

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
- Please fill out a gray visitor card if you are visiting and place it in the offering box

### 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 5, 2022

#### Reflections

The holiness of God only secondarily refers to His moral purity, His right-eousness of character. It primarily points to His infinite otherness. To say that God is holy is to say that He is transcendentally separate. Holiness is not one attribute among many. It is not like grace or power or knowledge or wrath. Everything about God is holy. Each attribute partakes of divine holiness.

~ Sam Storms

God's holiness means He is separate from sin. But holiness in God also means wholeness. God's holiness is His "God-ness." It is His being God in all that it means for Him to be God. To meet God in His holiness, therefore, is to be altogether overwhelmed by the discovery that He is God, and not man.

~ Sinclair B. Ferguson

# Approach to God

#### **Prelude**

#### **Welcome** — John Clifford Introduction

# **Call to Worship** — Revelation 4:2-11 (responsive)

<sup>2</sup> At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne. <sup>3</sup> And he who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian, and around the throne was a rainbow that had the appearance of an emerald. <sup>4</sup> Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders, clothed in white garments, with golden crowns on their heads. <sup>5</sup> From the throne came flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and before the throne were burning seven torches of fire, which are the seven spirits of God, <sup>6</sup> and before the throne there was as it were a sea of glass, like crystal.

And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: <sup>7</sup> the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight. <sup>8</sup> And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,"

who was and is and is to come!"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks

to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, <sup>10</sup> the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

11 "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

#### **Praise**

# Hymn of Praise — Holy God We Praise Your Name



## **Song 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.

## **Prayer of Adoration**

Renewal

Prayer of Confession from the Valley of Vision, "Contrition" (in unison) **O MOST HIGH.** It is good for me to be low in your presence. I am nothing compared with you; I possess not the rank and power of angels, but you have made me what I am, and placed me where I am; help me to surrender to your sovereign pleasure. I am capable by grace of improvement: that I can bear your image, But, alas, the crown has fallen from my head: I have sinned: I am alien to you; my head is deceitful and wicked, my mind an enemy to your law. Yet, in my lostness you have laid help on the Mighty One and he comes between to put his hands on us both, my Umpire, Arbiter, Mediator, whose blood is my peace, whose righteousness is my strength, whose condemnation is my freedom, whose Spirit is my power, whose heaven is my heritage. In the precious name of Jesus, Amen.

#### **Assurance of Pardon** — Revelation 5:9-14

(responsive)

<sup>9</sup> 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,

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

<sup>11</sup>Then 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, <sup>12</sup> 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!"

<sup>13</sup> And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

"To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb

be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

<sup>14</sup> And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

# Response in Song

### **Wonderful Merciful Savior**

Wonderful, merciful Savior. Precious Redeemer and friend. Who would have thought that a Lamb could Rescue the souls of men? Oh, you rescue the souls of men.

Counselor, comforter, keeper. Spirit, we long to embrace. You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way. Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

You are the one that we praise, You are the one we adore. You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for. Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty infinite father, faithfully loving your own. Here in our weakness you find us wanting you more and more Oh, wanting you more and more. (chorus)

#### **Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near**

Afflicted saint, to Christ draw near, Your Savior's gracious promise hear; His faithful Word you can believe: That as your days your strength shall be.

Your faith is weak, your foes are strong, And if the conflict should be long, The Lord will make the tempter flee That as your days your strength shall be.

#### **CHORUS**

So, sing with joy, afflicted one; The battle's fierce, but the victory's won! God shall supply all that you need; Yes, as your days your strength shall be.

Should persecution rage and flame, Still trust in your Redeemer's name. In fiery trials you shall see That as your days your strength shall be.

When called to bear your weighty cross Or sore affliction, pain, or loss, Or deep distress or poverty, Still as your days your strength shall be.

### -Commitment

# **Congregational Prayer**

**Offering**\* — Psalm 116:12 <sup>12</sup> What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me?

\*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 9

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

- "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"
- <sup>4</sup> And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"
- <sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup> And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

<sup>8</sup> And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?"

Then I said, "Here I am! Send me."

- <sup>9</sup> And he said, "Go, and say to this people:
- "'Keep on hearing, but do not understand;

keep on seeing, but do not perceive.'

<sup>10</sup> Make the heart of this people dull,

and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes;

lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed."

<sup>11</sup> Then I said, "How long, O Lord?"

And he said: "Until cities lie waste

without inhabitant, and houses without people,

and the land is a desolate waste,

<sup>12</sup> and the LORD removes people far away,

and the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land.

<sup>13</sup> And though a tenth remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak, whose stump remains when it is felled."

The holy seed is its stump.

# Sermon — God's Holiness and Mercy

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

# 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.

# God's Holiness and Mercy -

Isaiah 6

1. God's Majesty and Mercy 1-7

2. God's Willing Messenger 8-13

## Closing Song — He Who is Mighty

Oh, the mercy our God has shown To those who sit in death's shadow The sun on high pierced the night Born was the Cornerstone

#### **PRE-CHORUS**

Unto us a Son is given, unto us a Child is born

#### **CHORUS**

He Who is mighty has done a great thing Taken on flesh, conquered death's sting Shattered the darkness and lifted our shame Holy is His name

Oh, the freedom our Savior won The yoke of sin has been broken Once a slave, now by grace No more condemnation

#### **BRIDGE**

Now my soul magnifies the Lord I rejoice in the God Who saves I will trust His unfailing love I will sing His praises all my days

### **Benediction**

#### **Postlude**

# THANK YOU FOR SERVING

#### **Serving This Week**

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Calvin Wright, Valory Snyder (early team);

Laura Caruso, Dan Bull (late team)

Nursery: Gingy Socash, Katie Poortenga

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Conner Freeman, Claudia Rigg, Jack Socash

Infant Nursery: Cath Howard

Children's Church: Bruce & Susan Johnson, Aria Chism

Sound: Lance Duvall Live Stream: Jim Washburne

**Serving Next Week** 

<u>9:30 am</u>

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

# THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

**Today** Senior Growth Group meeting in the overflow room

after the worship service.

