

May 4 SUNDAY, THE LORD'S DAY 2025

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *(responsive)*

*GOD'S GREETING

*MUTUAL GREETING

*SONGS OF PRAISE:

 "We Bow Down" *TCH #154:1-2*

 "O Praise the LORD, for It Is Good" *PsH #187:1-3*

Children are invited to the front of the church during this song.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Olivia Jo Piatek and Liam Michael Eenigenburg

SONG: "Baptized in the Water" *PsH #269:1-3*

**Children (4 years old – 1st grade) are invited to join the
 Worship Center leaders in the back of the church, and children
 who do not attend Worship Center may be seated with their families
 during this song.**

READING OF GOD'S LAW: *Deuteronomy 6:4-9*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SONG: "My God, How Wonderful You Are" *PsH #499:1-6*

DEACON'S PRAYER

OFFERING: *Illiana Christian High School*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Colossians 2:6-15 (pg. 1833)

MESSAGE: **THE CIRCUMCISION OF A CHRISTIAN**

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*SONG: "Standing on the Promises" *TCH #410:1,2,5*

*PARTING BLESSING

*CLOSING SONG: "To God Be the Glory" *PsH #473:1,3*

*POSTLUDE

Pastor Cedric Parsels, 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! We are glad you are here today! If you are a guest, please enjoy some coffee and fellowship after the morning service. We pray you will be blessed as you worship with us.

THIS MORNING, we have the privilege to witness the baptism of **OLIVIA JO PIATEK**, daughter of **TIM & AMANDA PIATEK**, and the baptism of **LIAM MICHAEL EENIGENBURG**, son of **DREW & CHRISTINA EENIGENBURG**.

SERVING TODAY

GREETERS: Herb Sitter/Doug Van Til/Bob Wadkins

NURSERY: Abby Jacobs/Shelly Ketelaar

POWERPOINT OPERATOR: Lilly Armendariz

SOUND OPERATOR: Joe Jacobs

ROVING ELDER: Larry Moes

DEACON'S PRAYER: Tim Piatek

COFFEE & COOKIE SERVERS: Rich & Karen Hartmann

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY

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

WORSHIP CENTER: Children's Church (**4 years old - 1st grade**) meets on the main floor in **Room 3**. Teachers will escort children there during the morning worship service (see order of worship).

EDUCATION HOUR: 10:45 - 11:45 AM

- **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLASS** (2nd - 5th grade) meets on the main floor in **Room 4**.
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASS** (6th - 8th grade) meets in the basement in **Room 11**.
- **HIGH SCHOOL CATECHISM CLASS** (9th - 12th grade) meets in the **old nursery** in the basement.
- **ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** meets in the **Fireside Room**.

**The nursery is staffed and open during the
Sunday School hour for newborns - 1st grade.**

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Carly Bruen–5/5

Josh Scheeringa–5/6

Ted Boomker (83)–5/7

Marlene Bush (83)–5/9

EXPRESSION OF THANKS: “On behalf of Illiana Right to Life, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks for your generous support of our recent billboard campaign. Because of you, we have successfully funded one billboard in our area, helping to spread a message of life and hope throughout our community. Your partnership in this effort is a powerful witness to the value of every human life, and we are deeply grateful for your commitment and prayers. Look for our billboards scattered throughout the region all this week! We are grateful for your partnership and prayers.” **Shelly Ketelaar-Illiana Right to Life**