



...the Savior is born!

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

December 25, 2022

Reflections

From His very birth Christ was recognized as King. Something about Him inspired allegiance, loyalty and homage. Wise men brought Him gifts. Shepherds fell down and worshiped Him. And angels, knowing more than men that He was truly King, became celestial minstrels before His manger throne. Herod, realizing that there is never room for two thrones in one kingdom, sought Jesus' life.

Jesus Christ was born to be King. His salvation and His Kingdom apply to present-world problems. But His kingship also has future implications. The sovereignty of Jesus Christ extends in an unbroken line throughout the ages. Hidden from view now, He will come again, according to the Scriptures, in God's time, and He will reign in righteousness.

~ Billy Graham

The King is Born

Prelude

Welcome

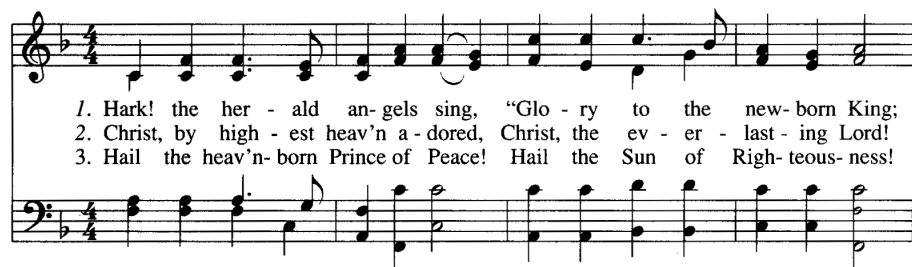
Call to Worship — Luke 2:4-7

⁴And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, ⁵to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. ⁶And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. ⁷And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

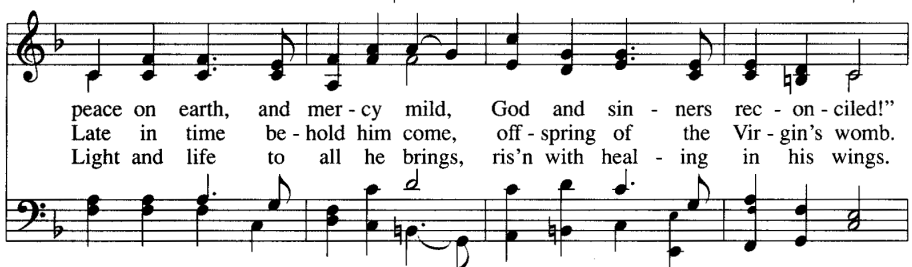
Prayer of Adoration

The King is Proclaimed

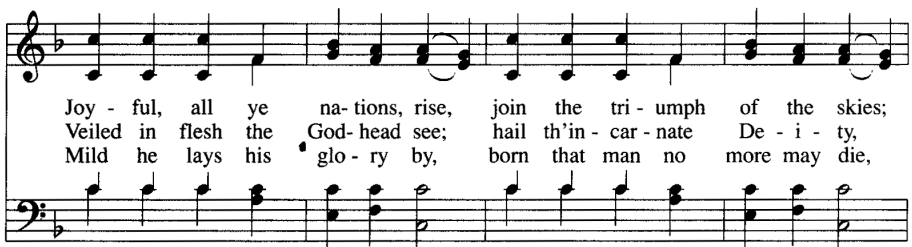
Hark the Herald Angels Sing



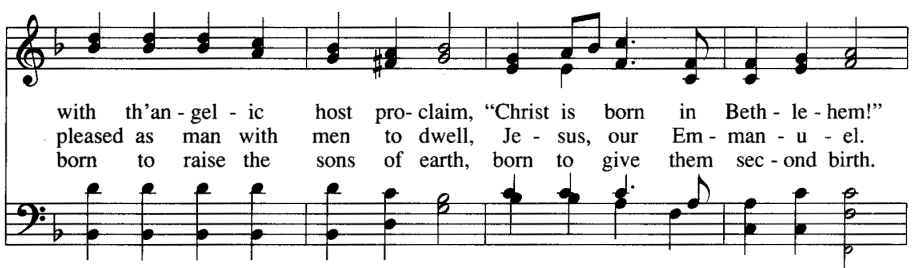
1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King;
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righ - teous - ness!



peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"
Late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty,
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that man no more may die,



with th'an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
pleased as man with men to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.
born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them sec - ond birth.



Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

Scripture Reading — Luke 2:8-14

⁸ And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. ¹⁰ And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹² And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

¹⁴ *"Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"*

Christ the True and Better

Christ the true and better Adam, Son of God and Son of man
Who when tempted in the garden never yielded never sinned
He who makes the many righteous, brings us back to life again
Dying He reversed the curse then, rising crushed the serpent's head

Christ the true and better Isaac, humble son of sacrifice
Who would climb the fearful mountain, there to offer up his life,
Laid with faith upon the altar, Father's joy and only son
There salvation was provided, oh what full and boundless love

*Amen, amen, from beginning to end
Christ the story, His the glory, Alleluia, amen*

Christ the true and better Moses, called to lead a people home
Standing bold to earthly powers, God's great glory to be known
With his arms stretched wide to heaven, see the waters part in two
See the veil is torn forever Cleansed with blood we pass now through
(chorus)

Christ the true and better David, lowly shepherd mighty King
He the champion in the battle, where, o death, is now thy sting?
In our place He bled and conquered, Crown Him Lord of majesty
His shall be the throne forever we shall e'er His people be (chorus)

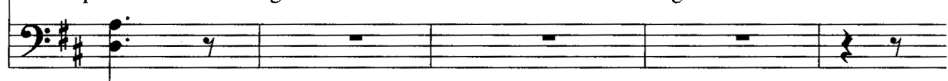
Joy to the World



1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her
 2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions



King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,
 play; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow
 prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness



and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
 and heav'n and na - ture sing,



and



sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.



heav'n and na - ture sing,

Children's Message — Joel Poortenga

Go Tell it On the Mountain

The musical score is written for a children's choir in 4/4 time, featuring a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The first system begins with a 'Unison' instruction and a key signature change to one flat. The second system ends with a 'Fine' instruction. The third system contains three verses of lyrics. The fourth system concludes with a 'D.C.' (Da Capo) instruction. Chord symbols (F, C, C7, Dm, F/C, Gm) are placed above the vocal line to indicate accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the vocal line, with some words in parentheses indicating optional or alternative phrasing.

Unison

(Ref.) Go, tell it on the moun-tain, o-ver the hills and ev-ery-where;

go, tell it on the moun-tain that Je-sus Christ is born.

Fine

1. While shep-herds kept their watch-ing o'er si-lent flocks by night, be-
2. The shep-herds feared and trem-bled when, lo! a-bove the earth rang
3. Down in a low-ly man-ger our hum-ble Christ was born, and

hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho-ly light.
out the an-gel cho-rus that hailed our Sav-ior's birth.
God sent us sal-va-tion that bless-ed Christ-mas morn.

D.C.

The King Has Triumphed ---

Assurance of Pardon — Revelation 5:5, 9-10

⁵ And one of the elders said to me, “Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.”

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.”*

Prayer of Consecration (in unison) (adapted from the Valley of Vision, “Victory”)

O Divine Redeemer,
Great was your goodness
 in undertaking my redemption,
 in consenting to be made sin for me,
 in conquering all my foes;

Great was your love
 in manifesting yourself alive,
 in showing your sacred wounds,
 that every fear might vanish,
 and every doubt be removed;

Great was your grace
 in commanding me to come hand in hand
 with you to the Father,
 to be knit to him eternally,
 to discover in him my rest,
 to find in him my peace,
 to behold his glory,
 to honor him who is alone worthy;

In Jesus’ name, Amen.

