

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**

September 25, 2022

#### Reflections

Worship is the work of acknowledging the greatness of our covenant Lord...Redemption is the means; worship is the goal. In one sense, worship is the whole point of everything. It is the purpose of history, the goal of the whole Christian story. Worship is not one segment of the Christian life, seen as a priestly offering to God. And when we meet together as a church, our time of worship is not merely a preliminary to something else; rather, it is the whole point of our existence as the body of Christ.

~ John M. Frame

Truth without emotion produces dead orthodoxy and a church full (or half-full) of artificial admirers (like people who write generic anniversary cards for a living). On the other hand, emotion without truth produces empty frenzy and cultivates shallow people who refuse the discipline of rigorous thought. But true worship comes from people who are deeply emotional and who love deep and sound doctrine. Strong affections for God rooted in truth are the bone and marrow of biblical worship.

~ John Piper

# Approach to God

#### **Prelude**

#### Welcome

Call to Worship — Romans 11:33-36 (in unison)

<sup>33</sup> Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

34 "Who has known the mind of the Lord?

Or who has been his counselor?"

35 "Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them?"

<sup>36</sup> For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.



# **Prayer of Adoration**

## **Songs of Praise**

#### **Greater Than We Can Imagine**

Every day we'll bless You and praise Your name And on Your glorious splendor we will dwell On Your wondrous works, Lord, we'll meditate And of Your awesome power we will tell We'll speak of Your salvation and Your abundant goodness

#### **CHORUS**

Because You are greater than we can imagine You are too beautiful for us to fathom Oh, You are great, and greatly to be praised

Every generation shall sing Your worth And magnify Your mercy and Your grace We'll sing about the Savior who came to earth To bear the sins of those He came to save You fill our hearts with wonder We'll worship You forever

#### I Want to be Where You Are

How sweet the place where You dwell, O Lord My soul longs and faints for You My heart sings out a loud song of joy For I have known the living God

I want to be where You are, O Lord I want to be where You are, O Lord I'd rather have just one day with You Than be anywhere else

There's no good thing that You will withhold From those who live to follow You I'd rather be Your servant, O God Than have the riches of this world

Those who follow You
Go from strength to strength
Those who trust in You are filled
with joy
Those who trust You
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Those who trust in You are filled
with joy

# Renewal

### Confession of Sin — Matthew 7:24-27

<sup>28</sup> One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

<sup>29</sup> "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. <sup>30</sup> Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' <sup>31</sup> The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is

no commandment greater than these."

<sup>32</sup> "Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. <sup>33</sup> To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

#### **Assurance of Pardon** — Galatians 3:11-14

<sup>11</sup> Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because "the righteous will live by faith." <sup>12</sup> The law is not based on faith; on the contrary, it says, "The person who does these things will live by them." <sup>13</sup> Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole." <sup>14</sup> He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

**Offering\*** — Psalm 37:21 <sup>21</sup> The wicked borrow and do not repay, but the righteous give generously...

\*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** — The Glories of Calvary Lord, You're calling me to come and behold the wondrous cross

Lord, You're calling me to come and behold the wondrous cross To explore the depths of grace that came to me at such a cost Where Your boundless love conquered my boundless sin And mercy's arms were opened wide

My heart is filled with a thousand songs Proclaiming the glories of Calvary With every breath, Lord how I long To sing of Jesus who died for me Lord, take me deeper into the glories of Calvary

Sinners find eternal joy in the triumph of Your wounds By our Savior's crimson flow Holy wrath has been removed And Your saints below join with your saints above Rejoicing in the Risen Lamb

## Commitment

# **Congregational Prayer**

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

### Sermon Text — Isaiah 29:1-24

Woe to you, Ariel, Ariel,

the city where David settled!

Add year to year and let your cycle of festivals go on.

<sup>2</sup>Yet I will besiege Ariel; she will mourn and lament, she will be to me like an altar hearth.

