

WELCOME!



Worship  
10:30 am

# Morning Worship

August 15, 2021

## Reflections

*A man after God's heart loves the things God loves and the ways He prescribes. Though he may deviate from those ways at times, he will return—for God will not let him rest in his sin. All true children of God will be called back to Him when they wander. Thank God that He seeks His wandering lambs.*

~Ligonier Ministries

*The law of Christ is the law of love. Christ, after He had redeemed us, renewed us, and made us His Church, gave us no other law but the law of mutual love: "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another, as I have loved you," and: "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples" (John 13:34). And to love is not to wish well one to another, but to bear one another's burdens, that is, to bear those things which are grievous unto you, and which you would not willingly bear. Therefore, Christians must have strong shoulders and mighty bones, that they may bear flesh, that is, the weakness of their brethren. Love therefore is mild, courteous, patient, not in receiving, but in giving; for it is constrained to wink at many things, and to bear them. Faithful teachers see in the Church many errors and offenses which they are compelled to bear. In household affairs there are many things done which displease the master of the house. But if we bear and wink at our own vices and offenses which we daily commit, let us also bear other men's faults, according to this saying: "Bear ye one another's burdens," and: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."*

~ Martin Luther

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## Approach to God

### Prelude

### Welcome

### Call to Worship — Psalm 18:1-3, 50 (responsive)

<sup>1</sup> I love you, LORD, my strength.

<sup>2</sup> **The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;  
my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge,  
my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

<sup>3</sup> I called to the LORD, who is worthy of praise,  
and I have been saved from my enemies.

<sup>50</sup> **Great salvation he brings to his king,  
and shows steadfast love to his anointed,  
to David and his offspring forever.**

# Hymn of Praise — O Worship the King

1. O wor - ship the King all - glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful - ly  
2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the  
3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told, Al - might - y, your  
4. Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the

sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and De - fend - er, the  
light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep  
pow'r has found - ed of old; has 'stab - lished it fast by a  
air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it de -

An - cient of . Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
thun - der - clouds' form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
change - less de - cree, and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
scends to the plain; and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.

5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;  
your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!
6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!  
While angels delight to hymn you above,  
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

## Prayer of Adoration

## **Song of Praise — By Faith**

By faith we see the hand of God  
In the light of creation's grand design  
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness  
Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth  
With the power of His promise in their hearts  
Of a holy city built by God's own hand  
A place where peace and justice reign (chorus)

*We will stand as children of the promise  
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward  
Till the race is finished and the work is done  
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

By faith the prophets saw a day  
When the longed-for Messiah would appear  
With the power to break the chains  
Of sin and death  
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go  
In the power of the Spirit to the lost  
To deliver captives and to preach good news  
In every corner of the earth (chorus)

By faith this mountain shall be moved  
And the power of the gospel shall prevail  
For we know in Christ all things are possible  
For all who call upon His name (chorus)

## **Confession of Sin — Philippians 2:1-4**

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, <sup>2</sup>then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. <sup>3</sup>Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, <sup>4</sup>not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

## **Silent Prayer of Confession**

## **Assurance of Pardon — Philippians 2:5-11**

<sup>5</sup>Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup>but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup>And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup>Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup>so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## **Song of Response — We Will Feast in the House of Zion**

*Chorus: We will feast in the house of Zion*

*We will sing with our hearts restored*

*He has done great things, we will say together*

*We will feast and weep no more*

We will not be burned by the fire  
He is the LORD our God  
We are not consumed, by the flood  
Upheld, protected, gathered up (chorus)

In the dark of night, before the dawn  
My soul, be not afraid  
For the promised morning, oh how long?  
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength (chorus)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed  
You are the Faithful one  
And from the garden to the grave  
Bind us together, bring shalom. (chorus)

**Offering\* Matthew 6:2-4** <sup>2</sup>“Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>3</sup>But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup>so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

*\*You can give on-line at the New Hope website: [www.newhopeopc.org](http://www.newhopeopc.org) and click on the green “give” button in the corner.*

# Congregational Prayer

## Sermon Text — 2 John 1-6

The elder,

To the lady chosen by God and to her children, whom I love in the truth—and not I only, but also all who know the truth—<sup>2</sup> because of the truth, which lives in us and will be with us forever:

<sup>3</sup> Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and from Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, will be with us in truth and love.

<sup>4</sup> It has given me great joy to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as the Father commanded us. <sup>5</sup> And now, dear lady, I am not writing you a new command but one we have had from the beginning. I ask that we love one another. <sup>6</sup> And this is love: that we walk in obedience to his commands. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is that you walk in love.

## Sermon — Majoring on the Majors

~ Pastor John Paul Holloway\*

## Closing Hymn — In Christ Alone (page 8)

## Benediction

## Postlude

*\*John Paul Holloway is a pastor at Sterling Presbyterian Church with Pastor Phil Proctor and has been called to plant a daughter church in the Manassas, VA area. He holds an MDiv from Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, PA; a BSN from West Texas A&M University; and an RN license, working in the ICU and ER. Holloway is a native Texan and currently lives in Manassas with his lovely wife Corinne and their two daughters Sophie Marie and Beatrice.*

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# Majoring on the Majors

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2 John 1-6

## **Closing Hymn — In Christ Alone**

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, what strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone!—who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones he came to save:  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied—  
For every sin on him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain:  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am his and he is mine—  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from his hand;  
Till he returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!



# COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

## **Our Church Family**

- Pray that we will be a people who walk in obedience to God's commands and in so doing love one another well.
- Give thanks for our sound techs who serve so faithfully and help us worship well each week.
- Pray for those who struggle with anxiety and/or depression that the Lord would meet them in their need and that He would provide relief and joy through His word and His people.
- Pray for the upcoming Sunday school semester and all those who have volunteered to teach or assist. Pray, too, for the edification meeting that is happening this week.
- Pray for the board of trustees as they meet this week. Pray for wisdom and guidance from the Lord as they serve the church.
- Give thanks for Amy Wright who is serving as interim nursery coordinator. Pray that she will have joy in this service and that many will be willing to be nursery volunteers.
- Pray for our session as they shepherd the flock of God. Pray that they will be faithful servants, diligent disciples of Jesus, and lovers and protectors of the flock. Pray, too, for wisdom and strength for them as they carry out the calling the Lord has put upon them.
- Pray for Ellen Socash & Garrett Kennedy as they prepare for their wedding in September. Pray that they will draw closer to Christ and each other as they work through the details and plans for the wedding.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: Barbara & Charles Ruch, Patti Deschamps, Jen Bridenbaugh, Jen William's brother, Mike, Christopher Burden, the Vidal family, John & Muriel Hadidian's daughter-in-law, the Wright family, 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 missions that we support financially: CareNet Pregnancy Center, Child Evangelism Fellowship, and the Frederick Rescue Mission. Pray that God will continue to provide for all their needs.
- Pray that God would raise up workers from the congregation to serve at Ballenger Creek Elementary with the Good News Clubs.

## **Missionaries & Others**

- Pray for our missionary of the month — Kristen who is serving in Europe. Pray that our of her love and trust in the Lord Jesus, she will care for those in her community well. Pray for boldness as she share the gospel, grace to listen and get to know her community, and patience when things don't seem to go the way she thinks they should.
- Pray that God would bring more willing servants to help with the Outreach Committee.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Important Dates to Know:

- **Wednesday Bible study for youth and adult prayer meeting**, 6:00-8:30 pm, Aug. 18th
- **Board of Trustees Meeting**, August 16th, 7:00 pm
- **Edification Meeting**, August 18th, 7:45 pm

**Calling all singles and newly marrieds!** David and Joli Chism would like to invite you to their home for a monthly soup and symposium. How can we encourage you as you pursue life's calling? Please mark your calendar to come and bring friends to our kick-off night, Saturday, September 4th. We are kicking around ideas to foster good discussions, but we want to hear from you! So please bring your questions and ideas so we can get off to a good start. We plan to gather each last Saturday of the month for food and fellowship.

**Ladies' Night Out is Thursday, August 19!** Ladies, we're doing something a little different this month and hope you can join us. The entire event will be at Jackie Plowman's home (4227 Spring View Ct, Jefferson). Grab some to-go dinner (nearby goodies include Watson's Carry-Out and Little Red Barn) and bring it Jackie's after 6:00pm to eat dinner there together. Prefer to eat dinner on your own? Join us for dessert, which will be served around 7:30pm. RSVP to Elease Layman - 301.767.6848 or [elease.layman@gmail.com](mailto:elease.layman@gmail.com) (appreciated, but not required). Depending on attendance and weather, we may ask you to bring an outdoor chair.

**New Members/Inquirers Class**, are you interested in joining the church or just learning more about New Hope or the OPC? Mark your calendars for September 24-25 for the next class. Have questions about it? Contact Giny in the office ([admin@newhopeopc.org](mailto:admin@newhopeopc.org)) or Pastor Francis ([pastor@newhopeopc.org](mailto:pastor@newhopeopc.org))!

**Ladies Bible Study group**, will be meeting on the second and fourth Wednesdays during the summer months. Come join us at 10:00 a.m. for devotions, prayer and fellowship in the lower building, Sunday School classroom # 3.

**Abuse in the Church?**, the presbytery of Philadelphia warmly invites members and friends of the OPC to attend a conference on the topic of abuse with featured speaker, Dr. Diane Langberg, October 8-9, 2021. The conference will be in-person and livestreamed. Pastor Francis is planning to attend and would enjoy having others go with him. If you are interested, please contact him at [pastor@newhopeopc.org](mailto:pastor@newhopeopc.org).

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**Serving Today (8/15):**

- Usher: Brian Burden
- Nursery: Katrina Howard, Liesl Boyed, Adeline Rodatus
- Sound: Belle Wetzel
- Livestream: Jim Washburne

**Serving Next Week (8/22):**

- Usher: Jeff Jernigan
- Nursery: Joel Poortenga, Man & Cora Kim
- Sound: Craig Lalley
- Livestream: Lance Duvall

# DAILY DEVOTION

The Daily Devotions can be found on-line  
and at the back of the sanctuary .