

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 7, 2023

Reflections

The bride eyes not her garments
But her dear Bridegroom's face
I will not gaze at glory
But on my King of grace
Not at the crown He giveth
But on His pierced hand
The Lamb is all the glory
In Immanuel's land

~ The Sands of Time are Sinking

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Psalm 149:1-5 (responsive)

Praise the LORD!

Sing to the LORD a new song,

his praise in the assembly of the godly! ² Let Israel be glad in his Maker;

- let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!
- ³ Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!
- ⁴ For the LORD takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with salvation.
- ⁵ Let the godly exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their beds.

Praise -

Hymn of Praise — Crown Him with Many Crowns



Prayer of Adoration

Songs of Praise

Immortal Invisible

Immortal, You are not like a man That you change Your mind Or change Your plan Invisible, our human eyes can't see The Depths of Your majesty

Chorus:

You're the God of forever and ever amen The alpha, omega, beginning and end We sing Hallelujah We worship in awe Immortal, invisible God

Immortal, You are not bound by death You're the living God, my very breath Invisible You are not bound by space But Your glory is filling this place Yes Your glory is filling this place (Chorus)

Immortal yet You once died for me, To pay my debt to set me free Invisible You will not always be 'Cause You're coming to reign as our king And the saints will fall down at Your feet (Chorus)

We sing Hallelujah, We worship in awe Immortal, invisible God Immortal, invisible God

Come Praise and Glorify

Come praise and glorify our God the Father of our Lord In Christ He has in heav'nly realms His blessings on us poured For pure and blameless in His sight, He destined us to be And now we've been adopted through His Son eternally

To the praise of Your glory
To the praise of Your mercy
and grace
To the praise of Your glory
You are the God who saves

Come praise and glorify our God who gives His grace in Christ In Him our sins are washed away, Redeemed through sacrifice In Him God has made known to us, the myst'ry of His will That Christ should be the head of all His purpose to fulfill (chorus)

Come praise and glorify our God for we've believed the Word And through our faith we have a seal the Spirit of the Lord The Spirit guarantees our hope until redemption's done Until we join in endless praise to God, the Three in One (chorus)

Confession of Sin — 2 Peter 3:11-14

¹¹Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, ¹² waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! ¹³But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. ¹⁴Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.

Assurance of Pardon — Micah 7:18-19

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance?
He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love.
He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot.
You will cast all our sins

into the depths of the sea.

Reception of New Members* — Johannes Haasbroek, Daniel & Elisabeth Jones (Percy, Caledonia), Brenden Jones, Barbara Ruch, and Bill & Patricia Sack (William, Sarah).

Offering* — Psalm 116:12 ¹² What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me?

*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 — All I Have is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ Hallelujah! Jesus is my life

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see The strength to follow Your commands, could never come from me Oh Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose And let my song forever be, my only boast is You

Commitment

Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — Isaiah 62

For 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.

²The 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.

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.

in the courts of my sanctuary."

⁶ On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have set watchmen; all the day and all the night they shall never be silent. You who put the LORD in remembrance, take no rest,
⁷ and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it a praise in the earth.
⁸ The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: "I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies,
and foreigners shall not drink your wine for which you have labored;
⁹ but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it

10 Go through, go through the gates; prepare the way for the people;
build up, build up the highway; clear it of stones; lift up a signal over the peoples.
11 Behold, the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth:
Say to the daughter of Zion, "Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him."
12 And they shall be called The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD; and you shall be called Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken.

Sermon — God Delights in His Church ~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

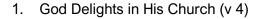
New Hope Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are forsaking their sins and trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel, to receive communion with us. There are gluten free bread options on the back table of the sanctuary.

Closing Song — The Sands of Time are Sinking (page 10)

God Delights in His Church

Isaiah 62

Theme: God's delight is in His Bride, and he will bring to full glory. She responds in the present by thinking of him, and worshipping him.



