

WELCOME!



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

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We are pleased that you are coming to worship at New Hope Presbyterian Church. In order to serve you well, please:

- ***Visit our Welcome Table***
- ***ESV Bibles are available on the welcome table for use during the service***
- ***Turn off the ringer on your electronic devices***
- ***Nursery is available for children up to age 4***
- ***Children's Church is available during the sermon (suggested ages 4-6)***
- ***Large Print bulletins available upon request***

Vision of New Hope Presbyterian Church

New Hope Presbyterian Church
is a grace and gospel-centered fellowship
which exists to magnify Jesus Christ
in the areas of worship, fellowship and outreach.

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Morning Worship

March 20, 2022

Reflections

In the New Testament, grace means God's love in action toward people who merited the opposite of love. Grace means God moving heaven and earth to save sinners who could not lift a finger to save themselves. Grace means God sending his only Son to the cross to descend into hell so that we guilty ones might be reconciled to God and received into heaven.
~ J.I. Packer

This entire upbuilding, by which the body of the church increases cell by cell, is being accomplished through the mutual love of one for another.
~ Jerome

The Spirit makes known the personal presence in and with the Christian and the church of the risen, reigning Savior, the Jesus of history, who is the Christ of faith. Scripture shows that since the Pentecost of Acts 2 this, essentially, is what the Spirit is doing all the time as he empowers, enables, purges, and leads generation after generation of sinners to face the reality of God. And he does it in order that Christ may be known, loved, trusted, honored and praised, which is the Spirit's aim and purpose throughout as it is the aim and purpose of God the Father, too. This is what, in the last analysis, the Spirit's new covenant ministry is all about.
~ J. I. Packer

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome — Children's Church Ministry Moment

Call to Worship — Psalm 133 (responsive)

Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity!

² It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down on the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,
running down on the collar of his robes!

³ **It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of Zion!**

**For there the LORD has commanded the blessing,
life forevermore.**

Song of Praise — My Soul will Sing (Psalm 103)

My soul will sing with all the strength I have in me
I will rejoice with every day He gives
I will recall the wonders He has shown to me
His power to heal, His mercy to forgive
We join with angels to sing His praises;
He does not treat us as our sins deserve

*High as the heavens reach above the earth
Is Your unfailing love, is Your unfailing love
Far as the east is banished from the west
You took our sins from us, removed our sins from us
How wide how high is Your unfailing love.*

Our King delights to show compassion to the weak
Their deepest needs He loves to satisfy
Throughout the earth His justice and His mercy speak
And He will run to meet the victim's cry
From everlasting to everlasting
Our youth renewed with every step we take (chorus)

Though we are dust a moment in eternity
As flowers bloom today and then are gone
He crowns our lives with beauty and with dignity
His patience smiles on all who turn to Him
From generation to generation,
We'll tell the story of His faithfulness (chorus)

Prayer of Adoration

Songs of Praise

Lord Most High

From the ends of the earth *(echo)*
From the depths of the sea *(echo)*
From the heights of the heavens *(echo)*
Your name be praised.

From the hearts of the weak *(echo)*
From the shouts of the strong *(echo)*
From the lips of all people *(echo)*
This song we raise Lord...

Throughout the endless ages, You will be crowned with praises,
Lord most high...
Exalted in every nation, Sovereign of all creation,
Lord most high, we magnify.

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice.
All creation rises to rejoice

*Behold our God seated on His throne;
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King—nothing can compare;
Come, let us adore Him*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds? *(Chorus)*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal, humbled to the grave.
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign *(Chorus)*

Tag You will reign forever, Let Your glory fill the earth (4x)

Confession of Sin — Philippians 2:1-8

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ²complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon — Philippians 3:7-11

⁷But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸Indeed, 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 ⁹and 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— ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Apostles' Creed (in unison)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried:
he descended into hell*;
the third day he rose again from the dead;**

**He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* *'he descended into hell': i.e. Christ suffered hellish agony on the cross*

** *by 'catholic': i.e. universal, worldwide*

Song of Response — What the Lord Has Done in Me

Let the weak say, "I am strong."
Let the poor say, "I am rich."
Let the blind say, "I can see;
It's what the Lord has done in me."

