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**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**9:00am & 10:30am**

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# *Lifelines*

*News from New Life Christian Church*

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Associate Minister

Mike Thomas  
Worship Minister

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**Join Us for church on  
Sunday, February 23**

# Marilyn Day

**Honoring Marilyn Volbruck's 20 years with NLCC**



Matt Malott

**This Weeks Sermon:**  
**The Lord's Supper: Anticipating the Future**  
**Led by Matt Malott**  
**Scripture: Luke 22:14-20**

### **Offering Feb.9, 2025**

Offering	\$	21,340
Feb. To Date	\$	46,255
Feb. Budget	\$	84,759

### **Worship Attendance**

First Service: 329
Second Service: 254
Total: 583

### ***New Life Christian Church***

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# Men Making a Difference: Growing Together in Faith

What an inspiring month it's been witnessing the incredible impact of men uniting in faith and purpose! Our Men's Ministry has been alive with spiritual growth and meaningful activities, touching hearts within our congregation and throughout our local community.

This month's outreach initiatives brought men together to serve others, creating blessing packages for those experiencing homelessness, constructing accessibility ramps, and supporting our local food bank operations. We're grateful to Len Gowan and Jim Trice for their leadership in coordinating these vital projects. Our Tuesday Bible study continues to flourish, now welcoming 45 men weekly. Our ongoing series exploring "Miracles, Signs & Wonders" has inspired powerful conversations about God's presence in our daily lives.

Mark your calendars for our quarterly men's breakfast on Tuesday, February 18th, featuring our guest speaker Dan Larsen

Join us every Tuesday morning from 8:30 - 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Whether you're a regular attendee or considering your first visit, you'll find a welcoming place here. As scripture reminds us, "Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another" (Proverbs 27:17).

To learn more or join our fellowship, reach out to the church office or [pura@nlchristian.org](mailto:pura@nlchristian.org).

Walking in faith,  
Bob Kapp, Associate Pastor



Lake Haven Christian Ranch

## MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP - JOIN US!

Start your Tuesday right with good food, great fellowship, and spiritual encouragement.

**Date:** Tuesday, February 18, 2025

**Time:** 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

**Location:** Church Fellowship Hall

**Cost:** Free (donations welcome)

*"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another."  
- Proverbs 27:17*

Join us for a hearty full breakfast from Too Jay's as we share life together and grow in our faith. Dan Larsen with Pinehaven Christian Children's Ranch & School Montana will be our guest speaker. Whether you're a regular attendee or this would be your first time, we'd love to have you! This is a perfect opportunity to:



- Connect with other men in our church family
- Enjoy a delicious man-sized breakfast
- Share in meaningful conversation
- Build lasting friendships

Feel free to bring a friend, neighbor, or coworker!  
Please RSVP by February 17 to help us plan for food.  
Contact the church office or email [pura@nlchristian.org](mailto:pura@nlchristian.org) to let us know you're coming.





# BEHIND THE MUSIC

## *Musician of the Month*

**Each month, we shine a spotlight on a talented member of our music ministry. This month, we are introducing you to the talented Soprano, Carolyn White!**

Carolyn began singing in church during grade school, influenced by her musical parents - her father, a trumpet player in the Detroit Police band, and her mother, a singer. At fifteen, she joined a "Teen Team" mission to the Dominican Republic, ministering through song and service. She excelled in school performances, winning her high school talent show. After moving to Ventura, California at seventeen, she performed in church productions and school plays, later attending a performing arts camp where she felt called to pursue voice and performance.

At Spring Arbor University in Michigan, Carolyn majored in voice, starring in "Carousel." She then attended Seattle Pacific University on a drama scholarship, performing in various productions and earning a BA in voice and theatre.

Her professional career included roles in films like "The Philadelphia Experiment" and television specials. She performed in musicals, toured with notable artists, and sang in various venues in Florida, including church productions and as a backup singer. A highlight was performing as Elizabeth Dole's singer during presidential campaigns.



In Orlando, she performed with "The Voices of Liberty" at Disney, appeared in various shows, and continued her film work. Though cast as Houdini's wife in a Broadway musical, the show unfortunately never opened.

In Los Angeles, God directed her path as a Vocal, Voice Over, and Dialect Coach for film, television, and Broadway. She coached contestants on "American Idol" and "The Voice," trained artists for shows like "High School Musical," Disney and Nickelodeon sitcoms, and films including "Tommy's Honor" and "The Rig." She also prepared actors for Broadway productions such as "Thoroughly Modern Millie" and "Tarzan." Her students described her as "a calm in the storm," and she quietly shared Jesus' message in one-on-one conversations.

After retiring to The Villages with her husband Tracy, they found their spiritual home at New Life Christian Church, reconnecting with their friend Lynn Bowman. Joining the choir brought them unexpected love and acceptance. Their new church community, Bible study, and pastors have enriched their spiritual journey.

# RAPHA INTERNATIONAL

## 8<sup>th</sup> Annual March is For Rapha! What you Need to Know! --Save This Information!

**NOW** is the time to be preparing your donations for those raffle and auction items for this year's event! Donation Details: **New or like-new items only.**

If the item value is **\$25 to \$99** it will be placed in the **raffle** section of the event.

Any item **\$100** value or more will go in the **auction**.

**Suggested items** are gift baskets, gift cards, artwork, crafts, handmade items, home décor, beach items, jewelry, woodworking, lessons for musical instruments, lessons for sports of any kinds, services such as lawn work, organization, house cleaning, sewing, specialty dinner, shopping trip – let your creativity run wild!