**Tuesday** Session Meeting, 7:00 pm in C8

**Wednesday** Women's Morning Bible Study, 10:00 am in C8,

studying "The Prodigal God" by Tim Keller.

Newcomers always welcome

Dinner and Bible Study, 6:00-7:30 pm Youth Group, meeting in C6 from 6-8 pm

Saturday Men's Ministry, 8-10 am, viewing & discussing

"Dust to Glory" by RC Sproul

### 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.
- **Updated Background Checks:** Do you currently work with the youth (infant-18 yrs) at New Hope or would you like to do so in the future? If you did not do a background check last Sunday, please plan to stay after church to have yours done! If you are unable to participate, please call Gingy in the church office to give her your information over the phone ASAP.
- **Help with Weeding,** do you have extra time during the week and would be willing to spend some time weeding at the church? If anyone is willing to pop by anytime you have free time and do some weeding, that would be great! We could really use the help!
- Work Day, please consider setting aside June 11th for a morning work day at the church! We will be mulching and doing general clean up. Many hands make light work!
- Annual Meeting of the Congregation, please plan to stay after church if you are a member or regular attender for our annual meeting on June 26th. A catered lunch will be served beginning at 1:00 pm followed by a congregational meeting that will include voting on the 2022-23 fiscal year budget.
- Sunday School Teachers for the Fall, are you interested in teaching Sunday 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 Senior Growth Group is meeting in the conference room after church today.

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- Help Around the Property...we have several things that we could use help with around and inside the church property. If you or your family would be able to help with any of these things, please let Gingy know. Any little bit that anyone can do would be greatly appreciated! "Many hands make light work!"
  - Raking the rubber mulch back into the playground area.
  - Staining/painting the playground.
  - Decluttering in the sanctuary building.
  - Weeding and mulching around the sanctuary building.
  - General clean up around the whole property.

# COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

#### **Our Church Family**

- Give thanks that John Clifford and his family have joined us for the summer! Pray that the Lord will open doors for John to return to South Africa to do ministry there after he graduates from seminary.
- Pray for the upcoming OPC General Assembly that will be meeting next week in Philadelphia. Pray for wisdom for all the men in attendance.
- Pray that we will have a good and proper view of God and His holiness.
   Pray that our actions and attitudes will be changed as we marvel at his greatness.
- Pray for our session as they shepherd the congregation. Pray for unity and clarity as they meet this week.
- Pray for those who struggle with anxiety and/or depression. Pray that
  the Lord would meet them in their need and minister to their hearts
  through the scripture, prayer, and the encouragement of fellow believers.
- 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 have the discipline and ability to learn the language and understand the culture where he is. Pray, particularly, that he will be able to make good use of his regular language tutoring sessions.
- 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.

# DAILY DEVOTION

**Memory Text: Isaiah 1:18** Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

Can we see God? No one can see God (Jn 1:18, 1 Tim 6:16), yet Isaiah sees God, and Mt 5:8 says "they shall see God." "It is not the essence of God that Isaiah sees, because God is spiritual and invisible, and no physical eye of the creature can see God as he is in himself. At the same time it was a true seeing; a manifestation of the glory of God in human form, adapted to the capabilities of the fine creature, which the prophet beheld." ~ E.J. Young

**Monday:** Read Isaiah 6:1-4. How is God and his presence described in v 1, 4? Why does his train and smoke fill the temple (1 Ki 8:10-12, Rev 15:8)? Is this the earthly temple (v 1, Rev 4:1-8)? How does God's transcendence (matchlessness, high above us-ness) change how you think about God, pray to Him, listen to Him?

**Tuesday**: Read Isaiah 6:1-4. What are the seraphim doing in v 2? Why? Define "holy." What other attribute of God is in the phrase "LORD of hosts"? How do you see God portrayed here as King and Judge? Why might that be significant given vv 8-13? Spend some time thinking about God as King, Judge, and as holy and glorious. Can you think of ways Christ displays these attributes?

**Wednesday:** Isaiah 6:4-7. Why does Isaiah respond the way he does (at least 3 reasons in v 5). Compare this to Luke 5:8. Why does 'who God is' elicit this response? Does it in you? What is the significance of the altar's coal (Heb 9:13ff)? What is the result of the seraphim's action? How does it point to Christ's work? How will this truth shape your day?

**Thursday:** Isaiah 6:1-13. Who is Isaiah? Why did his lips need to be touched (Jer 1:9)? What is his response (v 8)? Look at the mission God gives him (vv 7-13). How did vv 1-7 prepare him for his ministry, and his message? How should that same message affect what you do?

**Friday:** Read Isaiah 6:8-13. What "should" Judah see and hear (vv 9-10, 1-7)? How "should" they respond (v 10)? Why does Isaiah expect them not to (1:5-6)? Who will hear and see (Is 61:1-3); are you? Will justice prevail over mercy, or will mercy triumph over justice (vv 11-13)? Consider God's faithfulness to his 'remnant' promise (Rom 11:25-27). Seek to bring God's faithfulness to mind often today.

**Saturday:** Read Isaiah 7:1-9. What does v 9 mean?