*Hosanna! Hosanna!
To the Lamb that was slain.
Hosanna! Hosanna!
Jesus died and rose again.*

Into the river I will wade,
there my sins are washed away.
From the heavens mercy streams
of the Savior's love for me.

I will rise from waters deep
into the saving arms of God.
I will sing salvation songs;
Jesus Christ has set me free.

Congregational Prayer

Offering* — Psalm 37:21 ²¹The wicked borrows but does not pay back, but the righteous is generous and gives;

**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 4:21-23

²¹Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brothers who are with me greet you. ²²All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.

²³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Sermon — Grace: Our Esprit de Corps

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Song — And Can it Be? (page 10)

Grace: Our Esprit de Corps

Philippians 4:21-23

1. Grace: Our Esprit de Corps (23)

2. We're Shining Saints (21-22)

3. Our Family Bonds (21-22)

4. Our Welcoming Warmth (21-22)

Closing Hymn — And Can it Be?

F G
Am/C D⁷
G 7
Am/C D⁷

1. And can it be that I should gain an in - t'rest
 2. 'Tis mys - t'ry all! Th'Im - mor - tal dies: who can ex -
 3. He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove (so free, so
 4. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay fast bound in
 5. No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je - sus, and

G
D/A A⁷
D
G/D
D
G

in the Sav - ior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his
 plore his strange de - sign? In vain the first - born ser - aph
 • in - fi - nite his grace!), hum - bled him - self (so great his
 sin and na - ture's night; thine eye dif - fused a quick - 'ning
 all in him, is mine! A - live in him, my liv - ing

D
C
G
G/D D⁷
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pain? For me, who him to death pur - sued? A - maz - ing love!
 tries to sound the depths of love di - vine. 'Tis mer - cy all!
 • love!), and bled for all his cho - sen race. 'Tis mer - cy all,
 ray; I woke, the dun - geon flamed with light; my chains fell off,
 Head, and clothed in righ - teous - ness di - vine, bold I ap - proach

C A' D G C

How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst
 Let earth adore, let an angel's mind in-
 • im - mense and free; for, O my God, it
 my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and
 th'e - ter - nal throne, and claim the crown, through

D G REFRAIN D D7

die for me?
 quire no more. A - maz - ing love! How can it
 • found out me. A - maz - ing love! How
 fol - lowed thee. A - maz - ing love! How
 Christ, my own.

G F C G Am/C G/D D7 G 7

be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
 can it be that thou, my God,

Benediction

Postlude

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray that Pastor Francis would lead well both at home and at church.
- Continue to pray for peace in Ukraine and that those intent on doing evil will be stymied in their efforts. Pray for God's mighty hand to turn hearts of stone to hearts of flesh.
- Pray for the OPC's short-term outreach, relief, and missions committee as they set up a fund to help the many refugees in Ukraine. Pray for wisdom and discernment in their endeavors.
- Pray for the board of trustees meeting that is happening this week. Pray for clarity, unity, and wisdom as they work together to serve the church. Pray for God's leading and wisdom for those who are working diligently on the church's upcoming budget.
- Pray that during the upcoming resting month we will be mindful of our time, looking for ways to use it well to both rebuild and to refresh.
- 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 Alanna Duvall, Liesl Hake, and Ellen Kennedy 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: David Mills, Tim Wesolek, Phyllis Brinson, Barbara & Charles Ruch, Jen Bridenbaugh, Christopher Burden, the Vidal family, the Wright family, Bill Wright, Ron Oakes, 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 missionary of the month, Heero and Anya Haquebord, who are serving the Lord in Lviv, Ukraine. Pray particularly for Anya's parents who live in a southern city of Ukraine that is under attack. Pray, too, that in the midst of the war and fear, the Haquebords will be able to offer hope and comfort for those who in their path.
- Pray for Luke Hake as he prepares for missionary service in east Asia. Praise God that he will be able to leave in early April.
- Pray for Claire Hall as she serves with 20Schemes in Scotland and Kristen Lalley who serves the Lord in Europe. Pray for continued strength as they live out their calling and minister to those in their neighborhoods. Pray that the Lord would bring people into their lives who need hope and the good news of eternal life with Jesus.

