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

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

September 18, 2022

Reflections

When I survey the wondrous cross, on which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all. ~ Isaac Watts

...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

- Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Isaiah 62:1-5 (responsive)
¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet,
until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch.
² The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory,
and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.
³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate,
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Praise

Song of Praise — Let Your Kingdom Come

Your glorious cause, O God, engages our hearts May Jesus Christ be known wherever we are. We ask not for ourselves, but for Your reknown, Your blood has saved us so we pray, Your Kingdom come.

Let your kingdom come, let Your will be done, So that everyone might know Your Name. Let Your song be heard everywhere on earth, 'Til Your sovereign work on earth is done...Let your kingdom come.

Give us Your strength, O God, and courage to speak. Perform Your wondrous deeds through those who are weak. Lord, use us as You want, whatever the test. By grace we'll preach Your Gospel Till our dying breath.

Prayer of Adoration

Songs of Praise

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.

How Long, O Lord, How Long (Psalm 13)

O Lord, our God, to You we come will You still hide Your face? We cry before You and on our knees we pray How long, O Lord, how long?

Our sorrows leave us weak and worn Surrounded by our fears we look to heaven through feeble faith and tears, How long, O Lord, how long?

CHORUS

Till Your glory fills our eyes, And our faith is turned to sight Till our thirsty souls are satisfied, How long, O Lord, how long?

Our foes and enemies rejoice, injustice seems to reign Lord, we are shaken and we are losing strength How long, O Lord, how long? (chorus)

But we will trust Your steadfast love Your grace will be our song You bring new mercies with ev'ry rising sun How long, O Lord, how long? (chorus)

Renewal

Confession of Sin — Matthew 7:24-27

²⁴ "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it."

Assurance of Pardon — 1 Peter 2:4-10

⁴ As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵ you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in Scripture:

"Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

⁷ So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."

⁸ and

"A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Offering* — Ecclesiastes 5:10¹⁰ Whoever loves money never has enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with their income. This too is meaningless.

*You can give on-line at the New Hope website: www.newhopeopc.org and click on the green "give" button in the corner.

Response in Song — How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in his excellent word! What more can He say than to you he has said, To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled? To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not; I am with you. O, be not dismayed, For I am your God, and will still give you aid. I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand. Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go, The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; For I will be with you your troubles to bless, And sanctify to you your deepest distress. And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, My grace all sufficient shall be your supply. The flame shall not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine. Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake. I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

Commitment

Congregational Prayer

Children's Church Dismissal — Children ages 4-5 may be dismissed to children's church at parents' discretion

Sermon Text — Isaiah 28:1-18

Ah, the proud crown of the drunkards of Ephraim, and the fading flower of its glorious beauty, which is on the head of the rich vallev of those overcome with wine! ²Behold, the Lord has one who is mighty and strong; like a storm of hail, a destroying tempest, like a storm of mighty, overflowing waters, he casts down to the earth with his hand. ³ The proud crown of the drunkards of Ephraim will be trodden underfoot; ⁴ and the fading flower of its glorious beauty, which is on the head of the rich valley, will be like a first-ripe fig before the summer: when someone sees it, he swallows it as soon as it is in his hand. ⁵ In that day the LORD of hosts will be a crown of glory, and a diadem of beauty, to the remnant of his people, ⁶ and a spirit of justice to him who sits in judgment, and strength to those who turn back the battle at the gate. ⁷ These also reel with wine and stagger with strong drink; the priest and the prophet reel with strong drink, they are swallowed by wine, they stagger with strong drink, they reel in vision, they stumble in giving judgment. ⁸ For all tables are full of filthy vomit, with no space left. ⁹ "To whom will he teach knowledge, and to whom will he explain the message? Those who are weaned from the milk, those taken from the breast? ¹⁰ For it is precept upon precept, precept upon precept, line upon line, line upon line, here a little, there a little." ¹¹ For by people of strange lips and with a foreign tongue the LORD will speak to this people, to whom he has said, "This is rest; give rest to the weary; and this is repose"; yet they would not hear. ¹³ And the word of the LORD will be to them precept upon precept, precept upon precept, line upon line, line upon line,

