

# Featured Announcements:



## PIG RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

Enter our Pig Raffle fundraiser for a chance to win ½ pig (1st place) or ¼ pig (2nd & 3rd place)! **Tickets available at the Welcome Center or contact New Life office through June 27.** Winners announced at Win-N-Worship! All proceeds go towards youth missions!

## COMPASSION IN ACTION OPEN HOUSE & 1 YEAR CELEBRATION!

**Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> 11:00 - 3:00**

Celebrate Compassion in Action's one-year anniversary with an open house featuring tours, food, fellowship, and celebration!

## CELEBRATE RECOVERY

**Fridays 6:30 - 7:30**

New Life is hosting a new gathering where you can find hope and healing from life's hurts, habits, and hang-ups.

## NEW LIFE SUMMER SCHEDULE:

**9:30** service **ONLY** starting:  
**NEXT WEEK JUNE 7<sup>th</sup>**



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## A Place To Believe. Belong. Become.

- We invite you to **RISK** yourself by engaging more with God and others.
- We invite you to get **MESSY** with God and others because you have to get dirty to get clean.
- We invite you to **EXPLORE** more of God's story and one another's story.
- We invite you to see **BELOW THE SURFACE** to discover God's heart so you can see the heart of others.
- We invite you to **STEP BEYOND** what is comfortable to be generous in serving God and serving others.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### JUNE 2

-Compassion In Action Sorting and serving

### JUNE 3

-Bible Study

### JUNE 4

-Mom's In Truth  
-Time Of Prayer

### JUNE 5TH

-Celebrate Recovery

### JUNE 6TH

-Men's Group



### Stay Connected with New Life

Scan for updates and upcoming events!

## LET'S CONNECT

### New to New Life? Welcome!

Stop by the Welcome Center or fill out a Connect Card!

### Need Prayer?

- Prayer Station
- Connect Card
- Prayer request (website and app)
- Time of Prayer (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays @ 6:30)

### New Life Kids

8:30 Service  
Nursery (birth to 3 years)  
10:30 Service  
Nursery and ALL NL Kids classes

### GENEROSITY

At Church

Online



Sermon NOTES

Graduation Sunday, May 31st

## Holding Space for Both

### Steph Harms

Can we hold space for both - Celebration/Gratitude and Grief?

Do we allow those two things to be true at the same time?

Grief is the process of:

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Jesus told us both would be true.

***John 16:20-22*** “**Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy. A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come, but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy.”**

God gives good gifts, and he GIVES us grief. Do we open and engage that gift?

In order to grieve well - we need three things.

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## GOD

- He is \_\_\_\_\_
  - Isaiah 25:8 “The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces”
- He is \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1 John 4:16 “And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.”
- He is \_\_\_\_\_
  - Psalm 24:8 “Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.”

## OTHERS -

God’s healing prescription for loss is:

\_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ = Lament

***“A healthy church culture doesn’t demand perpetual positivity. It makes room for lament, recognizing that honest expression of sorrow deepens our worship rather than diminishes it...A place where you don’t have to smile to belong. Where tears are allowed to fall. Where we can normalize the full human experience in the presence of a holy God. Sometimes the holiest thing I can do is feel the ugly, let the tears fall, and then walk forward in honesty (45).”*** *The Missing Piece by Tim Ross*

***Genesis 1:27*** “**So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them.**”

***Genesis 2:18*** “**The Lord God said, “It is not good for man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.”**”

## ACTION STEPS/APPLICATION

1. Where or in what area do you need to give yourself permission to hold space for both - celebration/gratitude and grief?

2. What do you need to give yourself permission to grieve? to celebrate?

3. And how do you need to invite YOURSELF, GOD, and OTHERS into that grief?