2. Therefore He will Perfect Her (vv 1-5)

3. Therefore We Strain for her Good vv 6-12

Closing Hymn — The Sands of Time are Sinking 1. The sands of time are sink - ing, the dawn of heav - en breaks. 2. The King there in his beau - ty with - out a veil is seen: 3. O Christ, he the foun - tain, the deep sweet well of love! 4. The bride eyes not her gar - ment, but her dear bride-groom's face; the sum - mer morn I've sighed for, the fair sweet mom a wakes: it a well - spent jour - ney though sev'n deaths lay tween: The streams on earth I've tast - ed more deep LI drink a bove: will not gaze glo but ry. on my King of grace; dark. dark hath been the mid - night, but day - spring is the Lamb with his fair ar - my doth on Mount Zi on stand. there to 0 cean ful - ness his mer - cy doth ex pand, at the crown he gift - eth. but pierc - ed on his hand: and glo - ry, glo - ry dwell eth in Em - man - uel's land. and glo - ry, glo - ry dwell eth in Em - man - uel's land. glo - ry, and glo - ry dwell eth in Em - man - uel's land. the all glo of Em - man - uel's land.

Benediction

Postlude

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Monte & Matt Festog (early team)

Laura Caruso, Laura VanDelden (late team)

SS nursery: Dennis Caruso, Jeanne Lowry

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Diana Neeriemer, Elisa & Lily Godoy

Infant Nursery: Annie Kim

Children's Church: Michelle Williams, Samantha VanDelden

Sound: Kim Hanlin
Live Stream: Lance Duvall
Nursery On-call: Ann Burden

Serving Next Week

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Brian Burden, Colin Brooks (early team)

Chris Boyles, Ann Burden (late team)

SS nursery: Dave Myers, Kim Jernigan

<u>10:30 am</u>

Toddler Nursery: Joel & Caelyn Poortenga, Megan Quist

Infant Nursery: Joy Nichols

Children's Church: Karen Ochs, Gail Summers-Millison

Sound: Ed Wright
Live Stream: Isaac Wright
Nursery On-call: Amy Wright

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

Youth Group, 6-8 pm in C6

Saturday Men's Discussion Group, 8-10 am, Discussing R.C.

Sproul's video series, "Reformed Theology." Coffee is

provided.

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Give thanks for the new folks that have joined the New Hope family. Pray that they will be ingrafted in the body well, will be cared for well and will have opportunity to use their gifts for the glory of God.
- Pray for Gerry Taylor, a retired pastor in our presbytery, and his family as they mourn the loss of Gerry's son due to complications from diabetes. Pray that God would bring them comfort in this very difficult time.
- Continue to pray for Pastor Francis and his family as they prepare to embark on the sabbatical in a few weeks. Pray that during this time they will be refreshed and encouraged. Pray that Pastor Francis will have sweet time with the Lord and in study during this time.
- Give thanks for the gift of the Lord's Supper and the call to partake by faith, receiving and resting on the work of Christ on the cross alone. Give thanks that we can bring nothing to the table but an appetite that only Christ can truly satisfy.
- Pray for New Hope and the fellowship of believers. Pray that we will be a
 people who honestly love and care for one another, willing to bear one
 another's burdens.
- 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.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our missionaries of the month, Ben and Melanie Westerveld who
 are serving the Lord in Quebec. Pray for Ben, particularly, in his new
 assignment at Farel Theological Seminary where he is teaching.
- Continue to pray for Luke Hake who is serving the Lord in Asia. Pray
 that he will persevere in the language learning process, that he will find
 joy in the work he is called to do, and that he will find ways to share the
 gospel with unbelievers around him.
- Pray for the persecuted Christians in Iran, where it is illegal to own, print, import or distribute Farsi (their language) Bibles. Pray that the Lord would be working mightily in this country to bring many to faith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Work Day, Mark your calendars for May 13th and come out and help around the church property during the next scheduled work day. We will be doing yard work and other things around the property. There will be something for everyone! Bring any yard equipment you might have and some gloves! Chris Lear will be heading up this project if you have any questions.
- Men's Wing Night, This Tuesday, May 9, will be our monthly wing night for the men of the church. Please bring a friend and join us at Buffalo Wild Wings in North Frederick for casual conversation and a meal beginning at 6:15 PM.
- Annual Report, it's that time of the year! Annual Report time! If you are a church committee chairperson, a subcommittee chairperson or basically in charge of anything church related, you should have received an email letting you know that Annual Report submissions are due to me by May 15th. Mark your calendars! The annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for June 25th.
- Nominations for Elder/Deacon, this is a reminder that any member of the congregation can nominate men for elder or deacon at any time of the year. If you would like to nominate someone, please review the qualifications listed in 1 Timothy 3 and then speak to the individual to see if they are willing to be nominated. If they are, please then speak with an elder to make the nomination.
- 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.
- Christianity Explored Class, Wednesdays from 6-8 pm beginning May 3 and running for 7 weeks (June 14). Invitations are on the welcome center table. Invite your friends and neighbors!
- Joan Johansen memorial, all are invited to come to a celebration of life for our beloved John Johansen on Thursday, May 11th at 11:00 am. Please wear purple, her favorite color, if you are able! There will be a light luncheon following the service.
- Ladies' Night Out is Thursday, May 18! Ladies, join us for dinner at 6:00pm at Azteca (E Frederick St, Walkersville) and/or dessert around 8:00pm at Elisa Godoy's home (9424 Glade Ave, Walkersville). RSVP (appreciated, but not required) by Wednesday, May 17 to Elease Layman 301.767.6848 or elease.layman@gmail.com.

