

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.

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Morning Worship

May 28, 2023

Reflections

^{6b} All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.
⁷ The grass withers, the flower fades
when the breath of the LORD blows on it;
surely the people are grass.
⁸ The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the word of our God will stand forever.
~ Isaiah 40:6-8

"Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live;

~lsaiah 55:1-3

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Isaiah 12:2-6 (responsive)

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."

- ³ With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴ And you will say in that day:
- "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted.
- ⁵ "Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.
- ⁶ Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

Praise

Hymn of Praise — A Mighty Fortress



Prayer of Adoration based on Isaiah 25 (in unison)

O Lord, you are our God;
we exult and praise your name,
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
You have been a stronghold to the poor and the needy,
You, in your goodness, have given us all that we need.
One day You will swallow up death forever and
will wipe away tears from all faces.
And on that day we will say,
"Behold, this is our God;
we have waited for him, that he might save us.
This is the Lord; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation
In Jesus' name, Amen.

Songs of Praise

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand? Kings and nations tremble at His voice, all creation rises to rejoice

Behold our God seated on His throne, Come, let us adore Him Behold our King—nothing can compare, Come, let us adore Him

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds? (Chorus)

Who has felt the nails upon His hands? Bearing all the guilt of sinful man God eternal, humbled to the grave Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign *(Chorus)*

Tag
You will reign forever
Let Your glory fill the earth

My Soul Will Wait (Psalm 62)

When the enemy surrounds and my heart grows faint within When the darkness overwhelms and my fears are pressing in I will trust in You, O Lord, in the silence I will wait I will stand upon Your Word

CHORUS

You're my solid rock and my salvation My steadfast hope that won't be shaken My soul will wait, my soul will wait for You

You're my stronghold and my shield, in the midst of every threat Though the wicked never yield, they will vanish like a breath Yes, I know the outcome's sure, Satan's evil plans will fail In Your power I'm secure

CHORUS 2

You're my solid rock and my salvation My steadfast hope that won't be shaken My soul will wait, my soul will wait for You You're my comfort when I feel forsaken My refuge and my sure foundation My soul will wait, my soul will wait for You

This is love I can't explain, this is mercy unreserved Through Your sacrifice so great, I have peace that's undeserved For the battle has been won, and I fear no shame or loss Now the sting of death is gone

TAG

Pouring out our hearts before You, We will trust in You Perfect Savior, strong defender, We will trust in You

Confession of Sin — Isaiah 1:16-20 (responsive)

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil,

¹⁷ learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow's cause.

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.**

¹⁹ If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land;

²⁰ but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be eaten by the sword; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

Assurance of Pardon — Isaiah 53:4-6

⁴ Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

⁵But he was pierced for our transgressions;

he was crushed for our iniquities;

upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way;

and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Profession of Faith — Samantha VanDelden*

Song of Response — Great is Thy Faithfulness (page 8)

Offering** — Isaiah 26:3 ³ You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you.

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Response in Song — Great is Thy Faithfulness



Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — Isaiah 66

Thus says the LORD: "Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool; what is the house that you would build for me, and what is the place of my rest?

All these things my hand has made, and so all these things came to be, declares the LORD.

But this is the one to whom I will look: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word.

³ "He who slaughters an ox is like one who kills a man; he who sacrifices a lamb, like one who breaks a dog's neck; he who presents a grain offering, like one who offers pig's blood;

he who makes a memorial offering of frankincense.

like one who blesses an idol. These have chosen their own ways, and their soul delights in their abominations;

- ⁴I also will choose harsh treatment for them and bring their fears upon them, because when I called, no one answered, when I spoke, they did not listen; but they did what was evil in my eyes and chose that in which I did not delight."
- ⁵ Hear the word of the LORD, you who tremble at his word: "Your brothers who hate you and cast you out for my name's sake have said, 'Let the LORD be glorified, that we may see your joy'; but it is they who shall be put to shame.
- ⁶ "The sound of an uproar from the city! A sound from the temple! The sound of the LORD, rendering recompense to his enemies!
- ¹⁵ "For behold, the LORD will come in fire, and his chariots like the whirlwind, to render his anger in fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire.
- ¹⁶ For by fire will the LORD enter into judgment,

and by his sword, with all flesh; and those slain by the LORD shall be many.

- ¹⁷ "Those who sanctify and purify themselves to go into the gardens, following one in the midst, eating pig's flesh and the abomination and mice, shall come to an end together, declares the LORD.
- ¹⁸ "For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹ and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands far away, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰ And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in

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chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. ²¹ And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD.

²² "For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD,

so shall your offspring and your name remain.

²³ From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD.

²⁴ "And they shall go out and look on the dead bodies of the men who have rebelled against me. For their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched, and they shall be an abhorrence to all flesh."

