

WELCOME!



Sunday School ~ 9:30 am
Worship ~ 10:30 am

Morning Worship

October 24, 2021

Reflections

“Possess yourself with this maxim, that godliness is the end of your creation; God never sent men into the world, only to eat and drink and put on fine clothes, but that they ‘might serve him in righteousness and holiness.’ Luke 1:75. God made the world only as an attiring-room to dress our souls in; he sent us hither upon the grand errand of godliness: should nothing but the body, the brutish part, be looked after? This were basely to degenerate, yea, to invert and frustrate the very end of our being.” But here we speak of a particular manner and method of holy thought: set aside time in which we deliberately consider our minds, our motives, our desires, our actions, and our sanctification. Guided by the Bible and aided by prayer, we devote time to think over our lives and consider whether they are aligned with a life worthy of the gospel.

~ Thomas Watson

God means to “bring our lives into harmony and agreement with His own righteousness, and so to manifest to ourselves and others our identity as His adopted children.”

~ John Calvin

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Worship — Psalm 122:1-4

I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the LORD!”
² Our feet have been standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem!
³ Jerusalem—built as a city
that is bound firmly together,
⁴ to which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD,
as was decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

Song of Praise — Lord of Lords

Beholding Your beauty is all that I long for
To worship You Jesus is my sole desire
For this very heart
You have shaped for Your pleasure
Purposed to lift Your Name higher

Here in surrender in pure adoration
I enter Your courts with an offering of praise
I am Your servant come to bring
Your glory as is fit for the work of Your hands

*Now unto the Lamb who sits on the throne
Be glory and honor and praise
All of creation resounds with the song
Worship and praise Him the Lord of lords*

Spirit now living and dwelling within me
Keep my eyes fixed ever on Jesus' face
Let not the things of this world ever sway me
I'll run 'til I finish the race (chorus)

*Holy Lord You are holy
Jesus Christ is the Lord (2X)*

*Now unto the Lamb who sits on the throne
Be glory and honor and praise
Call all the sinners to join in the song
Worship and praise Him the Lord of lords*

The Lord of Lords The Lord of Lords
The Lord of Lords

Song of Praise — Join All the Glorious Names

Join all the glorious names of wisdom love and pow'r
That mortals ever knew, that angels ever bore,
All are too poor to speak your vast and priceless worth,
Too poor to set my Savior forth.

*Jesus, your name is glorious, our Prophet, Priest, and King.
Jesus, you're reigning over us.
And forevermore your praises we will sing.*

Great Prophet of my God, my tongue would bless your name,
Through You the joyful news of our salvation came.
The long-awaited news of ev'ry sin forgiv'n
Of hell subdued and peace with Heav'n. (chorus)

Jesus my Great High Priest, You shed your blood and died,
My guilty conscience seeks no sacrifice beside.
Your pure and precious blood for all my sin atoned
And now it pleads before the throne.

Confession of Sin — Ephesians 4:1-7

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. ⁷But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon — Colossians 2:13-15

¹³And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Song of Response — Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fil thy law's de - mands;
 3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling;
 4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,

let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,
 could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
 na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less, look to thee for grace;
 when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
 all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.
 foul, I to the Foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Augustus M. Toplady, 1776
 Alt. by Thomas Cotterill, 1815

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 Thomas Hastings, 1830

Offering* — Psalm 116:12-14

¹²What shall I render to the LORD
for all his benefits to me?

¹³I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD,

¹⁴I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people.

**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 — Philippians 1:27-30

²⁷Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Sermon — A Gospel-Worthy Life

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Hymn — Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me
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Benediction

Postlude

A Gospel-Worthy Life

Philippians 1:27-30

1. The Command (vs 27)

2. The Complicator (vs 28-30)

3. The Truth (vs 29)

4. The Tenacity (vs 27-30)

Closing Song — Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love,
my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine,
I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Savior He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won,
and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released,
I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Tyler and Hannah Beck as they grieve the loss of Tyler's brother this past Tuesday. Pray for God's comfort and peace for them particularly in light of burying Tyler's father this past week.
- Continue to pray for Muriel & John Hadidian's daughter in law, Cindy, who is struggling with complications from lung cancer. Pray that the Lord would bring healing and comfort to Cindy during this difficult time.
- Pray for those who have recently lost loved ones: Dawn Myers who's father and mother have both died in the recent past and Jeff Deschamps who's sister died last week. Pray for God's peace and comfort.
- Give thanks for those who are teaching Sunday school and for the successful Sunday school semester so far. Pray that God would continue to bless the efforts of those who are teaching and that through this teaching gospel seeds will be sown in hearts and fruit will come forth.
- Pray for those who serve on the police force and military and strive to protect our people and our freedom.
- Pray for the men who are training to be deacons. Pray that the Lord would use this training to equip them and that God would confirm their calling.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: Dawn Myers, Phyllis Brinson, Scott Innes, Joan Johansen, John & Dana Bishoff, Barbara & Charles Ruch, Patti Deschamps, Jen Bridenbaugh, Christopher Burden, the Vidal family, 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 those who attend or teach in the local schools. Pray that God will be honored in the educational process and that mentoring programs, like Young Life, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Campus Life will flourish and be filled with godly mentors.
- Pray for honorable political leaders in upcoming Frederick County, Frederick City and Maryland State election; godly men and women of good will, to model upright moral conviction, honor and respect; for corruption to be exposed and truth, justice and righteousness to be exalted.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month — Child Evangelism Fellowship. Pray for this mission who seeks to bring the gospel into the public schools to give hope to those who may not know the Lord. Pray that New Hope will be able to get a group together to minister at Ballenger Elementary beginning in January.
- Pray for Luke Hake as he moves toward mission work in East Asia. Pray that the Lord would provide for all of his needs and give him wisdom and guidance in his plans. Pray for his fundraising efforts as he hopes to leave in February.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates to Know:

- **Usher/Greeter meeting after church**, front of the sanctuary TODAY immediately following the worship service.
- **Wednesday Morning Ladies' Bible Study**, 10:00 am in classroom 3 in the main building.
- **Wednesday Youth Group**, 6:00-8:00 pm in C6
- **Work Day**, Saturday, Nov. 6th, 9:00 am until noon.