<sup>3</sup> I will encamp against you on all sides; I will encircle you with towers and set up my siege works against you.

<sup>4</sup> Brought low, you will speak from the ground; your speech will mumble out of the dust.

Your voice will come ghostlike from the earth; out of the dust your speech will whisper.

<sup>5</sup> But your many enemies will become like fine dust, the ruthless hordes like blown chaff.

Suddenly, in an instant,

6 the LORD Almighty will come

with thunder and earthquake and great noise,

with windstorm and tempest and flames of a devouring fire.

<sup>7</sup>Then the hordes of all the nations that fight against Ariel, that attack her and her fortress and besiege her,

will be as it is with a dream, with a vision in the night-

8 as when a hungry person dreams of eating,

but awakens hungry still;

as when a thirsty person dreams of drinking, but awakens faint and thirsty still.

So will it be with the hordes of all the nations that fight against Mount Zion.

<sup>9</sup> Be stunned and amazed, blind yourselves and be sightless; be drunk, but not from wine,

stagger, but not from beer.

10 The LORD has brought over you a deep sleep:
He has sealed your eyes (the prophets);
he has covered your heads (the seers).

<sup>11</sup>For you this whole vision is nothing but words sealed in a scroll. And if you give the scroll to someone who can read, and say, "Read this, please," they will answer, "I can't; it is sealed." <sup>12</sup>Or if you give the scroll to someone who cannot read, and say, "Read this, please," they will answer, "I don't know how to read."

<sup>13</sup> The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught.

<sup>14</sup>Therefore once more I will astound these people with wonder upon wonder; the wisdom of the wise will perish.

the intelligence of the intelligent will vanish."

<sup>15</sup> Woe to those who go to great depths to hide their plans from the LORD,

who do their work in darkness and think, "Who sees us? Who will know?"

<sup>16</sup> You turn things upside down,

as if the potter were thought to be like the clay!

Shall what is formed say to the one who formed it,

"You did not make me"?

Can the pot say to the potter,

"You know nothing"?

- <sup>17</sup> In a very short time, will not Lebanon be turned into a fertile field and the fertile field seem like a forest?
- <sup>18</sup> In that day the deaf will hear the words of the scroll, and out of gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind will see.
- <sup>19</sup> Once more the humble will rejoice in the LORD; the needy will rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.
- <sup>20</sup> The ruthless will vanish, the mockers will disappear,

and all who have an eye for evil will be cut down-

- 21 those who with a word make someone out to be guilty, who ensnare the defender in court and with false testimony deprive the innocent of justice.
- <sup>22</sup>Therefore this is what the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, says to the descendants of Jacob:
- "No longer will Jacob be ashamed; no longer will their faces grow pale.
- <sup>23</sup> When they see among them their children, the work of my hands,

they will keep my name holy;

they will acknowledge the holiness of the Holy One of Jacob, and will stand in awe of the God of Israel.

<sup>24</sup> Those who are wayward in spirit will gain understanding; those who complain will accept instruction."

### **Sermon** — God Works for Your Joy ~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

# Closing Song — I Will Rejoice in the Lord (Habakkuk 3) (page 10)

# God Works for Your Joy

Isaiah 29:1-24

Theme: God works to give the meek fresh jov.

1.	He Corrects (to give Joy) (1-4)
2.	He Protects (for Joy) (5-8)
3.	He Hardens (the Un-Meek) (9-16)

4. He Gladdens (the Meek) (17-24)

Application: Work to be meek by trusting God. Trust God's ways in giving you fresh joy.

# Closing Song— I Will Rejoice in the Lord (Hab. 3)

Lord, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, O Lord. Renew them in our day, In our time make them known; In wrath remember mercy.

And I will rejoice in the Lord!
I will be joyful in God my Savior.
I will rejoice in the Lord! Again I say rejoice!
I will rejoice in the Lord! I will rejoice in the Lord!

