

## New Song News

**Ephesians 2:13-14** <sup>13</sup>But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us.

**John 14:27 (ESV)** “I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don’t be troubled or afraid.

**Isaiah 61:1–3 (ESV)** <sup>1</sup>The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; <sup>2</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; <sup>3</sup>to grant to those who mourn in Zion— to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified.

### Today

- ✓ First-time guests, fill out a blue Welcome Card & drop it in the offering plate.
- ✓ We invite you to take one of Pastor Herb’s books as a welcome gift
- ✓ Kids Ministry Workers meeting following worship, 30 minutes.

### This Week

- ✓ Wednesday, 10am, Women’s Bible Study
- ✓ Thursday, 7pm, Learning Community, in person and via Zoom
- ✓ Friday, Women’s Bible Study.
- ✓ Friday, 1pm, Learning Community, in person and via Zoom
- ✓ Saturday, 7am, Men’s Fire Ring gathering. See Dave Sabo for more info
- ✓ Sunday, 9am, toddler & elementary Sunday school, Learning Community
- ✓ Sunday, Cesar Valdez, missionary in Dominican Republic visiting. All-Church Dinner after worship. Sign up for a main & side dish

### Looking Ahead

- ✓ Dec. 20, Men’s Monthly Study, 8-9:30am.
- ✓ Dec. 21, Christ Birthday Offering
- ✓ Dec. 24, 6:00-7:30pm, Christmas Eve Candles & Carols Worship
- ✓ Feb. 7, Men’s No Regret’s Conference, 9am-3pm at New Song
- ✓ **Recycle your aluminum cans** – Proceeds support Children of Promise. Bring them to H.Q. & put them in the wooden enclosure to the left of the front door.
- ✓ Submit Prayer Requests: email or text [newsongpittsburgh@gmail.com](mailto:newsongpittsburgh@gmail.com)
- ✓ New Song FB Live: <https://www.facebook.com/NewSongPittsburgh>
- ✓ Sunday sermons, outlines & other studies can be found on New Song YouTube Channel & Spotify. Use the QR code to access



Gen. Offering	Budget	Family Assistance	Children of Promise	Building Fund
11/23/2025 \$ 3,956.50	\$ 4,006.23	11/23/2025 \$ 0.00	11/23/2025 \$ 10.00	11/23/2025 \$ 10.00
To Date \$ 185,677.58	\$ 188,292.85	Balance: \$ 1,964.97	Month Total \$ 82.00	To Date \$ 2,675.00
Please print name and amount on offering envelope to receive credit.				

## New Song Notes

Pastor Herb Shaffer

### When Jesus Wants Us Desperate

Dec. 7, 2025 Knowing God by Jesus’ interactions, part 9

**Isaiah 9:6 (ESV)** For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. **Isaiah 9:6 (ESV)**

### *Cooperating with Jesus when He gets us desperate*

1. See the Desperation – face it, lean into it rather than deny
2. Surrender the Desperation in Undone Humility
3. Stay with Jesus when you don’t think you can
4. Soar into Jesus’ new reality

➔ Desperation about loved ones – a Dead Daughter  
**Mark 5:21–24 (ESV)** (pew Bible page 840)

➔ Desperation about yourself – a Diseased Outcast  
**Mark 5:25–33 (ESV)** (pew Bible page 840)

➔ Desperation about loved ones – a Dead Daughter, part 2  
**Mark 5:35–43 (ESV)** (pew Bible page 840)

How do we see these actions in the scripture situations?

## 1. See the Desperation – face it, lean into it rather than deny

## 2. Surrender the Desperation in Undone Humility

**Psalm 34:17–18 (ESV)** <sup>17</sup>When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. <sup>18</sup>The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

## 3. Stay with Jesus when you don't think you can

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## 4. Soar into Jesus' new reality

**Psalm 147:1–6 (ESV)** <sup>1</sup>Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting. <sup>2</sup>The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. <sup>3</sup>He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. <sup>4</sup>He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names. <sup>5</sup>Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. <sup>6</sup>The Lord lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

### *What do we do with this?*

† What do we understand about God & knowing Him better through Jesus' interaction?

- What stuck out to you?
- What is God saying about what stuck out?
- What do you need to do in response?



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## Walking in step with Jesus with His Presence, Love and Power

<sup>28</sup>Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**Matthew 11:28–30 (ESV)**