

WELCOME!



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

Morning Worship

January 9, 2021

Reflections

Cherishing is the beating heart of love. It means that during the day your eyes are on others.... To be lovers of people, we need to look at them. Like Jesus we must see them. Like him we must stop, look, and listen...Jesus lowers himself in order to care, while the disciples elevate themselves in order to judge...Compassion affects us. Maybe that's why we judge so quickly -it keeps us from being infected by other people's problems...To be of service to others, we have to die to them -die to evaluating and judging them, which thus frees us to be compassionate.

~ Paul Miller

Compassion costs. It is easy enough to argue, criticize and condemn, but redemption is costly, and comfort draws from the deep. Brains can argue, but it takes heart to comfort.

~Samuel Chadwick

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Psalm 103:1-5, 13-14 (responsive)

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!

² **Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,**

³ who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,

⁴ **who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

⁵ who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

¹³ **As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.**

¹⁴ **For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.**

Hymn of Praise — O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

1. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Vast, un - mea - sured,
 2. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Spread his praise from
 3. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Love of ev - 'ry

bound - less, free; roll - ing as a might - y o - cean
 shore to shore; how he lov - eth, ev - er lov - eth,
 love the best: 'tis an o - cean vast of bless - ing,

in its full - ness o - ver me. Un - der - neath me, all a - round me,
 chang - eth nev - er, nev - er - more; how he watch - es o'er his loved ones,
 'tis a ha - ven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus!

is the cur - rent of thy love; lead - ing on - ward,
 died to call them all his own; how for them he
 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; and it lifts me

lead - ing home - ward, to thy glo - rious rest a - bove.
 in - ter - ced - eth, watch - eth o'er them from the throne.
 up to glo - ry, for it lifts me up to thee.

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Praise — Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
Worship the LORD with gladness;
Come before him with joyful songs.
Know that the LORD is God.
It is he who made us and we are his.
We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving
And his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him and praise,
Praise his name. For the LORD is good
And his love endures forever;
His faithfulness continues through all
Through all generations.

Confession of Sin — 1 Tim. 6:18, Titus 3:14, 1 Peter 3:8

¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share,

¹⁴And let our people learn to devote themselves to good works, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not be unfruitful.

⁸Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind.

Assurance of Pardon — Isaiah 42:1-6

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my Spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.

²He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;

³a bruised reed he will not break,
and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

⁴He will not grow faint or be discouraged
till he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his law.

⁵Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:

⁶“I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;

I will take you by the hand and keep you; will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations,

Songs of Response

How Deep the Father' Love

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure

How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which
mar the chosen One,
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice,
Call out among the scoffers

It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath
has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection

Why should I gain
from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom
(REPEAT)

The Glories of Calvary

Lord, You're calling me to come
And behold the wondrous cross
To explore the depths of grace
That came to me at such a cost
Where Your boundless love
Conquered my boundless sin
And mercy's arms
were opened wide

*My heart is filled
with a thousand songs
Proclaiming the glories of Calvary
With every breath, Lord how I long
To sing of Jesus who died for me
Lord, take me deeper
Into the glories of Calvary*

Sinners find eternal joy
In the triumph of Your wounds
By our Savior's crimson flow
Holy wrath has been removed
And Your saints below
Join with your saints above
Rejoicing in the Risen Lamb

Offering* — Proverbs 3:9 ⁹ Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits 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 — Philippians 2:19-30

¹⁹ I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, so that I too may be cheered by news of you. ²⁰ For I have no one like him, who will be genuinely concerned for your welfare. ²¹ For they all seek their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ. ²² But you know Timothy's proven worth, how as a son with a father he has served with me in the gospel. ²³ I hope therefore to send him just as soon as I see how it will go with me, ²⁴ and I trust in the Lord that shortly I myself will come also.

²⁵ I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need, ²⁶ for he has been longing for you all and has been distressed because you heard that he was ill. ²⁷ Indeed he was ill, near to death. But God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow. ²⁸ I am the more eager to send him, therefore, that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious. ²⁹ So receive him in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men, ³⁰ for he nearly died for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was lacking in your service to me.

Sermon — Three Men and a Church

~ Elder Joel Poortenga

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Benediction

Postlude

Three Men and a Church

Philippians 2:19-30

Closing Song — Have Your Way with Me, O God

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

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Kyle Graf who is struggling with shoulder issues and other medical concerns. Pray that the Lord would heal him, that He would ease his anxiety, and most importantly that Kyle would lean on the Lord in every way. Pray, also, that the Lord would give Hannah strength to take care of her family and depend on Christ for everything.
- Pray for Pastor Francis and Laura that they will parent skillfully and work restfully.
- Give thanks for the men who serve as leaders in our church. Pray that the Lord would continue to give them wisdom, strength, humility, and servant hearts.
- Pray for the Sunday school trimester that began today. Pray for the teachers who are giving of their time and talents to serve the church. Pray for good health, for joy in their time teaching, and that they will be able to convey well the truths of the scripture.
- Pray for Jyl Mixon and Alana Duvall who are expecting new little ones. Pray for the continued health and safety of both moms and babies.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: 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 that New Hope will be able to adequately staff the monthly breakfasts we have committed to serve at the Frederick Rescue Mission.
- 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 for opportunities for them to share the beauty and hope of Christ with those who don't know Him.
- 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. Pray for healing and strength for Kristen who is still recovering from long covid.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates to Know:

- **Men's Wing Night**, Tuesday, January 11th, Buffalo Wild wings. See announcement for more details.
- **Wednesday Women's Bible study**, every Wednesday morning, 10:00-11:30 am, in room C8 (office area). All women are invited.
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study**, Wednesday January 12, for ALL ages including a nursery, 6:00-7:30 pm
 - Youth group, meeting in C6, 6:00-8:00 pm
 - Lay-deacon training, 6:30-7:30 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!