New Member Biographies

Johannes Haasbroek lives in Ballenger Creek on the outskirts of Frederick, MD. In 2015, he moved from his native South Africa to the United States and became a citizen in 2022. He lived in Crofton, MD, for five years before moving to Frederick. With a bachelor's degree in strategic communication from Liberty University, Johannes has a passion for storytelling and exploring new ways to better share the wonders of creation. He is also on a mission to try out every restaurant in the Frederick area. All suggestions (and offers to pay for lunch) are highly welcome! He is tremendously grateful to be a member of the New Hope OPC family.

Daniel and Elizabeth Jones live in Berkeley County, West Virginia, where Daniel grew up. They got married in 2010 and have three children: Brendan (11 years old, also joining New Hope), Percy (7 years old), and Caledonia (1 1/2 years old). Daniel works for the United States Postal Service, and enjoys research and role-playing games. Elizabeth runs the household, homeschools the children, and runs a homeschool library. Brendan loves to read, and is building up his reef tank. Percy also loves books, and loves to play Axis and Allies with his daddy. Caledonia loves to be read to, and is focusing on developing her vocabulary. Daniel and Elizabeth are thankful to have found a solid church where they can be fed and participate in like-minded community.

Bill, Patricia, William (3) and Sarah (9 months) Sack live in Middletown, Maryland. They moved into the area last year from Kansas, and were lived in New York, Florida, and Georgia before that (they move a lot). Bill is from Texas originally and Patricia is from Brazil where she was an ER nurse. They met in Brazil while Bill was on a study abroad where he decided to bring the broad home. They will be in the area for at least one more year before the Army moves them again. We are looking forward to growing and serving with their new family for however long they are in Maryland.

An Invitation and a Fencing of the Lord's Supper Table

All who are right with God and his church are invited, through faith in the Lord Jesus, to come to the Lord's Table. If you have received Christ and are resting upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to you in the gospel, if you are a baptized and professing communicant member in good standing in a church that professes the gospel of God's free grace in Jesus Christ, and if you live penitently and seek to walk in godliness before the Lord, then this Supper is for you, and you are invited in Christ's name to eat the bread and drink the cup.

At the same time, God's Word says, "Whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eats and drinks unworthily, eats and drinks damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body" (1 Cor. 11:27-29). If you are not trusting in Jesus Christ as your Savior, if you are not a member of a faithful Christian church, if you are not living penitently and seeking to walk in godliness before the Lord, then you are warned in the name of Christ not to approach the Holy Table of the Lord.

