

WELCOME!



Worship ~ 10:30 am

Morning Worship

January 2, 2021

Reflections

Faith involves both a renunciation and a reliance. First, we must renounce any trust in our own performance as the basis of our acceptance before God. We trust in our own performance when we believe we've earned God's acceptance by our good works. But we also trust in our own performance when we believe we've lost God's acceptance by our bad works—by our sin. So we must renounce any consideration of either our bad works or our good works as the means of relating to God. Second, we must place our reliance entirely on the perfect obedience and sin-bearing death of Christ as the sole basis of our standing before God—on our best days as well as our worst ...

~ Jerry Bridges

Be punctual and regular in all duties and engagements. Keep no man waiting. Be honest as to time, both with yourselves and others, lest you get into a state of chronic flurry and excitement; so destructive of peace and progress; so grieving to the Spirit, whose very nature is calmness and rest.

~ Horatius Bonar

You have made us for yourself and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you.

~ Augustine

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Psalm 63:1-5 (responsive)

¹O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

²**So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.**

³Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.

⁴**So I will bless you as long as I live;
in your name I will lift up my hands.**

⁵**My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food,
and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips...**

Song of Praise — Jesus, I am Resting, Resting

Jesus I am resting, resting,
In the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
Of thy loving heart.

Thou hast bid me gaze upon thee,
And thy beauty fills my soul,
For by thy transforming power,
Thou hast made me whole.

*Jesus, I am resting, resting,
In the joy of what thou art;
I am finding out the greatness
Of thy loving heart.*

O, how great thy loving kindness,
vaster, Broader than the sea!
O, how marvelous thy goodness,
Lavished all on me!
Yes, I rest in thee, Beloved,
Know what wealth of grace is thine,
Know thy certainty of promise,
And have made it mine. (chorus)

Simply trusting thee, Lord Jesus,
I behold thee as thou art,
And thy love, so pure, so changeless,
Satisfies my heart;
Satisfies its deepest longings,
Meets, supplies its every need,
Compasseth me round with blessings:
Thine is love indeed! (chorus)

Ever lift thy face upon me,
As I work and wait for thee;
Resting 'neath thy smile, Lord Jesus,
Earth's dark shadows flee.
Brightness of my Father's glory,
Sunshine of my Father's face,
Keep me ever trusting, resting,
Fill me with thy grace. (chorus)

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Praise — Praise the Lord (Psalm 150)

You made the starry hosts, You traced the mountain peaks
You paint the evening sky with wonders
The earth, it is Your throne, From desert to the sea
All nature testifies Your splendor

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord

Sing His greatness, all creation

Praise the Lord

Raise your voice, you heights and all you depths

From furthest east to west

Let everything that has breath, Praise the Lord

You reached into the dust, in love, Your Spirit breathed
You formed us in Your very likeness
To know Your wondrous works
To tell Your mighty deeds
To join the everlasting chorus (chorus)

Let symphonies resound, let drums and choirs ring out
All heaven hear the sound of worship
Let every nation bring its honors to the King
A roar of harmonies eternal

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord

Sing His greatness, all creation

Praise the Lord

Raise your voice, you heights and all you depths

From furthest east to west, you distant burning stars

All creatures near and far

From sky to sea to shore, sing out forevermore

Let everything that has breath, praise the Lord

Confession of Sin — Proverbs 3:1-12

- ³ Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you;
bind them around your neck;
write them on the tablet of your heart.
- ⁴ So you will find favor and good success
in the sight of God and man.
- ⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.
- ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.
- ⁷ Be not wise in your own eyes;
fear the LORD, and turn away from evil.
- ⁸ It will be healing to your flesh
and refreshment to your bones.
- ⁹ Honor the LORD with your wealth
and with the firstfruits of all your produce;
- ¹⁰ then your barns will be filled with plenty,
and your vats will be bursting with wine.
- ¹¹ My son, do not despise the LORD's discipline
or be weary of his reproof,
- ¹² for the LORD reproves him whom he loves,
as a father the son in whom he delights.

