

WELCOME!



Worship
10:30 am

Morning Worship

August 22, 2021

Reflections

A Christian comes to others only through Jesus Christ. Among men there is strife, "He is our peace," says Paul of Jesus Christ (Eph. 2:14). Without Christ there is discord between God and man and between man and man. Christ became the Mediator and made peace with God and among men. Without Christ we should not know God, we could not call upon Him, nor come to Him. But without Christ we also would not know our brother, nor could we come to him. The way is blocked by our own ego. Christ opened up the way to God and to our brother. Now Christians can live with one another in peace; they can love and serve one another; they can become one. But they continue to do so only by way of Jesus Christ. Only in Jesus Christ are we one, only through him are we bound together.

~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer

"A right view of God as holy and merciful is the only foundation for genuine evangelical repentance. His holiness grounds its necessity; his grace and mercy ground its possibility."

~ Sinclair Ferguson

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Psalm 18:31-33, 49-50 (responsive)

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.

⁴⁹ For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations,
and sing to your name.

⁵⁰ Great salvation he brings to his king,
and shows steadfast love to his anointed,
to David and his offspring forever.

Song of Praise — Come Praise and Glorify Our God

Come praise and glorify our God
The Father of our Lord
In Christ He has in heav'nly realms
His blessings on us poured
For pure and blameless in His sight
He destined us to be
And now we've been adopted through
His Son eternally

*To the praise of Your glory
To the praise of Your mercy and grace
To the praise of Your glory
You are the God who saves*

Come praise and glorify our God
Who gives His grace in Christ
In Him our sins are washed away
Redeemed through sacrifice
In Him God has made known to us
The myst'ry of His will
That Christ should be the head of all
His purpose to fulfill (chorus)

Come praise and glorify our God
For we've believed the Word
And through our faith we have a seal
The Spirit of the Lord
The Spirit guarantees our hope
Until redemption's done
Until we join in endless praise
To God, the Three in One (chorus)

Prayer of Adoration

Confession of Sin — Ephesians 4:1-6

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon — 1 Corinthians 6:11

¹¹And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

Apostles' Creed (in unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,

 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

 born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried:

He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;

 he ascended into heaven,

 and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* 'he descended into hell': i.e. Christ suffered hellish agony on the cross

** by 'catholic': i.e. universal, worldwide

Song of Response — Have Your Way with Me

Have Your way with me, O God, in the temple of my heart
Let reverent love and holy awe, be lifted unto You
The truth my inmost being claim, til sin and shadows flee away
Teach my feet to love Your ways and run the way You choose

Have Your way with me, O Lord, sin's pleasures I cannot afford
They left me destitute and poor, now all I want is Christ
A passion for the gospel burns. To love Your bride, the holy church
Wash me with Your blood and Word, til I am sanctified

Holy Spirit, have Your way. I look to You for strength and faith
I need Your presence and Your grace to persevere this hour
Complete in me what You've begun.
Keep me by Your sovereign love
In my weakness, Spirit, come, and fill me with Your power

Jesus, have Your way with me. You bled for all who would believe
Let my life become a seed and give me grace to die
Display through my surrendered life Your selfless love and sacrifice
Until Your glory fills the sky, be praised and glorified

Song of Response — Isaiah 40

(men) Do you not know?

(women) Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God,

The Creator of the ends of the earth. (repeat)

(men) He will not grow tired or weary,

(women) And His understanding no one can fathom.

(men) He gives strength to the weary,

(women) And increases the power of the weak.

(men) Even youths grow tired and weary,

(women) And young men stumble and fall;

But those who hope in the LORD

Will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;

They will run and not grow weary,

They will walk and not be faint. (repeat)

(chorus after 2nd time)

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The LORD is the everlasting God

Offering* Matthew 6:19-21 ¹⁹“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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

Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — Romans 6:23

²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Sermon — Don't Sin

~ Pastor John Clifford

Closing Hymn — Take My Life and Let it Be (page 8)

Benediction

Postlude

Don't Sin

Romans 6:23

Closing Hymn — Take My Life and Let it Be

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C7
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Dm
Bb
Gm

