### THIS WEEK AT NEW CITY CHURCH

New City is driven by relationships. We believe that discipleship happens in relationship as God's people spend time with others. We want to make sure you have time to spend with others, whether a neighbor or a co-worker or a family member as you seek to share the good news of Jesus. We want to follow the model in Titus 2 where the apostle Paul instructs men and women to live godly lives and spend time in relationship with people. Those who are mature in the faith ought to seek out those who are not; those who are not ought to seek out those who are. Invite someone to lunch or to a basketball game or have a game night at your home and break out Scrabble or Checkers. Spend time with others and share the good news of Jesus in the context of friendship.

### **CITY GROUPS**

Want to really get to know people in the church? Join a City Group! City Groups are small groups that meet in a home regularly for a meal and a Bible study and lots of fun. We have several groups available that meet on different nights of the week. All are welcome to join. Please note that City Groups are not limited by stage-of-life, age, or any other factor, so as to better reflect the diversity of the church. For more information see Pastor Dave.

### BASKETBALL

Teens are invited to come to "the ROCK" on Saturday nights at Berean Baptist Church for basketball and fun. For students 17 and under, the ROCK starts at 6:00PM. For those 18 and over the ROCK starts at 8:00PM. For more information see Pastor Joel.

### YOUTH GROUP

The Well (Youth Group) is Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM. It is a joint youth group with Berean Baptist Church and is for seventh through twelfth graders. For more information see Davien Fizer.

### **BIBLE STUDY**

Bible Study meets on the first and third Sundays of the month from 5:00-6:00PM, in the Conference Room. For more information, see Pastor J-T.

### SUNDAY

- Coffee @ 10:00AM
- Worship @ 10:30AM
- Family Meal@ 4:30PM

### MONDAY

Prayer @7:00PM

### TUESDAY

### WEDNESDAY

• The Well (youth program) at Berean @7:00PM

### THURSDAY

### FRIDAY

### SATURDAY

- the ROCK (under 17) @ 6:00PM
- the ROCK (17+) @ 8:00PM

# A SLAUGHTERED LAMB REIGNS

## THE LAMB WHO WAS SLAIN,

North

to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

a study in the book of Revelation

### March 05, 2017 WELCOME TO NEW CITY CHURCH

Whether you are here for the first time or are a regular, we're glad you're here! We hope you enjoy your time with us today as we worship God together.

SERIES ~ A Slaughtered Lamb Reigns TITLE ~ "The Accuser Thrown Down" TEACHER ~ John-Thomas Richards TEXT ~ Revelation 12:1-17

NEXT WEEK ~ Jeremiah 29:1-14

Throughout the Book of Revelation, John points us to the Lion of the Tribe of Judah as the one who reigns forever. This Lion is none other than the Lamb who was slain. Over and over again John calls God's people to conquer just as the Lamb conquered, and that through death. Rather than showing us what actions will happen in the future, John shows us the one who is acting in history. The Lamb who was slain is seated on his throne and will never relinquish it. No matter what unfolds in history, all is under his authority and control. God's people are called to faithfulness to the Lamb who was slain, no matter the cost, for the outcome of faithfulness, even faithfulness unto death, is life everlasting.

Past sermons are available on our website: http://newcitychurch.org, click on Resources then Sermons.

If you have any questions about the sermon or a song we sing or any question about New City, the Bible, or Jesus, feel free to ask. One of our Elders would be happy to speak with you. If you are a woman and would prefer to speak with another woman, we have several godly women who would also be happy to speak with you.

### OFFERINGS

New City Church's fiscal year is from August through July. Our budget for the 2016/2017 Fiscal Year is \$157,000. Of this amount, \$130,000 needs to come from our Offerings. As God blesses us above this amount we will designate additional funds to other things such as supporting Missions and/or paying down the building balance.

	Last Week's Offering \$2,515	Needed \$2,500	Over / (Under) \$15	YTD Weekly Average \$2,391
Fiscal YTD	\$71,734	\$75,000	(\$3,266)	

### NEW CITY CHURCH

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### **NEW CITY NEWS**

### FAMILY MEAL

Join us t oday at 4:30PM for a Family Meal! Bring a dish or two to pass and your appetite for food and fellowship. This is a great way to connect with someone you do not know.

### SERVING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

March is Reading Month! Palmer Elementary is looking for some Readers. Please consider reading to the students a story or two. Call the school office (616)819.2929 to set up a time. What a great way to serve the community.

### **BABY SHOWER**

Ladies, please join us on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:00-4:30PM in the Conference Room as we celebrate the newest blessing to the Beimers bunch. We would like to rejoice with them in the joy of fostering toward adoption, Alexander! Please consider (Meijer brand) diapers (size 3,4, or 5) or giving toward their larger needs (car seat, pack-n-play). We will have a donation basket available.

### WORSHIP TEAM

The worship team is always looking for new people to help lead the music in our services. You don't need to be a professional (they don't actually know what to do with professionals); if you love to worship Jesus and can carry a tune, follow a chord chart, or maintain a rhythm on...something, please talk to Erik Martin, Nic McLean, or Ray Scholtens.

#### HELP!!! WE NEED YOU

Please help us! We are in the process of switching church databases and would like to update the current information. Please fill out and return the Information Update sheets on the table in the Lobby.

### NCC SISTERHOOD

Save the Date. Our next get-together is March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM.

### **BIBLE STUDY**

Deleted Scenes is our new Bible study. We will be looking at the scenes that did not make it into the sermon. Join us every first and third Sunday at 5:00PM in the Conference Room.

### PRAYER

Please join us for corporate prayer on the first and third Monday of each month. We meet in the Conference Room beginning at 7:00PM. Need prayer but can't make it? You can email prayer requests to prayer@newcitychurch.org.

### **BOILER UPDATE**

We need to raise apporximately \$60,000 for a new boiler. (This includes covering the substantial costs we've already incurred.) If you would like to contribute to this above and beyond your normal giving, indicate the amount on an offering envelope with your gift (available in the Lobby).

### PRAYER FOR CHURCHES

Pray for the churches in our community, especially Creston CRC, Fourth Reformed, East Leonard CRC, Coit Church, and Berean Baptist. No single church can accomplish the mission given by Jesus; these churches are partners with us in the gospel. Let us be in prayer with them and for them.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Our Council of Elders meets twice a month and devotes significant time to praying for you. If you have any concerns for which you would like prayer, please see any of the pastors (Dave, Dan, Joel, Nate, or J-T). You can also send your request to: prayer@newcitychurch.org

### GIVING

If you would like to give via debit card, you may do so in the back of the auditorium during the Offering.

### NURSERY SCHEDULE

Mar 5: Kerri and Alissa Mar 12: Lisa and Bethany Mar 19: Katherine and Caiti Mar 26: Sarah and Priscilla