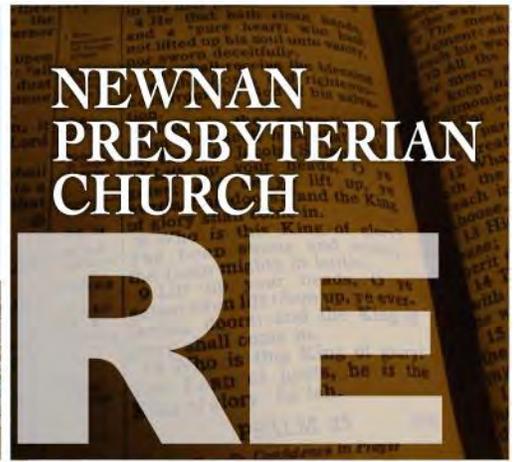




OPENING WINDOWS TO CHRIST



NEWNAN  
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CHURCH

MID-DECEMBER 2020

Dear Newnan Presbyterian Church Family and Friends,

During NPC's December session meeting (Monday, Dec. 14, 2020) a motion was approved to transition to only virtual worship beginning this Thursday, Dec. 17. We made this decision in consultation with NPC's reopening task force and we did not make it lightly. The reopening task force will continue to monitor our local COVID situation and advise the session. The session will share an update with the congregation during the last week of January.

We will live stream to NPC's Facebook page at 7 pm on Christmas Eve. Bringing joy to this service will be soloists, Christmas carols, communion, and our tradition of lighting candles and singing Silent Night. Look forward to receiving a small worship kit on your door-knob next week that will assist in making your at-home worship more personal. In addition to that personal touch, we invite you to join us virtually this Thursday at 6 pm for our Longest Night Service of Healing and Wholeness, when we will name our grief out loud and begin to heal together.

As difficult as the decision was, it was made a little easier knowing that our recently upgraded Audio/Visual equipment is installed and operational. Beginning this Thursday, you will experience a high-tech camera setup, upgraded microphones, and professionally installed lighting that will enhance our online worship experience. There is much to grieve this year, but while we will not be in the sanctuary for worship on Christmas Eve, our NPC family will be together virtually and for that at least, I am thankful.

Peace,  
Rev. David Jones

### **Worship Opportunities**

Our Sunday morning services may be viewed live at 10:00 am on the [NPC Facebook page](#). A recording is then uploaded and viewable on the [www.newnanpres.org](http://www.newnanpres.org) the following day.

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### **Service of Healing and Wholeness**

**Thursday, Dec 17 | 6:00 pm**

Virtual Worship  
Meditation by Rev. David Jones  
Communion

**Sunday, Dec 20 | 10:00 am**

Virtual Worship  
"The Subjunctive Space"  
Luke 1:26-38  
Rev. Tyler Brock preaching

### **Christmas Eve Service**

**Thursday, Dec 24 | 7:00 pm**

Virtual Worship  
Meditation by Rev. David Jones  
Communion

**Sunday, Dec 27 | 10:00 am**

Virtual Worship  
"Cliffhanger"  
Luke 2:22-40  
Rev. Brock preaching

### Angel's House Gift Card Tree

We are excited to announce that once again this year, we will support the residents of Angel's House by providing gift cards! Purchase a gift card from a local store, restaurant, or grocery store – in any amount you choose – and bring it to the Church Office. Gift cards must be received in the Church Office by **Sunday, December 20.**



### Cocoa with Christ | Monday, December 21 at 5:30 p.m.

NPC children are invited to join Pastor Darcie via Zoom for a reading of the Christmas story while we sip hot cocoa and prepare for the Christ child. Be looking for a hot cocoa kit delivered to you later this month. A Zoom link will be sent out to parents' emails closer to time. Contact Pastor Darcie with any questions.

### Year End Giving Guidelines

For financial gifts to be credited to your 2020 Giving Statement, please be certain to date your check on or before December 31, 2020. If mailing contributions, the envelope must be postmarked by December 31.

If you wish to hand-deliver your check to the church, please plan to do so by noon on December 31.

The Church Office will close at noon on December 23 and reopen on December 28. The office will close again at noon on December 31.

If you have questions, please contact our Financial Secretary, Karen Geeter at [npcfinance@newnanpres.org](mailto:npcfinance@newnanpres.org).

### Pastor's Bible Study | January 2021

Coming in January, Rev. David Jones will offer a Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke. Meetings will be in person and via zoom. Watch for details.

### Christmas Eve Poinsettias

Place a poinsettia in the sanctuary in memory or in honor of a loved one on Christmas Eve. The cost is \$15 per plant. The deadline is **December 20.** Order forms available in the Narthex or by mail. Please contact the [Church Office](#) if you would like a form mailed to you. Plants may be picked up from the Church Office the Monday following Christmas.

### Outreach Ministry Project for January 2021

Starting in January, we will be collecting canned protein for Bridging the Gap and One Roof. Look for receptacles in the Narthex and near the Church Office to place cans of tuna, chili, chicken, Spam, etc. One Roof and Bridging the Gap tell us that they are short of these items post-Christmas. Look for healthy protein options and let's help restock the shelves of BTG and One Roof in January!

### Christian Sympathy

With faith in the power of the resurrection, the love and sympathy of Newnan Presbyterian Church are extended to:

Joyce and Mike Horne,  
in the death of her father,  
*Eldon G. Hauser,*  
December 5,  
in Nashua, Iowa.

We also extend Christian Sympathy  
to the family of

*Richard (Dick) Cannon James,*  
who died December 8,  
at Insignia of Newnan.

### Our NPC Family is Growing!

Congratulation to Wynn and Jay Griffin on the birth of their daughter, Katie (Kate) Wynn Griffin, born December 9, 2020. Congratulations to proud grandmother, Katie Mottola.

Congratulations to Maria Smith and Kevin Werner in the birth of their daughter, Lillian Marie Werner, December 14, 2020. The proud grandparents are Jane and Mark Werner.

### NPPK Tour of Homes

This year's Tour of Homes was a huge success! Our initial goal was to raise \$5000.00 but we are thrilled to announce that our net profit was \$9741.33! We will be giving 10% of that total to Bridging the Gap, along with canned food items that were donated by people that toured.

All that attended the tour were so happy to be out and about doing something normal! We even had a couple from Tampa, Florida who drove to Newnan just for our tour!

We are so happy to have been able to provide this event to the community for the fifth year. Thank you for your support.

*Barbara Kookogey*  
*Preschool Director*