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# NEW LIFE VINEYARD CHURCH

## WELCOME! ARE YOU NEW?

Whether you are just visiting or looking for a church home, we want to say, "Thank you!" for visiting us. We encourage you to fill out our yellow connection card or go online to our "[Ways to Connect Page](#)" and fill out our online form. We'd love to get to know you and help you get to know us!

## ABOUT NLV

New Life Vineyard Church exists to help people to *experience the transforming presence of God*. We do this by **Connecting** to Christ and Others, **Growing** into Christian Maturity, **Serving** others, and **Going** out into our community to make a positive difference. We value love, acceptance, and forgiveness in all relationships. You matter to God, so you matter to us!

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- **Sun Worship:** 10:00 AM
- **Wed Morning Prayer:** 8:00 AM (Zoom)
- **Wed Youth:** 6:00-8:00 PM
- **Sat Men's Bible Study/Breakfast:** 7:30 AM

## WHAT TO EXPECT

We're a "come as you are" kind of church. Most of our family come dressed casually. Our music is contemporary, but also contemplative. We encourage people to have fun celebrating God's goodness. We welcome clapping/raising of hands, and saying, "AMEN!". Our celebration services aren't meant to be a show, but rather a group of people all celebrating an audience of One - our great and awesome God!

## CHILDREN

We invite the kids to join in for our weekly Children's ministries. We dismiss the children to their classes after the second song of worship on Sunday.

## JR/SR HIGH STUDENTS

Our VineyardYOUTH group meets Wednesdays from 6:00-8:00 PM here at the church in addition to special events throughout the year. Pastor Dan also teaches Sunday mornings every other week.

## MEN & WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Our Men & Women's ministries provide ways for people to connect with God and each other. Throughout the year we schedule a variety of activities such as retreats, breakfasts, a fish fry, and more. Check our online calendar for upcoming events.

## THIS WEEK @ THE VINEYARD July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Please join us for one of our two service options: In-Person at 10:00 AM (masks optional), or Online at 10:00 AM via [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), or our [Website](#).

## VineyardWOMEN'S KAYAKING ADVENTURE

THIS Monday, July 25th at 6pm the Vineyard Women will meet at the Tridge for a kayak trip. Details and registration are at this [link](#). Amy Booth will be at the Information Center to answer questions and help with registration.

## RETIREMENT PLANNING FROM A CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Retirement Planning from a Christian Perspective is a 6-week online class with optional weekly Zoom class discussions. NLV members Art and Crystal Prunier teach this class. Advance Registration is required. Read all the details and register [HERE](#).

## The BLAST

Please [sign up here](#) for our all-church picnic next Sunday immediately following the service at Plymouth Park, the Fun Zone pavilion. This will be a farewell celebration for the Miltons.

## Men & Minnows Fish Fry

Men, bring out the kids for our annual fish fry on Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm in the church basement. It's a great time and gives Mom the night off. Please bring a dish to pass. [Sign up here](#) is encouraged but not required.

## MIDLAND COUNTY FAIR PARKING

Save the date, August 15-20. Join as we serve Jesus and our community for a cool \$13,500 that goes to missions, youth, women/men ministries, etc. Better than save the date, [sign up here](#) or at the Information Center!

## PRAYER AND GIVING

If you would like prayer for any reason, you can reach us at [prayer@midlandvineyard.com](mailto:prayer@midlandvineyard.com). Tithes and Offerings can be placed in the offering baskets, lobby lock-box, sent [online](#), or through the mail (1014 E. Ashman St, Midland, MI, 48642).

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July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Pastor Don

**Series: Looking Forward**

**Title: What Do You Value Most?**

**Text: Matthew 6:21 Matthew 6:21** For where **your treasure** is, there your **heart will be also**.

**Got to have it! Matthew 13:44** “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

**What is your precious?**

**Keep your eyes on Jesus! Colossians 3:1-2** Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, **set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.** <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

**Value Christ above all else...Philippians 3:10** “I want to KNOW Christ, and the power of his resurrection...”

**Letter of Explanation on the path forward as Pastor Emeritus and Blessings and Benediction ministry:**

**Pastor Emeritus:** After Pastor James is installed, I will become Pastor Emeritus (Latin for Old Guy!). Melody and I will attend our church as tithe paying members and servants. We are not moving; Midland is our home. I will serve at the pleasure of the Lead Pastor and the Board where my ministry is needed. I will not undermine Pastor James in any way. I will not tell people what to do but will give feedback when asked. I will be a part of the preaching team at the discretion of the Lead Pastor. My heart is to be a part of the prayer ministry team. Lastly, we will be here unless I am helping and ministering at other churches.

**Blessings & Benedictions:** I will continue to send out weekly Blessings and Benedictions through the church website and my new website. BlessingsandBenedictions.com We are now missionaries and mentors to pastors and churches. Our mandate is to be a mentor, coach, lead spiritual direction, help churches, develop systems, to be more missional. If you want to support us in offer help to pastor for free you can give through our website as well at New Life Vineyard. In the memo note: BBM. We accept offerings, tithe belongs to the church. Last please keep us in your prayers as we seek to be missional for the rest of our lives.

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**KUDOS**

This last week we distributed \$6,000 in gas cards, packed 750 lunches for the Salvation Army SHARE program and took the children at Whispering Pines swimming at Plymouth pool. Additionally, the youth had a team a Project Timothy this week led by Renee Thomas, and we thank Joe Foldesi for repainting yellow curb out front! Well done Team Vineyard!

**WAYS TO CONNECT**

For a more information on all the ways you can connect at New Life Vineyard Church, visit [midlandvineyard.com/waystoconnect](http://midlandvineyard.com/waystoconnect).