

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

WELCOME!

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
- Children's bulletins available at the Welcome Table
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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.

Morning Worship

June 12, 2022

Reflections

...that most basic question which God poses to each human heart: Has something or someone besides Jesus the Christ taken title to your heart's functional trust, preoccupation, loyalty, service, fear, and delight? Questions...bring some of people's idol systems to the surface. To who or what do you look for life-sustaining stability, security and acceptance?...What do you really want and expect [out of life]? What would [really] make you happy? What would make you an acceptable person? Where do you look for power and success? These questions or similar ones tease out whether we serve God or idols, whether we look for salvation from Christ or false saviors.

~ David Powlison

The fear of God is the death of every other fear; like a mighty lion, it chases all other fears before it. ~ C.H. Spurgeon

14.2. By this faith, a Christian believes to be true whatsoever is revealed in the Word, for the authority of God Himself speaking therein; and acts differently upon that which each particular passage thereof contains; yielding obedience to the commands, trembling at the threatenings, and embracing the promises of God for this life, and that which is to come.8 But the principal acts of saving faith are accepting, receiving, and resting upon Christ alone for justification, sanctification, and eternal life, by virtue of the covenant of grace.

~ The Westminster Confession of Faith

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Ministry Moment — Valory Snyder for CEF

Call to Worship — Lamentations 3:22-26 (responsive)

- ²² The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end:
- ²³ they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
- 24 "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."
- ²⁵ The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him.
- ²⁶ It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

Praise

Songs of Praise

Come People of the Risen King Come, people of the risen King, Who delight to bring Him praise, Come all, and tune your hearts to sing To the Morning Star of grace. From the shifting shadows of the earth,

We will lift our eyes to Him, Where steady arms of mercy reach To gather children in.

Rejoice, Rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice; Oh Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come those whose joy is morning sun,
And those weeping through the night,
Come, those who tell of battles won,
And those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change,
And His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days With the certain hope of peace. (chorus)

Come young and old from ev'ry land,
Men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands;
Find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world His people sing;
Shore to shore we hear them call The Truth that cries through ev'ry age:
"Our God is all in all." (chorus)

Mercies Anew

Every morning that breaks
There are mercies anew
Every breath that I take
Is your faithfulness proved,
And at the end of each day
when my labors are through
I will sing of Your mercies anew.

When I've fallen and strayed
There were mercies anew
For you sought me in love
And my heart you pursued
in the face of my sin Lord,
You never withdrew
So I sing of Your mercies anew.

And Your mercies, they will never end For ten thousand years they'll remain And when this world's beauty Has passed away, Your mercies will be unchanged

And when the storms swirl and rage there are mercies anew In affliction and pain You will carry me through And at the end of my days when Your throne fills my view, I will sing of Your mercies anew... I will sing of Your mercies anew...

Prayer of Adoration

Renewal

Confession of Sin — 1 Peter 5:5-11

⁵Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the

proud but gives grace to the humble."

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷ casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. 8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. 10 And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹ To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon — 2 Timothy 2:8-13

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, ⁹ for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. 11 The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him:

if we deny him, he also will deny us;

¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

Response in Song

Whate'er My God Ordains is Right
Whate'er my God ordains is right:
His holy will abideth;
I will be still whate'er He doth;
And follow where He guideth.
He is my God:
though dark my road.
He holds me that I shall not fall.
And so to Him I leave it all,
He holds me that I shall not fall.

Whate'er my God ordains is right: He never will deceive me. He leads me by the proper path; I know He will not leave me. I take, content, what He hath sent. His hand can turn my griefs away, And patiently I wait His day, His hand can turn my griefs away.

Whate'er my God ordains is right, Though now this cup I'm drinking, May bitter seem to my faint heart, I take it all, unshrinking.
My God is true; each morn anew. Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart, And pain and sorrow shall depart, Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart.

Whate'er my God ordains is right. Here shall my stand be taken. Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, Yet I am not forsaken. My Father's care is round me there. He holds me that I shall not fall, And so to Him I leave it all, He holds me that I shall not fall.

Christ Our Hope in Life & Death

What is our hope in life and death Christ alone, Christ alone What is our only confidence That our souls to Him belong Who holds our days within His hand What comes, apart from His command And what will keep us to the end The love of Christ, in which we stand

O sing hallelujah, Our hope springs eternal O sing hallelujah, Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm
the troubled soul
God is good, God is good
Where is His grace
and goodness known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith
when fears arise
Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves
that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ
(chorus)

Unto the grave,
what will we sing Christ,
He lives, Christ, He lives
And what reward will heaven bring
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death
will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore
(chorus)

Congregational Prayer

Offering* — Proverbs 14:31 ³¹ Whoever oppresses a poor man insults his Maker, but he who is generous to the needy honors him.

