

Sermon Notes

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The View From My Window WITH PASTOR JOEL

As the date of my wife's recent operation drew near I witnessed a strange phenomenon: she got busier around the house. Previously, she was okay with how I cleaned up the kitchen after preparing meals & how I did the floors. But as surgery neared, I found her sanitizing the counters & pushing her Swiffer along the baseboards. It wasn't that she was feeling better, she was getting her house in order so she could rest easier over the coming recovery period. Also, she was burning a lot of nervous energy knowing how hard recovery was going to be.

On Palm Sunday Jesus was being welcomed by a very large crowd of worshippers. It wasn't that His Kingdom was about to take over, looks can be deceiving. They cheered, He wept. They rejoiced, Jesus braced Himself. And yet, He was soon to strike a fatal blow to death & the kingdom of darkness. Jesus submitted Himself to the tortures ahead knowing that triumph & resurrection were soon to follow.

We are often caused to face hard trials but the pain is never the end of the story. Courage is a big part of faith. It's not that we never suffer but that we believe that when we submit ourselves to suffering for the sake of Jesus' Kingdom victory & rewards soon follow. Trials don't get smaller just because we believe but our resolve to finish well is strengthened.

- Pastor Joel

Upcoming Events

- 4/21: Easter Sunday & No 6pm Evening Service
- 5/1: Ranger Pinewood Derby (after 7pm service)
- 5/3: Worship Team Practice (7pm)
- 5/4: Youth Event - Saturday Night at New Life (6pm)
- 5/5: Family Worship Sunday (No Kids Church)
- 5/11: Men's Breakfast (8am)
- 5/12: Happy Mother's Day! (No 6pm Service)
- 5/13: Board Meeting (6:30pm)
- 5/14: *The Gathering* Women's Bible Study (9am)
- 5/29: Coordinator Meeting (7pm); No Kids Programs

Church Board

- Jim Border, Jr:** Security, Ushering, & Treasurer
- Larry Bray:** Grounds Care & Volunteer Relations
- Alina Dusharm:** Secretary
- Steve Gebhart, Sr:** Grounds Care
- Dave Mickley:** Staff & Volunteer Relations
- Andy Storm:** Indoor Maintenance



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Welcome to New Life ...

We're glad you're here!

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019

7:00am - Prayer Meeting

Open prayer in Room 10 - everyone welcome

8:00am - First Service

9:00am - Self-Serve Café Open

9:15am - Sunday School

KIDS & TEEN CLASSES

- Kids Wing: Kids Age 4 - Grade 6
- Basement: Grades 7-12 Teens/Parents

ADULT SMALL GROUPS

- Sanctuary: The Constitution
- Family Room: Life Stages
- Room 10: Sermon Discussion
- Room 3: Church Outreach
- Kitchen: Conversation & Egg Sandwiches

10:15am - Second Service

- **Nursery:** newborns to age 3
- **Kids Church:** age 4 to grade 6

6:00pm - Testimony Service

Pope Saenmuengma will share how he found Christianity in a Buddhist culture in Thailand. Pope's wife Stephanie's will lead worship.

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

Palm Sunday

Matthew 21

Rev. Joel Everhart

THIS WEEK ...

WED, APRIL 17

7pm - Midweek Service, Rainbows Kids Club, Prims Girls Club, Royal Rangers for Boys

THU, APRIL 18

5-7:30pm - Bake Sale Order Pick-up

THU-SAT, APRIL 18-20

1:45pm - Teens leave for Convention

OPEN PRAYER TIMES

Mon - Fri: 8am-10am (Sanctuary)
Wed - 6-7pm (Rm 10)

Moms A private nursing room is located off the Main Lobby in Rm 2

We offer a live service stream & a play area for kids in the Family Room, by the self-serve café.

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First Time at New Life?

Thanks for being with us today! One of our greeters would be happy to show you around the church & answer any questions you may have about New Life. You can also find out more on our website at www.nla.today or by emailing our office at hello@nla.today.

Worship

4 Ways to Give 1 cash/check in the offering, **2** online at www.nla.today/give, **3** purchasing gift cards to Giant through our Business Office (New Life receives 5%), & **4** shopping online via Amazon Smile using our direct link at www.smile.amazon.com/ch/23-2500675 (New Life receives .5%). **Thank you** for investing in our mission to build a body of believers, reach the lost, & minister to a hurting world!

Build

New Sunday School Small Groups start on **Sun, April 28 at 9:15am**. Sign up in the main lobby to lead a 6-week discussion group. Here are the groups *currently* meeting:

- Life Stages (Family Room)
- The Constitution (Sanctuary)
- Sermon Discussion (Rm 10)
- Church Outreach (Rm 3)
- Conversation & Egg Sandwiches (Kitchen)

Coordinator Meeting on **Wed, May 29 at 7pm** outside under the pavilion (pending good weather). There will be no service or kids programs on that date so our coordinators can meet & plan for their ministries.

