

9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship

# WELCOME!

We are pleased that you are coming to worship at New Hope Presbyterian Church. In order to serve you well, please:

- Visit our Welcome Table
- ESV Bibles are available on the welcome table for use during the service
- Turn off the ringer on your electronic devices
- Nursery is available for children up to age 4
- Children's Church is available during the sermon (suggested ages 3-7)
- Large Print bulletins available upon request

## Vision of New Hope Presbyterian Church

New Hope Presbyterian Church is a grace and gospel-centered fellowship which exists to magnify Jesus Christ in the areas of worship, fellowship and outreach.

Please sit right next to your neighbor to make as much room as possible for everyone.

# **Morning Worship**

December 01, 2019

## Reflections

"We need...reminders about God's goodness. We are programmed to focus on what we don't have, bombarded multiple times throughout the day with what we need to buy that will make us feel happier... or more at peace. This dissatisfaction transfers over to our thinking about God. We forget that we already have everything we need in Him. Because we don't often think about the reality of who God is, we quickly forget that He is worthy to be worshipped and loved."

~ J.I. Packer

# **Approach to God**

# Welcome — Dr. John Wise, elder

## **Prelude**

# Call to Worship — Psalm 73:23-28 (responsive)

<sup>23</sup> Nevertheless, I am continually with you; you hold my right hand.

You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory.

<sup>25</sup>Whom have I in heaven but you?

And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.

<sup>26</sup> My flesh and my heart may fail,

but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

<sup>27</sup> For behold, those who are far from you shall perish; you put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to you.

<sup>28</sup> But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord God my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.

<sup>&</sup>quot;The privilege of knowing God's truth with certainty and precision carries with it the responsibility of obeying that truth with equal precision."

# Hymn of Praise — He Leadth Me: O Blessed Thought



# **Songs of Praise**

## **Living Hope**

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain
I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness,
Your loving-kindness tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished,
the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame The cross has spoken, I am forgiven The King of kings calls me His own Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ, my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise Your buried body began to breathe Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me (Repeat)

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain, There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ, my living hope.

## Sing We the Song of Emmanuel

Sing we the song of Emmanuel
This the Christ who was long foretold
Lo in the shadows of Bethlehem
Promise of dawn
now our eyes behold.
God Most High in a manger laid
Lift your voices and now proclaim
Great and glorious,
Love has come to us
Join now with the hosts of heaven

Come we to welcome Emmanuel King who came with no crown or throne Helpless He lay, the Invincible Maker of Mary, now Mary's son O what wisdom to save us all Shepherds, sages, before Him fall Grace and majesty, what humility Come on bended knee, adore Him

Go spread the news of Emmanuel Joy and peace for the weary heart Lift up your heads, for your King has come Sing for the Light overwhelms the dark Glory shining for all to see Hope alive, let the gospel ring God has made a way, He will have the praise Tell the world His name is Jesus

Gloria, Gloria!

## Confession of Sin

Silent Confession

## Assurance of Pardon & New Testament Reading— Romans 4

What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup> For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup> For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." <sup>4</sup> Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. <sup>5</sup> And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, <sup>6</sup> just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

<sup>7</sup> Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered;

8 blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

<sup>9</sup> Is this blessing then only for the circumcised, or also for the uncircumcised? For we say that faith was counted to Abraham as righteousness. <sup>10</sup> How then was it counted to him? Was it before or after he had been circumcised? It was not after, but before he was circumcised. <sup>11</sup> He received the sign of circumcision as a seal of the righteousness that he had by faith while he was still uncircumcised. The purpose was to make him the father of all who believe without being circumcised, so that righteousness would be counted to them as well, <sup>12</sup> and to make him the father of the circumcised who are not merely circumcised but who also walk in the footsteps of the faith that our father Abraham had before he was circumcised.

<sup>13</sup> For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup> For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup> That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup> as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup> In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>19</sup> He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup> No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup> That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup> But the words "it was count-

ed to him" were not written for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup> but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, <sup>25</sup> who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

# Response in Song — Immortal Invisible

Immortal, You are not like a man, That you change Your mind or change Your plan Invisible, our human eyes can't see, the depths of Your majesty

#### Chorus:

You're the God of forever and ever amen The alpha, omega, beginning and end We sing Hallelujah, We worship in awe Immortal, invisible God

Immortal, You are not bound by death You're the living God, my very breath Invisible You are not bound by space But Your glory is filling this place, yes Your glory is filling this place (Chorus)

Immortal yet You once died for me, To pay my debt to set me free Invisible You will not always be 'Cause You're coming to reign as our king And the saints will fall down at Your feet (Chorus)

We sing Hallelujah, We worship in awe Immortal, invisible God, Immortal, invisible God

# **Congregational Prayer**

# Offering

If you're visiting, please fill out a gray visitor card and place it in the offering basket.

