

Can You Find What's Missing In These Pictures?



Have you figured it out yet? Guess what?....It's you!!! We are excited that many of you have come back to Church, but we miss our friends who are still joining us from home. We would like to encourage you to begin the new year with a commitment to come back to Church. We know that some may have health issues that prevent you from doing so...and that is OK! We will continue to live stream our Worship Service so that you may still join in. For others, fear may be holding you prisoner in your own home.

There is no doubt that the virus has shaken some of the foundations in our lives. Our lives and even Church looks far different than it has before. What does God call followers of Jesus to in times like this? How should we respond to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic?

Jesus gives those who follow Him a promise of peace that is different from what the world experiences. Jesus encouraged His disciples with these words: "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." Jesus promised His followers they didn't have to be afraid. God has promised that nothing can separate us from Him—nothing in all creation can keep us from His love, security, and peace...that includes a virus, and even quarantines. It includes layoffs and economic crises. As Christians, we have a basis for hope that is real and lasting. We can rest in a future that is secure because we have a relationship with God through faith in Jesus.

As the corona virus spreads, so has fear and uncertainty. The world cries out for reassurance and peace. As followers of Jesus in the midst of a pandemic, we have a unique opportunity to demonstrate that the Gospel is not just words but that Jesus makes a difference in how we face hardships. We have the opportunity to live unafraid, to show others a hope that isn't just based on wearing a mask or the development of a vaccine, but that rests in a relationship with the God of the universe. We can be people of peace and love because Jesus has transformed our lives. And as transformed people, we have a message of hope to offer. In an environment of fear and uncertainty, being able to come alongside others (even if it has to be six feet away, or over the phone), and meet their needs with peace and calmness communicates a love that is based on something far greater than our current circumstances. It communicates hope.

In the midst of this uncertainty, reject the temptation to live out of fear. Be at peace. Love others, and share the reason for the hope that you have. We might still feel afraid, but we can believe that God is with us. We may not be in control, but we can trust the One who is. We may not know the future, but we can know the God who does. Set aside your fear, and join us for Worship in Church this Sunday. We look forward to seeing you again!!!

Friends To Remember In Prayer

Dennis Cahill
Health concerns
German Olivera
Testing
Sandy Cunningham
Accident/healing of bones
Don Anderson
Broken ankle
Faith Buck
Health concerns
Jim Cunningham
Health concerns

Robert Hayes—America's
Keswick Pianist
Cancer
Anthony Salvitti, Sr.—Father
of Tony Salvitti
Recovering from a stroke
Nancy—Neighbor of Pastor
Norm
Recovering from knee
replacement surgery
Robert Kraeuter—Son-In-law
Of Trilla Johnson
Health concerns

Special Concerns

Donna Bartie	Mary Ann Conover	Bernice Cook
Health concerns	Health concerns	Health concerns

Loss Of Loved Ones

Continue to pray for these members who have recently lost a mate, parent, or child.

Stephenson Family—Loss of Dina

Birthdays

Pastor Norm—1/17	Bob Phelan—1/20
Bill Nickel—1/17	Doris Eckhart—1/20
Dan Dalessandro—1/19	Kyle Jaggard—1/20
Eric Ulkloss—1/19	Jeannette Wilt—1/23
Linda Gibilisco—1/19	

How to Connect for Worship!

To join us "live", you can log on to Facebook at 10:00 A.M. **This is the only way to watch it live!!!**

- On your device, go to [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com)
- Log in to your account, or go to "Create An Account" and follow the prompts.
- Type **New Life Christian Church** in the search bar (marked by the outline of a magnifying glass)
- Remember, **you can't get us on livestream until we are live**, which begins at 9:55 A.M. on Facebook.

The easiest way to "watch us later" is to go to our website **one or two hours after the service** is over (downloading requires some time!). Go to our website at www.newlifechristianministry.org.

- Go to "Services" click "Live Services" from the dropdown menu.

You can also watch on YouTube "later"!

- On your device go to [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com)
- In the search bar enter **New Life Christian Church of Newtown Worship**

ORDER A FLOWER ARRANGEMENT

If you would like to purchase a flower arrangement in honor of or in memory of a loved one, stop by the Church Office to do so. The price is \$45 per arrangement (due to the florist increasing their prices). You may take your arrangement home with you following our Worship Service. You may also purchase a rosebud in honor of the birth of a child or grandchild for \$12.50.



USHERS NEEDED



We are looking for some more men to join our Ushering Ministry. If you can volunteer one Sunday a month to assist in our Worship Service, contact Tony Salvitti or Pam Brown in the Church Office.

GREETERS NEEDED

We are in need of a few more friendly faces to join our Hospitality Ministry. If you can volunteer one Sunday a month to welcome our members and visitors, contact Pam Brown in the Church Office.



GIVING UPDATE



We are grateful that so many of you have continued to faithfully give your tithes and offerings. We need \$24,668.00 to pay off our remaining financial obligations for 2020. If you can help us get caught up, your sacrifice would be greatly appreciated.

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