

WELCOME!



Worship
10:30 am & 5:00 pm

Morning Worship

June 21, 2020

Reflections

Every single thing that happens to us expresses God's love to us, and comes to us for the furthering of God's purpose for us. Thus, so far as we are concerned, God is love to us—holy, omnipotent love—at every moment and in every event of every day's life. Even when we cannot see the why and the wherefore of God's dealings, we know that there is love in and behind them, and so we can rejoice always, even when, humanly speaking, things are going wrong.

~ J. I. Packer

Hope fills the afflicted soul with such inward joy and consolation, that it can laugh while tears are in the eye, sigh and sing all in a breath; it is called "the rejoicing of hope" (Hebrews 3:6)

~ William Gurnall

Approach to God

Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship — Psalm 95:1-7 (responsive)

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

³ **For the LORD is a great God,**

and a great King above all gods.

⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth;

the heights of the mountains are his also.

⁵ **The sea is his, for he made it,**

and his hands formed the dry land.

⁶ Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

⁷ **For he is our God,**

and we are the people of his pasture,

and the sheep of his hand.

Hymn of Praise — A Mighty Fortress is Our God

1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er
 2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
 3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
 4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing; our help - er he a - mid the flood of
 los - ing; were not the right man on our side, the
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his
 bid - eth; the Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be?
 truth to tri - umph through us. The prince of dark - ness grim,
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go,

doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great;
 Christ Je - sus, it is he, Lord Sa - ba - oth his name,
 we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure,
 this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may kill:

and armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 for lo! his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 God's truth a - bid - eth still; his king - dom is for - ev - er.

Prayer of Invocation

Confession of Sin — Psalm 79:8-10

⁸ Do not remember against us our former iniquities;
let your compassion come speedily to meet us,
for we are brought very low.

⁹ **Help us, O God of our salvation,
for the glory of your name;
deliver us, and atone for our sins,
for your name's sake!**

¹⁰ Why should the nations say,
“Where is their God?”

Let the avenging of the outpoured blood of your servants
be known among the nations before our eyes!

Assurance of Pardon — Psalm 18:31-36

³¹ For who is God, but the LORD?

And who is a rock, except our God?—

³² the God who equipped me with strength
and made my way blameless.

³³ He made my feet like the feet of a deer
and set me secure on the heights.

³⁴ He trains my hands for war,
so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze.

³⁵ You have given me the shield of your salvation,
and your right hand supported me,
and your gentleness made me great.

³⁶ You gave a wide place for my steps under me,
and my feet did not slip.

Response in Song — I Have a Shelter

I have a shelter in the storm
When troubles pour upon me
Though fears are rising like a flood
My soul can rest securely
O Jesus, I will hide in You
My place of peace and solace
No trial is deeper than Your love
That comforts all my sorrows

I have a shelter in the storm
When all my sins accuse me
Though justice charges me with guilt
Your grace will not refuse me
O Jesus, I will hide in You
Who bore my condemnation
I find my refuge in Your wounds
For there I find salvation

I have a shelter in the storm
When constant winds would break me
For in my weakness, I have learned
Your strength will not forsake me
O Jesus, I will hide in You
The One who bears my burdens
With faithful hands that cannot fail
You'll bring me home to heaven

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You'll bring me home to heaven.

Congregational Prayer

Offering*

**You can give on-line at the New Hope website: www.newhopeopc.org and click on the green "give" button in the corner.*

Sermon Text — Habakkuk 3:17-19

¹⁷ Though the fig tree should not blossom,
nor fruit be on the vines,
the produce of the olive fail
and the fields yield no food,
the flock be cut off from the fold
and there be no herd in the stalls,
¹⁸ yet I will rejoice in the LORD;
I will take joy in the God of my salvation.
¹⁹ GOD, the Lord, is my strength;
he makes my feet like the deer's;
he makes me tread on my high places.

Sermon — Yet I in Yahweh will Rejoice

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Song — I Will Rejoice in the Lord (Habakkuk 3) (page 8)

Benediction

Prelude

Yet I in Yahweh will Rejoice

Habakkuk 3:17-19

1. Deeper Loss (vs 17)

2. Deeper Joy (vs 18)

3. Steadier Feet (vs 19)

Closing Hymn — I Will Rejoice in the Lord (Habakkuk 3)

Lord, I have heard of your fame;
I stand in awe of your deeds, O Lord.
Renew them in our day,
In our time make them known;
In wrath remember mercy.

*And I will rejoice in the Lord!
I will be joyful in God my Savior.
I will rejoice in the Lord! Again I say rejoice!
I will rejoice in the Lord! I will rejoice in the Lord!*

Though the fig tree does not bud
And there're no grapes on the vines,
Though the olive crop fails
And the fields produce no food,
Though there're no sheep in the pen,
And no cattle in the stalls.

Yet I will rejoice...

Lord, in your presence who can stand?
My deeds before you are as filthy rags.
There's nothing I can bring
but a heart full of sin.
Yet through the mercy of Your Son
I can enter in.

So I will rejoice...