Assurance of Pardon — Hebrews 12:1-3

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

³ Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Songs of Response — Great is Thy Faithfulness



1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring-time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
stars in their cours - es a - bove, join with all na - ture in
pres - ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for - ev - er will be.
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see: all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro -



vid - ed— Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923

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William M. Runyan, 1923

Offering* — Proverbs 3:9 ⁹Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce;

**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 — Psalm 63:1-11

- Fret not yourself because of evildoers;
be not envious of wrongdoers!
- ² For they will soon fade like the grass
and wither like the green herb.
- ³ Trust in the LORD, and do good;
dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.
- ⁴ Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
- ⁵ Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.
- ⁶ He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
and your justice as the noonday.
- ⁷ Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,
over the man who carries out evil devices!
- ⁸ Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath!
Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil.
- ⁹ For the evildoers shall be cut off,
but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.
- ¹⁰ In just a little while, the wicked will be no more;
though you look carefully at his place, he will not be there.
- ¹¹ But the meek shall inherit the land
and delight themselves in abundant peace.

Sermon — Restful Work

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Everyone should have a prepackaged bread and juice. It is not gluten free. If you do not have a prepacked container, please raise your hand at this time to allow the elders to come serve you.

Closing Song — God, You are My God (Psalm 63)

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Restful Work

Psalm 63:1-11

1. Fretful Work (vs 1-2, 8)

2. Restful Work (vs 3-11)

Closing Song — God, You are My God (Psalm 63)

Hear my cry O God
Listen to my prayer,
as I call to you
My heart grows faint
Let me find my refuge in You
Let me dwell with You

Pre-Chorus
Because Your Love
is Better than life
My soul is satisfied (CHORUS)

Chorus
*God, You are my God
Let me seek you, and thirst for You
Let my lips praise your name
For I have seen You, in your Glory
Lord let my soul find rest, in You*

You uphold me O God
You have heard my prayer
You have been my help
In the Shadow of your wings
I will sing to you and I will lift up my hands
(pre-chorus)

Benediction

Postlude

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Tim & Julie Wesolek as they mourn the loss of Tim's mom so soon after the death of his father. Pray for peace in the midst of sorrow and joy in knowing they will see her again!
- Pray for Joan Johansen who is currently in the hospital fighting a bout of covid and covid pneumonia. Pray for healing, strength, and patience.
- Pray for New Hope as we look ahead to the new year. Pray for clear vision for the future, a continued reliance on God and His wisdom, hearts of service for those around us, and a desire to share the gospel to give hope to the lost.
- Pray for the upcoming Sunday school trimester and particularly for those who have volunteered to teach. Pray that through the study of God's Word, many will come to know Jesus in a deeper way.
- Pray for children's church that is beginning next week. Give thanks for Michelle Williams who is heading up this ministry!
- Give thanks for Amy Wright who served so faithfully as interim nursery coordinator. Pray that the Lord will bless her for her service to Him and His church. Pray for Valory Snyder as she begins her service as nursery coordinator this week. Give thanks for her willingness to serve and pray that she will find much joy in her service.
- Pray for Jyl Mixon who is expecting a new little one. Pray for the continued health and safety of both mom and baby.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: Karl Koops, the Nichols family, Tyler Beck, Phyllis Brinson, Scott Innes, Barbara & Charles Ruch, Jeff & 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 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 for opportunities to share the gospel with those we come into contact with and for a boldness to act upon the opportunities!

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month — reformed Chaplains in the US military. Pray that these men that serve the Lord by ministering to the troops will have effective ministry through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Pray Luke Hake as he looks ahead to his service in east Asia. Pray that the Lord would quickly provide for all of his needs and will make a way for him to leave sometime soon.
- Pray for Claire and Kristen who are ministering faithfully for the Kingdom in Europe.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates to Know:

- **Wednesday Women's Bible study**, resumes Wednesday, January 5th in room C8 (office area). All women are invited.
- **Young Couples & Singles ministry**, Saturday, January 6th at 6:00 pm. See announcement for details.
- **Sunday School**, begins January 9th
- **Men's Ministry**, viewing and discussion of "Dust to Glory," January 8th from 8-10 am.
- **Congregational Meeting**, Sunday, January 30th, following the worship service. Details will be forthcoming.

