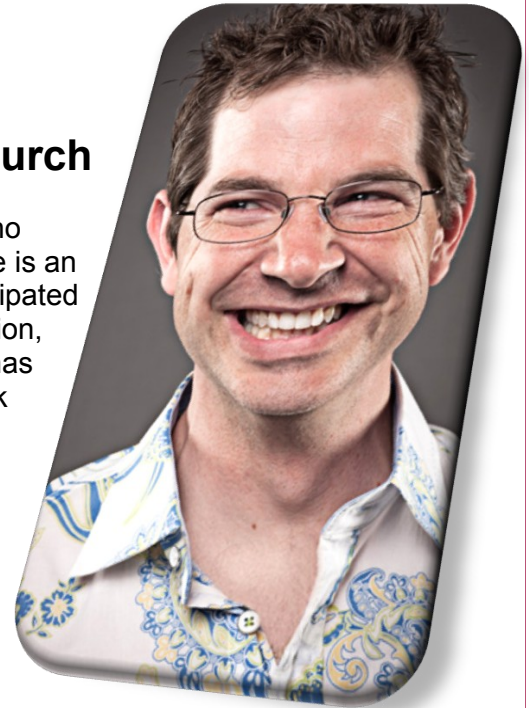




John Branyan

In Concert Sunday, February 26 4 p.m.

New Life Presbyterian Church



John Branyan is a Christian comedian who specializes in family-oriented material. He is an improv player with *Think Tank*, has participated in Jay Leno's National Comedy Competition, and has toured with Chonda Pierce. He has written for the American Comedy Network and is a head writer for *Clip-Wit* radio humor service.

He is co-writer and performer in the successful theatrical presentation, *Crazy Love*, which toured for three years. In *Crazy Love*, Banyan plays a patient seeing his therapist making comical observations about relationships.

He is married to his wife, Lori, and has four children: Mandy, Tim, Tabby and Andrew. ■

Special points of interest:

- Solo Connection
- Yard Sale
- Child Care Available

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Inquirers Class



New Life Presbyterian Church is a place where God is at work and we want to share that with everybody. Therefore we will have an inquirers class, which informs people about our ministry, on Sunday, February 26. It includes information about the Christian faith, what Presbyterians believe, and what is distinctive about New life Church.

If you are interested in attending this class, please sign up at the welcome desk on Sunday. Someone will contact you with the details. ■



In the morning, Lord, I lay my requests before you and wait expectantly.

Psalm 5:3

The following names have been submitted to us for prayer. Please make them a priority during the week. Some are sick at home; some are hospitalized; some have had surgery; and some have crises in their lives. Some are short term requests. Some are long term. We/You may not know the circumstances but God does.

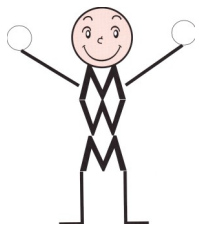
Kurt Kintzler; Mer Butner; Newt Warner; Joyce Thompson; Garth Phillips; Dee Alderman; Isabell Duffy; Gary McDonald; Bruce Cameron; Doug Tuttle; Susan Collar; May Ray; Jim McBride; Claudia Harris' daughter and son; Pauline Wynne, Sandra's mother; Linda O'Connor, friend of Donna Hammond; Doug Perrine, Sherry Collins' cousin;

Joel VanderLey; Linda Christina; Charlie Trone; Tom Pifer; Bill Keedy; Mike Webb; Wilma Fisher; Dicey family; Helen Glenn, Sue Redding's sister; Gloria Fairchild, Clemie Beckham's sister; John Wilfong; JoAnn Burchell, Joyce Lowe's mother; Pete Grotjan, brother of Trudy Nulle; Katherine Hicks, Don Lowe's mother; Wendall Parrish, Doris Liller's nephew; Phinous Rowland; Jan Bednarek; John Marynell, Cathy's brother; Barb Winn; New Life Presbyterian Church Leadership Team; our military personnel.

Please remember to pray daily for the Pastor Nominating Committee as they move forward in the search for a new pastor for New Life. Members are: Clemie Beckham, Bryn Blaise, Sue Bolton, Bruce Cameron, Patrick Orman, Becca Redding, and Clarence Willette.

Call the church office (728.1861) with your prayer requests. ■

Mid-Week Manna



The Menu for Mid-Week Manna February 22, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall will be: Home made Lasagna (from Bill and Jean Thomas), hot garlic bread, salad bar, Neapolitan ice cream, cookies

The program will be *Advocating for Seniors* with Susan Chancellor and Wendy Miller


We will take reservations each week or you can make a standing reservation and call the church office (728.1861) to cancel if necessary. You may also sign the attendance pad and indicate MWM (Mid-Week Manna) with the number coming OR email Sherry at Sherry@newlifefp.org. We request you make your reservations so we'll know how many to plan to serve. ■

Solo Connection

The Solo Connection will meet for brunch on February 24, 10 a.m. at Bob Evans in Leesburg. If you have questions, please call Jo Beck at 753.5593. Bring a friend and join us. ■



