

WELCOME!



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

Morning Worship

January 30, 2022

Reflections

You're called. You're kept. Now press on. Because it is his calling from all of eternity and his keeping though all of time that provides the basis for the encouragement to run another hundred yards.
~Alistair Begg

So far as his acceptance with God is concerned, a Christian is complete in Christ as soon as he believes. Those who have trusted themselves in the hands of the Lord Jesus are saved, and they may enjoy holy confidence upon the matter, for they have a divine warrant for so doing. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus." But while the work of Christ for us is perfect, and it would be presumption to think of adding to it, the work of the Holy Spirit in us is not finished—it is continually carried on from day to day, and will need to be continued throughout the whole of our lives. We are being "conformed to the image of Christ," and that process is in operation as we advance towards glory. ~ C.H. Spurgeon

Develop a holy dissatisfaction with your spiritual attainments, put out of your mind anything in the past which hinders your pursuit of God, strain forward like an athlete. For imperfect as we are, it is God who is at work in us to will and to do his good pleasure. We do not run in our own strength and, all the more therefore, we can be assured that going hard after the holy God will bring us to know him deeply and enjoy the sweet confirmation of our justification.
~ John Piper

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome — Ministry Moment (Frederick Rescue Mission)

Call to Worship — Psalm 121 (responsive)

I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

**² My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.**

**³ He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.**

**⁴ Behold, he who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

**⁵ The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.**

**⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

⁷ The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

**⁸ The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.**

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn of Praise — Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down;
2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry trou - bled breast;
3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy life re - ceive;
4. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be:

fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown;
let us all in thee in - her - it, let us find the prom - ised rest:
sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave.
let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee;

Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;
take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be;
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,
changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heav'n we take our place,

vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
End of faith, as its Be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
pray, and praise thee, with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Song of Praise — Greater Than We Can Imagine

Every day we'll bless You and praise Your name
And on Your glorious splendor we will dwell
On Your wondrous works, Lord, we'll meditate
And of Your awesome power we will tell
We'll speak of Your salvation, and Your abundant goodness

CHORUS

*Because You are greater than we can imagine
You are too beautiful for us to fathom
Oh, You are great, and greatly to be praised*

Every generation shall sing Your worth
And magnify Your mercy and Your grace
We'll sing about the Savior who came to earth
To bear the sins of those He came to save
You fill our hearts with wonder
We'll worship You forever

Confession of Sin — Titus 3:3, 1 Peter 1:13-15

³For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another.

¹³Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ¹⁴As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, ¹⁵but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

Prayer of Confession & Supplication

(adapted from the *Valley of Vision*)

***My Dear Lord, My soul longs for communion with You,
For the death of my indwelling corruption, and my spiritual pride.
Blessed Lord,***

***Let me climb up near to You,
And love, and long, and plead, and wrestle with You,
And long for deliverance from the body of sin,***

Wrap my life in divine love,

***And keep me ever desiring You,
Always humble and sold out to Your will,
That I might be more fixed on You,***

***That I may be more prepared for serving and suffering.
All for your sake and glory. In Jesus' name, Amen***

Assurance of Pardon — Hebrews 12:1-2

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, ²looking 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.

Songs of Response

Our Song from Age to Age

Oh God of power, living Word, the
One who made the stars
Who with Your glory filled the earth,
from dust made beating hearts
You loved us when we fell away.
Poured mercy on our souls
And promised grace would come to
save, to loose death's iron hold

Oh God of all of history
enthroned in realms of light
What eyes of faith have strained to
see will one day fill our sight
With all the saints we'll lay our crowns
before the Savior's feet
And sing as all the heav'ns resound
for all eternity (chorus)

*You are our song from age to age
Our voices unite to recount Your
praise, again and again
You are our song from age to age
We will proclaim Your pow'r to save,
again and again*

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)

Oh God of promises fulfilled, the God
who took on flesh
Who did all that the Father willed, was
humbled unto death
You bore our cross of sin and shame,
endured our agony
With gladness we now bear Your
name, and worship at Your feet
(chorus)

(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;

Oh God, who surely guides our steps
Through tempests and through trials
Our Shepherd King, Your way is best
though tears now veil our eyes
Your steadfast love, our perfect hope
our eyes are fixed on grace
We have no doubt You'll lead us
home to finally see Your face
(chorus)

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)

Do you not know?
Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God

Congregational Prayer

Offering* — Hebrews 13:5 ⁵ Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.”