Men's Ministry, Men of New Hope OPC, set your alarms for a weekly Saturday morning R.C. Sproul video series "Dust to Glory" Starting January 8th from 8 to 10 am. The plan is for an informal time of fellowship and growth in knowledge and understanding of our faith and to become more like Christ. The Sproul series is a survey of New Testament topics critical to our understanding of scripture and the truth of the gospel. All men are welcome. If you have any questions, ask Pastor Francis, David Porter or Monte Festog. See you on Jan 8th.

Sunday School begins Next Week! As the resting month of December concludes, we begin ministry in earnest this month. Sunday school for all ages begins next week, January 9th, with a great group of teachers and class options. Please take a look at what classes are open for you and your child(ren) and where they are (see page 14 for floor plan):

- Pre-school/Pre-K (Room 105): Lauren Mendez, Katie Martin, Katrina Howard
- K-2nd Grade (Room 123): Gail Millison, Elisa Godoy
- 3rd-5th Grade (Room 102): Amy Wright, Dawn Myers
- Middle school (6th-8th) (Room 103): Joel Poortenga, Kyle Graf
- High School (sanctuary): Joining with adults for New Members class
- Adult Classes
 - New Members/Inquirer's Class, taught by Pastor Francis in the sanctuary
 - Evangelism, taught by Steve Hake & Ann Burden in the overflow room

Children's Church begins Next Week! With the start of Sunday School and Children's Church just around the corner, we wanted to let you know about some changes you can expect to see. In addition to the regular check-in for Sunday School on KidCheck, there will be an option to also

check your kids into Children's Church. Children between the age of 4 and 6 may be checked into Children's Church at the same time as Sunday School, or as soon as they arrive at church. After the Congressional Prayer, kids will be dismissed to Children's Church (Room 102). At the end of the service, please pick up your children from their classroom.

Young Couples & Singles Ministry, Please mark your calendars for the next Soup, Fellowship and Prayer night at the Chisms on Saturday, January 8, 6 PM! Text David (301.401.7890) or Joli (301.712.8222) for directions or to RSVP. Feel free to bring a friend. This is for young adults (singles) and young married couples (no kids).

Frederick Rescue Mission breakfast resumed today!, see the next page under "Outreach Opportunities" for details.

Serving Today (01/02):

- Welcome Team: Ron & Giny Socash, Calvin Wright
- Toddler & Infant Nursery (Worship service): Josie O'Shea, Ronnie Socash, Emma VanDelden, Ann Burden
- Sound: Jim Washburne
- Livestream: Craig Lalley

Serving Next Week (01/09):

- Welcome Team: Jeff & Kim Jernigan (early team), Marc Quist, Laura Caruso (late team)
- Sunday School Nursery: Mary Troxel, Katie Poortenga
- Toddler & Infant Nursery (Worship service): Joel Poortenga, Man & Cora Kim, Joli Chism
- Children's Church: Michelle Williams, Karen Ochs, Emma VanDelden
- Sound: Craig Lalley
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Outreach Opportunities!

Frederick Rescue Mission Monthly Breakfast, as ministry resumes in earnest, we are happy to let you know that New Hope, again, will be making breakfast for the residents and community the first Sunday of every month. What is needed? How can you help?

- 3-4 volunteers are needed to cook and serve the breakfast at the mission. Arrival time: 6:00 am
- 1 volunteer is needed to procure the food to be cooked (we can give you a list ... cost is around \$125). This is usually done on the Saturday right before and dropped off at the rescue mission.