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

Serving This Week

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Wayne Greenfield, Chris Lear (early); Laura Caruso, Sue Bridenbaugh (late)

Nursery: Mary Troxel, Gina Socash

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Steve Hake, David & Aria Chism

Infant Nursery: Dawn Myers

Children's Church: Amy Wright, Natalie Bohannon

Sound: Craig Lalley

Live Stream: Moses Vidal

Serving Next Week

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Jeff & Kim Jernigan (early); Lora Washburne, Marc Quist (late)

Nursery: Dennis Caruso, Ron Socash

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Joel Poortenga, Hannah Vidal, Jack Socash

Infant Nursery: Rachael Kobe

Children's Church: Michelle Williams, Karen Ochs, Emma VanDelden

Sound: Ed Wright

Live Stream: Lance Duvall, Isaac Wright

THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Tuesday

Trustee Meeting, 7:30 pm in C8

Wednesday

Ladies' Bible Study, 10:00-11:30 am in C8

Wednesday Night Dinner & Bible Study, 6:00-7:30 pm for adult study and children's classes for ages 4-12. There is also a nursery.

Youth group meeting in C6 from 6-8 pm

Lay Deacon Training, 6:30-7:30 in the large Sunday school classroom

Saturday

Men's Ministry, viewing "Dust to Glory", 8-10 am at the church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ladies of New Hope, you are invited to a Get to Know One another Brunch and fellowship time on April 2 from 10:00 to 12:00 am at the church. With so many new faces at church we want to provide an opportunity to meet and get to know each other so that we can love and care for one another well. We will have a sign up sheet in the church lobby. We hope to see you there! Any questions please contact Ann Burden or Joy Nichols.

Directory Pictures, pictures will be taken after church this Sunday (20th) for the last time for anyone who wants a new picture for the directory or wants to be included in the directory. You do not have to be a member to be included in the church directory! We welcome anyone who wants to be a part of it to get their information in to Gingy (admin@newhopeopc.org). We hope to have the directory out for distribution by the end of the month.

Treasurer's Report to the Congregation, by Elease Layman

I bought my veggie seeds, pots, and starter soil about a month ago. Every so often I think, "I'm going to plant those seeds this weekend!" and then by the time Monday comes, I think, "I'm *really* going to plant those seeds *next* weekend!" There's always something else that comes up, calling for my time and attention, something that has a more immediate pay-off: the satisfaction of folded laundry, the enjoyment of a good book, the necessity of getting groceries into the pantry. Who has time to dig in the dirt?

Our giving to the Lord's work can sometimes fall into this pattern: "At my next paycheck, I'm going to give such-and-such percent!" but then the dishwasher breaks or the ever-growing kids need new pants or it's time to pay the deposit on the summer beach vacation. How much more tempting these temporal needs and wants are! It can be a challenge to prioritize financial choices that are rooted in "the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (Heb. 11:1).

My planting calendar says I only have a couple more weeks of wiggle room if I want to enjoy timely zucchini, tomatoes, and all the other garden goodness this summer. I know the reward that awaits; I just have to make the effort now to get the work started. Likewise, we are called to "sow bountifully" in the Lord's work so that we may "reap bountifully" (2 Cor. 9:6). Let's not put it off!