This warning is not aimed to keep the humble and contrite from the Table of the Lord, as if it were for those who were free from sin. In fact, it is for sinners that our Lord gives this Supper as a means of grace. Through the elements of bread and wine, our Lord graciously gives himself and all his benefits to everyone who eats and drinks in a worthy manner, discerning the body of the Lord. It is one thing to eat and drink in a worthy manner. It is very different, however, to imagine that we are worthy to eat and drink. We dare not come to the Lord's Table as if we were worthy and righteous in ourselves. We come in a worthy manner if we recognize that we are unworthy sinners who need our Savior, if we consciously discern his body given for our sins, if we hunger and thirst after Christ, giving thanks for his grace, trusting in his merits, feeding on him by faith, renewing our covenant with him and his people.

Let us examine our minds and hearts to determine whether such discernment is ours, to the end that we may partake to the glory of God and to our growth in the grace of Christ. Come then with joy and thankfulness to the Lord's Table. The Lord's Supper is medicine for poor, sick souls. Come to Jesus and find rest, refreshing, and nourishment for your weak and weary soul.

~From the Book of Church Order, The Directory for the Public Worship of God

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text: Isaiah 55:9 ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Canons of Dort 2, Article 9: This purpose [the giving of salvation to the elect], proceeding from everlasting love towards the elect, has from the beginning of the world to this day been powerfully accomplished, and will henceforward still continue to be accomplished, notwithstanding all the ineffectual opposition of the gates of hell; so that the elect in due time may be gathered together into one, and that there never may be wanting a Church composed of believers, the foundation of which is laid in the blood of Christ; which may steadfastly love and faithfully serve Him as its Savior (who, as a bridegroom for his bride, laid down His life for them upon the cross); and which may celebrate His praises here and through all eternity.

Monday: Isaiah 62:4. Read the following passages and reflect on God as a God who delights: Gen 1:31, Jer 9:24, Ps 36:8, 16:3, Zeph 3:17, Eph 5:25. Who does God delight in in Isaiah 62:4, 1? In Christ, God takes great pleasure in his church. What surprises you about God delighting in the church? What encourages you about it?

Tuesday: Isaiah 62:1-2. Who do you think is speaking in v 1? How does v 2 tell you what he is "pestering" God for? Because God delights in his church, he commits to perfecting her -and Jesus continually prays and works to that end (see Rev 19:7-8, 21:10-11). How is God perfecting his church (e.g. Jn 14:26, 15:26, James 1:2f, 2 Tim 4:2)?

Wednesday: Read Isaiah 62:3-5. What had the OT church felt about being forsaken and desolate (49:14, 54:3-4)? Why had God chastised her (Is 1:4-6)? What does he promise in v 4? Why? What does v 3 communicate about the final state of the church? And v 5 about God's feelings for the church? In what sense are these things already true? If God delights and rejoices in His church, how can/should we delight and rejoice in the church?

Thursday: Isaiah 62:6-7. Think of ways the church demonstrates she is not yet in her perfected state. What are the helps has God given in the meantime (v 6, 2 Tim 4:2, Eph 4:11ff)? According to vv 6-7, what is your responsibility (Luke 18:1-8)? Think of 10 different ways you can pray for your church, and the church more broadly. Pray them.

Friday: Isaiah 62:8-12. How does v 8 speak of the church's security from her enemies (see Mt 16:18, Rom 8:35)? How does v 9 speak of rich fellowship with the Lord (Lev 7:15, Deut 14:26, Lk 22:15)? How does v 10 call us to worship and to holiness? How are all of these things preparations for and anticipations of the perfection of the Church (v 12)? How are you participating in them? How are you anticipating the final wedding supper of the Lamb?

Saturday: Read Isaiah 63:1-6. What does this passage say about God's holy justice and his active stance against sin and evil?