

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**

March 12, 2023

#### Reflections

When our friends fail us our God does not, nor does his kindness depart. Do these mountains threaten, and seem to top the skies, and bid defiance to them, as Pelion and Ossa? Do the kings of the earth, and the rulers, set themselves against the Lord? They shall depart and be removed. Great mountains, that stand in the way of the salvation of the church, shall be made plain (Zech 4:7); but God's kindness shall never depart from his people, for whom he loves he loves to the end; nor shall the covenant of his peace ever be removed, for he is the Lord that has mercy on his people. Therefore the covenant is immovable and inviolable, because it is built not on our merit, which is a mutable uncertain thing, but on God's mercy, which is from everlasting to everlasting.

~ Matthew Henry

Approach to God

#### **Prelude**

#### Welcome

## Call to Worship — Psalm 85:10-11, 98:1-3 (responsive)

- 10 Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- <sup>11</sup> Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.
- Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!
   His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.
- <sup>2</sup>The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- <sup>3</sup> He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.
- All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

#### Praise -

## Song of Praise — Rejoice

Rejoice in the Lord now and always, sing it again, we rejoice Delight in the love He has shown us, gratefully lift up your voice His gentleness among us, will join our hearts with praise We gather in His goodness, a family of grace

#### Chorus:

With each breath He has given, praise the Lord In these times we live in, we will praise the Lord Throughout every season I am sure, We have every reason, to praise the Lord

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing praying for all that you need Come with a song of thanksgiving, lay your requests at His feet His peace will fall upon us to guard our hearts and minds In Christ who reigns eternal the Shepherd of our lives (Chorus)

Rejoice in the Lord now and always tell of the good He has done Worship the Lord to remember all of the joy yet to come The hope that burns within us the dark cannot destroy With praise that's never-ending we say again, rejoice (Chorus)

Tag: We have every reason to praise the Lord

#### **Prayer of Adoration**

## Songs of Praise

#### Join All The Glorious Names

Join all the glorious names, of wisdom love and pow'r That mortals ever knew, that angels ever bore, All are too poor to speak your vast and priceless worth, Too poor to set my Savior forth.

Jesus, your name is glorious, our Prophet, Priest, and King. Jesus, you're reigning over us And forevermore your praises we will sing.

Great Prophet of my God, my tongue would bless your name, Through You the joyful news of our salvation came. The long-awaited news of ev'ry sin forgiv'n Of hell subdued and peace with Heav'n. (chorus)

Jesus my Great High Priest, You shed your blood and died, My guilty conscience seeks no sacrifice beside. Your pure and precious blood for all my sin atoned And now it pleads before the throne. (chorus)

#### All Glory be Forever

We had turned from God to sin's disgrace, we chose the path to hell Perfect law of God condemned our race for all in Adam fell But the righteousness of God appeared and the world found hope again For the Righteous One has come down to bear All the curse of sin and death

Now to Him Who's seated on the throne, all glory be forever Oh, the depths of wisdom, grace, and power All glory be forever, All glory be forever

Every bond of sin that held us fast is left in Jesus' grave We've been freed from all that gripped our past From Satan's rule and reign We've been raised to life to breathe His grace as captives now reclaimed All our guilt is gone, all our strivings ceased, we're alive to seek His fame (chorus)

Now our future's fixed, our journey clear, God will not let us go Every trial that tempts our hearts to fear He'll use to give us hope All creation groans as we await what our eyes have longed to see Every pain and evil we've long endured Will be crushed by Christ our King (chorus)

#### Renewal

**Confession of Sin** — Ephesians 4:1-3, Colossians 3:12-15 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup> with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup> eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

<sup>12</sup> Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, <sup>13</sup> bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup> And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup> And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

## **Silent Prayer of Confession**

#### **Assurance of Pardon** — Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

**Offering**\* — Proverbs 3:9 Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce;

\*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 Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly bound to His Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side, the Savior He will stay I labor on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley He will lead Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven The future sure, the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus For He has said that He will bring me home And day by day I know He will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to Him When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

## **Congregational Prayer**

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

#### Sermon Text — Isaiah 54:1-10

1"Sing, O barren one, who did not bear;

break forth into singing and cry aloud, you who have not been in labor! For the children of the desolate one will be more

than the children of her who is married," says the LORD.

<sup>2</sup> "Enlarge the place of your tent,

and let the curtains of your habitations be stretched out;

do not hold back; lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes.

<sup>3</sup> For you will spread abroad to the right and to the left,

and your offspring will possess the nations and will people the desolate cities.

<sup>4</sup> "Fear not, for you will not be ashamed;

be not confounded, for you will not be disgraced;

for you will forget the shame of your youth,

and the reproach of your widowhood you will remember no more.