here a little, there a little, that they may go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken. ¹⁴ Therefore hear the word of the LORD, you scoffers, who rule this people in Jerusalem! ¹⁵ Because you have said, "We have made a covenant with death, and with Sheol we have an agreement, when the overwhelming whip passes through it will not come to us. for we have made lies our refuge, and in falsehood we have taken shelter": ¹⁶ therefore thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am the one who has laid as a foundation in Zion, a stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, of a sure foundation: 'Whoever believes will not be in haste.' ¹⁷ I will make justice the measuring line and righteousness the plumb line; hail will sweep away your refuge, the lie, and water will overflow your hiding place. ¹⁸ Your covenant with death will be annulled; your agreement with the realm of the dead will not stand. When the overwhelming scourge sweeps by, you will be beaten down by it.

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Sermon — Our Sure Cornerstone ~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Hymn — The Church's One Foundation (page 10)

Benediction

Postlude

Our Sure Cornerstone

Isaiah 28:1-18

1. A Cracked Crown (1-7)

To what sources of pride and glory do you cling? How enduring are your crowns? Make your boast Jesus and his glory.

2. A Worthless Word (8-13)

We must not diminish or dismiss God's Word. Read God's Word to find rest. God's Word provides Truth -consider how the world is building on lies. Make God's Word a functional foundation for how you live and think. Help your kids with that.

3. A Concrete Foundation (14-18)

Jesus is our solid Cornerstone. Everyone will stand or fall on Jesus. Trust him for truth, for salvation, for life, for forgiveness, for love, for identity, for hope, for rest.

Closing Hymn — The Church's One Foundation



- 5. 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
- 6. Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

Mary Troxel, Calvin Wright (early team) Jim & Laura Washburne (late team)

<u>9:30 am</u>

Welcome Team:

SS Nursery:

<u>10:30 am</u>

Toddler Nursery:Lauren Mendez, Joli & Hailey ChismInfant Nursery:Johanna HomonChildren's Church:Katrina Howard, Dennis Caruso, Paul JohnsonSound:Craig LalleyLive Stream:Lance Duvall, Jack SocashNursery On-call:Laura VanDelden

Betsy Lalley, Dennis Caruso

Serving Next Week

<u>9:30 am</u>

Welcome Team:

Monte Festog, Mary Troxel (early team) Wayne Greenfield, Chris Lear (late team) Ron Socash, Laura VanDelden

SS Nursery:

<u>10:30 am</u>

Toddler Nursery: Infant Nursery: Children's Church: Sound: Live Stream: Nursery On-call: David & Joel Chism, Claudia Rigg Jim Auldridge Joy Nichols, John O'Shea, Samantha VanDelden Ed Wright Jim Washburne Monica Laird

THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Tuesday	Session Meeting, 7:00 pm in C8
Wednesday	Ladies' Bible Studies
	• 9:30-11:00 in sanctuary building, childcare provided, studying the book of Mark
	 10-11:30 in C8, studying 1-3 John
	Edification Meeting, 7:30 pm
	Youth Group Meeting, 6-8 pm in C6
Thursday	Budget & Finance Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm
Saturday	Men's Ministry, 8-10 am at the church, viewing "Dust to Glory" and discussing.