*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 4-5 are invited to be dismissed to go to Children's church at parents' discretion.

Sermon Text — Isaiah 7-8:8

In the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, son of Uzziah, king of Judah, Rezin the king of Syria and Pekah the son of Remaliah the king of Israel came up to Jerusalem to wage war against it, but could not yet mount an attack against it. ² When the house of David was told, "Syria is in league with Ephraim," the heart of Ahaz and the heart of his people shook as the trees of the forest shake before the wind.

³ And the LORD said to Isaiah, "Go out to meet Ahaz, you and Shear-jashub your son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool on the highway to the Washer's Field. ⁴ And say to him, 'Be careful, be quiet, do not fear, and do not let your heart be faint because of these two smoldering stumps of firebrands, at the fierce anger of Rezin and Syria and the son of Remaliah. ⁵ Because Syria, with Ephraim and the son of Remaliah, has devised evil against you, saying, ⁶ "Let us go up against Judah and terrify it, and let us conquer it for ourselves, and set up the son of Tabeel as king in the midst of it," ⁷ thus says the Lord GoD:

"It shall not stand.

and it shall not come to pass.

⁸ For the head of Syria is Damascus,

and the head of Damascus is Rezin.

And within sixty-five years

Ephraim will be shattered from being a people.

⁹ And the head of Ephraim is Samaria,

and the head of Samaria is the son of Remaliah.

If you are not firm in faith,

you will not be firm at all."

¹⁰ Ágain the LORD spoke to Ahaz: ¹¹ "Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." ¹² But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test." ¹³ And he said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. ¹⁵ He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. ¹⁶ For before the boy knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land whose two kings you dread will be deserted. ¹⁷ The LORD will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father's house such days as have not come since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria!"

¹⁸ In that day the LORD will whistle for the fly that is at the end of the streams of Egypt, and for the bee that is in the land of Assyria. 19 And they will all come and settle in the steep ravines, and in the clefts of the rocks, and on all the thornbushes, and on all the pastures.

²⁰ In that day the Lord will shave with a razor that is hired beyond the River-with the king of Assyria-the head and the hair of the feet, and it will

sweep away the beard also.

²¹ In that day a man will keep alive a young cow and two sheep, ²² and because of the abundance of milk that they give, he will eat curds, for everyone who is left in the land will eat curds and honey.

²³ In that day every place where there used to be a thousand vines, worth a thousand shekels of silver, will become briers and thorns. ²⁴ With bow and arrows a man will come there, for all the land will be briers and thorns. ²⁵ And as for all the hills that used to be hoed with a hoe, you will not come there for fear of briers and thorns, but they will become a place where cattle are let loose and where sheep tread.

8 ¹Then the LORD said to me, "Take a large tablet and write on it in common characters, 'Belonging to Maher-shalal-hash-baz.' And I will get reliable witnesses. Uriah the priest and Zechariah the son of Jeberechiah, to attest for me."

³ And I went to the prophetess, and she conceived and bore a son. Then the LORD said to me, "Call his name Maher-shalal-hash-baz; 4 for before the boy knows how to cry 'My father' or 'My mother,' the wealth of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria will be carried away before the king of Assyria." ⁵The LORD spoke to me again: ⁶ "Because this people has refused the waters of Shiloah that flow gently, and rejoice over Rezin and the son of Remaliah, 7therefore, behold, the Lord is bringing up against them the wa-

ters of the River, mighty and many, the king of Assyria and all his glory. And it will rise over all its channels and go over all its banks. 8 and it will sweep on into Judah, it will overflow and pass on, reaching even to the neck, and its outspread wings will fill the breadth of your land. O Immanuel."

Sermon — Be Firm in Your Faith

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Hymn — Be Still My Soul (page 10)

Benediction

Postlude

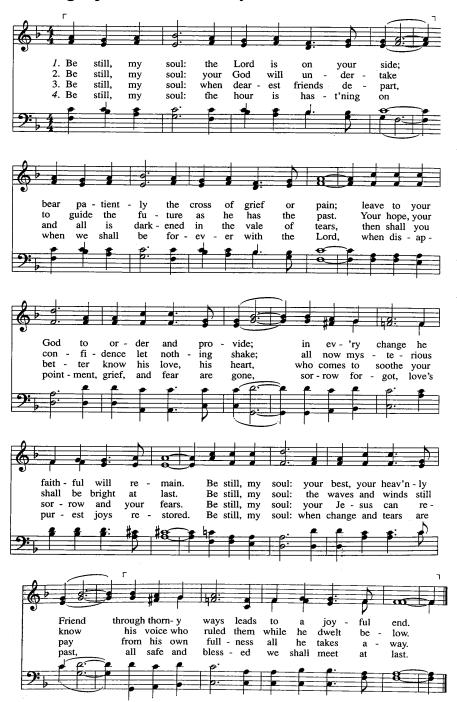
1. Flailing in the Wind (1-2)

