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

# **Morning Worship**

January 23, 2022

## Reflections

Cheer up! You're a worse sinner than you ever dared imagine, and you're more loved than you ever dared hope.

~ Jack Miller

When you realize that God has taken you from the gutter, so to speak, and made you a son in His own house -you, a miraculously pardoned offender, guilty, ungrateful, defiant, perverse as you were -your sense of God's 'love beyond degree' is more than words can express- your spirit takes wing and flies....

~ J.I. Packer

Approach to God

Prelude

#### Welcome

#### **Call to Worship** — Revelation 22:8-9 (responsive)

<sup>8</sup>I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, <sup>9</sup> but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God."

# Hymn of Praise — Holy, Holy, Holy



## **Prayer of Adoration**

## Song of Praise — I Come by the Blood

You are the perfect and Righteous God, whose presence bears no sin You bid me come to Your holy place, How can I enter in, when Your presence bears no sin? Through Him who poured out His life for me, The atoning Lamb of God Through Him and His work alone, boldly come.

I come by the blood, I come by the cross Where your mercy flows from hands pierced for me For I dare not stand on my righteousness My every hope rests on what Christ has done And I come by the blood.

You are the high and exalted King, the One the angels fear So far above me in every way, Lord, how can I draw near To the One the angels fear?

Through him who laid down his life for me, and ascended to your side Through him, through Jesus alone, I boldly come. (chorus)

#### Assurance of Pardon — Galatians 2:15-21

<sup>15</sup>We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; <sup>16</sup>yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

<sup>17</sup> But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! <sup>18</sup> For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. <sup>19</sup> For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. <sup>20</sup> I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. <sup>21</sup> I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

#### Confession of Sin — Galatians 3:1-6

O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. <sup>2</sup>Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? <sup>3</sup>Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh? <sup>4</sup>Did you suffer so many things in vain—if indeed it was in vain? <sup>5</sup>Does he who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you do so by works of the law, or by hearing with faith— <sup>6</sup>just as Abraham "believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"?

# Songs of Response — All Glory be Forever

We had turned from God to sin's disgrace, we chose the path to hell Perfect law of God condemned our race for all in Adam fell But the righteousness of God appeared, And the world found hope again For the Righteous One has come down to bear All the curse of sin and death

Now to Him Who's seated on the throne, All glory be forever Oh, the depths of wisdom, grace, and power All glory be forever, All glory be forever

Every bond of sin that held us fast, is left in Jesus' grave We've been freed from all that gripped our past From Satan's rule and reign We've been raised to life to breathe His grace. As captives now reclaimed All our guilt is gone, all our strivings ceased, We're alive to seek His fame

Now our future's fixed, our journey clear, God will not let us go Every trial that tempts our hearts to fear He'll use to give us hope All creation groans as we await, What our eyes have longed to see Every pain and evil we've long endured Will be crushed by Christ our King

**Songs of Response** — I Will Rejoice in the Lord (Hab. 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...

# **Congregational Prayer**

**Offering**\* — Mark 10:23 <sup>23</sup> And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" *You can give on-line at the New Hope website: www.newhopeopc.org and click on the green "give" button in the corner.* 

Children ages 4-6 may be dismissed to Children's Church at this time.

## Sermon Text — Philippians 3:3-11

<sup>3</sup> For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh-4 though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup> circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. <sup>7</sup>But whatever gain I had. I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. 8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—<sup>10</sup> that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

## Sermon — Stop Stockpiling Rubbish!

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Song — Cling to Christ (page 8)

Benediction

Postlude

# Stop Stockpiling Rubbish -

Philippians 3:4-11

1. Stop Stockpiling Rubbish (4-8)

2. Gain Far-Surpassing Wealth (7-9)

3. Grow by Dying (10-11)

# Closing Song — Cling to Christ

Father, I can come to You, And boast of deeds I've done In my pride I strive to earn The favor Christ has won He alone pleads my acceptance, All my works aside So I come with empty hands, And I cling to Christ

Father, I can go astray And battle needless fears Voices tell me I'm condemned And that I can't draw near But Your Spirit calls me homeward With Your words of life Jesus bore my every sin, So, I cling to Christ