Our Church Family

- Give thanks and praise for the healthy birth of Leilani Rain Zavala who was born to Emily (Howard) & Leo Zavala this past week.
- Pray that the New Hope session will lead the church well with wisdom and grace particularly as they meet this week.
- Praise God that He is our cornerstone, our great salvation, and our only hope in this life. Give thanks that He loves and cares for us despite our fickle hearts and minds.
- Pray for the edification committee as they meet this week and look to serve the church providing ways to grow the congregation spiritually through the teaching of the Word.
- Pray for the budget and finance committee that is meeting this week. Pray that God will give them unity, clarity, and wisdom as they begin the hard work of setting the church budget.
- Pray that the fathers in the congregation will care for their families well, teach them the ways of God, and be good examples of how we are to live.
- Pray for Liesl Boyed, Hannah Beck, and Jamie Lindsey 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 that the Lord will give us opportunities to share the gospel and that we will act upon those opportunities.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month: Stephen and Cataline Payson who are newly serving in Uruguay. Pray for the Spirit to bless the working relationships of the members of the mission.
- Continue to pray for Luke Hake as he serves in East Asia. Pray that the Lord would give Luke wisdom as he serves, would provide refreshment and rest daily, and give opportunity to share the gospel with those around him.
- Pray for Ben Westerveld as he serves the Lord in Quebec City. Pray for the monthly Muslim-Christian Dialogues that he as organized that they would go well and that the beauty of Jesus who saves completely would be evident to all.
- Pray for Kristen who is serving in Europe with Serge, International. Pray that the Lord would provide ways in which she and her team can invite people to church and share the gospel with them.

- **High School Mission Trip**, we are looking ahead to the summer of 2023 and the annual mission trip to the Boardwalk Chapel in Wildwood, NJ. We need to put down a reservation deposit and need to have an idea of how many are interested in going. The week is July 8-15 and anyone in grade 8-12 is welcome to go. Please contact Ann Burden (annburd6656@gmail.com) or Gingy Socash (admin@newhopeopc.org) if you want more information or have any interest in going.
- Mark Ohlwiler Certified as Deacon Candidate, It is with joy that we want to let you know that Session has certified Marc Ohlwiler as a deacon candidate. He has been through deacon training, involved in the deacon support team, and examined by the elders. Marc senses God's call on him to this office. So we present him to you as a deacon candidate, and invite you to give your input and observations related to him as a potential deacon to him and/ or us. After a couple of months, and weighing any input, we will (likely) proceed to a congregational meeting to vote on the matter.
- Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study, meeting weekly from 10-11:30 am in room C8 and studying John 1-3. This group is mostly women with no young children but anyone is welcome. For more information please contact Jackie Plowman at 301.834.6489.

New Hope Ladies you are invited!

What : A Fall women's Brunch with a speaker and a Fall craft

When: October 22 at 10:00 am.

Where: New Hope Church

Topic: Laying your burdens at the cross

Who: All New Hope Ladies and please invite a friend to come too!

Need: If anyone has any mason jars they aren't using and can donate to our craft let Ann, Joy or Rosemarie know. Thanks!

Email List and Mailboxes, if you would like to be included in the church's email list please contact Gingy at admin@newhopeopc.org and she will add you to the list. A weekly church email (the Friday News) comes out every Friday and contains pertinent information, a digital copy of the bulletin, and a list of the songs that will be sung in the worship service. Also, if you don't have a church mailbox and would like one, please let Gingy know this, as well, and we'll get you one!

Treasurer Report*, Prepared by Elease Layman

Our memory verse in our homeschool this week was Psalm 13:6, "I will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with me." You have my permission to randomly ask my kids to recite it. As I scrapped draft after draft of this congregational update (guys, the other versions were SO long), I kept coming back to this verse. The Lord *has* dealt bountifully with me. He has dealt bountifully with all of us; because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning! The world though (that pesky world)... The world is always telling us that we have not been dealt bountifully with. I just need to pay off this loan. I just need to save for my kids' braces. I just need to go on that vacation. Yes, yes, you do need to pay down that debt and be prudent about the future, but not in an obsessive heart way that relies on your own providence (ha!) rather than God's. Consider the little birds that neither sow nor reap, yet the Lord provides for them. How much more so will he provide for those he loves, whom he made in his own image, for his own glory?

What does your giving say that you believe about God's dealing with you? Does it reflect that he has dealt bountifully with you? Does it set aside your own will in favor of the Lord's? Does it show a mind that is stayed on the Lord and trusting in him?