Though the fig tree does not bud And there're no grapes on the vines, Though the olive crop fails And the fields produce no food, Though there're no sheep in the pen, And no cattle in the stalls.

Yet I will rejoice...

Lord, in your presence who can stand? My deeds before you are as filthy rags. There's nothing I can bring but a heart full of sin. Yet through the mercy of Your Son I can enter in.

So I will rejoice...

#### **Benediction**

#### **Postlude**

# THANK YOU FOR SERVING

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Monte Festog, Mary Troxel (early team)

Wayne Greenfield, Chris Lear (late team)

SS Nursery: Ron Socash, Laura VanDelden

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Valory Snyder, Karl Koops, Levi VanDelden

Infant Nursery: Jim Auldridge

Children's Church: Joy Nichols, John O'Shea, Samantha VanDelden

Sound: Ed Wright
Live Stream: Jim Washburne
Nursery On-call: Monica Laird

**Serving Next Week** 

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Brian Burden, Chris Boyles (early team)

Valory Snyder, Sue Bridenbaugh (late team)

SS Nursery: Steve Ochs, Lauren Mendez

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Connor Freeman, Mary Troxel, Jack Socash

Infant Nursery: Katie Martin

Children's Church: Bruce & Susan Johnson, Elsie Hake

Sound: Lance Duvall

Live Stream:

Nursery On-call: Amy Wright

# THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Tuesday Trustee Meeting, 7:30 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 **Dinner & Bible Study**, 6-7:30 pm

Youth Group Meeting, 6-8 pm in C6

**Saturday** Men's Ministry, 8-10 am at the church, viewing

"Dust to Glory" and discussing.

# COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

#### **Our Church Family**

- Pray for Joan Johansen as she recovers from having a pace maker put in. Pray for strength to heal, for a local rehab center to be available, and for her to be able to return home quickly.
- Pray for John & Colleen Homon as they relocate to Florida. Pray that the move goes smoothly, that they will find a good, gospel-centered church fellowship, and that God will use them there for kingdom building.
- Pray for Pastor Francis and his family as they go on vacation next week.
   Pray that the Lord would give them all a time of refreshment and connection with one another.
- Pray that as the board of trustees meets next week the Lord will give wisdom and unity as they lead in the physical aspects of the church.
- Pray that God will continue to transform us as worshippers to stand in awe of Him, and be filled with fresh joy in light of our salvation.
- Give thanks for Elease Layman and her service as treasurer. Pray that the Lord would give her joy in her work and wisdom as she labors.
- Pray for our children's church ministry and, particularly, for Michelle Williams as she leads it. Give thanks for her hard work and dedication to this ministry and pray that children that attend will be grow in faith and understand because of it.
- 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 and working to build up the saints of Salvos Por Gracia Church.
- 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 that God would provide a good missionary posting for John Clifford when he graduates from seminary. Pray that the Lord would continue to raise up men and women to go to foreign lands to share the gospel.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Childcare help:** Do you have a free Wednesday morning in the next couple of months? We're looking for help (occasional or regular) with childcare for the Wednesday morning Bible study (9:30-11 am). Please contact Rachel Neahusan (240-626-5874) if you're available to help.
- Colleen and John Homon have been attending the church for about a year. They have been looking to move to Florida the last 5 years and an opportunity has presented itself for them. Their last day is going to be Sunday September 25th. Please pray for a good transition for them, for a new church family, and for Tyler and Johanna who are remaining in Frederick.
- 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.

#### 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!

Sign up to bring a brunch item on the sign up sheet in the lobby.

- Pastor Francis away, the VanDelden family will be away October 1-8 on vacation and then Francis will be going on his yearly Covenant 3 study week October 9-15. If you are in need of pastoral care, please contact your shepherding elder (if you're wondering who that is, check out page 15 for the Shepherding List).
- **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!