Offering

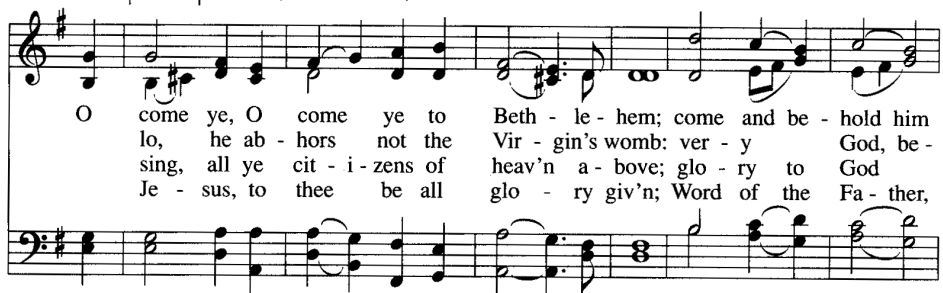
— Proverbs 3:9 ⁹ Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce;

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O Come All Ye Faithful

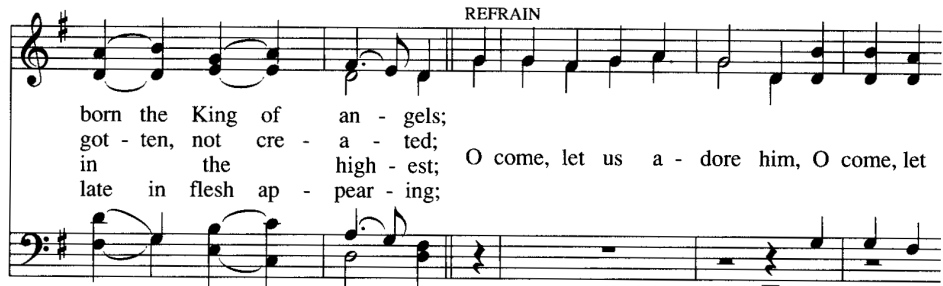


1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant,
 2. God of God, Light of Light;
 3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing:



O come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem; come and be - hold him
 lo, he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb: ver - y God, be -
 sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God
 Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther,

REFRAIN



born the King of an - gels;
 got - ten, not cre - a - ted;
 in the high - est; O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let
 late in flesh ap - pear - ing;



us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — Genesis 49:8-12, Matthew 2:1-12

⁸ “Judah, your brothers shall praise you;
your hand shall be on the neck of your enemies;
your father's sons shall bow down before you.

⁹ Judah is a lion's cub;
from the prey, my son, you have gone up.

He stooped down; he crouched as a lion
and as a lioness; who dares rouse him?

¹⁰ The scepter shall not depart from Judah,
nor the ruler's staff from between his feet,
until tribute comes to him;

and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples.

¹¹ Binding his foal to the vine and his donkey's colt to the choice vine, he
has washed his garments in wine
and his vesture in the blood of grapes.

¹² His eyes are darker than wine,
and his teeth whiter than milk.

¹ Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ² saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” ³ When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

⁶ “*“And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who will shepherd my people Israel.”*”

⁷ Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸ And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.” ⁹ After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹ And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹² And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

Sermon — Christmas in Genesis: Son of Judah

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Christmas in Genesis:

Son of Judah

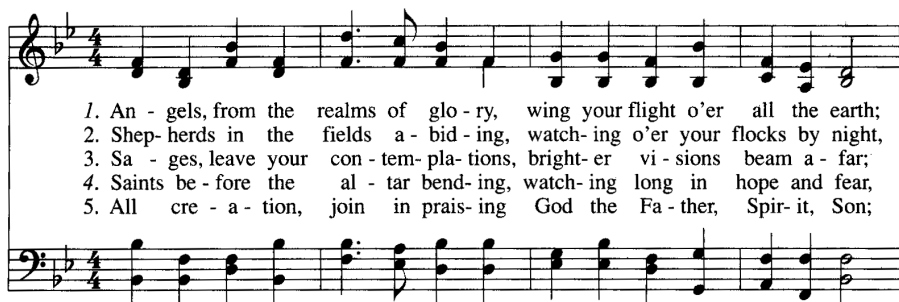
Genesis 49:8-12, Matthew 2:1-12

Theme: The prophesied King from Judah is born to rule victoriously.