February 19-25

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
19 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	20  6:00 Girl Scouts 7:00 Bible Study	21 10:00 Program Staff 11:00 Staff 5:30 Voices of NL 6:30 Instruments 7:00 AA 7:00 Stephen Ministry	22 5:00 Handbells 5:30 Mid-Week Manna 6:00 Praise Team 7:15 Choir	23 6:30 PNC 7:00 Men's Bible	24	25 10:00 Cub Scouts Program

Preaching Schedule

February Theme:
*It's Not Easy
Being Human*

February 19
Pastor Dan Baumann
*I May Not Be Much,
But I Think About Myself Too Much*
Philippians 2:1-11

February 26
Pastor Roy Sharpe
*I'm Not Prejudiced, Some of My
Best Friends are Black*
Luke 18:9-14



**Lent/Easter
Worship Theme:**
*Answering the
Call, Building the
Church*

March 4
Pastor Roy Sharpe
What Do You Say to a Burning Bush:
Moses
Exodus 3:1-10

March 11
Pastor Roy Sharpe
Third Time's the Charm: Samuel
I Samuel 3:1-10

March 18
Pastor Dan Baumann
The Altar Call: Isaiah
Isaiah 6:1-8

March 25
Pastor Roy Sharpe
The Least Likely: Levi
Matthew 9:9-13

April 1
Pastor Roy Sharpe
The Costly Cup: Jesus
Luke 22:39-46 ■

Birthdays



February 19
Mary Edgar
Linda King
Becca Redding

February 21
Suzie Andersen

February 24
Patty Davis ■



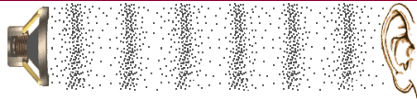
The March/April Upper Room Devotionals will be available February 26 through March 10 at the Welcome Desk. After March 10 the remaining devotionals will be donated to the Lake County Prison Ministry so that others can enjoy using these during their time with God.

If you use the Upper Room, please make sure you pick one up early before they are all donated. ■

YARD SALE!

The Semi-annual
**Carpenters for Christ
Yard Sale**

Friday, March 9
8 a.m. — 3 p.m.
Saturday, March 10
8 a.m. — 1 p.m. ■



Quality of Sound

As we are constantly in the process of improving the quality of sound reinforcement for our worship services here at New Life, we'd like to enlist your help. On occasion, you may hear a random high-pitched squealing sound which, though it seems to be coming from the sound system, is not. In reality this is the sound emitted by a hearing aid, and is not related to anything that is happening in the Sound Booth.



If you are sitting near someone whose hearing aid begins squealing, please be a good neighbor and (very gently!) let them know so that they may adjust, as necessary, to remove the squeal. We are aware that from time to time we *will* have other issues which occur, but, under the able guidance of Jon Redding,

Director of Technical Ministries, our sound techs will continue working very hard to promote an atmosphere conducive to meaningful worship, and will certainly resolve specific sound system "glitches" that arise.

Thanks for your help and understanding! ■

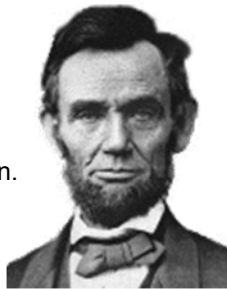
President's Day

Until 1971, both February 12 and February 22 were observed as federal public holidays to honor the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln (February 12) and George Washington (February 22). In 1971 President Richard Nixon proclaimed one single federal public holiday, the Presidents' Day, to be observed on the 3rd Monday of February, honoring all past presidents of the United States of America.

Presidents' Day is intended (for some) to honor all the American presidents, but most significantly George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. According to the Gregorian or "New Style" calendar that is most commonly used today, George Washington was born on February 22, 1732. But according to the Julian or "Old Style" calendar that was used in England until 1752, his birth date was February 11th. Back in the 1790s, Americans were split - some celebrated his birthday on February 11th and some on February 22nd.



When Abraham Lincoln became president and helped reshape our country, it was believed he, too, should have a special day of recognition. Tricky thing was that Lincoln's birthday fell on February 12th. Prior to 1968, having two presidential birthdays so close together didn't seem to bother anyone. February 22nd was observed as a federal public holiday to honor the birthday of George Washington and February 12th was observed as a public holiday to honor Abraham Lincoln's birthday.



In 1968, things changed when the 90th Congress was determined to create a uniform system of federal Monday holidays. They voted to shift three existing holidays (including Washington's Birthday) to Mondays. The law took effect in 1971, and as a result, Washington's Birthday holiday was changed to the third Monday in February. But not all Americans were happy with the new law. There was some

PRESIDENTS' DAY WORD SEARCH



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- See how many of these words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.
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|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. George | 5. President | 9. February | 13. Vote |
| 2. Washington | 6. United | 10. Leader | 14. Holiday |
| 3. Abe | 7. States | 11. Federal | 15. Country |
| 4. Lincoln | 8. America | 12. Elect | |
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concern that Washington's identity would be lost since the third Monday in February would never fall on his actual birthday. There was also an attempt to rename the public holiday "Presidents' Day," but the idea didn't go anywhere since some believed not all presidents deserved a special recognition.