**100 raffle items valued \$25 to \$99**

**75 auction items valued \$100 and above**

**This is not a garage sale, and items need to be new or like-new!** Do you have a Time Share, and would you consider donating a week's stay for the Auction? Do you have extra airline miles you would like to donate for the Auction? If so, talk to Connie Malott!

**Beginning SUNDAY, March 2:** Tickets for the Raffle\* and the Luncheon\*\* on sale at the **RAPHA COUNTER** from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to noon each Sunday. Tickets may be purchased with cash or check.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 16:** Amy Thomas has lined up an all-star cast of singers to wow you with their Hurray for Hollywood showtunes! This is a free concert with an opportunity to give as you leave. **Invite** your family and friends – they will thank you for it. **Invitation "cards" are available at the Rapha Counter in the Foyer! Pick up some cards today to give out to neighbors and friends!**



**SATURDAY, MARCH 29:** Raffle, Luncheon, Auction,  
Details to Follow

### HOW TO BUY RAFFLE Tickets and/or LUNCHEON TICKETS

**Ticket sales begin on Sunday, March 2 through March 23 at the Rapha Counter set up in the Foyer!**

**Reserved Seating:** You may purchase a round table for 8 for \$250. This is **reserved** seating. The host/hostess's name will be on each table. We will sell only 16 round **reserved tables** and they will be served lunch in the Fellowship Center. The reserved seating price of \$250 includes lunch for 8 people and 48 raffle tickets.

**Single Seating:** Non-reserved single tickets are \$25 dollars each and include 6 raffle tickets. This seating is first come, first serve on Saturday morning and the seating will be in the church foyer.

**Hint:** Friends can get together and purchase a reserved table! Or maybe your Fellowship Group would like to purchase reserved tables. Or even your small group may want to enjoy the Rapha raffle, luncheon, and auction together!



# MEN'S BREAKFAST FEBRUARY 18TH

Featuring Guest Speaker:

## Dan Larson

**Pinehaven Christian Children's  
Ranch & School Montana**

**8:30am-9:30am in the  
Fellowship Center**

**Breakfast provided  
by Too Jay's**

**Sign up at the  
Welcome Center,  
or call 352-261-5333**

## JOIN THE HARMONY: MUSIC MINISTRY NETWORKING NIGHT

**19TH FEBRUARY**  
Start from 5 PM - 6PM

Experience our Music Ministry with a showcase  
followed by a networking reception!



This event is open to all musicians and singers  
in the Wildwood, Oxford, and Villages area.

If you are interested in joining a choir,  
orchestra, or band, please join us!



# RAPHA

INTERNATIONAL

## March is for RAPHA 2025

March 1: RAPHA Golf Scramble

March 16: 4th Annual Concert with Amy & Friends

March 29: 8th Annual All Church Raffle, Lunch, and Live Auction



**Don't Miss Your shot!**

**ONLY 10 SPOTS LEFT**

# **RAPHA Golf** **Scramble**

**Secure your spot here**



# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Welcome Center:** Be the First Smile They See! Join our Welcome Center Team and become an essential part of our Sunday morning experience. As a Welcome Center volunteer, you'll: Create a warm, inviting atmosphere for visitors and congregation members, Connect with our church family and build lasting relationships, Serve our community in a meaningful way. Time Commitments are Sunday mornings before and after services

Contact Pura Caballero at 352-261-5333 or email [pura@nlchristian.org](mailto:pura@nlchristian.org)

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** If you have ever wanted to learn how to crochet this is the group for you! We crochet, pray over, and hand deliver shawls for those within the church those that need some extra love in time of need.

Contact Debbie Carlson at 239-471-8288 or email [debic2021@gmail.com](mailto:debic2021@gmail.com)

**Pastoral Care Ministry:** Are you called to comfort and support others in times of need? Our Pastoral Care Ministry is looking for compassionate individuals to make a difference in our church community! Offer spiritual support through: hospital and home visits, heartfelt prayer, and caring companionship. Be the light in someone's darkest hour. Your presence can bring hope and healing to those who need it most.

Contact Russ and Lynn Bridges at 904-608-4398 or email [lcbridge@bellsouth.net](mailto:lcbridge@bellsouth.net)

## Prayer Requests

Ruby Andres, Pray for Ruby & family upon the death of her husband, Peter.  
Duane Bennett, back issues  
Frank Bruning, illness  
Gene Burns, cancer treatments  
Terry Elsmore, recovering at home from knee surgery  
Vicki Findley, cancer  
Larry Givens, recovering at home from pneumonia  
Sharon Hedwall, still in recovery  
Patti McLain, recovering at home  
Jason Moore, back issues  
Lynn Parsons, compression fracture in her back  
Ruth Shawhan, carpal tunnel surgery  
Patty Smith, back surgery recovery  
Lynne Sohalski, recovering at home  
Jack Sohalski, broken wrist  
Tracy White, knee pain  
Phillip Zeaman, Major heart surgery Feb 18th

## Ongoing Prayer Requests

Gary Bedson, amputation healing  
Michelle Brantley, cancer  
Ray Brown, Parkinson's  
Steve Crawford, Parkinson's  
Kiley Daniels LeMaster, cancer  
Catherine Daugherty, chemotherapy  
Chuck Galloway, pulmonary fibrosis  
Fran Philips, memory care  
Our prodigal children  
Israel & Our Nation

*"Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise."  
Jeremiah 17:14*