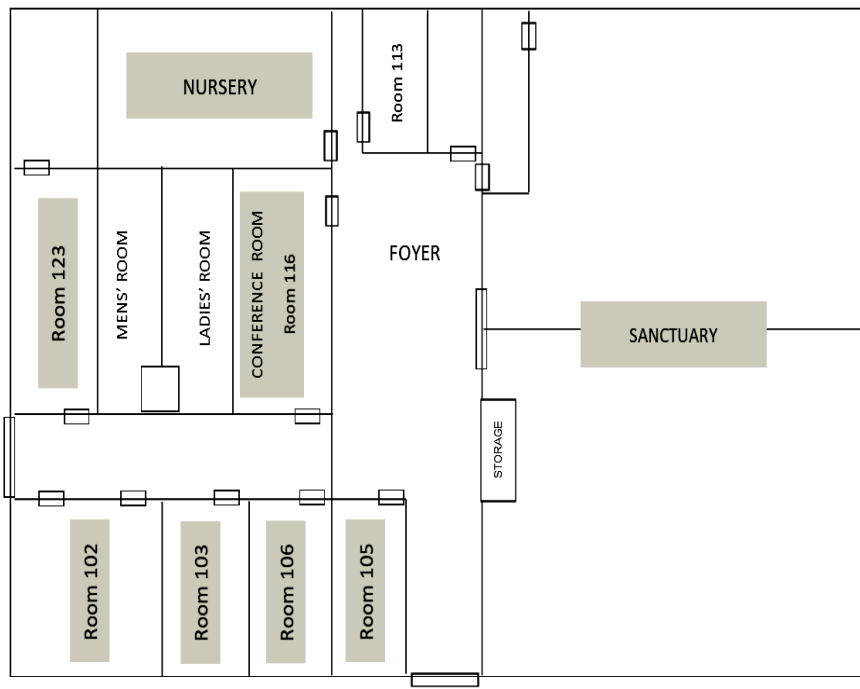
March Ohlwiler is the lead in this ministry. Contact him if you want to be a part of this ministry or if you have any questions.

WELCOME to Sunday School!

Join us in one of the following classes:

- PS-PK (Room 105) — Lauren Mendez, Katrina Howard, Katie Martin
- K-2nd grade (Room 123) — Gail Millison, Elisa Godoy
- 3rd-5th grade (Room 102) — Amy Wright, Dawn Myers
- Middle School (Room 103) — Joel Poortenga, Kyle Graf
- High School (9th-12th) (Unit C6) —
- Adult Class #1 (Sanctuary) —
- Adult Class #2 (Conference Room) —

Diagram of New Hope Floor Plan



DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text — **Psalm 63:5** ⁵Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.

Heidelberg Catechism 125: What is the Fourth Petition [in the Lord's Prayer]? "Give us this day our daily bread" ;that is, be pleased to provide us with all things necessary for the body, that we may thereby acknowledge thee to be the only fountain of all good, and that neither our care nor industry, nor even thy gifts, can profit us without thy blessing; and therefore that we may withdraw our trust from all creatures, and place it alone in thee.

Monday: Ps 37:1-11. Is work part of the curse (Gen 2:15)? What does Ps 37:3, 5-6 call us to do in terms of work? How are you using your time, talents, and treasures to serve the church (1 Cor 12:7, Eph 4:15f)? Are you over-invested, or under-invested? Pray that the whole church will strain together to "do good," and mature together.

Tuesday: What command is repeated in Ps 37:1, 7, 8? What is the reason given? How and where does "fretting" manifest itself in your life? How can we do our work (broadly speaking this includes whatever God has called you to do) from a place of fretfulness (v 8, Ps 127:2, Mt 6:28)? How does the principle of rest challenge that fretful heart/fretful work? How does Jesus' perfect work free your soul to rest?

Wednesday: Ps 37:3-4 call us to fight fretting by looking up. We fret because we calculate without God. How does v 3 call us to calculate with God? How can you get to know God better this year so that you trust him more often, and more deeply? What does v 4's "delight in the LORD" heighten this looking up? Consider meditating on Is 43:1-5, Jn 14:1-2, Zeph 3:12-20, Mt 27:32-53 to bolster your delight and trust in God.

Thursday: "Commit" in Ps 37:5 means "roll on to." To roll your fret-burden on to God you need to look at it, define it, and actively give it to God (1 Pet 5:4-5). Do this. With what you fret over, what part is your responsibility (faithfulness) and what is other's, or God's? Is the outcome your responsibility? How does looking at Jesus, and abiding in him help you know the way, and leave the end-results to God?

Friday: How does Ps 37:7-11 call us to fight fretting by looking ahead? How does the eternal perspective put your problems in their place, in the right priority? How does God's future vindication encourage you to press on in faithfulness? Ask God to grant that you work from a heart at rest.

Saturday: Read Phil 2:19-30. Why does Paul want to send Timothy? Why did he send Epaphroditus? How can you work for someone else's joyful encouragement?