Even though Congress had created a uniform federal holiday law, there was not a uniform holiday title agreement among the individual states. Some states, like California, Idaho, Tennessee and Texas chose not to retain the federal holiday title and renamed their state holiday "President's Day." From that point forward, the term "Presidents' Day" became a marketing phenomenon, as advertisers sought to capitalize

on the opportunity for three-day or week-long sales.

In 1999, bills were introduced in both the U.S. House (HR-1363) and Senate (S-978) to specify that the legal public holiday once referred to as Washington's Birthday be "officially" called by that name once again. Both bills died in committees.

Today, President's Day is well accepted and celebrated. Some communities still observe the original holidays of Washington and Lincoln, and many parks actually stage reenactments and pageants in their honor. The National Park Service also features a number of historic sites and memorials to honor the lives of these two presidents, as well as other important leaders. ■

New Choir Members Welcome!

Moses replied: "It is not the sound of victory, it is not the sound of defeat; it is the sound of singing that I hear."
Exodus 32:18-19

...speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,
Ephesians 5:19

Come join us in the choir as we *Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands: Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious.* (Psalm 66:1-2)

We meet on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 in the choir room to prepare for Sunday morning worship. No experience is necessary. We offer OJT (On the Job Training).

There are also opportunities for instrumentalists. Dust off your instruments and be a part of our orchestra.

If you have questions, please contact Deb at 728.1861 or Deb@newlifefp.org. ■



Music of the Heart

When my children were babies I spent many hours feeding them, changing them, bathing them, and dressing them. Yet, all of these hours combined are probably still less than the time I spent trying to make them laugh. From tickling toes, to belly blows, to making faces, to weird noises there was no limit to what I would do to hear the sweet sound of laughter coming from their tiny mouths. Their laughter brought such joy to my ears and my soul. It was so musical, so delightful, and so contagious that I found myself joining in every time I heard it. It made me think that this is what Heaven must sound like at times.

I have never understood the fact that as we grow older we tend to laugh less and less when instead we should be trying to laugh more and more. Laughter brings beauty to our faces. It reverses our wrinkles. It exercises our insides.

It keeps us young. Laughter clears our thoughts. It wipes out our worries. It reduces our fears. It puts our problems in perspective. Laughter helps our souls to sing. It sets our spirits to soaring. It makes us sound like angels. It helps us to see the world through the eyes of love.

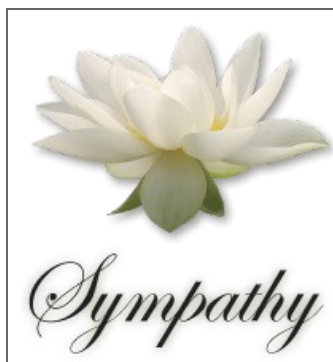
I am going to do my best to keep laughing all of my days here. I am going to keep my mind open for all the joys each day may bring. When my days are done I want my laugh lines deep enough to drive a truck in. When my life here is over I want to hear our Heavenly Father say: "Well lived, well laughed, and well loved!"

A good friend of mine recently sent me a framed saying. It says: "Laughter is the music of the heart." I hope then that you always fill your heart with music. I hope that your days are full of giggles, grins, chuckles, and belly laughs. I hope that you laugh and love your way all through this life and right into Heaven. ■

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Prayer Request

The PNC has asked that you pray specifically for them at dinner time every Thursday night for the next few weeks. They are interviewing people for the pastor position via Skype, phone, etc. They feel the need to listen specifically to God and to have a discerning heart and are asking your intervention on their behalf. ■



The staff and family of New Life extend Christian sympathy to the family of Anna Marie Sommers. Ann died on Friday, February 10. Memorial services were held at New Life on Monday. ■

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*Love the Lord your God, listen to
His voice, and hold fast to Him.*

Deuteronomy 30:20

Child Care Available

Beginning Sunday, February 19, child care will be provided on Sunday mornings in the nursery by Heather Holbrook, our new nursery attendant. She will be there from 8:15 until 11:30 a.m. to love and care for your infants and preschool children.



Beginning February 21 Anna Harvey will provide child care on Tuesdays (5:15—7:30 p.m.) and Wednesdays (6:00—8:30 p.m.) for the children of folks participating in the music and Mid-Week Manna programs.



Both of these ladies are highly qualified to care for your children. They will be an asset to our church as they provide Christian nurturing and care for the children as the adults worship and prepare for worship. Please make them welcome. ■



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Roy Sharpe

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Dan Baumann

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Deb Carraway

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Marcie Samuelson-Steels

Pianist:

Tom Pizzi

Education Director:

Becca Redding

Director of Technical Ministry:

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