At parent's discretion children ages 6-7 are dismissed to children's church in **ROOM #3**, ages 4-5 are dismissed to **ROOM #5**.

## **Sermon Text** — Genesis 17:1-14

When Abram was ninety-nine years old the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, <sup>2</sup> that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly." <sup>3</sup> Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, <sup>4</sup> "Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>5</sup> No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. <sup>6</sup> I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. <sup>7</sup> And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. <sup>8</sup> And I will give to you and to your offspring after you the land of your sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession, and I will be their God."

<sup>9</sup> And God said to Abraham, "As for you, you shall keep my covenant, you and your offspring after you throughout their generations. <sup>10</sup> This is my covenant, which you shall keep, between me and you and your offspring after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised. <sup>11</sup> You shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskins, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and you. <sup>12</sup> He who is eight days old among you shall be circumcised. Every male throughout your generations, whether born in your house or bought with your money from any foreigner who is not of your offspring, <sup>13</sup> both he who is born in your house and he who is bought with your money, shall surely be circumcised. So shall my covenant be in your flesh an everlasting covenant. <sup>14</sup> Any uncircumcised male who is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin shall be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant."

Sermon — El Shaddai

~ Pastor Charles Biggs\*\*

**Celebration of the Lord's Supper** 

**Preparation** 

**Words of Institution** 

Receiving the Elements\* — see page 15

\*the bread served today is gluten-free

Closing Hymn — O Come All Ye Faithful (page 10)

1. Covenant Condescension

2. Covenant Promises and Privileges

3. Covenant Signs

# Closing Hymn — O Come All Ye Faithful



## **Benediction** — Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **Postlude**

\*\*We welcome Pastor Charles Biggs to the pulpit this morning. Pastor Biggs has been the of Ketoctin Covenant OPC for the past 15 years. He is married to Margaret and they have 2 daughters, Elizabeth and Esther.

# THANK YOU FOR SERVING

## **Serving This Week**

<u>10:30 am</u>

Usher: Brian Burden, Joe Seiver, Ron Socash Greeter: Farrah & Alexis Wise, Laura Caruso

3-year old Nursery: Brooke Connally, Billy Rundell

Toddler Nursery: Micah Downs, Jeff McConville, Lauren Burden,

Cora Kim

Infant Nursery: Colleen Forsee, Victoria Mason

Chld Chrch (6-7): Farrah Wise, Elsie Wright

Chld Chrch (4-5): Diana Bartlett, Megan Quist, Brigitte King

Sound: Kim Hanlin Lance Duvall

## **Serving Next Week**

9:30 am

Usher: Jeff Jernigan, Jeff McConville, Ron Oakes

Greeter: Kim Jernigan, Jackie Randall Nursery: Kim Hanlin, Dave Myers

10:30 a.m.

3-year old Nursery: Dan Connally, Courtney Keebaugh

Toddler Nursery: Nate Clancy, Joel Poortenga, Claire Socash,

Cora Kim

Infant Nursery: Jessica Bendy, Annie Kim Chld Chrch (6-7): Liesl Hake, Alexis Wise

Chld Chrch (4-5): John & Josie O'Shea, Alyssa Wise

Sound: Kim Hanlin Live Stream: Belle Wetzel

# THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

**Tuesday** Session & Trustee Meeting, 7:30 pm at the church

Wednesday Women's Bible Study, 10:00-11:30 am in C8 in the

conference room

Saturday Presbytery Meeting at Ketoctin OPC, 8:00 am

Men's Breakfast, going out for breakfast, email Pas-

tor Francis for details.

# CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Next Sunday,** Pastor Francis will be doing a pulpit exchange this week and will be preaching at Ketoctin Covenant OPC. Pastor Charles Biggs will be preaching at New Hope in Pastor Francis' place. Pastor Biggs has been the head pastor at Ketoctin for 15 years. He is married to Margaret and has two daughters, Elizabeth and Esther.
- **Annual Reports,** ALL COMMITTEE HEADS please remind your subcommittees that Annual Reports are PAST DUE. Please remit them to the office as soon as possible.
- Christmas Choir, Calling all interested singers. We would love to have a choir for Christmas Eve and/ or the Sunday before Christmas. If you are interested please email Joy Nichols joy.lynn.nichols@gmail.com. The upcoming rehearsals are all on Saturday mornings: November 30, December 7, 14, 21 from 10:00-11:30 am. To participate in the choir you need to make at least 3 of the 4 rehearsals.
- Ladies' Christmas Party: All women are cordially invited to the women's Christmas Party on Friday, December 13th at 7PM hosted at Alanna Duvall's house, 2196 Mountainview Drive. Bring an appetizer, snack, or dessert to share and a \$10 gift if you want to participate in the greed/ white elephant exchange game. RSVP to Mary Troxel at <a href="mary.troxel@fcps.org">mary.troxel@fcps.org</a> or 301.789.3795.
- **Nominations for Elder & Deacon**, now is the time to nominate men for elder and deacon. If you know of anyone that you think would be a good elder or deacon, please ask them first if they are willing, fill out a form that is on the welcome table and then give it to Pastor Francis or one of the elders.
- **High School Christmas Party**, Saturday, December 14th the Burden home at 6:00 pm. More details will be coming soon!
- **Trustee Openings**, in 2020 there will be about 4 vacancies on the board of trustees. If you are interested in serving or know someone who is, please let one of the trustees know. Also, there are sign-up sheets in the narthex if you are interested in serving on one of the committees.

# COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

#### **Our Church Family**

- Pray for our session and trustees as they meet this week to discuss the budget. Pray for clarity on how best to steward the church's resources.
- Pray for the Presbytery of the Mid-Atlantic as they meet this coming Saturday and will also examine John Wise. Pray that John will acquit himself well and that the meeting of the presbytery will go smoothly and be God-honoring.
- Pray for those who struggle during the holiday season due to loneliness, familial strife, or missing loved ones. Pray that the Lord will bring joy, comfort and peace during these difficult times.
- Give thanks for all of God's many blessings, for His incredible gift of eternal life, and for always providing for all our needs.
- Give thanks for God, the almighty one, who is the perfect covenant keeper. Pray for a heart that bows to Him and His holiness, power and love.
- Give thanks for all those who serve on Sundays ushers, greeters, sound techs, musicians, nursery workers and
- Pray for safety for all those who are traveling during this busy time.
- Pray for Russell Beeman, deployed in South Korea, particularly during the Thanksgiving holiday as he will surely be feeling sad and lonely.
- Pray for those who are expecting new little ones: Amy Wright, Kelly McConville, Stacy Clancy, Janelle Pughe and Megan Quist. Pray for the health and well-being of both moms and babies. Pray that these little ones will grow to love and serve the Lord all their days.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: the Wiley family, Karyn Lynerd's father, the Wright family, the Beeman family as they are missing Russell, Bill Wright, Scott Innes, Steve Hake, Steve Doe, Ron Oakes, John Bishoff, Ed Rodatus and those who are grieving from the loss of loved ones. Pray for strength to bear their difficult trials.

## Frederick Area

- Pray for the local ministries that we support both financially and with volunteers: the Frederick Rescue Mission, CareNet Pregnancy Center and Child Evangelism Fellowship (the Good News Clubs).
- Pray for the evangelical churches in the area that they would be faithful to teaching the word of the God alone and be fruitful in their ministries.

## Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month: World Wide Missions of the OPC.
   Pray for the many missionaries who serve in foreign lands and share the gospel with those who don't know Him.
- Pray for Brad and Lucy Myers as they serve at the University of Wilmington with RUF and for Kristen Lalley as she prepares to serve in East London with Serge International and starts the support-raising process.
- Pray for Claire Hall as she raises funds to serve as a missionary in Scotland with 20 Schemes missions.

# DAILY DEVOTION

**Memory Review Text:** Romans 1:18-19 — <sup>18</sup> For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. <sup>19</sup> For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.

**Heidelberg Catechism 66** What are the sacraments? The sacraments are holy visible signs and seals, appointed of God for this end, that by the use thereof, he may the more fully declare and seal to us the promise of the gospel, that is, that he grants us freely the remission of sin, and life eternal, for the sake of that one sacrifice of Christ, accomplished on the cross.