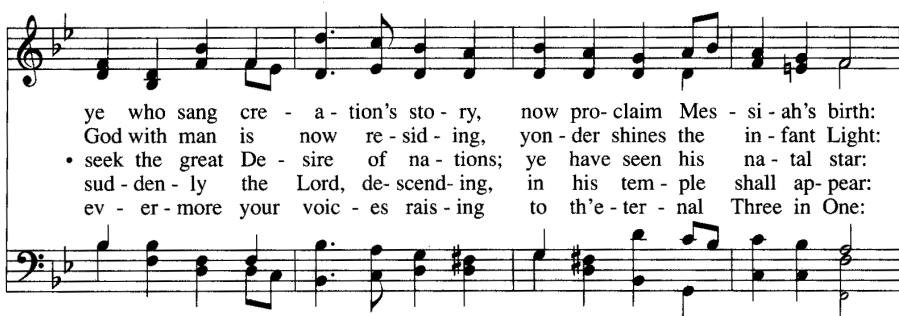
1. The Prophesied King (Gen. 49:8-12)

2. The Victorious King (Matthew 2:1-12_

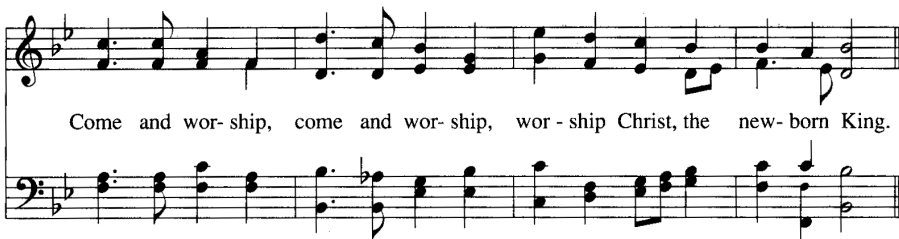
Closing Song — Angels from the Realms of Glory



1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er all the earth;
 2. Shep - herds in the fields a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,
 3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, bright - er vi - sions beam a - far;
 4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, watch - ing long in hope and fear,
 5. All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry, now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
 God with man is now re - sid - ing, yon - der shines the in - fant Light:
 • seek the great De - sire of na - tions; ye have seen his na - tal star:
 sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing, in his tem - ple shall ap - pear:
 ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing to th'e - ter - nal Three in One:



Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

Benediction

Postlude

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

10:30 am

Welcome Team: Jackie Plowman, Brian Burden, Laura Van Delden
Toddler Nursery: Elisa & Lily Godoy, Meg Quist
Infant Nursery: Jim Aldridge
Children's Church: No Children's Church
Sound: Lance Duvall
Live Stream: Lance Duvall
Nursery On-call: Amy Wright

Serving Next Week

10:30 am

Welcome Team: Lora Washburne, Ron Socash, Wayne Greenfield, Chris Lear
Toddler Nursery: Rachel Clifford, Joel & Caelyn Poortenga
Infant Nursery: Ann Burden
Children's Church: No Children's Church
Sound: Ed Wright
Live Stream: Isaac Wright
Nursery On-call: Betsy Lalley

THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Today

Merry Christmas!

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Praise God for the safe and healthy birth of Knox Thomas Lindsey, born to Jaxon & Jamie, this past Monday. Pray for continued good health and well-being for mom and baby.
- Give thanks for the birth of Jesus Christ who came to save us from our sin and give us eternal life. Pray that throughout the year we will remember His great love and sacrifice for us.
- Give thanks for the life and faithfulness of Joan Johansen and continue to pray for her family and friends as they grieve and miss her.
- Give thanks for God's continued provision and care for His people and for New Hope.
- Pray for Pastor Francis as he prepares to teach the Christianity Explored class in January. Pray that the Lord will bring many explorers to this class and pray that He will also provide a suitable helper to help teach and facilitate the class.
- Pray for New Hope as we look ahead to the new year. Pray for clear vision for the future, a continued reliance on God and His wisdom, hearts of service for those around us, and a desire to share the gospel to give hope to the lost.
- 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 we will be a people who are looking for opportunities to share the gospel with those in our spheres. Pray that the Lord would provide those opportunities!