<sup>5</sup> For your Maker is your husband, the LORD of hosts is his name; and the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer.

the God of the whole earth he is called.

<sup>6</sup> For the LORD has called you like a wife deserted and grieved in spirit, like a wife of youth when she is cast off, says your God.

<sup>7</sup> For a brief moment I deserted you,

but with great compassion I will gather you.

<sup>8</sup> In overflowing anger for a moment I hid my face from you. but with everlasting love I will have compassion on you,"

says the LORD, your Redeemer.

<sup>9</sup> "This is like the days of Noah to me: as I swore that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth.

so I have sworn that I will not be angry with you, and will not rebuke you.

<sup>10</sup> For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed,

but my steadfast love shall not depart from you,

and my covenant of peace shall not be removed,"

says the LORD, who has compassion on you.

## **Sermon** — Sing, Once-Barren One!

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

### Closing Hymn — Great is Thy Faithfulness (page 10)

## **Benediction Postlude**

# Sing, Once-Barren One! -

Isaiah 54:1-10

Theme: Sing because Jesus breathes life into barren people. Live like you're loved by God!

1. New Life for the Barren (1-5)

2. True Love for the Wayward (6-10)

## Closing Hymn — Great is Thy Faithfulness



## THANK YOU FOR SERVING

<u>9:30 am</u>

Welcome Team: Brian & Ann Burden (early team)

Laura Caruso, Dustin Mixon (late team)

SS Nursery: Valory Snyder, Kim Jernigan

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Rachel Clifford, Rachael Kobe, Samantha VanDelden

Infant Nursery: Annie Kim

Children's Church: Brian Burden, Megan Quist

Sound: Lance Duvall Live Stream: Craig Lalley Nursery On-call: Gingy Socash

Serving Next Week

<u>9:30 am</u>

Welcome Team: Cath & Katrina Howard (early team)

Chris Boyles, Calvin Wright (late team)

SS Nursery: Ron Socash, Betsy Lalley

<u>10:30 am</u>

Toddler Nursery: Ann Burden, Elisa & Lily Godoy

Infant Nursery: Meg Quist

Children's Church: Joy Nichols, Lauren Mendez

Sound: Craig Lalley
Live Stream: John Godoy
Nursery On-call: Mary Troxel

# THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

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

Wednesday Worning Ladies' Bible Studies

• 9:30 am class — sanctuary building, includes childcare.

• 10:00 am class — meeting in C8, study on Hebrews

Youth Group, 6-8 pm in C6

Edification Meeting, 7:30 pm at the church office.

**Thursday** Ladies Night Out, 6:00 pm at Jerk 'n Jive, see announcement

page for details

Saturday Men's Group, 8-10am at the church. Discussing R.C. Sproul's

video series, "Christian Worldview." Coffee is provided.

## COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

#### **Our Church Family**

- Give thanks Pastor Francis and all the work and care that he does for the body of New Hope. Pray that the Lord would continue to bless him, grow him, and bring encouragement to him.
- Pray for the edification committee that is meeting this week. Pray for wisdom and unity as they serve the church. Give thanks for Kim Jernigan who has stepped into the role of Sunday School superintendent. Pray for a smooth transition for her and joy in this volunteer work.
- Pray for Jeff & Patti Deschamps, Cindy Pottala, and John & Muriel Hadidian who are all dealing with significant health struggles.
- Give thanks for the men's and women's ministries that seek to serve and encourage the men and women in the church through fellowship and study.
- Pray for Brittany Koops and Rachel Neahusan who are expecting new little ones. Pray for the heath and well-being of both moms and babies throughout the pregnancies.
- Pray for an end to the war in Ukraine. Pray for peace and for the aggression to stop. Pray that the Lord would turn hearts toward Him so that true peace will reign.
- 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 for those in our community that serve as first responders. Give thanks for the work that they do and pray for their protection.
- Pray that the churches in Frederick will be places that offer true hope that can only be found in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