**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 3:12-16

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

¹³ Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,

¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. ¹⁶ Only let us hold true to what we have attained.

Sermon — Called, Kept: Now Press On

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Song — Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

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Benediction

Postlude

Called, Kept: Now Press On

Philippians 3:12-16

1. The Prize to Pursue

2. Pursuing the Prize

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 the congregational meeting that is happening today. Pray for the meeting to go well, for clarity throughout, and for unity.
- Pray that we would be a people who continue to press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus holding fast to what we have attained through Him.
- Pray for the men that serve as elders here at New Hope. Pray for continued wisdom, strength to carry out their calling, and hearts of service for the flock.
- Pray for the men that are training to be deacons. Pray that the Lord would make their calling clear during the training process and that He would give them wisdom and understanding.
- 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, 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 the Frederick Rescue Mission as they serve those in need in the area. Pray that the breakfast New Hope makes and serves next week will be a blessing to the residents and those who come to partake in the meal.
- 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 as tensions around the world escalate, that they will be ready to give an answer for the Hope that they have in Christ Jesus. Pray for their safety and confidence as they serve.
- 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. Please pray for me, for 20schemes, for the people in the schemes to hear and respond with open hearts to the Gospel, for the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers to Scotland, and – most of all – that God may be glorified.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 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**, TODAY, at 3:00 pm via zoom.

2021 Contribution statements are being sent out via email again this year. This email will come from treasurer@newhopeopc.org, 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, TODAY! Check your email for the zoom link. Everyone is invited to join...you don't need to be a member to participate in the meeting (but you do need to be a member to vote)

Serving Today (01/30):

- Welcome Team: (Early Team) Laura VanDelden, Monte Festog, (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

Serving Next Week (02/06):

- Welcome Team: (Early Team) Mary Troxel, Monte Festog, (Late Team) Jim & Lora Washburne
- Sunday School Nursery: Laura VanDelden, Katie Poortenga
- Toddler & Infant Nursery (Worship service): Meg Quist, David & Chalice Chism, Joy Nichols (infant)
- Children's Church: Amy Wright, Natalie Bohannon, Jack Socash
- Sound: Kim Hanlin
- Livestream: Moses Vidal

Outreach Opportunities!

- *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! Contact Valory Snyder (valorysnyder@gmail.com)*
- *Consider joining the New Hope breakfast making team on February 6th at the Frederick Rescue Mission (contact Marc Ohlwiler: 301.471.8571)*

DAILY DEVOTION

Some more reflections to consider this week:

- Christian maturity is not exemplified by high-sounding talk, but in a life of humble, steady consistency. The assurance of Scripture about going on to maturity is this: that we will persevere to the end of the race because **he** it is who keeps us going. ~Alistair Begg
- The reason the Bible can make our salvation depend on our pursuit of holiness without turning us into self-reliant legalists who have no assurance is that it makes our pursuit of holiness depend on the sovereign work of God in our lives. Work out your salvation, *because* God is at work in you. Your work is his work for his glory when done in dependence on his power. The most fundamental reason why you must go hard after Christ is that Christ is in you, moving you to go hard after him.
~ John Piper
- Real change occurs when we trust Christ, for God realigns our desires so that we want to obey Jesus. However, because our redemption will not be brought to its fullness until Christ returns to usher in the new heavens and the new earth, we still deal with our fallenness. Still, as we put to death our old fleshly nature, our new desire to obey Jesus manifests itself in actual obedience (Rom. 7). ~Ligonier Ministries
- The Christian life is a heated battle against the world, the flesh, and the Devil, and it is not for the faint of heart. In this war we will suffer seeming defeat and enjoy God-given success. At times we will be exhilarated, and at other times loss will discourage us. Yet we must never give up. Jesus' victory over Satan at the cross (Col. 2:13–15) has decided the war. Victory is guaranteed for God's people, and it is now slowly working itself out in our lives and in the created order.
~Ligonier Ministries
- ⁴⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it. ~ Matthew 13:44-45
- ²⁴Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.
~ 1 Corinthians 9:24-27
- ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing. 2 Tim. 4:7-8