Sermon — Are You a True Worshipper? ~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Song — The Lord the Almighty Reigns

There's an endless song waiting to be sung
With the voice of every tribe, the sound of every tongue
When the bride of Christ on that day of days
Brings with joy unto the land a multitude of praise
Like the roar of mighty seas and rolls of thunder
Hear His people sing

Chorus:

Hallelujah, hallelujah, For the Lord Almighty reigns Hallelujah, hallelujah, For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns

We will join the feast, rest from battles won Tell with great rejoicing all the wonders God has done Like the roar of mighty seas and rolls of thunder All the church will sing (Chorus)

Certain of that day, Christ we will proclaim Oh, that more would share the pride, salvation in His name Then greater will the anthem ring The mighty chorus rising to the King (Chorus)

Benediction

Postlude

Are You a True Worshipper?

Isaiah 66

1. Trembling of God's Word (vs 1-6)

2. Nourished by God's Church (vs 7-14)

3. Loving God's Glory (vs 15-24)

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Wayne Greenfield, Chris Lear (early team)

Marc Quist, Cath Howard (late team)

SS nursery: Betsy Lalley, Kim Hanlin

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Monica Laird, Rachel Clifford, Emma VanDelden

Infant Nursery: Valory Snyder

Children's Church: Elisa Godoy, Jessie VanDelden

Sound: Lance Duvall
Live Stream: Craig Lalley
Nursery On-call: Laura VanDelden

Serving Next Week

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Monte Festog, Mark Rice (early team)

Sue Bridenbaugh, Jackie Plowman (late team)

SS nursery: Valory Snyder, Rachael Kobe

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Jacob Mendez, Connor Freeman, Caelyn Poortenga

Infant Nursery: Ann Burden

Children's Church: Gingy & Jack Socash

Sound: Kim Hanlin
Live Stream: Lance Duvall
Nursery On-call: Valory Snyder

THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Wednesday Wednesday Morning Ladies' Bible Studies

• 9:30 am class — meeting at Amy Wright's home beginning this week, includes childcare, study on 1 Corinthians.

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

Dinner & Bible Study, 6-7:30 pm

Youth Group, 6-8 pm in C6

Christianity Explored, 6-8 pm in sanctuary building

Saturday Men's Discussion Group, 8-10 am, Discussing video series,

"Reformed Theology." Coffee is provided.

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Praise God for His faithfulness and give thanks for Samantha Van-Delden's profession of faith. Pray that her gifts and abilities will be used for the glory of God in His church and that she will serve her Savior well all of her days.
- Give thanks for Pastor Francis and his care for the flock. Pray that during his sabbatical he will be refreshed and encouraged. Pray, too, for the family that it will be a time of joy and time well-spent together.
- Praise God for His word and what we learn from it. Pray that the truths
 we have learned from the book of Isaiah will sew seeds in our hearts and
 grow fruit in our lives.
- Continue to pray for the Sunday school trimester, the teachers, and all that attend.
- Pray for Mavis Bauer, Jeff & Patti Deschamps, Cindy Pottala, and John & Muriel Hadidian who are all dealing with significant health struggles.
- Pray for Brittney 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 war and unrest in our world. Pray that the Prince of Peace will turn evil away and will turn hearts toward himself.
- 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 they will be places where the gospel is proclaimed and Christ is honored.
- Pray that the churches in the Frederick area will be committed to the truths of the scriptures alone.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our missionaries of the month, Ben and Melanie Westerveld serving the Lord in Quebec and their service and witness at church and in their neighborhood. Pray that the Lord would bless their work and their family during this time of transition.
- Continue to pray for Luke Hake who is serving the Lord in Asia. Pray that he would be encouraged in the work he is doing and trusting in God and His goodness.
- Pray for the persecuted Christians who are serving the Lord in Tanzania who are being harassed and oppressed by Muslims in the government and in the community. Pray that they will continue to boldly witness despite opposition.
- Pray for Kristen who is serving the Lord in Europe. Pray that she will be strong in the Lord as she cares for the community He has put her in.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Women's Bible study, the 9:30 am Bible study will be studying 1 Corinthians and will be meeting at Amy Wright's home and will continue to meet there throughout the summer. Childcare is provided. Contact Amy Wright (amy.r.dewit@gmail.com) or Rachel Neahusan (rapprachel@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining.
- **Rescheduled Work Day,** come out on June 10th for the rescheduled work day. More hands make light work! Bring gloves and yard work tools and join us from 9:00 am until noon.
- **Congregational Meeting**, June 25th, 2023 immediately following the worship service. Lunch will be provided.
- Sabbatical Information, June 1st begins Pastor Francis' 3 month sabbatical and we wanted to make sure you have all the information you need before he leaves. The purpose of a sabbatical is for the physical, emotional, spiritual, and relational renewal of the pastor. To do this well, one needs to unplug, disconnect, and rest. It is a hard thing and yet a good thing. During this time Pastor Francis will not be checking emails or his phone. So, if you email or text or call him, he will likely not even see it. If you are in need of pastoral care, the elders stand ready to help you. We encourage you to contact your shepherding elder and talk with them. If you do not know who your shepherding elder is, contact Gingy (admin@newhopeopc.org) and she can help you know who that is. Please do be praying for Pastor Francis during this time!