#### **Missionaries & Others**

- Pray for our missionary of the month, Ben & Heather Hopp who are serving the Lord in Haiti. Pray for Ben's weekly preaching in Port-au-Prince and at the churches on La Gonave. Pray, too, for Heather as she homeschool the children and teaches Sunday school.
- Continue to pray for Luke Hake who is serving the Lord in Asia settling
  into his new home outside of the city he resided in previously. Pray that
  the Lord would lead him and his teammates to the right person/family
  who would be a good fit to join them to fill the extra room in their house.
- Pray for John and Rachel Clifford as they begin the on-boarding process with Mission to the World in preparation for returning to Africa and Rwanda in particular.
- Pray for the work of Voice of the Martyrs that exists to help, encourage, and equip persecuted Christians and their families and bring light to their plight and their needs.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- High School Mission Trip Sign up NOW, we are looking ahead to the summer of 2023 and the annual mission trip to the Boardwalk Chapel in Wildwood, NJ. The week is July 8-15 and anyone in grade 8-12 is welcome to go. We need a firm commitment and a \$50 deposit no later than April 2, 2023. If you plan to go or would like more information, please contact Ann Burden (annburd6656@gmail.com) or Gingy Socash (admin@newhopeopc.org) if you want more information or have any interest in going.
- Clifford Missions/Support Presentation, on Sunday, March 19th we would like for the congregation to stay after church for about 30 minutes to hear how we, as a church body, can help to support John and Rachel in their effort to go onto the mission field. Please plan to stay to hear all about it. There will be snacks made available for everyone who stays.
- Men's Wing Night, This Tuesday, March 14, the men will observe our monthly Men's Wing Night at Buffalo Wild Wings in North Frederick. Please join us beginning at 6:15 PM for a fun time of fellowship, conversation and half-priced wing specials with other men from the church. And bring a friend...
- Ladies' Night Out is Thursday, March 16! Ladies, join us for dinner at 6:00pm at Jerk N' Jive (Prospect Blvd, near Jefferson St, Frederick) and/or dessert around 8:00pm at Gingy Socash's home (591 Over Ridge Dr, Frederick). RSVP for dinner by Wednesday, March 15 to Elease Layman - 301.767.6848 or elease.layman@gmail.com.
- New Members/Inquirers Class, if you are interested in joining New Hope or just want to know more about the church or the denomination, you are invited to come to the next New Members/Inquirers Class that will be held for one day on March 18th from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm. Brunch will be served.
- **Help wanted!** We are looking for someone who is willing to coordinate the brunch for the New Members/Inquirers Class. If you are interested in doing this, please contact either Pastor Francis (pastor@newhopeopc.org) or Gingy (admin@newhopeopc.org).
- **OPC Evangelism & Church Planting conference**, Saturday April 22nd from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm at Grace Fellowship OPC in Vienna, VA. To RSVP or learn more about it, visit https://tinvurl/OPCMissions

### DAILY DEVOTION

**Memory Text—Isaiah 53:4** <sup>4</sup> Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

**Westminster Confession 26.1.** Of the Communion of Saints— All saints, that are united to Jesus Christ their Head, by His Spirit, and by faith, have fellowship with Him in His grace, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory: and, being united to one another in love, they have communion in each other's gifts and graces, and are obliged to the performance of such duties, public and private, as do conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man.

**Monday:** Read Isaiah 54:1-3. Why should Isaiah 53 make you sing? In what sense was Judah barren (e.g. Is 1:4, 9, 6:13)? How does the promised Messiah guarantee the existence of spiritual offspring to Judah (53:10, Gal 4:26f)? What do vv 2-3 add? Praise God in prayer for breathing new life into you, and into the church. How can you pray and act in light of vv 2-3?

**Tuesday**: Read Isaiah 54:4-5. How do the things listed in v 4 make you afraid? How can Isaiah say "fear not" when there is good reason for Judah's shame, disgrace, etc (e.g. Is 53:3)? What does the picture of God as the church's husband communicate? How do the various descriptions of God in v 5 free you (more) from fear? Where do you need to practice "fear not..."?

**Wednesday:** Isaiah 54:6-7. How was Judah like a deserted wife (Is 50:1-2, Hos 2:1-2)? Are there sins that you are clinging to of which you are not repenting? What warning is there here in that case? What promise is there for true contrition? How does the contrast in v 7 underline the depth of God's grace? Is that grace yours?

**Thursday:** Isaiah 54:8-9. Think about the reality of God's just anger and judgment as relayed in vv 8-9. On what basis can God swear not to be angry, but have everlasting love on the church (Is 53:5-6)? Meditate on (memorize) v 9 today. If the church is marked with God's everlasting love, how will you display it to someone in church today this week (1 Jn 5:1)?

**Friday:** Isaiah 54:10. Ponder the enduring nature of mountains. How does God use this as a contrast for his steadfast love? Look at Ex 34:5-6 and Ps 103:8-11 for God's steadfast love. Look at Is 53:5 and Rom 5:1 for God's promise of peace. How are these yours in Jesus? What difference are these two things making in your life (e.g. Rom 12:9f, 15)?

**Saturday:** Read Isaiah 55. What exhortation stands out to you? What comfort stands out to you?