Men's Ministry Wing Night, This Tuesday, January 11, the men of the church will meet for our monthly Men's Wing Night at Buffalo Wild Wings in North Frederick. Come out beginning at 6:15 PM for a time of casual fellowship, conversation and half-priced wing specials with other men from the church. Feel free to bring a friend and give David Porter a call at (301) 461-4195 with any questions.

Ladies' Night Out is Thursday, January 20! Ladies, join us for dinner at 6:00pm-ish at Silver Diner (Buckeystown Pike, Frederick). RSVP for dinner to Elease Layman at elease.layman@gmail.com or 301.767.6848 by Wednesday, January 19. There is no scheduled dessert this month, but we may linger longer at the restaurant and get dessert there if you want to join us later!

Sunday School begins TODAY! Sunday school for all ages begins today, 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:

- 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
 - "A Lifestyle of Outreach," taught by Steve Hake & Ann Burden in the overflow room

Children's Church begins TODAY! 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.

Lifestyle of Outreach, this Sunday school class will be offered to adult for the winter trimester. Here is a description of the class from elder Steve Hake: This class will NOT be a lecture class in which Ann and I teach you how to do evangelism. Nor will we be reading and discussing a book about evangelism. This class is designed for two types of people:

- ⇒ New Hoppers who enjoy evangelism and are good at it. We would all like to hear from you and learn as much as we can from you.
- ⇒ New Hoppers who want to reach out, but are NOT good at it, or don't have a clue what it might even look like.

This class will give us an opportunity to learn from each other, to encourage each other, and to pray for each other and our unbelieving friends.

Serving Today (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, Laura VanDelden, Samantha VanDelden, Joli Chism (infant)
- Children's Church: Michelle Williams, Karen Ochs, Emma VanDelden
- Sound: Craig Lalley
- Livestream: Joel Chism

Serving Next Week (01/16):

- Welcome Team: Sue Bridenbaugh, Dustin Mixon (early team), Dan Bull, Jackie Plowman (late team)
- Sunday School Nursery: Kim Hanlin, Gingy Socash
- Toddler & Infant Nursery (Worship service): Steve Hake, Man and Cora Kim, Dawn Myers (infant)
- Children's Church: Annie Kim, Megan Quist, Liesl Boyed
- Sound: Ed Wright
- Livestream: Lance Duvall

Outreach Opportunities!

Table Ministry, From the rescue mission: "We need volunteers who have a heart for Jesus and would share the Gospel and pray with our guests who come in to eat breakfast and lunch. Volunteers introduce themselves to the guests, sit with them, listen to them, get to know them, offer prayer and share Jesus with them." Anyone interested can contact: Carolyn Chandler, Volunteer Coordinator 301-695-6633 ext. 221 cchandler@therescuemission.org

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text — 1 Peter 3:8 ⁸Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind.

Monday: Phil 2:19-24. What are some reasons why Paul would *not* have wanted to send Timothy away (v 22, Phil 1:13-14)? What reasons does he have for sending him to the Philippians? What does this tell you about Paul's love for the Philippians? How is this evidence of Phil 2:4? How can you, by the Spirit's power, reflect a genuine interest in others?

Tuesday: Phil 2:19-24. How does Paul describe Timothy? What stands out about him according to Paul? What is communicated by "as a son with a father"? How might you reflect a genuine concern for the welfare of specific church member? How can you proactively seek their interests? Pray for opportunity, courage, and obedience.

Wednesday: Phil 2:19-30. Read through these verses and ask yourself "why did Paul, Timothy, and Epaphroditus do this? What motivated them?" Consider Phil 2:1-3, 4-8, Mt 20:27-28. How do you think meditating on the gospel, and the glory of Christ giving his all for you, grow you in holiness and sacrificial love? Take some time to do so.

Thursday: Phil 2:25-28. What five ways does Paul describe Epaphroditus in v 25? Why? What caused him such distress, and what does it tell you? Again reflect on how Epaphroditus reflects Phil 2:4. How did Paul see God's mercy in this situation (v 27)? Trace God's mercy to specific things in your and other's lives and give thanks for Him.

Friday: Phil 2:19-30. How do you think the Philippian church was challenged to live differently by these three examples, especially in light of 4:2-3? How does Paul charge them to respond to Epaphroditus (v 29-30)? How does that demonstrate a reciprocal relationship, and how does it apply to you?

Saturday: Read Phil 3:1-4. What seems to be the false teaching going on? How does Paul address it?