Bylaw change: Please read through the letter below as this will be voted on at the upcoming Congregational Meeting.

Dear New Hope members,

I am writing to inform you about an upcoming bylaw change regarding the term limit for the office of treasurer. This will take place at our next corporation meeting on Sunday, June 25th.

The office of treasurer is a demanding, complex, and involved position. It is an often times thankless and 'behind the scenes' responsibility, yet it is essential for the practical needs of this church to be completed. The duties of the treasurer are many and are detailed in the treasurer handbook which is available upon request.

The current bylaws state that a person may not serve as a treasurer for more than five consecutive years. We find ourselves with a treasurer who has blessed us greatly and has done a tremendous job in serving the church by excellently performing all of the treasurer duties. The Board of Trustees has unanimously passed a motion to propose to change the bylaws by removing the five year term for the office of treasurer to allow our treasurer to continue to serve. By removing the term limit, we hope to ensure that we can provide continuity and stability to our financial management.

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This may cause concern to some, but it should be remembered that the treasurer is still appointed by the Board of Trustees every year and the Trustees maintain oversight of the treasurer. The treasurer appointee and Board of Trustees mutually agree for this appointment.

This bylaw change will be proposed, discussed, and voted upon at the next corporation meeting which will be held after church on June 25th, 2023. If you have any questions or concerns about this proposal, please feel free to contact me at confree98@gmail.com.

In Christ, Connor Freeman President of the Board of Trustees, New Hope OPC

New Member Bio

Samantha VanDelden was born in Grand Rapids Michigan and lived there for three years until her dad received a call to New Hope OPC in Frederick, Maryland. She has been attending New Hope with her family for 12 years. God has used the various Sunday school classes, sermons, bible studies, youth group, and growth group to grow her faith. She enjoys active games like tag, soccer, and volleyball as well as playing other games with her family. Sewing and crocheting are also favorite past times. She is homeschooled and is going into 10th grade. Samantha is so grateful for the family she has found at New Hope. It's a wonderful thing for her to be able to profess her faith in front of her local family of believers!

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text: Isaiah 60:3 — ³ And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Westminster Confession 14.2 — By this faith, a Christian believes to be true whatsoever is revealed in the Word, for the authority of God Himself speaking therein; and acts differently upon that which each particular passage thereof contains; yielding obedience to the commands, trembling at the threatenings, and embracing the promises of God for this life, and that which is to come. But the principal acts of saving faith are accepting, receiving, and resting upon Christ alone for justification, sanctification, and eternal life, by virtue of the covenant of grace.

Monday: Read Isaiah 66:1, 6:1-3, 1 Ki 8:27. What do these passages say about God? How did many people respond to God in Isaiah's days (2 Ki 21:4-5, 9, Is 1:2-6)? How does this provide a great introduction to a discussion on worship (v 2, 3, 23)? Is your allegiance to God? To him alone? Is your piety connected to his glory, or just "doing the right thing?"

Tuesday: According to Isaiah 66:2 what is at the heart of a true worshipper? Compare this verse to Ps 51:1-4, 17, Is 57:15, 61:1, Joel 2:13, Mt 5:3-4. Put v 2 in your own words. Compare your answer to the Westminster Confession cited above. Contrast this to vv 3-5. Pray for the Spirit to grow you in faith, obedience, and love for God. What is the next step you can take to move you a step closer to maturity in Christ?

Wednesday: Isaiah 66:10. What does peace from God to his church "like a river" communicate? Trace the story of peace through Isaiah by thinking through the following: Is 9:7, 26:3, 48:22, 52:7, 53:5, 54:10, 55:12, 57:2, 19, 21, 59:8, 60:17, 66:10.

Thursday: Isaiah 66:10-13. What does God do for his people through his church (Eph 2:19-20, Jn 6:37, 1 Pet 1:25-2:3). Are you taking full advantage of the church? Why do you think the believer both rejoices with her, and mourns over her (v 10)? What responsibility does the church have while she awaits Jesus' return (v 19)? How can you grow in this area? Why do you think worship still exists in the new heavens and earth (v 23)? Try to build in worship moments throughout your day.

Friday: Isaiah 66:15-17, 24. How does Jesus use these verses in Mark 9:45-49? What does this tell you about the reality of hell? What warning to change are we to take from it? How does Jesus' use of these verses help explain why Isaiah ends as he does in v 24 (2 Pet 1:10, Mk 3:9-12)? How does that challenge you? Do you know this glorious God through the mercy of the suffering Servant, Jesus?

Saturday: Read Isaiah 55:11. Pray that the preaching of God's word tomorrow would be powerful and effective.