2. Firm in the Faith (3-10)

3. Failing the Faith Test (11-12)

4. The Faithfulness of God (13-8:8)

Closing Hymn — Be Still My Soul



THANK YOU FOR SERVING

Serving This Week

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Dustin Mixon, Lora Washburne (early team);

Jackie Plowman, Marc Quist (late team)

Nursery: Kim Jernigan, Ronnie Socash

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Liesl Boyed, Jacob Mendez, Hailey Chism

Infant Nursery: Ann Burden

Children's Church: Brian Burden, Meg Quist, Elaina Hake

Sound: Kim Hanlin Live Stream: Lance Duvall

Serving Next Week

<u>9:30 am</u>

Welcome Team: Cath & Katrina Howard (early team);

Jackie Plowman, Chris Lear (late team)

Nursery: Steve Ochs, Gingy Socash

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Karl Koops, Valory Snyder, Aria Chism

Infant Nursery: Diana Neeriemer

Children's Church: Karen Ochs, Johanna Homon

Sound: Jim Washburne Live Stream: John Godoy

THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Today Growth Groups Meeting, see announcement page

for details

Tuesday Men's Ministry Wing Night, 6:15 pm at Buffalo Wild

Wings

Wednesday Women's Morning Bible Study, 10:00 am in the

church overflow room to watch "Babette's Feast" while feasting together. See announcement page

for details.

Youth Group, meeting in C6 from 6-8 pm

Thursday Ladies' Night Out, 6:00 pm at P.I.G.S. BBQ. See

announcement page for details.

Friday Keys Baseball Game, 7:00 pm at the Keys Stadium

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Scripture Memory, as we make our way through the book of Isaiah, consider joining with Pastor Francis in memorizing parts of the book. Each Sunday we have scripture memory included in the daily devotions. He is committed to memorizing them...how about you? If you would like a pdf copy of the list of scripture to memorize, please email Francis (pastor@newhopeopc.org) or Gingy (admin@newhopeopc.org). This breaks down to one verse per week for a year.
- Men's Wing Night, This Tuesday is the second Tuesday of the month so the men of New Hope will again gather at Buffalo Wild Wings in North Frederick for good conversation, tasty wing specials, and a great time. Please bring a friend and join us for the fellowship beginning around 6:15 PM.
- Wednesday Morning Ladies' Bible Study, on June 15th (this Wednesday), the Ladies' Bible study will meet in the overflow room in the lower church building. All ladies are welcome to watch the movie, "Babette's Feast" wile sharing in a feast together. If you would like to bring a snack/dish to the feast, contributions would be welcome but not obligatory. A reminder: our Father (God) welcomes both lost sons to His feast at the end of Jesus' parable of the Prodigal Son (or the Two Lost Sons). Luke 15:11-32
- Ladies' Night Out is Thursday, June 16! Ladies, join us for dinner at 6:00pm at P.I.G.S. BBQ (Whittier Dr, Frederick) and/or dessert around 7:45pm at Joy Nichols's home (2404 Shaker Ln, Frederick). RSVP for dinner by Wednesday, June 15 to Elease Layman 301.767.6848 or elease.layman@gmail.com.
- **Keys Game**, Anyone who has purchased Keys tickets, pick them up on game day at the Will Call window. Doors open at 6pm. If you have ordered tickets and have not yet paid please do so asap. Any questions, please contact Monica Laird monlaird@gmail.com or 410 963 6522.
- Annual Meeting of the Congregation, Please plan on staying after church on 6/26 for a congregational meeting. The church will provide a fully catered lunch. The menu will include chicken, egg, and tuna salad croissant sandwiches, meat and cheese with gluten free bread to make your own sandwich for those that need it, cut up fruit, veggies with ranch, deviled eggs, potato chips, dessert, and drinks. There is NO need to bring potluck dishes but feel free to bring your own meal if you need to. Any questions, please contact Monica Laird 410 963-6522 or monlaird@gmail.com.
- **Session Forum,** during the Sunday school hour on June 26th, there will be a forum in which session will be sharing information with you and taking questions from the congregation. Please plan to be there! There will be no adult Sunday school classes this day but there will be the children's classes.
- Sunday School Teachers for the Fall, are you interested in teaching Sun-

day school for Preschooler through middle school? Would you be interested in being a helper? We are currently beginning our search for teachers and helpers for the fall trimester (beginning in September). If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Gingy in the office admin@newhopeopc.org. You need to be a member to be a teacher but can be a regular attender to be a helper.

Reimbursements, if you have anything church related that you would like to be reimbursed for, reimbursement requests NEED TO BE submitted no later than June 26th as our fiscal year concludes at the end of June.