*Disclaimer: I plagiarized a ton of this stuff from the Bible, y'all.

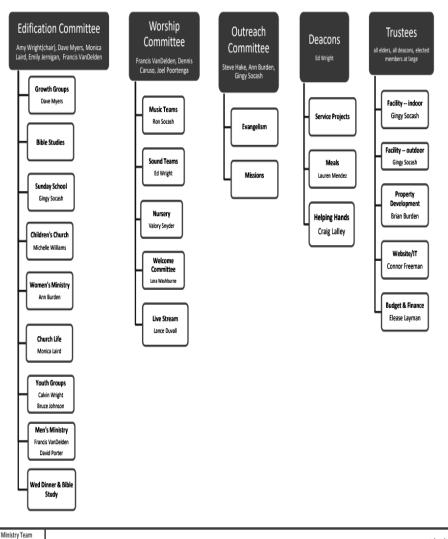
General Fund Giving Update, as of 8/31/2022

Fiscal YTD Actual: \$62,323.29 Fiscal YTD Budget: \$66,468.60 Variance: -\$4,145.31 (deficit)

Facility Fund Giving, as of 8/31/2022

Fiscal YTD Actual: \$9,590.00

Committee Organizational Structure 2022



Leaders

9/15/2022

Memory Verse: Isaiah 12:2 2 "Behold, God is my salvation;

I will trust, and will not be afraid;

for the Lord God is my strength and my song,

and he has become my salvation."

Westminster Larger Catechism 104

The duties required in the first commandment are, the knowing and acknowledging of God to be the only true God, and our God; and to worship and glorify him accordingly, by thinking, meditating, remembering, highly esteeming, honoring, adoring, choosing, loving, desiring, fearing of him; believing him; trusting, hoping, delighting, rejoicing in him....

Monday: Isaiah 28:1-6. How would you describe Ephraim's crown? Draw some parallels to modern day "crowns." What "crowns" are you tempted with? What would happen to Israel's crown? How does the moth, rust, thief-ness of these crowns reveal the true crown (v 5, 1 Cor 1:30, 31, Mt 6:19)? Of what do you need to repent (more), and embrace the true crown, the Lord of glory?

Tuesday: Isaiah 28:8-13. How does Judah mock Isaiah's ministry/God's Word? Can you think of modern day examples of that, or ways we might diminish his Word? How will God use foreign tongues to answer (v 11), and what will that answer be (v 13c)? Consider the blessing it is to have God's Word, the Truth, a way to know absolute truths. Is this love of, and dependence on God's Word reflected in your life, home, and to your (grand) children?

Wednesday: Isaiah 28:14-15. God's people had been warned not to lean on Egypt for help, but they did anyways (e.g. 31:1, 36:6). Why would this be a "covenant with death" and making "lies our refuge"? How do those who don't believe in sin blame other things for the problems in our country, our youth, etc? Contrast what God's Word offers to his people (v 12) with what you see around you. Pray for the lost. Consider areas of chaos/sin in your life -is there a lie-refuge underneath?

Thursday: Isaiah 28:16. Who intervenes by laying a solid foundation? What does this tell you about God's initiative in salvation, and God's sovereign grace? Why does it say "has laid," as if Jesus had already come (Gen 3:15, Ps 2:6)? Read Acts 4:11, Mk 12:10 to see who this Cornerstone is. How is Jesus a reliable, solid foundation stone? What are you relying on him for? How?

Friday: Isaiah 28:16. How is Jesus each of the descriptors in v 16? Turn each into a thanksgiving and praise. Take and remember one of those truths about Jesus throughout your day. People stand or fall on Jesus, the "testing stone" - see Rom 9:33. What is to be built on this cornerstone (Eph 2:20, 1 Pet 2:4-6)? How are you doing that? Ask God to give you this "non-haste" (v 16, see v 12) that flows from trusting in Jesus.

Saturday: Read Isaiah 29:11-24. What does v 13 say was missing in Judah?