

New Song News

Psalm 92:1-8 (ESV) ¹It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; ²to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, ³to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. ⁴For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy. ⁵How great are your works, O Lord! Your thoughts are very deep! ⁶The stupid man cannot know; the fool cannot understand this: ⁷that though the wicked sprout like grass and all evildoers flourish, they are doomed to destruction forever; ⁸but you, O Lord, are on high forever.

Ephesians 6:10-13 (ESV) ¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

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
- ✓ **This week's Bible Recap readings:** The Bible Recap: Read days 117-123
If you use the Chronological Guide read: p. 52

This Week

- ✓ **Learning Communities, Thurs 7pm, Fri 1pm, Sun 9am**
- ✓ Wednesday, 10am, Women's Bible Study, see Nancy Seman.
- ✓ Friday, 10am, Women's Bible Study, see Ginger Rogers for info
- ✓ Sunday, 9am, Learning Community

Looking Ahead

- ✓ New Song Shirts available to order... Polos - \$30, Long sleeve shirts - \$35. Please mark your size & color on the sign-up sheet at the end of the hall
- ✓ Volunteers needed to clean the building monthly...
- ✓ May 9, 11a-1:30p, Monthly Dorcas/ Barnabas Serving Day. See Ann for info
- ✓ May 16, 8-9:30am, Monthly Men's Study "Iron Sharpening Iron"
- ✓ May 16, 9:30am-2:30pm-ish, All-Church Clean-Up Day
- ✓ **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
- ✓ 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
4/19/2026 \$ 2,709.53	\$ 4,106.88	4/19/2026 \$ 0.00	4/19/2026 \$ 0.00	4/19/2026 \$ 210.00
To Date \$ 85,069.13	\$ 65,710.15	Balance: \$ 2,799.97	Month Total \$ 30.00	To Date \$ 950.00

Please print name and amount on offering envelope to receive credit.

New Song Notes

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Stepping Toward or Stepping Back

April 26, 2026 The Bible Recap Study, week 17

Isaiah 40:29-31 ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. ³⁰Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; ³¹but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint. **Isaiah 40:29-31 (ESV)**

Giving God first place to put fear in its place

God's place in our lives...

† is determined by what we fear most

1 Peter 3:13-14 (ESV) ¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled,

† will determine what we fight for and against

1 Peter 3:15 (ESV) ¹⁵but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

1 Samuel 17:1-56 (ESV) (page 239 in pew Bible/ Bible Recap Bible page 102)

1. Step up to God.

Ephesians 2:4-7 (ESV) (pew Bible page 976/ Bible Recap page 1899)

✓ danger and fear threaten

1 Samuel 17:1-7 (ESV)

✓ God is dishonored, defied, blasphemed ER and HR

1 Samuel 17:8-11 (ESV)

✓ Saul pulls back to protect himself

1 Samuel 17:12-16 (ESV)

✓ David steps up to serve and honor God

1 Samuel 17:17-27 (ESV)

2. Step toward the fear with God.

- ✓ fight the skirmishes
1 Samuel 17:28–30 (ESV)

- ✓ choose confidence in God
1 Samuel 17:31–33 (ESV)

- ✓ use skills developed by God
1 Samuel 17:34–37 (ESV)

- ✓ refuse Earthly Realm (ER) ways and pressure
1 Samuel 17:38–39 (ESV)

IMPORTANT: Don't use human weapons for spiritual battles

- ✓ step TOWARD the danger and fear in God's power
1 Samuel 17:40–50 (ESV)

NOTE: God revealed is the point of every battle

- ✓ fight all the way through
1 Samuel 17:51–53 (ESV)

NOTE: Goliath wasn't the first nor the last, but he was the defining

- ✓ "journal" the wins to build faith for the future
1 Samuel 17:54–55 (ESV)

What do we do with this?

Saul stepped away from God, back from battle, fumbles the future

David stepped up for God, toward battle, into the future

***The difference... SLO lifestyle anchored in Knees and Nudges
with a W.I.T. attitude***

- 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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Matthew 20:28 (ESV) “even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”