need.

Spain Mission Team Informational Meeting—Today, 12:30pm

Our church is assembling a team of people of diverse ages and gifts to help with an English Language Camp for kids and teenagers in Granada, Spain, July 1-12, in support of the work of our partners there. No teaching experience is necessary, just a desire to serve. Want to hear more? Plan to come to this informational meeting in Room 107, or let Nancy Bower know of your interest. Commitment will be needed by early January. nbower@newlifeglenside.com

The Gift—Monday, December 16, 7:30pm in the Sanctuary

A comedic holiday play based on O. Henry's *The Gift of the Magi*. Presented by the actors of our Autumn Theater Arts Class. Come see what our Scattered Seeds trained actors have been working on. Free. We hope you can join us!

"The Longest Night" Service—Saturday, December 21, 5pm

A quiet, contemplative service providing comfort and hope for those dealing with loss, sickness, pain, or loneliness during the Christmas season. Please consider who in your life might benefit from such a service and feel free to invite them. Invitations are available in the Lower Lobby and by the Office. Doors open at 4:30pm. A light dinner of soup and bread will follow at 6pm.

Christmas Services

Sunday, December 22—Children's Christmas Pageant at 6:30pm

Our annual Children's Christmas Program includes traditional carols and a quartet, a children's choir, and a dramatic presentation. Come hear about the Christmas story from an interesting perspective as students write letters to a very special cast of characters. All are welcome! No childcare provided.

Tuesday, December 24—Christmas Eve Service at 7pm

Join us at this traditional service of Lessons & Carols, which elegantly points us to Christ throughout the Scriptures, from Genesis to the New Testament Gospels. Instead of the service quietly ending with a candle lighting ceremony, this year our service will culminate in the joyful singing of "Joy to the world, the Lord is come!" as we welcome Christmas and honor the Lord Jesus together. No childcare provided.

Invitations to both services are available in the Lower Lobby and by the Office.



LOOKING AHEAD

We Gather's Post-Christmas-Pre-New-Year's Holiday Party—Saturday, Dec. 28

Come to The 109 with a less-than-\$10 gift, wrapped and ready for a "White Elephant" Game. It's a nice way to get to know folks and have fun. Please bring a snack to share if you can. Text Elaine Douds at 215-292-4033 for more info.

We Gather is a newly formed social group which reflects the mind and heart of Jesus and whose goal is to meet the social needs of single adult Christians in the greater Philadelphia area. All are welcome.

Women's Bible Study—Spring Semester Registration

It's time to register for the Spring 2020 semester of WBS—*Fixing Our Eyes on Jesus: A Study of the Book of Hebrews*. The semester will begin on Wednesday, January 15 at 9:30am and 7pm, Friday, January 17 at 6am, and Sunday, January 19 at 9am. We'll kick things off with a recap of Hebrews 1—7:10, so if you missed the Fall semester, don't worry. We'll help you catch up, then we'll study the rest of the book together. Watch for next Sunday's bulletin insert to register, or visit the New Life website to sign up online.

Are You a Bible Reader? Make 2020 Your Year to Become One

Several months ago Pastor Mark Moser pointed out that research has shown that the most important single factor in personal spiritual growth is serious engagement with the Bible. Of course that can happen by listening to sermons and going to Bible studies. But there also needs to be a commitment to read the Bible for ourselves. Steve Smallman has compiled two possibilities to get started. One is a 15-week plan (basically from Christmas to Easter). There are 75 readings from the four Gospels and Acts that introduce the life and mission of Jesus. The readings are brief enough to be read in a family setting, or as a couple. The second is a two-year plan that will take you through the entire Bible once and the New Testament twice. It begins by reading a chapter of Proverbs every day in January--which is a great way to begin the new year. Copies of these plans can be found in various locations throughout the church building. We will be happy to mail you copies if you aren't local, or will be away. **God has spoken--let us hear his Word!**



PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Prayer for the Whitemarsh/Flourtown/Plymouth Communities

Join us in praying for these communities. Contact Laurel Chapman if interested. laurelannchapman@gmail.com

Prayer for the Abington School District—"Moms in Prayer"

Meets once a month, promptly from 9:30-10:30am. All moms welcome. Weekday or Saturday meetings. Contact Cindy at cindycorabi@gmail.com for dates/locations.

Prayer for the Upper Dublin School District

Meets two Saturday mornings a month from 7:15-8am at 1527 Norristown Rd., Ambler. Coffee always available. Contact taralynnlehman@gmail.com for meeting dates.

Prayer for the Cheltenham School District

Second Monday of the month, 7:30pm at Elcy's (1 West Glenside Ave. at the Glenside Train Station). Contact Nancy Bower. nbower@newlifeglenside.com

Community Outreach Prayer

Thursdays, 9:30am at New Life. Contact Nancy Bower. nbower@newlifeglenside.com

Sermon Series:

BABY NAMES

Sundays, December 1—December 29

Dec. 22	"The King of the Jews" (Matthew 2:1-12)	Mark Moser
Dec. 24	A Baby? (Luke 2:6-14) (Christmas Eve homily)	Mark Moser
Dec. 29	"My Son" (Son of God) (Matthew 2:13-28)	Steve Smallman