**Monday**: Read Gen 16:16-17:1-8. Why does God reveal himself as "El Shaddai" here? How does this serve Abram in this chapter? Read Rev 11:17 -how has God Almighty's power and reign manifested itself in your life? How does it help you "wait" on God?

**Tuesday**: Review Gen 17. This chapter is a call to Abraham to obey, to walk before God. Wouldn't that scare him, given his record? Does that charge scare you? How does circumcision point to Christ's work on your behalf (see Col 2:11, Is 53:8, esp "cut off")? How then would circumcision aid Abraham and his descendants when they fail?

**Wednesday:** Read Gen 17:9-14. How can God equate circumcision and his covenant (v 10)? It's easy to administer circumcision or baptism, but what inner work must the Spirit do (see Deut 10:15-17, Jer 4:4)? Has your heart been circumcised? What evidence do you see?

**Thursday:** Note how many times Gen 17 repeats "nations, generations, offspring." What does this reveal about how God typically works? About his heart? Look at Ps 87. These nations are all counted as one family now (Rom 4:11-12, Eph 2:14). How can you better manifest the bond of faith with "different" children of Abraham? Pray and work for more "offspring," for a multi-nation and multi-generational church.

**Friday:** Read Gen 17:22-26. Compare this to Mk 1:17-18. Consider Abraham's prompt and costly obedience. God demands our entire life. What is it about God (in this chapter) that frees Abraham to respond so willingly and quickly? What is it about God that will free you to do so?

**Saturday:** Read Mat 1:3 and Gen 38. How does it help you to know that Tamar is named in Jesus' genealogy?

## **Invitation to the Lord's Supper**

Since it is our privilege today to celebrate the blessed sacrament of the Lord's Supper, we are called to prepare our hearts by rightly examining ourselves.

"Do This in Remembrance of Me," says Jesus as He invites us to His Holy Supper. It is not only a privilege, but also a personal responsibility to respond to this gracious invitation. The apostle Paul alerts us to this responsibility in 1 Corinthians 11:27, "Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord." Furthermore, the Lord, through the Apostle Paul also instructs us that those who eat and drink "without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgement on himself."

In light of the scriptural teaching, the elders invite you to join in the communion celebration on the basis of the following personal affirmations:

- 1. I confess that I am a sinner and repent of my sins.
- 2. I have been baptized into the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- 3. I believe in Jesus as my Savior and Lord who forgives all my sins because of His sacrifice.
- 4. I desire to show my thankfulness to God by resolving to live in faith and obedience before my Lord, and in love and peace with my neighbors.
- 5. I have made a public profession of faith in a church that recognizes the sovereign authority of God's Word and that we are saved only by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.
- 6. I am not under the discipline of my home church.

If, for some reason, you do not believe you should partake of communion with God's people at this time, the elders would then urge you to refrain from participating today and they would also urge you to actively seek out either one of the elders or the pastor for further instruction. They are eager and willing to discuss these matters in light of God's Word, as they are called to tend to these matters for the purity of Christ's Church, His Glory, and the good of His people.

We are confident that the Savior accepts us at His table when we come in faith, with sorrow for our sins, and with a will to follow Him as He commands.

# **NEW HOPE INFORMATION**

# NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OFFICERS

2019

#### **ELDERS**

- Rev. Francis VanDelden, Pastor & Moderator
- Rev. Steve Hake, Teacher
- Dennis Caruso
- Karl Koops
- Dave Myers
- Jason Rundell, Clerk
- John Wise

## **DEACON**

Ed Wright

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

- · Lance Duvall, President
- Billy Rundell, Vice President
- Matthew Rodatus, Secretary
- Karyn Lynerd, Treasurer
- Rex King
- Elease Layman
- All elders
- All deacons

#### **GROWTH GROUPS**

Growth Groups meet throughout the area. They include worship, Bible study, fellowship, prayer and mission. They offer fellowship, encouragement, support, and accountability. Growth Groups are the backbone of our fellowship. If you would like to join a Growth Group, please fill out a gray care card that can be found on the back of the sanctuary chairs or obtained from an usher.

### **SERVICE TIMES**

9:30 am Sunday School10:30 am Worship Service

Location: 5305-A Jefferson Pike

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