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month, the Frederick Rescue Mission. Pray for them particularly as they serve the community on Christmas Day that many will hear the good news of the gospel and will come to a saving faith in Jesus.
- Continue to pray for Luke Hake as he serves in East Asia. Pray that he will be encouraged in his studies, will persevere in doing the hard work of language learning, and will well cared for during the Christmas season. Pray for the whole team of missionaries that are serving in that area: for protection, for strength and for joy.
- Pray for Heero Hacquebord who is serving as a missionary in L'viv, Ukraine. Pray for him and all who are working tirelessly to minister to the battle-weary region.
- Continue to pray for Kristen as she serves the Lord in Europe and looks for ways to share the gospel with those in her community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates to Know:

- **Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Study:** Regular meetings re-start on Jan. 4, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. - a time for Bible Study, prayer and fellowship. **Please note:** we will be using the upper conference room in C8. All ladies are welcome.
- **Christianity Explored**, January 4th, 6:00 pm
- **Men's Ministry**, begins January 7th, 8-10 am
- **Sunday School**, begins January 8th, 9:30 am

Financial Update:

- **General Fund, 7/1/22 - 11/30/22**
 - Budgeted giving: \$177,237.58
 - Actual giving: \$184,346.85
 - Difference (surplus): \$7,109.27
- **Facility Fund giving, 7/1/22 - 11/30/22:** \$17,200.00

Pastor Francis & family away next week, Pastor Francis and his family will be away next week. If you are in need of pastoral care, please contact your shepherding elder. John Clifford will be preaching for us on January 1st.

Christianity Explored, Pastor Francis plans to offer an informal and relaxed 7-week class for anyone who wants to think about the meaning of life, and learn who Jesus is. Those coming don't need to know anything about the Bible and won't be asked to pray or sing. The class is called Christianity Explored and will be on Wednesdays beginning January 4 from 6-8 pm starting with pizza. Pastor Francis would love to have someone else join him to help with this class and would particularly appreciate having a woman help (to befriend female participants).

- Invite friends who don't know Jesus yet to this class
- This is a great follow-up class for visitors to our Christmas Eve Service.

2022 Donation Deadline - Please note the following deadlines for donations to New Hope to be counted toward the 2022 tax year:

Cash must be received in the offering basket on any Sunday through **TODAY (12/25/22)** and must be in an envelope with your name and contact information marked in order to be recorded on your donor contribution statement. Mailing cash is not advised.

Checks must be properly dated (no later than 12/31/2022). They can be put in the offering basket on any Sunday through 12/25/2021 or mailed to the church with a postmark of no later than 12/31/2022 and received by 1/7/2023. Mailed checks received after 1/7/2023 will be recorded for tax year 2023, regardless of check date, unless there is a clear postmark of 12/31/2022 or earlier.

PayPal Donations must be processed no later than 11:59pm ET on 12/31/2022.

Contribution statements for 2022 will be provided no later than 1/31/2023. If you have any questions, please contact Eleese Layman at treasurer@newhopeopc.org.

Sunday Day School Classes for 2023:

- **Adult Sunday School**, Jan 8-Feb 12, John Clifford will focus on missions. Our goal will be to worship the living God, who sent the seed of the woman, the descendent of Abraham, the offspring of David, who overcomes the seed of the serpent, who blesses the nations of the world, who subdues all peoples to Himself, and calls us to be a holy nation and a royal priesthood, proclaiming the praises of His name. This 6-week class will cover a biblical theology of missions, a brief history of inspiring missionary biographies, and a practical guide to pray, send, and pursue missions.
- **Adult & High School Sunday school class**, January 8th will begin the next Sunday school trimester. Pastor Francis will be teaching a class for both adults and high school entitled , “Scripture Overview.” Can you really know what’s going on in each passage before you even read it? Really? Yes! You can understand the whole Bible. This class will teach you the whole Bible story (redemptive history) in a memorable way. This is a great class if the Bible is new to you, if large parts are foreign to you, or if you want to increase your understanding of the whole story of the Bible. Bring your Bibles!
- **Middle School**, this class will be taught by Steve & Karen Ochs
- **3rd-5th Grade**, this class will be taught by Amy Wright and Rachel Neuhusan
- **K-2nd Grade**, this class will be taught by Laura VanDelden, Michelle Williams, and Elaina Hake
- **Preschool-PreK**, this class will be taught by Lauren Mendez, Talia Poortenga, Johanna Homon