Pastor Francis and intern John Clifford away, Pastor Francis will be away at General Assembly June 8-June 14. John will be away June 12-17. If you are in need of pastoral assistance, please contact Gingy in the office or your shepherding elder.

Growth Groups meeting this week:

- The Growth Group lead by Bruce Johnson is planning to meet today at the church youth room (C-6) again from 4-6 and Bruce is on travel so it will be lead by Dan Godoy with special music provided by the Boyd Family. Please feel free to bring any snacks to share if you'd like.
- "The Jastrzembski" growth group is meeting Sunday after church at John and Monica Laird's home. Contact Patrice for more information at 240-321-4562.
- The Growth Group lead by Dave Myers will be meeting this Sunday after worship in the overflow room.

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for a strong and firm faith in God and in who He is. Give thanks and praise Him who is perfect in His faithfulness to us.
- Pray for peace in our country and in our community at a time when there
 seems to be so much unrest and strife. Pray that God would continue to
 have mercy upon us as a nation and pray that Christians will be salt and
 light in the dark world.
- Give thanks for the growth groups that are meeting and those who are serving as growth group leaders. Pray for robust and Spirit filled groups where there is much encouragement, prayer, and one-anothering.
- Continue to pray for the ongoing OPC General Assembly that is meeting this week in Philadelphia. Pray for wisdom for all in attendance.
- Continue to pray for peace in Ukraine and for Heero Haquebord, OPC missionary in Ukraine, in particular. Pray for an end to this war and the atrocities that have been happening.
- Pray for Alanna Duvall, Liesl Boyed, Ellen Kennedy, and Hannah Beck 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: those who are suffering
 from the effects of abuse, are grieving the loss of loved ones, are suffering with dementia or other chronic illnesses, are fighting cancer, or any
 other difficult trial.

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 friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers who do not know the Lord. Pray that when opportunities present themselves, we will be faithful to act upon them.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our missionary of the month, Luke Hake, as he serves the Lord in East Asia. Pray that he will be a blessing and source of encouragement to his teammates. Pray, too, that the Lord would be at work among both the national people as well as the unreached groups bringing many to Himself.
- Continue to pray for Claire Hall as she serves the Lord in Merkinch, Scotland and Kristen as she ministers in Europe. Pray for strength for both of them to carry out this calling the Lord has placed upon them.
- Pray for the OPC denomination and the missionaries that serve in both foreign and domestic countries. Pray that the denomination will be a good source of oversight, encouragement, and support for their missionaries.

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text: Isaiah 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Westminster Confession 14.2 ...But the principal acts of saving faith are accepting, receiving, and resting upon Christ alone for justification, sanctification, and eternal life, by virtue of the covenant of grace.

Monday: Is 7:1-3. Why are Ahaz and Judah's hearts shaking (2 Chron 28:6, 8, 17, 18)? Who and what is powerful, or fear-inducing in your life? Where were Ahaz's eyes? Consider where your eyes are focused on when threats frighten you. How does calling to mind the truths of Is 6:2 and 7 help us in times like this? Pray for a steady gaze.

Tuesday: Is 7:3-9. Ahaz's temptation is to fight his fear himself (7:3, 2 Chron 28:16). What do you do when intimidated, afraid, fearful? In light of the previous questions, what is Isaiah's charge in v 4 (Mt 26:41)? What reasons does God give Ahaz in vv 4-9 for trusting God? List several reasons you can trust God even when fear/enemies arise (e.g. 1 Pet 5:5-10).

Wednesday: Is 7:9. Isaiah charges all Israel to be firm in faith. What exactly are they to be firm in, or rest/rely on (Prov 3:5f, Ps 119:42)? What does Isaiah mean that they "will not be firm at all" (7:16, 17)? What are we to put our faith in? What specific parts of God's word, what attributes of God, and what work of Christ do you need to accept, receive, and rest upon? When we stumble in faith, how does 2 Tim 2:10-13 help?

Thursday: Is 7:10-25. Although Ahaz doesn't want to believe, God gives his people many reasons to be firm in the faith. Find the following reasons to be firm in faith in Is 7:10-8:8: God's kindness, God's justice, God's faithfulness to his word of deliverance, judgment, and remnant, God's power (18), sovereign knowledge. Use these as a prayer of praise and supplication.

Friday: Is 7:14, 8:8. What does the name Immanuel mean? In light of imminent judgment, how would it communicate God's promise to save, bless, and protect his children? How do those things ultimately come to fruition in Jesus (Mt 1:20-23)? Even though the land would be taken over by Assyria, and then Babylon, how does v 8's "your land, O Immanuel" stand as a monument of hope? How does the true Immanuel's Land stand as a beacon of hope for you in troubled times (Heb 11:13-14, 1 Pet 5:10)?

Saturday: Read Ruth 1. In the context of Naomi's disappointment, what do you learn about God?