



# New Light

A Metropolitan Community Church

**Sundays – MORNING SERVICES – 10:30 AM / Wednesdays – BIBLE STUDY – 6:30 PM**

**February 2017**

**Newsletter**  
www.newlightmcc.com

## Sunday, Feb. 5

Message: Change Pushing Through Discomfort

Join us on **Wednesday Nights at 6:30 PM** for **Purposeful Faith Development**. Bring a dish to share. We are learning about community and change which you can apply to every-day life.

We will begin our **Spring Fundraiser, Gardner's Chocolate Sale**, starting **February 12<sup>th</sup>**. Talk to Pastor Deb or David Brechbiel if you would like to help sell this year.



## Sunday, Feb. 12

Message: Change Can Be Full of Discovery

### *Conversations with Pastor Deb*

Join us either **Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>** or **Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>** for conversations about our dreams, hopes and concerns for New Light MCC. Come with your thoughts and questions. Limit 12 per group. Sign-up sheets in kitchen. Potluck so bring a dish to share. *Questions, talk with Pastor Deb.*



## Blessing Bags

If you know someone who could use a blessing, please take one and give it away.

**Share the LOVE.**

## Sunday, Feb. 19

Message: Understanding Change is a Heart Thing

### Coming up in March

Pastor Deb and New Light MCC's Installation Celebration. Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>-Mardi Gras Party with Dinner. We will begin at 5pm. It is a potluck so bring your best dish. You can dress or not. We will celebrate with great food, music, good conversations, games, and laughter.

Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>-The Official Installation will take place during our morning worship service, followed by a meal. It is a potluck so bring your best dish. Reverend David Smith will be our special guest.



*I invite  
your  
Friends!*

### New Couples Group Forming

Our first gathering will be **Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM**. We will meet at New Light. It is a potluck so bring a dish to share and your favorite non-alcohol drink.

We will have fun, talk about what this group will want to do and learn some things about relationships. Hope you will join us. *Please let Pastor Deb know if are attending either in person, by text (717)682-1873 or e-mail NewLightPastorDeb@gmail.com*

## Sunday, Feb. 26

Message: Change Does Reach Completion, Then Again

# Greetings From Pastor Deb

## Social Justice

As an American citizen, I am horrified and outraged at how the current Administration is conducting the affairs of this country. As a pastor, I am extremely concerned about how we as a congregation and individuals are impacted emotionally, physically and spiritually.

I want to encourage you to use your voice to take action against the issues that greatly concern you. And as a community of faith, we do have a strong voice. And we will be looking for way to resist and support those under fire. Here are some suggestions for now:

1. Find out how to get in touch with your Senator and Congressmen. Keep this information in your contacts. Contact them about issues which concern you.
2. Find friends of like mind and connect with them. Share Information. Together, we can make a difference.
3. Take care of yourself. Turn social media off for a while each day. Get plenty of sleep and eat well.
4. Follow activist on Facebook such as Linda Sarsour, Tamika D. Mallory, Yvette Flunder, Carmen Perez, and Shishi Rose.
5. Resist!

I have created a **closed Facebook page** – [New Light Social Justice](#). If you would like to be invited to join, let me know or accept the invitation to join if I already am your Facebook friend. I also will be starting an e-mail group as another way to connect. If you would like to be a part of this group, please sign up on sheet in kitchen. You can do both. Finally, if you would like to talk, please know that I am there for you. Peace!



# Ministry Opportunities

## **Giving together – Ways to Help New Light do Ministry**

We are still taking used ink cartridges so we may recycle them at Staples for their Rewards program and continue to pay for our new printer cartridges thru that program.

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Our **Recycling Ministry** is headed by Rosalie Jones. Rosalie takes our used paper, cardboard, plastic and cans to be recycled. The cans she takes to get cash for and it benefits the General Fund. She would like to ask if anyone in the congregation would like to bring in their cans for our recycling fundraising, please contact her when you may be bringing in your cans. Also, if anyone would like to help Rosalie, please see her.

**Food & Friends** are still in need of 2 drivers to distribute food.  
*Please talk with Bruce Brooks.*



**Food & Friends Dates:**

Sat 2/11 @ 10am  
Sat. 2/25 @10am



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### **Automated Tithing**

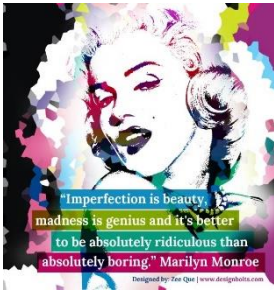
If you would like to enroll in automatic online giving through your bank, follow these easy steps:

1. Go to your online bank account.
2. Click on "Pay Bills".
3. Click on "Add a Payee" and follow steps to add New Light MCC as a payee:

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4. Click on "Pay Bills", scroll down your list and click on "New Light MCC".
5. Look for "Set up Automatic Payment" or "Set up Recurring Payment" and click on it. Follow steps to set up your weekly or monthly gift and the amount of each gift.

*Stay informed. Please update your church information.  
Fill out your information and place it in the offering plate.*



*Happy Birthday to you,  
Happy Birthday to you,  
Happy Birthday:*

**Debbie Smith –  
February 16**

*Happy Birthday to you!*

**Share your Prayer Requests!**

[newlightmcc@hotmail.com](mailto:newlightmcc@hotmail.com) ...

*Subject: Prayer Request*  
If you feel a need to talk to  
the pastor, please call  
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