

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

### GATHERING TOGETHER

God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**We looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, our lips will praise you, now and forever. Amen.**

### **PEOPLE'S PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER**

### HEARING TOGETHER

#### **LUKE 13:1-9**

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did.

Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did."

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he

said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"

### RECEIVING TOGETHER:

#### **"Blossoming and Bearing Good Fruit"**

**- Rev. Ian Macdonald**

*"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower.  
He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit.  
Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit."  
- Jesus, the Christ*

### **Benediction**

#### **Name Three Things You'd Like God To Prune From Your Life?**

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**WELCOME TO**

Thank you for being a part of today's service.

It is always our intention to make you feel welcomed and at home. We hope we were able to achieve this and that you will continue to participate in our mission and vision:

- Love God.
- Love Others.
- Serve Both

Your financial support is imperative to the success of this ministry. Please visit our website and make a generous donation today. [www.newchurchshermanoaks.org](http://www.newchurchshermanoaks.org)

**Sunday Worship: 11:00 – 11:30 am**  
**Streaming Live on Facebook**

New Church Sherman Oaks is a unique internet/home church hybrid. As fancy as that might sound we are simply a gathering of ordinary people trying to build up our faith in God and live it out in a way that is relevant and purposeful for the building up of God's Kingdom. We invite you embrace this Spirit and make our home your New Church home.

# **NEW CHURCH SHERMAN OAKS**

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