General Fund Giving, Jan. 1 - Feb. 28, 2022

Actual: \$68,319.77

Budget: \$76,684.52

Variance: -\$8,364.75 (deficit)

Facility Fund Giving, Jan. 1 - Feb. 28, 2022: \$4,584.01

Outreach & Ideas for the Resting Month of April

From Pastor Francis: *Active rest takes planning. What follows are some ideas to prompt your thinking so that your resting month actually rebuilds you relationally, and refreshes you physically. Do NOT do all these things — that would be exhausting! Let me know what ideas and things you have done/plan to do!*

Rebuilding Relationally

With God

- find a way to utilize the Sunday school hour to grow closer to God
- plan to go through the daily devotions this month
- plan to memorize and meditate on 4 verses (one per week)
- prepare for worship each Saturday night with prayer and rest
- if you have children, spend time each week in the Word with them (you can go over the sermon using the daily devotions, explain a Psalm to them, or read through Westminster shorter catechism questions.
- commit to looking over your life for imbalances and disciplines you are weak in. write up a step by step plan to grow more faithful in it
- sing or listen to music Sunday morning
- read a book that will help you grow

With Church Members

- commit to staying in on Wednesday nights and have a family dinner, or have a few friends over for dinner
- plan to pray through the new church picture directory
- choose a book to discuss/work through with your spouse or a friend
- plan to meet someone in church you're not close to, or haven't talked to deeply for some time (maybe a walk in a park, or a simple dinner)
- plan to write/text someone to encourage/strengthen every week in April
- determine to be more truthful (in love) with those you were closest to
- ask someone to disciple you, or ask to disciple someone (you can go through a Bible book together, I'm happy to give you devotion questions of books I've preached through to guide you)

With Neighbors

- give that person who needs a nudge a nudge
- pray for your unbelieving neighbors
- make some kind of contact with your neighbors (invite over for a game?)
- find a creative way to serve or support a kingdom ministry
- go serve breakfast at the Rescue Mission

Refreshing Physically

- plan to surprise someone
- plan a fun outing
- plan to pay less attention to the news this month
- plan a fast from food in order to be prompted to prayer more
- plan a month of no social media, or TV
- think of someone who refreshes you and get together with them
- get outside for a walk, take pictures, bird watch, draw, or just enjoy the sunshine

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text — Philippians 4:8-9 ⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Westminster Larger Catechism 32: How is the grace of God manifested in the second covenant? *The grace of God is manifested in the second covenant, in that he freely provides and offers to sinners a Mediator, and life and salvation by him; and requiring faith as the condition to interest them in him, promises and gives his Holy Spirit to all his elect, to work in them that faith, with all other saving graces; and to enable them unto all holy obedience, as the evidence of the truth of their faith and thankfulness to God, and as the way which he has appointed them to salvation.*

Monday: Phil 4:23, 1:2. Paul opens and closes his letter with a blessing of grace. What is grace (Phil 3:8-9)? How is grace the Christian's esprit de corps? How should this grace shape your view of other believers? God also gives grace to transform us (Phil 3:10-11, Titus 2:11-12). Why might Paul end with this? Ask God for this grace in a specific area.

Tuesday: Phil 4:21-22, 1:1. Think back over all of Philippians. Would you call them saints? Why is "all/every" significant in vv 21-22? How is being a saint an identity statement, and a call to action (1 Cor 1:2)? Because of our shared grace-in-Christ, we view one another as saints. How does that change your attitude, words, and actions when you disagree about politics, parenting, theology, etc? Do you functionally first identify your fellow believers as "saints" or by some other distinction?

Wednesday: Phil 4:21-22. By grace every saint is "in Christ Jesus" (v 21). Paul also uses "brother" here again (9x in Phil). How do these phrases underscore our unity (Rom 8:16f, Eph 4:15)? Why was this necessary in Philippi (e.g. 4:2)? Consider the parallels between how a good family functions and how the church is to function. What part are you playing in that (e.g. Eph 4:16)?

Thursday: Phil 4:21-22. Consider the warmth you see in these verses. Who are all the parties greeting and being greeted? What do you think these greetings communicated? How does grace, our esprit de corps, bond these people in love? How can you welcome, love, show hospitality to other believers?

Friday: Phil 4:22 mentions Caesar's household, likely referring to his servants and slaves. How might Paul's preaching and the Philippians financial support made these folks fellow-saints (Phil 1:12, 13)? See Luke 8:3 for a saints support from a surprising place. What does this tell you about the power of God's grace, and the people God so often touches? Pray for unbelieving friends and neighbors, and for opportunity to share.

Saturday: Read Luke 10:38-42. What did Martha need to learn?