Below you will see the 2022 Shepherding Lists. If you do not see your name on the list and would like to be, please contact Pastor Francis or any of the elders listed below. These shepherding lists are intended to help the session (elders) care well for the congregation. If you have any questions about it, please let us know!

Dennis Caruso	Steve Hake	Karl Koops	Dave Myers	Joel Poortenga	Francis VanDelden
Burden	Beaty	Bishoff	Auldridge, J	Freeman	Caruso
Graf	Chism	Hamilton	Bauer	Mendez	Hake
Hanlin	Innes	Ohlwiler	Burke	Ochs	Koops
Howard	Kim	Plowman	Deschamps	Troxel	Myers
Jernigan	Mills	Pottala	Duvall	Boyed	Poortenga
Kinna	Quist	Seiler	Johansen	Neaheusen	Bodmer
Lalley	VanDelden	Hails	Laird	Gillette	Wright, E.
Porter	Wright, C.	Lear	Lowry	Homon, J	Beck
Salter	Martin	Bridenbaugh	Millison	Kobe	Snyder
Socash	Washburne	Hadidian	Wesolek	Brooks	Bohanen
Jastrzembski	Homan, T	O'Shea	Willman	Colby	Hartman
Godoy	Dan Bull	Williams	Wright, B	Howell	Jones
Koops, H	Festog	Johnson	Greenfield		Layman
Estep	Boyles	Sarah Zera	Mixon		
	McGlamery		Nichols		
	Foster		Thorhauer		
			Karyn Lynerd		

# DAILY DEVOTION

**Memory Verse:** Isaiah 12:2-3 <sup>2</sup> "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." <sup>3</sup> With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

**Westminster Confession 16.2** These good works, done in obedience to God's commandments, are the fruits and evidences of a true and lively faith: and by them believers manifest their thankfulness, strengthen their assurance, edify their brethren, adorn the profession of the Gospel, stop the mouths of the adversaries, and glorify God, whose workmanship they are, created in Christ Jesus thereunto, that, having their fruit unto holiness, they may have the end, eternal life.

**Monday:** Read Is 29:19. What does it mean to be meek (Mt 5:5, 11:29-30, 1 Pet 3:4)? What does Jesus promise the meek in Mt 5:5? How is that connected to joy? How did Paul's meekness manifest itself in troubled times (2 Cor 6:4-10)? How is growing in meekness connected to more deeply grasping we belonging to Jesus, and that our God is powerful, good, and wise? Think about that.

**Tuesday**: Is 29:1-4. How does God correct his people in vv 1-4? How can that correction bring them fresh joy? What is God's intension in trials, corrections, discipline (James 1:2-4, Heb 12:11)? Consider your own trials: how can they "strengthen your character, grow your virtues, fruit of the Spirit, and leave you with greater joy and love"?

**Wednesday:** Is 29:5-8. Where do you see evidence in vv 5-8 that God is concerned for his people? Why would the certainty of God's victory over evil/evil forces give his people joy (personally, but also regarding God)? Consider Jn 16:33, Rev 19:1-5, Mt 5:5. Is this victory necessarily realized in this life (1 Pet 5:10)?

**Thursday:** Is 29:9-16. Look through these verses to see how God's people have hardened themselves. What exhortation is there in that for you? How does God respond to their hardness (Rom 1:28, Mk 7:2-9)? In Is 29:14, how does God surprise you? What hope (of joy) is there in God making their wisdom fall apart in times of need? How can you pray for unbelievers in light of this?

**Friday:** Is 29:17-24. What is pictured in v 17? Doesn't God always start with barren ground, hard hearts (Ezek 36:26)? What "book" do you think the deaf hear to bring them joy (Is 35:4-5, 9:6-7, Lk 7:22). What will the blind (v 9) see (v 18)? They will find joy in the Lord (Phil 4:4, 3:1-9, Ps 40:16)! Do you?

**Saturday**: Is 29:22-24. What effect does this new sight have on God's people? Pray that God moves us to awe tomorrow.