

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE GOOD NEWS**

January 6, 2008  
8:30 A.M.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

READING OF ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Arise, shine: for your light has come,

**PEOPLE: and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.**

LEADER: Nations shall come to your light

**PEOPLE: and rulers to the brightness of your rising.**

LEADER: We have come to praise God, who has done wonderful things among us.

**PEOPLE: In Jesus, the Christ, God has shown us love, giving light for our darkness, and strength for all our days.**

LEADER: Sing praise to God’s name, bow before God in prayer, open your hearts to God’s saving word.

**PEOPLE: Arise, shine, for your light has come!**

OPENING HYMN ..... Screen  
*“This is the Day When Light Was First Created”*  
tune “Finlandia”

CELEBRATION WITH CHILDREN

“Jesus Loves Me!” ..... #304  
SMALL TALK

CELEBRATION IN SONG

THE WORD READ ..... Matthew 2:1-12

THE WORD PROCLAIMED ..... The Rev. Kenneth W. White  
*“Your Light Has Come”*

SERMON HYMN ..... Hymnal #69  
*“O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright”*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE  
Offertory *“Shine, Jesus, Shine”*

Doxology ..... *Alleluia*

THE PEACE ..... The congregation with joined hands  
LEADER: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
**PEOPLE: And with your spirit. Amen.**

CLOSING RESPONSE *“God Be With You”*  
**May the Lord our great Creator  
Bless you this day.  
Grant you peace and hope and courage  
Along your way.  
May you stay within God’s keeping  
In your waking, in your sleeping  
In your joy and in your weeping, God be with you.**

POSTLUDE

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE GOOD NEWS**

**Epiphany of the Lord**

January 6, 2008

11:00 A.M.

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THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE ..... #462  
*"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"*

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

**God of grace, you have given us Jesus, the light of the world, but we choose darkness and cling to things that hide the brightness of your love. Immersed in ourselves, we have not risen to new life. Baptize us with your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may preach your word to the nations and tell of your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Light forever.**

(Let us continue with our silent confession)

THE KYRIE ..... (See inside back of hymnal)

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*THE GLORIA ..... #579

THE CELEBRATION WITH CHILDREN

*"Jesus Loves Me!"* (vs 1) ..... #304

SMALL TALK ..... (vv. 1, 2) #68  
*"What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright"*

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON ..... Isaiah 60: 1-6

ANTHEM *"The Star Is Shining Still"*

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON ..... Matthew 2:1-12

THE SERMON ..... Rev. Kenneth W. White  
*"Your Light Has Come"*

\*THE SERMON HYMN ..... #66  
*"We Three Kings of Orient Are"*

THE SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Response ..... Threefold Amen # 586

THE OFFERING OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

The Offertory

\* The Doxology ..... #592

\*The Prayer of Dedication

\*THE PARTING HYMN ..... #63  
*"As With Gladness Men of Old"*

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE CLOSING RESPONSE ..... *"Walk With Me"*  
**Walk with me, I will walk with you  
and build the land that God has planned  
where love shines through.**

\*POSTLUDE

**THIS WEEK AT NPC**

Sun., Jan. 6	8:30 am	Worship-Fellowship Hall
	9:45 am	Sunday school
	9:45 am	Youth Leaders - Adult Mtg. Room
	11:00 am	Worship-Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	Youth Leaders
	5:45 am	FISH - CG & ARC lounge
	7:00 pm	Boy Scout committee - AMR
	7:30 pm	Lost Sheep
Tue., Jan. 8	8:00 am	Women's Breakfast - AMR
	8:30 am	Men's Group - Dick's Diner
	1:00 pm	Crochet - AMR
	6:30 pm	Voice - 105
	7:00 pm	Executive - AMR
	7:00 pm	Cub Scouts - 205
	7:30 pm	Committees
	7:30 pm	NA - Common Ground
Wed., Jan 9	3:00 pm	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Ram-ARC
	3:00 pm	Music - 104
	7:00 pm	Stephen Ministers-AMR, Choir, 204 and Counseling
Thur., Jan 10	3:00 pm	Music - 101, 104, 105
	7:00 pm	Youth Brass - Fellowship Hall
	7:30 pm	Choir
Sat., Jan. 12	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast - Common Ground
	11:00 am	AA- Common Ground
	11:00 am	Carroll Memorial -Sanctuary
	6:00 pm	Youth Game Night- FH
Sun., Jan. 13	8:30 am	Worship-Communion-FH
	9:45 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship-Communion-Sanctuary
	5:45 pm	FISH - CG & ARC Lounge
	7:30 pm	Lost Sheep

