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Virtual Bulletin
Sunday, November 21st, 2021
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At **New City Sac** we have a passion for the gospel of Jesus Christ which speaks of how anyone who wishes can participate in His new society through faith in His sinless life, sacrificial death, and bodily resurrection for the forgiveness of sin.

Our hope and prayer is to cultivate a fellowship that preaches the gospel while offering a biblically grounded ministry that addresses the spiritual needs of the whole family.

Christ's own commitment to live among, walk with, and serve the poor, vulnerable, and less powerful motivates our desire to serve the marginalized in our community.

We invite you to join us as we seek the Lord in the use of our time, abilities, experience, and resources to demonstrate Christ's compassion as a testimony to His character and witness of the gospel.

We're currently completing our new website, so please use this virtual bulletin to keep up with our sermon series, events, and weekly connections.

“The Struggle Is Real” - Romans 7:1-6
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Pastor Lance Lewis

One of the most discouraging aspects of faith in Christ is one that can actually be of great encouragement to us. That aspect is our struggle with sin. And struggle we should. We should struggle since through the new birth by the Spirit our appetites have changed.

Through the Spirit, we no longer embrace sin as the way to meet our needs, satisfy our desires, heal our pain and find meaning. Now we walk with our Lord who promised abundant life without the need to indulge in sin.

Since that's the case why then do we still struggle? We struggle because of the presence of our regular human nature. It constantly resists the will and ways of God and seeks to draw us back into a lifestyle of sin.

Hence the blessing of the struggle. Our ongoing struggle with sin is one of the main indicators that we do in fact belong to Christ. Our struggle signals that our appetites have changed even if our actions haven't quite caught up yet. So, praise God that our struggle is real and praise our wonderful redeemer for His complete victory over sin for us.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Silent Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon-Psalm 103:9

Call to Worship - Psalm 66:1-4

Songs of Praise

Scripture Reading – Matthew 5:17-20

Children's Illustration/Prayer

Song of Preparation

Message Text - Romans 7:1-6

Message – “The Struggle Is Real”

Closing Song

Benediction

Doxology

THE STRUGGLE IS REAL

Romans 7:1-6

7 Do you not know, brothers and sisters—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law has authority over someone only as long as that person lives? **2** For example, by law a married woman is bound to her husband as long as he is alive, but if her husband dies, she is released from the law that binds her to him. **3** So then, if she has sexual relations with another man while her husband is still alive, she is called an adulteress. But if her husband dies, she is released from that law and is not an adulteress if she marries another man.

4 So, my brothers and sisters, you also died to the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God. **5** For when we were in the realm of the flesh,[Ⓜ] the sinful passions aroused by the law were at work in us, so that we bore fruit for death. **6** But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.

EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Services

Sundays, 4:00 PM, Wackford Community Center

We're thankful for God's gracious provision of the Valley Oak Ballroom for our Sunday worship services. While we're grateful to be inside it's still important to observe Sac County health board guidelines with respect to the COVID virus. Please wear masks and distance as you're able.

No Thursday Night Bible Study this week

NCF Fellowship Lunch

Sunday, December 5th, 12:00 PM

Join us at the Shim home for our first monthly fellowship lunch. We'll enjoy a good meal and needed time of mutual encouragement at the Shim's home.

Uplift People of Elk Grove Fundraiser

Uplift People of Elk Grove is holding their annual Holiday Yum-Raiser through December 1st. Please visit their website to order a box or two of See's Candy and help support their efforts to work with families to break the cycle of poverty and create abundance for themselves.

<https://upliftelkgrove.org/>

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ABOUT US

New City Sac is a bible-believing and teaching church devoted to proclaiming Christ, pursuing justice and promoting unity in the Sac Metro region.

As part of the New City Fellowship church planting network, we're committed to a ministry that values the urban context, is intentionally cross-cultural, looks to serve among and empower the poor and vulnerable, exalts our Lord with joyful worship and features sound, biblical preaching and teaching. We joyfully invite you to explore our website, participate in our worship service and to contact Pastor Lance to find out more about us and where we believe our Lord is taking us.

New City Sac is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) a growing denomination of over 1400 churches. As a member of the PCA, we are governed by the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in America, which consists of the supreme standard - the Word of God - and the subordinate standards - the Westminster Confession of Faith, the Westminster Catechisms, the Form of Government, the Rules of Discipline, and the Directory for Worship of God of the Presbyterian Church in America.

