



Luke 8:8

Still other seed fell on fertile soil. This seed grew and produced a crop that was a hundred times as much as had been planted!" When he had said this, he called out, "Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand." NLT

Comic books, novels, movies, tv shows, choose-your-own-adventure books. Whatever the medium, I love a good story. I always have. Not just because I enjoy being entertained, although, sure, that's a part of it. But also because a really good story - and a really good storyteller - invites you to imagine yourself being a part of it. I have to imagine that I'm not the only kid (or adult, if I'm being honest) who watches *Star Wars* and swings an empty wrapping paper tube around the house pretending to be a Jedi Knight, or maybe when you were a kid, you cut out and colored in your own Lone Ranger or Zorro mask. Since the beginning, we've been inspired by stories true and otherwise, and the great thing about Jesus' stories is that even the ones that are made up have inspirational points that teach us how to live and how to be better followers, better friends, better neighbors, better people in general. So this weekend at New Heights, let's pop some popcorn and listen to a few of Jesus' stories, and see what each inspires us to do! See you Sunday!
-Zach, your Friendly Neighborhood Lead Pastor

Sermon Cheat Sheet

Sermon in a Sentence

"Jesus' _____ are a _____ to _____."

Luke 8:4-8

Something Worth Noting

Acts 1:8

"Jesus _____ us to be _____ of his _____."

1 Corinthians 12:7

Three Weekly Challenges

Luke 8:16-18

1. _____ the Story
2. _____ the Story
3. _____ the Story

Luke 8:19-21

Romans 10:9-15

Prayer Requests

Donna Parrett
Jerry Gobin
Ruth Harrison
Sam Clark
Ron Scott

Marcia Clark
Eddie Kerr
Mike Miracle
Myrna Carlson
Terry Scott

Lawrence Johnson
Mike Miracle
Stephen LaFollette
Teresa Scott
Angie Fowler

****A long-term prayer list with updates can be found in the foyer.**

Vitals for February 16

Weekly Need: \$3,200
Actual Given: \$ 1657
Sunday School -NA
Morning Service - 34

**Join us for a Ladies' Prayer Workshop
on Sunday, March 16th @ 12:00 pm**



Hear me as I pray, O Lord.
Be merciful and answer me!
My heart has heard you say,
"Come and talk with me,"
And my heart responds,
"Lord, I am coming."
Psalm 27: 7-8

**Growing Your Connection with
God through the ACTS Prayer**



WHAT IS KIDS HOPE USA?

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY!

New Heights will begin partnering with Kids Hope USA in a school-based mentoring program.

This program will provide our church with an opportunity to mentor students one on one, allowing us to share the unconditional love of Christ with children in need of support.

We would like to invite you to be a part of this opportunity to make a difference in the lives of the children in our community.

Informational flyers are available in the cafe.

Please see Carol Clark if you are interested in volunteering.

There will be an informational meeting after service on **Sunday, March 23rd.**

Jesus in all of
Genesis

Bible Study
Thursdays at 6:00 pm

New Heights

MENTorship

Step into the journey to becoming
the man God has called you to be.

The men of New Heights are invited to gather with us on the first Saturday of every month at 8:00 am for breakfast, fellowship, and time in the Word. Our first meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 5th at 8:00 am.

JOIN US FOR FUN, FOOD
& FELLOWSHIP!

3RD -12TH GRADES



SUNDAY
EVENINGS
6 - 8 PM

MVCSC Winter Retreat

ELEVATE RETREAT 2025

7TH & 8TH GRADE

MARCH 7-9

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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- newheightsconnersville.com/giving
- Mail to the church office

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NEW HEIGHTS PRAYER GUIDE



“Pray without ceasing”

“A Little Goes a Long Way”



“While a large crowd was gathering and people were coming to Jesus from town after town, he told this parable: “A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path; it was trampled on, and the birds ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, and when it came up, the plants withered because they had no moisture. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up with it and choked the plants. Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up and yielded a crop, a hundred times more than was sown.” When he said this, he called out, “Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.” Luke 8:4-8

Monday Mission -

Mahoning Valley Christian Service Camp.

Let us pray for all the children and adults who will dedicate time in the coming weeks to seek Christ at camp. May God prepare their hearts to receive the seeds of Christ that will be sown during the retreat. May these seeds produce a harvest that is a hundred times greater than what was planted. Additionally, may the love that takes root in their hearts create a profound impact, nurturing growth that extends to the surrounding community.

1 Corinthians 12:7

“A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other.”

Tuesday Thanksgiving-

Let us give thanks to the Lord for never leaving us on our own. Not only has He equipped us for service through spiritual gifts, but He has also blessed us with a family of believers who support and uplift us during challenging times.

We praise God for the incredible gifts bestowed upon every believer! May we utilize these gifts in a manner that brings honor to Him!

**Challenge:
Personalize &
Pray
these scriptures
throughout
the week.**



“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8

World Wednesday - Let’s pray that God will continually empower each believer at New Heights to fulfill His calling as witnesses. May we seek boldness and courage to share the truth with those around us and embody that truth in a way that serves as a bright, shining light piercing through the darkness of this world. Let us remember the strength we possess in Christ and strive to walk in that power each day.

If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. Romans 10:9-10

Transformation Thursday - Let us pray that our hearts remain filled with faith as God continues His work in us. Pray for those who struggle with doubt regarding God's goodness. May they witness His saving grace at work in their lives, leading them to the salvation of the Lord, and transforming their resistant hearts into ones that willingly submit to Him.



"For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,..." Colossians 1:9

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF

"Now Jesus' mother and brothers came to see him, but they were not able to get near him because of the crowd. Someone told him, "Your mother and brothers are standing outside, wanting to see you." He replied, "My mother and brothers are those who hear God's word and put it into practice." Luke 8:19-21



Family & Friends Friday - Pray for those in our earthly families who have not yet accepted the Lord as their Savior. May they experience the love of Christ from those of us who belong to the family of God. May the Lord open their hearts to believe, so they can experience the joy of being a child of God..



Practice
the PRAY
Method

P- Praise
R- Repent
A- Ask
Y- Yield



Salvation Saturday -

"for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Romans 10:13-15

Salvation Saturday - Lord, please don't let us forget that we, as believers, are called to speak the Good News to those around us. How can we expect those who are lost, to be found, if we do not do our part in sharing the good news of salvation. You have fitted our feet with the readiness of the gospel. May we walk, not stand! We can't be still in our faith! You call us to GO, so let us do so with boldness and courage.

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Romans 10:9-13

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame." For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

It's in Jesus' name we pray. Amen!