

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*GOD'S GREETING

*MUTUAL GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive, led by the Praise Team)

*SONGS OF PRAISE: (led by the Praise Team)

“Overcome”

“Lord, I Need You”

[Children 4 years old-2nd grade are invited to join the Worship

Center leaders in the back during the last song]

SONG: “Praise Him, All Ye Little Children” TCH #188:1-2

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SONG: “God, Be Merciful to Me” PsH #255:1,2,4

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*SONG: “O God Our Help in Ages Past” PsH #170:1-6

SCRIPTURE:..... Ephesians 5:15-17 (pg. 1823)

MESSAGE:..... **LIVE CAREFULLY IN THE NEW YEAR**

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*SONG: “May the Mind of Christ, My Savior” PsH #291:1-5

OFFERING: Highland Christian School

OFFERTORY:

*BENEDICTION

*DOXOLOGY: “Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God” PsH #630:1-2

*POSTLUDE

Pastor Laryn Zoerhof, Worship Leader; Phyllis Leegwater, Organist

PsH=Psalter Hymnal (grey); TCH=The Celebration Hymnal (red)

*If you are able, please stand

WELCOME to New Life Christian Reformed Church of Highland. If you are a guest today, please stop by our Welcome Center in the lobby to learn more about us and receive a welcome gift and enjoy some coffee & fellowship after the morning service.

THIS MORNING we welcome **PASTOR LARYN ZOERHOF** and thank him for leading our morning service. He is recently retired after serving 5 Christian Reformed Churches for 48 years, 2 of them in Classis Illiana. He continues to serve the churches of Classis Illiana as the stated clerk and as a guest pastor.

Sermon Title: Live Carefully in the New Year

Sermon Text: Ephesians 5:15-17

Theme: Since our time on earth is limited, let's make the most of the time we have left.

Let us resolve in this New Year to...

1. Live wisely

“Be very careful, then, how you live --- not as unwise but as wise,”
v. 15

2. Leverage our time

“making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.”
v. 16

3. Learn God's will

“Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.”
v. 17

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY

PARTNERS IN PRAYER meets in Room 4 in the East wing from 8:45-9:05 am each Sunday. Come join us any Sunday!

GREETERS: 9:30 AM–Rod & Jeana Otte/Randy & Mary Mitchell

NURSERY: 9:30 AM–Shelley Boender/Hannah Kortum

AM SOUND OPERATOR: Craig Menninga

AM POWER POINT OPERATOR: Jackson Armendariz

WELCOME CENTER: Shelley Boender

ROVING ELDER: Mark Hoeksema

COFFEE & COOKIE SERVER: Beth Kortum

NURSERY CARE is available during our morning worship service for children 0-3 years of age. The nursery is located on our main floor in the east wing of the church at the end of the hallway.

WORSHIP CENTER: Children's church for ages 4 years old-2nd grade, located in the east wing, Room 3. Teachers will escort children there during the AM service (see order of worship).

EDUCATION HOUR: 10:45-11:45 AM

- **SON-CATCHERS** (4 years old-4th grade) meet in Room 4 for snacks at 10:45. They will be escorted to the sanctuary for singing and then classroom time in Rooms 2 & 4.
- **CATECHISM CLASSES** (5th-12th grades) meet in the basement. **Grades 5-8 in the GEMS room; Grades 9-12 in the old nursery.**

5:00 PM SERVICE: There will be no evening service today. A new Bible Project study, "The Weight of Sin" will start January 12.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to **BILL & JAN STAMMIS AND FAMILY**, in the passing of Bill's brother, George Stammis, on Tuesday, December 31, 2019. Visitation will be Sunday, January 5, from 2-6 pm, at the Hillside Funeral Home. The funeral service will be on Monday, January 6, at 10 am, here at New Life.

NEW ADDRESSES & PHONE NUMBER:

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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Josh Wadkins–1/5

Don & Bette Saxsma's 65th Wedding Anniversary–1/7