

Chartering Day!

Guest Speaker: Jenn Lucas



April 7, 2024



Are you interested in learning more about New City Church? Are you interested in volunteering in one of our ministries? Need answers about baptism, taking membership, knowing Jesus or the Bible?

If you said "Yes" to any of these questions, please complete the information below and drop in the offering plate or at the Connect Center. We will be more than happy to reach out and discuss any questions you have.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

I would like to speak to someone about:

Learning More About New City Church

Becoming a Member

Baptism

Salvation

Volunteering

Donating

Other: _____

Chartering Program

Welcome to New City Church! We are so glad you could join us today. You are loved! If you are new, please fill out a Connect Card located in the seat in front of you. Please feel free to stand if you are able and comfortable.

New City Church's Journey: Video

Welcome & Announcements: Pastor Jason Perkins

Convene Church Conference for Chartering: Rev. Jenn Jones

Dear friends, the Scriptures teach us that the Church is the household of God, the body of which Christ is the head, and that it is the design of the gospel to bring together in one all who are in Christ. We have come together to form a new congregation of The United Methodist Church, which is a part of Christ's Holy Church. Let us dedicate ourselves to this purpose.

Leading of the Elect Secretary: Rev. Jenn Jones

Rev. Jenn Lucas: *Today we recognize our chartering members (please stand). Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.*

Rev. Jenn Lucas: *Do you, in the presence of God and this congregation, renew the solemn vow and promise made at baptism?*

Candidates Replies: I Do

April Events at New City Church

4/8/24 City Sisters (Door #3) 6:30pm – 8:00pm

4/10/24 Forged Men's Group (Front Doors of Church) 6:00pm – 7:30pm

4/13/24 Volunteers Cleaning Lower Level of Church at 10am

4/16/24 Community Meal 5:00pm – 6:00pm

4/22/24 City Sisters (Door #3) 6:30pm – 8:00pm

4/24/24 Forged Men's Group (Front Doors of Church) 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Volunteers Needed

As New City Church steps into the New Year, we are reminded of Christ's instructions given to us in **Matthew 28:19-20** to "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen".

New City Church has always sought to embody these commands through our ministries of serving, giving, and teaching. This is not a task that can be done by one or two people. We need an army of willing servants to help carry out the cause of Christ. We cannot grow the hands and feet of Jesus without the support of our church family. New City is asking each person to prayerfully consider serving in a ministry during 2024. Thank you.

- **Pastor:** Jason Perkins (937)244-5010
- **Children's Ministry:** Courtney Wilson (937)679-2641
- **Praise & Worship:** Kyle Fry (937)782-9322
- **Youth Ministry:** Mario Velasquez (937)867-6341
- **Hospitality:** Kris Wilson
- **Media:** Gene Whittington (937)467-5332
- **Food Ministry:** Diana Leighner (937)241-8318
- **Other Ministries:** Jessica Lucas (937)270-8235

Please Note: Pastor Jason will be honoring Sabbath starting on Sunday at 3:00pm. He will not be accessible until Tuesday Mornings. If you have an immediate need, please contact Jessie Lucas. Thank you!

Church Service Program

Video Presentation from Bishop Palmer

Song:	Praise You Anywhere	
Offering Song:	Another One	
Song:	Gratitude	
Scripture Reading:	Matthew 4:18-22	Jessie Lucas
Sermon:	Come Follow Me	Rev. Jenn Lucas
Alter Call:	Pastor Jason Perkins	
Benediction:	Pastor Jason Perkins	

Matthew 4:18-22 (NIV)

¹⁸ As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” ²⁰ At once they left their nets and followed him.

²¹ Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, ²² and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

Rev. Jenn Lucas: As members of Christ’s universal church, will you be loyal to Christ through The United Methodist Church, and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

Candidates Replies: I Will

Rev. Jenn Lucas: By what name shall this church be know?

Pastor Jason Perkins: It shall be Called New City Church

Rev. Jenn Lucas:

- All those in favor, raise your hand.
- All those opposed, raise your hand.

Rev. Jenn Lucas: Do you vote to be a chartered United Methodist Congregation for the West Ohio Conference?

- All those in favor, raise your hand.
- All those opposed, raise your hand.

Rev. Jenn Lucas: As members of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?

Candidates Replies: I Will

Rev. Jenn Lucas: Brothers and sisters in Christ, I commend to you to care for one another as the membership of this New City congregation. Do all in your power to increase each other’s faith, confirm each other’s hope, and perfect one another in the love of Christ Jesus.

Members Replies: We rejoice as we recognize one another as members of Christ's Holy Church, and recommit to one another, in Christian love, as members together to this congregation of this church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness. With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that, surrounded by steadfast love, all may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

Rev. Jenn Lucas: Acknowledge that the Corporate By-Laws/Articles of Incorporation have been prepared and the Leadership Team will be voting on and approving them at a later date.

Members of the Leader Board, please stand.

- Anne Carter
- Chantel Stringer
- Pamela Wall-Whittington
- Dawn Hedrick
- Scott Britan
- Kris Wilson
- Misty Lucas

Dear friends, you have been called by God and chosen by the people of God for leadership in the church. This ministry is a blessing and a serious responsibility. It recognizes your special gifts and calls you to work among us and for us. In love we thank you for accepting your obligation and challenge you to offer your best to the Lord, to these people, and to our ministry in the world.

Live a life in Christ and make Him known in your witness and your work.

Today we install the people who are standing as the Leadership Team of New City Church. Do you, this day, acknowledge yourself a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ?

Leader Board Replies: I Do

Rev. Jenn Lucas: Will you do all in your power to be responsible to the tasks for which you have been chosen?

Leader Board Replies: I Will

Rev. Jenn Lucas:

- All those in favor of this leadership board, raise your hand.
- All those opposed to this leadership board, raise your hand.

Let us pray: *Almighty God, pour out your blessings upon these, your servants, who have been given particular ministries in your church. Grant them grace to give themselves wholeheartedly in your services. Keep before them the example of our Lord, who did not think first of himself, but gave himself for us all. Let them share His ministry and consecration, that they may enter into His joy. Guide them in their work. Reward their faithfulness with the knowledge that through them your purposes are accomplished, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

In accordance with the laws and Discipline of the United Methodist Church, I hereby declare that New City Church is duly constituted and organized for the glory of God, the proclamation of the gospel, and the service of humanity.