Nominations for Elder & Deacon, if you know of someone whom you would like to nominate for Elder or Deacon, please fill out a nomination form that can be found on the welcome table. Please make sure to talk to the person you want to nominate first before officially doing so.

Women's Christmas Party, Ladies, mark your calendars for the New Hope Ladies' Restful Christmas party on Friday, December 17 at 7PM at Joli Chism's house. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share (bake one if that's restful for you; buy one if that's restful for you) and a gift for the white elephant exchange if it's restful for you to participate.

Annual Reports, due to the church office by November 30th!

Lost and Found, please take a moment to check the lost and found table and the **Book Table** to see if there is anything that is yours (lost and found) or something you'd like to take home for your library (book table). After this week, these items will be going to new homes.

Work Day, please set aside Saturday, November 6th from 9:00 am until noon for a work day at the church. We will take down the tent and do general maintenance during this time. Please let Gingy know if you plan to attend.

Ushers/Greeters Meet after worship, are you interested in being on the newly formed Welcome Team? Have you already expressed interest in joining? Are you looking for more information? Please plan to stay after the worship service this Sunday, October 24th for about 10 minutes to get some updates and info!

Nursery Volunteers/ Children's Church Volunteers, as we settle into (somewhat) normalcy and our Sunday ministries are settling in, we need to ask for some volunteers to help staff the nursery during the worship service. Also, we will be restarting the children's church ministry in January and need volunteers to teach and assist for those classes. If you are able to volunteer for either of these, please contact Amy Wright (amy.r.dewit@gmail.com) or Michelle Williams (michelleadshade@gmail.com) or Gingy in the office (admin@newhopeopc.org)

Welcome and Get to Know Lunch, Are you new to New Hope? Did you begin attending New Hope close to the start of the pandemic or within the last year and a half? Are you a long-time attendee but have a desire to meet new people and make them feel welcome? If so, then this lunch is for you!

- Sun 11/7 after church
- RSVPs required as it will be fully catered and we need an accurate headcount to plan.
- RSVP by 11/1/21 to Monica Laird via phone/text to 410 963-6522 or email monlaird@gmail.com.

Serving Today (10/24):

- Nursery (Sunday school hour): Betsy Lalley, Amy Wright
- Nursery (Worship service): Karl Koops, Valory Snyder, Jessie VanDelden
- Sound: Lance Duvall
- Livestream: Moses Vidal

Serving Next Week (10/31):

- Nursery (Sunday school hour): Katie Poortenga, Laura VanDelden
- Nursery (Worship service): Ann Burden, Dawn Myers, Aria Chism
- Sound: Ed Wright
- Livestream: Lance Duvall

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Verse: Philippians 2:9 — ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Westminster Shorter Catechism 75: What is sanctification? *Sanctification is a work of God's grace, whereby they whom God has, before the foundation of the world, chosen to be holy, are in time, through the powerful operation of his Spirit applying the death and resurrection of Christ unto them, renewed in their whole man after the image of God; having the seeds of repentance unto life, and all other saving graces, put into their hearts, and those graces so stirred up, increased, and strengthened, as that they more and more die unto sin, and rise unto newness of life.*

Monday: Phil 1:27's "let your manner of life", or "conduct yourselves" plays on the idea of citizenship. "Discharge your obligations as citizens of the heavenly kingdom." Read the following texts on our heavenly citizenship: Eph 2:19, Heb 10:34-35, 11:13-16, Phil 3:20f, 2 Pet 3:12-14. Think about your citizenship today. Pray that it shapes your thoughts, priorities, and actions.

Tuesday: As citizens of the heavenly kingdom, what does God call you to do in Phil 1:27? Read the following texts to get fill out what "live worthy" means: 1 Thess 2:10-12, Col 1:10-11, Eph 4:1-3. Where is the Spirit prompting you to growth in "worthy" living? How does Paul root your obedience in what Christ has already done for you (v 27)? Why is this important?

Wednesday: Phil 1:27-30. What are some of the challenges to holy living mentioned in this passage? V 29 says these sufferings have been granted, or graciously given, for Jesus' sake. How can God use suffering as a gift to clarify (Mt 6:21), pry (1 Pet 4:2), stretch (Heb 5:8), and press (Phil 3:8)? Have you experienced this? Have you seen it in others? Pray for this work to be accomplished in you (and others) through your suffering.

Thursday: Phil 1:27-28. Argue from the text that living worthy of the gospel is not an individual, isolated task. How does the church-community help? How can you do this? What is the "one spirit" and "one mind" that we are all to share (Phil 2:2-5)? Do you sense any obligation to your fellow saints? How can this text add clarity to your task even when you differ with others?

Friday: Phil 1:28 speaks of the ultimate conflict in which we battle. What confidence does the believer have in this struggle against the Prince of darkness (Rom 8:31)? What is the sober end of those who oppose God? If v 30's "conflict" is the struggle to advance the gospel, how does that tie in with v 28? Pray and seek opportunity to be a light!

Saturday: How does Phil 2:1-4 tie in to 1:27?