#### BRIDGE

It's more than I can do To keep my hold on You But all my hope and peace Is that You cling to me

Father, all my earthly aims In time will turn to dust Let me learn that loss is gain For those who know Your love All the treasures of this world Will never satisfy You alone are endless joy so, I cling to Christ

#### Our Church Family

- Praise God for the safe and healthy birth of Fae Wallis Mixon born to Dustin and Jyl this past Wednesday. Give thanks that both mom and baby are doing well!
- Pray for David & Kim Mills as they grieve the loss of David's mom that the Lord would give them peace and comfort. Pray for the family as they prepare for the memorial service on Monday.
- Pray that the Lord would continue to provide for all of the needs at New Hope. Pray for faithful giving from all of the members and regular attenders so we can deeply fund the work of the Kingdom.
- Praise God for His faithfulness and grace toward us. Pray that we will count our own righteousness and all things of this world as loss compared to the surpassing worth of knowing Jesus Christ as Lord.
- Praise God that we are able to resume our children's church ministry. Pray for Michelle Williams as she heads up this ministry and give thanks for her willingness to serve so well.
- Pray for Alanna Duvall 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: Kyle Graf, Joan Johansen, Tim Wesolek, 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 the efforts of CareNet pregnancy center as they seek to minister and help women who find themselves with unplanned pregnancies. Pray that through this ministry, women will choose life instead of abortion.

#### Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month reformed Chaplains in the US military. Pray that they will have many opportunities to share the gospel with other servicemen and women and that hearts will be changed in the process.
- Pray for Luke Hake as he looks ahead to his service in east Asia. Pray particularly that the student visas for Luke and his teammates will come through, that funding will be fully raised, and that there would be no other delays in getting into the country.
- Pray for Claire Hall in Merkinch, Scotland as she recovers from a bout of covid. Pray for their launch team, there as well, as they are all tired out from either being sick or from serving in the church plant while the others recover. Pray that they would all rest in Jesus and bring Him praise.

#### Important Dates to Know:

- Wednesday Women's Bible study, every Wednesday morning, 10:00-11:30 am, in room C8 (office area). All women are invited.
- Wednesday Night Dinner & Bible Study, 6-7:30 pm for all ages, including a nursery. Youth group, meeting in C6, 6:00-8:00 pm
- Men's Ministry, viewing and discussion of "Dust to Glory," every Saturday from 8-10 am.
- **Congregational Meeting**, Sunday, January 30th, at 3:00 pm via zoom. Stay tuned for details!
- **2021 Contribution statements** are being sent out via email again this year. This email will come from <u>treasurer@newhopeopc.org</u>, and you should receive it by January 30, 2022. If you would prefer to have a paper copy and haven't already let us know, please call the church office to put in your request.
- **Congregational Meeting,** on Sunday, January 30th we will have our annual congregational meeting. We will be having it via zoom this year. You will be receiving instructions in your email soon about how to sign on and instructions for participation in the meeting. If you have any questions or concerns about anything you find in the annual report, please contact the ministry leader if it is about a ministry, the treasurer if it is a monetary question, or one of the elders for anything else before the meeting on Sunday.
- **Email List and Mailboxes,** if you would like to be included in the church's email list please contact Gingy at admin@newhopeopc.org and she will add you to the list. A weekly church email (the Friday News) comes out every Friday and contains pertinent information, a digital copy of the bulletin, and a list of the songs that will be sung in the worship service. Also, if you don't have a church mailbox and would like one, please let Gingy know this, as well, and we'll get you one!
- Annual Reports, you will find a copy of the 2021 Annual Report in your church mailbox. If you would like a second copy, please let Gingy know by contacting her at admin@newhopeopc.org. There are extra copies on the Welcome Table.
- Announcement Reminders, if you would like to have an announcement in the bulletin, please have it submitted to Gingy by 9:00 am on Thursday. If you have an announcement that you would like to have go out in the Friday News, please let Gingy know by 9:00 am on Friday. Do you want to have something announced at church? Contact Pastor Francis by Wednesday to discuss the possibility.