**WELCOME TO**

**NEWLONSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

We extend a warm welcome to all members and visitors. We pray that you will experience the presence and peace of God during this service of worship. We especially welcome those of you who are new residents and those of you who might be looking for a church home.

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**OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO HELPED TODAY**

Coffee Setup/Clean-up/Donuts . . . . . Debbie Andrachek  
Sarah Jean Thompson, Anne Nevin  
8:30 Worship set-ups . . . . . Ed & Laurie Lach  
8:30 Greeters . . . . . Jim & Diane Delbridge  
11:00 Greeters . . . . . Stu & Liz Symonds  
8:30 Children & Worship . . . . . Judy Radcliff, Andrea Rupnik  
11:00 Children & Worship . . . . . Lori Livingston and Beth Kindelberger  
8:30 Ushers: . . . . .  
11:00 Ushers: . . . . . Jeff Goff, Bill Ladebue, Bob Pflaum, Alex Novak  
8:30 Nursery . . . . . Sybil Marshall, Erica Gausa  
8:30 Preschool . . . . . Joyce Holmes, Mike Gausa  
11:00 Nursery . . . . . Christie Wallisch, Kathleen Long  
11:00 Preschool . . . . . Susan Long, Jennifer Long  
11:00 Organist . . . . . Mary Vlahos  
Counters . . . . . Stu & Liz Symonds, Roger Allen

**PRAYER/SERMON REQUEST, NOTE FOR PASTOR:**

**FELLOWSHIP PADS** *Visitors, please fill in your name and complete address on the fellowship sheets provided at each service and pass it to your neighbor, so we may get to know you better.*

**LARGE PRINT hymnals and bulletins are available. Please ask an usher.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**1. CHILDREN AND WORSHIP** This program is designed for Pre-K, Kindergarten, First and Second Graders and is being held during both worship services. Proceed to Common Ground before worship begins.

**2. FLOWERS** Today's flowers are given by Carita Anderson in loving memory of her husband, John.

**3. SUNDAY SCHOOL -** Ages 2 through Adult  
Children & Youth - Sunday School Winter Session will begin today and will include a closing activity in the ARC. Please continue your commitment to bring your children!

Adult Bible Study - Today we will continue a bible study centered on the Gospel of John. This book is one of the most beloved of all the books of the New Testament. Keith Paulson leads the group in Common Ground.

Contemporary Issues - Dennis Skeers will be leading this class which meets in the front of Fellowship Hall.

**4. ADULT VOLLEYBALL** The winter session of the coed adult recreational volleyball league will start on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, and finish on March 26<sup>th</sup>. The League is composed of four teams, each team playing one night a week - either Monday (8:15 - 10:15) or Wednesday (8:00 - 10:00) nights according to a schedule. The League has openings for new members. If interested in joining and enjoying an evening out, talk to one of the present players or call Lyle Taylor at 724-327-4876.

**5. MISSION TRIP INTEREST?** On Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm. there will be a meeting for anyone wanting to find out more information about our planned mission trip to the Dominican Republic in April.

**6. ANNUAL MEETING** The meeting of the congregation and corporation will be Sunday January 27<sup>th</sup>. The schedule for the morning will be worship at 9:30 with the meeting and Sunday school to follow. Children will have Sunday school while the congregation has the meeting.

### **7. ANNUAL REPORT ASSEMBLERS NEEDED**

The church office is looking for some folks to help assemble the annual report. The reports will be put together on Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. and require walking around the conference table. Contact Shelley if you are able to assist with this project.

**8. MEN'S BREAKFAST** The Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 am. All men and their guests are welcome to attend.