

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

Palm Sunday

PRELUDE

HANDBELL CHOIR: **Palm Sunday Celebration**

LENTEN CANDLELIGHT READING: (*Dale Ketelaar*)

RESPONSIVE READING

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

*GOD'S GREETING

*MUTUAL GREETING

*SONGS OF PRAISE:

 "I Will Sing of My Redeemer" *TCH #517:1,3,4*

 "In Christ Alone" *v. 1-4*

VIDEO: "Lazarus"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SONG OF ASSURANCE: "Nearer, Still Nearer" *v. 1,3,4*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

HANDBELL CHOIR: **The Power of the Cross**

SCRIPTURE:..... Philippians 4:1-9 (pg. 1829)

MESSAGE:..... **CHARACTER IN COMMUNITY**

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*SONG: "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" *PsH #573:1-4*

*PARTING BLESSING

*CLOSING SONG: "By the Sea of Crystal" *PsH #620:3*

*RETIRING OFFERING: *Ministry Opportunity Fund*

*POSTLUDE

Dr. Bill Sytsma, Worship Leader; Bill DeYoung, Organist

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

**If you are able, please stand*

WELCOME to New Life Christian Reformed Church! We're glad you are here today! We pray you will be blessed as you worship with us and that you experience the love of Christ among His people.

Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: Character in Community

Sermon Text: Philippians 4:1-9

Christ's transforming power will draw us into a _____.

Sinful people will experience personal _____.

Rejoicing in God's goodness can produce _____.

Christ's ministry was characterized by _____ and _____.

The _____ of God's nature will guide and shape his people.

During the season of Lent, the church travels with Jesus on the road to the cross. As we prepare to remember our Savior's betrayal, arrest, suffering, and death, we reflect on what things in our lives we may need to put do death so we can live in the newness of Jesus' resurrection and ascension. We will mark the weeks of Lent by lighting candles in the sanctuary; the same candles will be extinguished on Good Friday as we remember the crucifixion. May the light of Christ shine more deeply into our hearts as we walk this road with him, revealing the darkness within us and making us new.

CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS to **TIM & AMANDA PIATEK** on the birth of a baby girl, **AVA LYNN**, on Saturday, March 20. She weighed in at 8 lb., 3 oz. Mom and baby are doing well!

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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK

Jim Natelborg--3/29

Deb VanProoyen--3/30

Cathie Bennett, Philip Kostelyk--4/1