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Hannah Vidal and her family as they grieve the loss of Pete last Saturday. Pray that the Lord would bring the family comfort through His Spirit, His people, and His promises. Pray that He will minister to the family in His perfect ways and that He will continue to provide for their every need.
- Give praise and thanks for those who have so warmly and generously surrounded the Vidal family with love and care.
- Pray for our session as they shepherd the flock. Pray that the Lord will give them wisdom, unity, and hearts of service.
- Pray for the leaders of our country and state that they will lead with wisdom, grace, and care. Pray for our nation — that there will be peace and unity and understanding.
- Pray for the safety of those who have jobs that are to protect and serve both domestically and abroad.
- Pray that, as a church body, we will love, care for, and serve each other despite differences in thought or ideology. Pray that we will humbly consider others more significant than ourselves.
- Pray that those who suffer from anxiety and/or depression will find hope, joy, and comfort in relationship with the Lord and His people.
- Pray for those who are expecting: Katie Poortenga, Lauren Mendez, Colleen Forsee, and Jessica Bendy. 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: Scott Innes, Kim Hanlin's father, John & Muriel Hadidian's daughter-in-law, Karyn Lynerd's father, the Wright family, the Beeman family as they are missing Russell, Bill Wright, Ron Oakes, 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 we support financially — CareNet Pregnancy Center, the Frederick Rescue Mission, and Child Evangelism Fellowship. Pray that the Lord will continue to sustain, provide for, and bless these ministries during this uncertain time.
- Pray for the churches in Frederick that they will continue to bring hope through the gospel to the people in the community. Pray for peace and love and truth to be evident to all in the churches.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month: the Boardwalk Chapel as they share the gospel with unbelievers on the boardwalk in Wildwood, NJ. Pray particularly for Seth Jernigan as he serves there.
- Pray for Claire Hall as she prepares to go to Scotland with 20Schemes missions and Kristen Lalley as she prepares to go to England. Pray that the Lord would provide for all their needs — spiritually, financially, emotionally — as they look ahead to what the Lord is calling them to.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ladies' Night Out, Thursday, June 25 at 7:00pm until dark! This month, we're having a Parking Lot Party at church in the parking area by the upper building (where there should be shade). Bring your own lawn chair or picnic blanket, your own beverage or dessert (if desired), and yourself! There will be spots chalked 6 feet apart from each other to settle your chairs/blankets. Your RSVP (to Elease Layman) is appreciated, but not required: elease.layman@gmail.com or 301.767.6848.

Please note that masks are optional as this event is outside, and all participants are expected to maintain at least 6 feet of social distance. Please continue to love and respect your church sisters by following this guideline.

Financial Standing, year-to-date, as of June 15, 2020

General Fund Giving
Actual: \$240,373
Budget: \$228,273
Variance: \$12,100 (surplus)
Facility Fund Giving: \$10,746

THANK YOU so much to all of the New Hope church family who have already given time, money, and resources to support the Vidals during this time. Your generous, loving hearts have been extremely comforting to Hannah.

Hannah Vidal and Family - Ways to help and things to know, Contact Elease Layman (elease.layman@gmail.com or 301.767.6848 with any questions)

Actionable areas the Vidal family welcomes your help and support

- Prepared Meal Delivery
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4ba8ab22aaf58-vidal>
- Home Improvement/Maintenance & Mowing
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4ba8ab22a5fb6-hannahs>
- Domestic / Everyday Life Helpers
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4ba8ab22a5fb6-hannahs1>
- Childcare
Contact Elease Layman (elease.layman@gmail.com or 301.767.6848)

- Financial Support
 - Mail checks payable to Hannah Vidal (505 Sage Hen Way, Frederick, MD 21703)
- Drop off cash at New Hope in envelope marked for Hannah Vidal (Note: Please do NOT make checks payable to New Hope)
- Donate by credit card at GoFundMe:
<https://www.gofundme.com/manage/support-for-the-family-of-pete-vidal>
- Movie about Pete

Do you have a story about Pete you would like to share? Pete's coworkers are making a movie that will include short videos of friends and family sharing these stories. You can record your short video and upload it to <https://www.dropbox.com/request/slrnwz7v8bGtppvIJhwb> by clicking on "Choose Files" and selecting your video file for upload.

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text ¹⁸ yet I will rejoice in the LORD;
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Monday: Habakkuk 3:17. How would such losses affect a farming society? What is all lost along with these things? How long would this loss last? Compare Job 1:13ff. How do you respond to loss, disappointment, and sources of joy being taken away? Pray about that. Who meets us in our loss (Heb 12:2-3)?

Tuesday: In Habakkuk 1:17 he stares disappointment and loss in the face. Do you? Or do you cover or ignore it? What do perplexing and disappointing things prune you from? What is good about the longing felt? How do they produce a deeper longing for God (Ps 62:3-8, Phil 3:7-9)?

Wednesday: Habakkuk 3:18. In light of loss of all that could bring you joy, how would you finish the sentence, "yet I will remove in..."? How does Habakkuk finish it? How is God himself enough? How does he satisfy our deepest desires? How did Jesus' drinking our bitter cup (Mt 26:39) prove God's love for us even in loss?

Thursday: Habakkuk 1:18. What salvation did Habakkuk take joy in (3:16)? Habakkuk only saw exile, never this promised salvation. So he walked by faith, trusting the God of promise. How are we to do this when we do not see salvation from woe, or in light of final victory (2 Cor 4:7-12, 16-18, 5:6-10)?

Friday: Habakkuk 3:19. Does God your strength promise to take away your hardships here? Good steady is a deer on a hilly, rocky place? How does Good strengthen you so you are steady in treacherous places of loss and disappointment (e.g. Ps 23:4, 46:1)?

Saturday: Pray for God to meet with us through the read and preached word tomorrow.