Young Couples & Singles Ministry, Every first Saturday of the month. Text David (301.401.7890) or Joli (301.712.8222) for information. Feel free to bring a friend. This is for young adults (singles) and young married couples (no kids).

#### Serving Today (01/23):

- Welcome Team: (Early Team) Cath & Katrina Howard, (Late Team) Brian & Ann Burden
- Sunday School Nursery: Mary Troxel, Dave Myers
- Toddler & Infant Nursery (Worship service): Jim Auldridge, Karl Koops, Jessie VanDelden, Lauren Mendez (infant)
- Children's Church: Annie Kim, Dennis Caruso, Chalice Chism
- Sound: Lance Duvall
- Livestream: Jim Washburne

#### Serving Next Week (01/30):

- Welcome Team: (Early Team) Laura VanDelden, Joe Seiver, (Late Team) Wayne Greenfield, Chris Lear
- Sunday School Nursery: Kim Jernigan, Dennis Caruso
- Toddler & Infant Nursery (Worship service): Hannah Vidal, Katie & Micah Poortenga, Cath Howard (infant)
- Children's Church: Steve Ochs, Ann Burden, Cora Kim
- Sound: Lance Duvall
- Livestream: Craig Lalley

#### Outreach Opportunities!

- Consider inviting your friends and neighbors to your growth group! It's a great opportunity to give them a taste of what church is.
- Consider joining the team for the Good News Clubs. This is a great way to share the gospel with young ones that are eager to hear the truth!

# DAILY DEVOTION

**Memory Text**— Philippians 3:7 <sup>7</sup> But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ.

**Westminster Confession** — What is justifying faith? WLC 72 Justifying faith is a saving grace, wrought in the heart of a sinner by the Spirit and Word of God, whereby he, being convinced of his sin and misery, and of the disability in himself and all other creatures to recover him out of his lost condition, not only assents to the truth of the promise of the gospel, but receives and rests upon Christ and his righteousness, therein held forth, for pardon of sin, and for the accepting and accounting of his person righteous in the sight of God for salvation.

**Monday:** Phil 3:4-6. Spend some time coming up with a modern day portrait of the person in vv 4-6. Compare these verses to Luke 18:10-14 and 17-24. What's main ingredient missing in this religiosity? How is works/ performance salvation really love of self and not love of God? Pray for those caught in this, and for further purging of your own heart.

**Tuesday**: Phil 3:4-8. How does depending on pedigree, personal piety, and moral righteousness display: a wrong way to God (Gal 3:10)? a wrong evaluation of self (Is 64:6)? a wrong understanding of God (Lk 15:29)? What kind of inward fruit does it produce (e.g. Lk 18:11)? How might it affect prayer? What is missing from this kind of religion (I Jn 4:10-11, Rom 3:23, 5:5, Gal 5:22-23)? Where do you need to repent?

**Wednesday:** Phil 3:7-8. The first "I counted as loss" in v 7 refers to Paul's conversion. Read Acts 9:1-6 asking "what would Paul the performer expect to hear from Jesus?" How do you see Christ's lavish free grace in those verse instead? How is having Jesus as your Savior and Lord or "surpassing worth"? Meditate unto joy on the privilege of intimately "knowing" Jesus, being "found in Him," and "gaining Christ."

**Thursday:** Contrast the two righteousnesses in Phil 3:9. According to this verse, how does one "gain Christ" (cf Gal 2:15-17, 3:10-14)? Read the definition of faith in "Westminster Confession" above. Is this you with Jesus? Confess areas where you tend toward self-justification, self-righteousness, and ask the Spirit for help to change. Then fight to change your thinking.

**Friday:** Phil 3:10-11. Paul has already mentioned "knowing" Jesus in v 8. What does v 10's "know him" add? What two ways do we advance in knowing Christ in v 10? How do we experience the power of Christ's resurrection in us (Rom 6:4, 8-13)? How do we share in his sufferings by dying to self (Gal 2:20, Lk 9:23)? How will you do that today?

**Saturday:** Read Phil 3:12-16. How does Paul deal with his failures, lack of complete sanctification? Pray that God powerful speaks tomorrow.