Mark your calendars ...

Honoring Our Graduates On **Sun, June 9** during the 2nd service, we'll honor our grads ... high school, college or training programs, plus "grads" from our very own kids programs, who will be advancing this fall. More info will be available in late April.

At New Life, we aim to be a spirit-empowered family of believers who **worship** the Lord, work together to **build** a body of believers, **reach** the lost, & **minister** to a hurting world. Our members **Expect Jesus** to meet us here & to use us beyond these walls.

Join the Worship & AV/Sound Teams! There are spots open on the **Worship Team** for a **pianist** & a **substitute drummer**. See Melanie Storm for more info.

There are spots open on the **AV/Sound Team!** See Bill Womer or Mike Einsig if you can help transition **lyric slides** during worship or **adjust sound** during services. Training is provided!

Women's Gathering Bible Study meet **Tues, May 14 at 9am** in the Multi-Purpose Room. The group will study the Beatitudes. Light snacks & study books will be provided. Young ladies & women ages 16 & up are welcome!

Monthly Men's Breakfast takes place on **Sat, May 11 at 8am** in the gym. Boys & men of all ages are welcome!

New Books have been added to the shelves in the self-serve cafe. Borrow a book & return it to the basket when you're finished. We are not currently accepting donations of books.

What's Happening In Ministry? Spread the word about your ministry by sending photos & stories via email to hello@nla.today to be featured on New Life's social media or website!

Service in the Park Join us on **Sun, June 23 at 4pm** for our annual summer service at the East Berlin Community Park. We'll have acoustic worship, a short message, & a potluck picnic. We'll bring the hot dogs, burgers, & drinks ... you bring a side dish & dessert to share!

Family Ministries

We Have KIDS Church during the second service for kids age 4 - grade 6 in the Kids Wing. Kids Church includes worship, a Bible lesson, snack, craft or activity. Email **Ariel Strine** at kids@nla.today for more info about our Kids Church program.

Ranger Pinewood Derby Come cheer on our Royal Rangers as they show off their custom-built cars in the annual pinewood derby race in the gym on **Wed, May 1** following the midweek service. Light snacks will be available.

Rangers & Missionettes on a Sunday Our Rangers & Missionettes programs typically meet on Wednesdays, but they're joining Kids Church this morning to show the kids what our Rangers & Missionettes programs are all about!

Reach & Minister

Ruth's Harvest Food Drive We help provide weekend meals for 125 students in the Bermudian Springs School District who don't have enough food at home. Consider donating **single serving size** packages of **shelf-safe milk**, **cereal**, & **ravioli** in the basket in the main lobby.



A skilled team of volunteers is ready to assist with health needs, home or car repairs, financial aid, meals, & transportation. If you or someone you know needs a hand up, see a team member for more info: Angie Kline, Dave Mickley, Wayne Esbenshade, Carolyn Brown, John Quinn, Wendy Wagner, Ray Mummert, & Mark Hinkle.

Donate Today! If you cannot volunteer, consider financially supporting this ministry, which benefits members of our own church & community who are in crisis. Simply write "Stephen's Legacy Donation" on the memo line of your check & drop it in the offering.

Teens Meet Sunday Mornings during Sunday School (9:15am) in the basement to plan a monthly event - **Saturday Night at New Life**, which is open to all teens in the community & other churches. Come to our weekly teen meeting in the basement to share your event ideas! The first Saturday Night at New Life is on **Sat, May 4 at 6pm**.

Join the Kids Volunteer Team! We have a spot for you to help out once a month in our Kids Ministry:

- Kids Church Check-in Host (Sun at 10:15am)
- PreK Sunday School Teacher (Sun at 9:15am)
- Nursery Helper (Sun at 6pm or Wed at 7pm)

Email Ariel at kids@nla.today to help out once a month in one of these spots!

Fundraiser for Benji Border Sonya Gettys is hosting a homemade bake sale fundraiser for Benji Border, who was born 3 months premature & has significant health challenges. Orders are due **today** in the main lobby. **Pick up your order on Thu, April 18 in the gym**. Please make checks payable to NLA.

Peanut Butter Eggs for Missions Buy a milk or dark chocolate covered peanut butter fudge egg for \$1 each in the main lobby to benefit missions.

Glory Bound Motors We repair cars & provide car care training to anyone who needs it on **Thursdays from 6:30-8:30pm** at Wayne Esbenshade's home garage, located at 6121 Davidsburg Rd, Dover, PA. See Wayne or Dave Mickley to make a repair appointment or stop by just to learn! Teens & adults welcome!

Looking for Storage! Stephen's Legacy has furniture & appliances for families in need, but is looking for space to store them! If you have space in your garage, shed, or a first floor room in your house & are willing to store furniture until Stephen's Legacy can give it to a family in need.