

Worship ~ 10:30 am

Morning Worship

April 3, 2022

Reflections

It should comfort the church that God is able to make her chiefest enemies to become converts, and that he hath done it sundry times, and will yet do it more ~David Dickson

Christ himself is the Foundation of the church, which God has laid. Holiness is the strength and firmness of the church. Let us not be ashamed of the church of Christ in its meanest condition, nor of those that belong to it, since such glorious things are spoken of it. Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, even Jesus Christ. The glorious things spoken of Zion by the Spirit, were all typical of Christ, and his work and offices; of the gospel church, its privileges and members; of heaven, its glory and perfect happiness.

~Matthew Henry

"To the thirsty I will give from the fountain of the water of life without payment." (Rev 21:6).

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Psalm 122 (responsive)

I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

- ² Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!
- ³ Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together,
- 4 to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD,

as was decreed for Israel,

to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

⁵ There thrones for judgment were set, the thrones of the house of David.

For my brothers and companions' sake

⁸ For my brothers and companions' sake I will say, "Peace be within you!"

⁹ For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good.

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

Song of Praise — 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

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

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

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

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

Confession of Sin — Hebrews 11:13-16, 24-26

¹³ These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ¹⁴ For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.

Assurance of Pardon — Revelation 5:9-12 (responsive)

⁹ And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,

for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.

¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹² saying with a loud voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,

to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

Song of Response — Power of the Cross

O, to see the dawn of the darkest day; Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.

O, to see the pain, written on Your face, Bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed. Crowning Your bloodstained brow... (chorus#1)

Chorus #1

This the pow'r of the cross; Christ became sin for us, Took the blame, bore the wrath; We stand forgiven at the cross.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath, Quakes as its Maker bows His head.

Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life— "Finished!" the victory cry. (chorus #1)

O, to see my name, written in the wounds, For through Your suff'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death! Life is mine to live, Won through your selfless love! (chorus #2)

Chorus #2

This is the pow'r of the cross; Son of God, slain for us What a love, what a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross (repeat)

Congregational Prayer

Offering* — Mark 10:23 ²³ 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.

Sermon Text — Psalm 87

¹On the holy mount stands the city he founded;

the LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwelling places of Jacob.

³ Glorious things of you are spoken, O city of God.

⁴ Among those who know me I mention Rahab and Babylon; behold, Philistia and Tyre, with Cush—
"This one was born there." they say.

⁵ And of Zion it shall be said,

"This one and that one were born in her"; for the Most High himself will establish her.

⁶ The LORD records as he registers the peoples,

"This one was born there."

⁷ Singers and dancers alike say, "All my springs are in you."

Sermon — Born in Zion?

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Song of Response — We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Chorus: We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things, we will say together We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire, He is the LORD our God We are not consumed, by the flood, upheld, protected, gathered up

In the dark of night, before the dawn, My soul, be not afraid For the promised morning, oh how long? Oh God of Jacob, be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the Faithful one And from the garden to the grave, bind us together, bring shalom.

- All Nations Singing -

Psalm 87

1. Zion's Loving God (1-3)

2. Zion's Adopted Children (4-6)

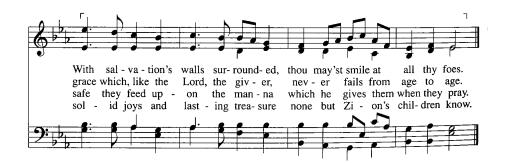
3. Zion's Exuberant Singers (7)

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 Hymn — Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken





Benediction

Postlude

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray that during this resting month we will be able to find ways to bless those around us, refresh spiritually, and rejuvenate our desire to serve the Lord.
- Praise God that Christ Himself is the foundation of the church and that through Him we have all the privileges as citizens of Heaven. Pray for a deep and abiding trust in Jesus and the promised excellencies of the life eternal with Him.
- Pray that we will have opportunity to invite friends, neighbors, family, and co-workers to the upcoming invitation Sunday. Pray for hearts to be softened to hear the good news of the gospel.
- Pray for Hannah Vidal and her family as they move to North Carolina.
 Pray that they will be able to settle in and adjust quickly and find a good church home.
- Pray for Donna Neeriemer's brother, John, who has a tumor in his pancreas that is causing much difficulty for him. Pray for healing and wisdom for the doctors as they treat him.
- Continue to pray for peace in Ukraine. Give thanks and praise for the faithful pastors of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Ukraine who are standing with their flocks and still holding services. Pray that those who are struggling with anxiety and/or depression will cling to the hope that is only found in the gospel.
- Pray for Alanna Duvall, Liesl Boyed, 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 (who is adjusting to a new treatment plan), 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, Luke Hake, as he prepares to leave for missionary service in east Asia. Praise God that he is able to leave this month and pray for continued good health in his preparations. Pray that the Lord would give him wisdom, discernment, and understanding in his work.
- Pray for the many OPC missionaries who serve all around the world.
 Pray for protection, boldness of faith, and wisdom.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Resting Month**, Consider ways you can rebuild and refresh. There will be no children's church or Sunday school during April but there will be a nursery.
- Women's Bible Study, on April 6th (this Wed.), the Women's morning Bible study will meet for prayer, fellowship, and reading scriptural verses about the cross. The last 3 weeks of the April resting month (April 13, 20, 27) the Women's Wednesday morning Bible study group will not be meeting for Bible study but will be using that time to visit folks in the congregation. Contact Jackie Plowman (plowjack72@gmail.com) for details.
- **Good Friday Service**, New Hope with join with Good News ARP and Faith PCA for worship on Good Friday, April 15th, at 7:00 pm at Faith PCA (8158 Yellow Springs Road, Frederick).
- **Luke Hake Send Off**, Next Sunday, April 10th we will be sending Luke Hake off to the mission field. Luke will do a mission moment during the service, and we will send him off with prayer. After the service we'll fellowship, rejoice, and have opportunity to talk to Luke. We invite you to bring cookies, doughnuts, pastries (easy things) to add to the occasion.
- Game Night!, Are you "board"? Do you have a "minute to win it"? If so then come to New Hope's Game Night, Saturday 4/23 6-9 pm. Family friendly games, drinks, and a popcorn bar provided. Feel free to bring your favorite game, a snack to share, and your friends and neighbors. Any questions, contact Monica Laird 410 963-6522 or monlaird@gmail.com

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

Serving This Week

10:30 am

Welcome Team: Brian & Ann Burden, Dan Bull

Toddler Nursery: Joy Nichols, Lauren Mendez, Samantha VanDelden

Infant Nursery: Rachael Kobe

Children's Church: No Children's Church

Sound: Kim Hanlin Live Stream: Lance Duvall

Serving Next Week

10:30 am

Welcome Team: Jim & Lora Washburne, Laura Caruso Toddler Nursery: Josie O'Shea, Elisa & Lily Godoy

Infant Nursery: Cath Howard

Children's Church: No Children's Church

Sound: Craig Lalley Live Stream: Joel Chism

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text: Psalm 87:1-2 — ¹On the holy mount stands the city he founded; ² the LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwelling places of Jacob.³ Glorious things of you are spoken, O city of God.

Westminster Confession 25.3. Unto this catholic visible Church Christ has given the ministry, oracles, and ordinances of God, for the gathering and perfecting of the saints, in this life, to the end of the world: and does, by His own presence and Spirit, according to His promise, make them effectual thereunto.

Monday: Psalm 87:1-3. What makes Zion holy (Is 6:3)? How did God "found" Zion (Deut 12:5, Eph 2:20)? What's remarkable about v 2? Why would God especially love "the gates" (Lev 8:3, Ex 29:42)? How does Christ fulfill this "dwelling with" his people (Mt 1:23)? Ponder God's love for his church, his people, you -what kind of love is this? How deep and steady is it? Pray that his love satisfies you.

Tuesday: Psalm 87:3. Why might glorious things be spoken of God's city (e.g. v 2, 4a, Ps 76:1, Deut 12:11, Ps 2:6, Is 12:6)? God's people are to "know" God, and make him known (v 4). What is the church's main mission? How is the church the NT counterpart to Zion (Eph 2:19-21)? What do vv 1-3 say about God's view of, and the centrality of the church? How do they challenge your view of, commitment to, and expectation of church?

Wednesday: Read Psalm 87:4-6 as God's vision for the nations. Compare Gen 17:4f, Rev 14:1, 5:9. Marvel at how God's vision is for all nations to know him, to be born again! Pray for that especially through missions. Who were these nations in relation to Israel? How do they become native born citizens of Zion (v 4, Jn 3:5-7, Gal 4:26)? Pray for this new birth to happen at New Hope, and for specific people. Are you born again?

Thursday: Psalm 87:6. What picture do you see in Psalm 87:6? What does it communicate that God himself does this? How does it demonstrate God's sovereign choice (Lk 10:20, Eph 1:5)? How does it underline your joyful security of salvation (Jn 17:12)?

Friday: What is happening in Psalm 87:7? How is this fitting in light of vv 1-6? Do you rejoice in God's work, his church, his love, his ingrafting you (and others) into Christ? Pray for an increase in that joy, and more people saved! Spend some time considering how "all my springs/ fountain heads are in you" (cf Eph 1:3). Sing to him!

Saturday: Read Romans 10:14-17. What is the place of preaching and hearing the Word in conversion? Pray for this to happen tomorrow.