1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed,
 2. Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse
 3. Take my voice, and let me sing, al - ways, on - ly,
 4. Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would

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F

Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments and my days; let them
 of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and
 for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with
 I with - hold. Take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry

Bb
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flow in cease - less praise, let them flow in cease - less praise.
 beau - ti - ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 mes - sag - es from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 pow'r as thou shalt choose, ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will, and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure-store.
 Take my self, and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for comfort and strength for John and Dana Bishoff as they mourn the loss of John's brother Les last week. Pray, also, for God's healing power for health issues for both John and Dana.
- Pray that Pastor Francis would be fruitful in his study, wise in leadership, equip the saints well, and make good use of his time. Pray for a quick recover from covid, as well.
- Pray for John Hardison who is currently in the hospital under observation and care after being admitted for breathing problems while lying down.
- Pray for the Americans, Afghanis and Christians in Afghanistan as many horrible events unfold. Pray for protection, for strength, and for trust in the Lord. Pray, too, for those in Haiti as they contend with the aftermath of the earthquake last week.
- Give thanks for those who serve so faithfully running the livestream and help us worship well each week.
- Continue to pray for the upcoming Sunday school semester and all those who have volunteered to teach or assist.
- Pray for our women's ministry as they look for ways to serve the women at New Hope to help draw them closer to one another and the Lord.
- Pray for the upcoming lay-deacon training that will begin in September. Pray for much fruit to be borne through it.
- 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.
- 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.

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 for the faithful servants who share the gospel in Nepal. Pray that the Lord would continue to strengthen the Nepali pastors in sound doctrine and wisdom.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates to Know:

- **Wednesday Bible study for youth and adult prayer meeting,** 6:00-8:30 pm, Aug. 25th
- **Session Meeting,** 7:00 pm, Aug. 31

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 first Saturday of the month for food and fellowship.

Ladies, please mark your calendars for our next fellowship brunch, to be held 10am-1pm on Saturday, October 2. Connect with other New Hope women, and hear a testimony and devotional from some of your sisters here, all while enjoying all-you-can-drink coffee and delicious brunch! More details and RSVP request to come.

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) or Pastor Francis (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.

Wednesday Night Lay-Deacon Training, Dear congregation, do you enjoy serving and caring for others, displaying Jesus' mercy and compassion to others? Then come to our Lay-Deacon training classes, every other Wednesday night starting September 22nd, 2021. We'll discuss topics to further equip you to come alongside deacons, champion mercy and care to the congregation, and thoughtfully serve others. If you're interested, please talk to Pastor Francis. This will run about 7-8 weeks through the fall.

Directory, we are in the process of publishing a NEW DIRECTORY! Please look for an email that will be coming requesting info from you. We are also in the process of updating the MAILBOXES as well. Please let us know if you would like your own mailbox!

Sunday School to begin! We are pleased to let you know that we will begin the fall Sunday school semester September 19th! We will be offering 2 adult classes, classes for all school aged children, and a nursery. See what will be offered and who is teaching:

- Adult Classes
 - ⇒ The Parables of Jesus, taught by Jim Auldridge
 - ⇒ Spiritual Disciplines, taught by Steve Hake
- High School, Pastor Francis VanDelden
- Middle School, Ann Burden & Joli Chism
- 3rd-5th grade, Steve & Karen Ochs
- K-2nd grade, Hannah Graf & Emily Jernigan
- PS-PK, Annie Kim

Sunday School Orientation, please mark your calendars for September 12th as we will be holding Sunday school orientation before the new semester starts. If you are a teacher or have children that will be participating in Sunday school, it's really important that you attend! Why??

- ⇒ Teachers, we will give you your curriculum and explain all the policies and procedures that come with teaching Sunday school.
- ⇒ Parents, we will go over the child protection policy, the bathroom policy, show you how to use the paging system, as well as how to use the ChildCheck system (we will be using this for Sunday school as well as for nursery).
- ⇒ There will be donuts.

Serving Today (8/22):

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

Serving Next Week (8/29):

- Usher:
- Nursery: Cath Howard, Kim Mills, Joel Chism
- Sound: Ed Wright
- Livestream: Lance Duvall

