

WELCOME!



Sunday School ~ 9:30 am
Worship ~ 10:30 am

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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

October 15, 2023

Reflections

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.

In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

~ Proverbs 3:5-6

I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you.

~ Job 42:5

¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders
the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thou-
sands, ¹² saying with a loud voice,

*“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom
and might and honor and glory and blessing!”*

¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the
sea, and all that is in them, saying,

*“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”*

¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

~ Revelation 5:11-14

Approach to God

Welcome — Pastor Francis VanDelden

Prelude

Call to Worship — Psalm 111:1-10 (responsive)

Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

² **Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.**

³ **Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.**

⁴ He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

⁵ **He provides food for those who fear him;
he remembers his covenant forever.**

⁶ **He has shown his people the power of his works,**

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in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

⁷ The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy;

⁸ **they are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

⁹ He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!

¹⁰ **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!**

Praise

Song of Praise — May the Peoples Praise You

You have called us out of darkest night, into Your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ
May our every breath retell the grace that broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy with endless life

Chorus:

*May the peoples praise You
Let the nations be glad All Your blessing comes
That we may praise, may praise the Name of Jesus*

All the earth is Yours and all within, each harvest is Your own
And from Your hand we give to You to make Christ known
May the seeds of mercy grow in us, for those who have not heard
May songs of praise build lives of grace
To spread Your Word (CHORUS)

This our holy privilege to declare, Your praises and Your name
To every nation, tribe and tongue, Your church proclaims

CHORUS

Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty
Worthy, worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Holy, holy is the Lord Almighty
All creation praise Your glorious Name (CHORUS)

Prayer of Adoration

Song 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

Confession of Sin — Deuteronomy 6:4-5

⁴“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon — Jeremiah 31:33-34

³³For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Offering* — 2 Corinthians 9:8 ⁸And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

**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

He Who is Mighty

Oh, the mercy our God has shown
To those who sit in death's shadow
The sun on high pierced the night
Born was the Cornerstone

PRE-CHORUS

*Unto us a Son is given,
unto us a Child is born*

CHORUS

*He Who is mighty
has done a great thing
Taken on flesh,
conquered death's sting
Shattered the darkness
and lifted our shame
Holy is His name*

Oh, the freedom our Savior won
The yoke of sin has been broken
Once a slave, now by grace
No more condemnation

BRIDGE

Now my soul magnifies the Lord
I rejoice in the God Who saves
I will trust His unfailing love
I will sing His praises all my days

Jesus Thank You

The myst'ry of the cross
I cannot comprehend
The agonies of Calvary
You the perfect holy One
crushed Your Son
Drank the bitter cup
reserved for me

*Your blood has washed away
my sin*

*Jesus thank You
The Father's wrath
completely satisfied
Jesus thank You
Once Your enemy
now seated at Your table
Jesus thank You*

By Your perfect sacrifice
I've been brought near
Your enemy You've made
Your friend
Pouring out the riches
of Your glorious grace
Your mercy and your kindness
know no end.

Lover of my soul I want to live for
you. (3X)

Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — John 17:1-5

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

Sermon — The Glory of God in Your Salvation

~ Pastor John Clifford

Closing Hymn — Praise Him! Praise Him! (page 10)

Benediction

Now the God of peace, who brought up from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the eternal covenant, even Jesus our Lord, equip you in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen. (Hebrews 13:20-21)

Postlude

—The Glory of God in Your Salvation—

John 17:1-5

Theme: God glorifies Himself by causing you to know Him.

Closing Hymn — Praise Him, Praise Him!

1. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!
 2. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!
 3. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!

Sing, O earth, his won - der - ful love pro - claim!
 For our sins he suf - fered and bled and died;
 Heav'n - ly por - tals loud with ho - san - nas ring!

Hail him! hail him! high - est arch - an - gels in glo - ry;
 he our Rock, our hope of e - ter - nal sal - va - tion,
 Je - sus, Sav - ior, reign - eth for - ev - er and ev - er;

strength and hon - or give to his ho - ly name!
 hail him! hail him! Je - sus the Cru - ci - fied.
 crown him! crown him! Proph - et and Priest and *King!

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Like a shep - herd, Je - sus will guard his chil - dren,
 Sound his prais - es! Je - sus who bore our sor - rows,
 Christ is com - ing! o - ver the world vic - to - rious,

G Em A⁷ D

in his arms he car - ries them all day long:
 love un - bound - ed, won - der - ful, deep, and strong:
 pow'r and glo - ry un - to the Lord be - long:

REFRAIN G C G

Praise him! praise him! tell of his ex - cel - lent great - ness;

G⁷ C Am G D⁷ G 7

praise him! praise him! ev - er in joy - ful song!

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Wayne Greenfield, Chris Lear (early team)
Calvin Wright, Tom Wright (late team)
SS nursery: Dennis Caruso, Jeanne Lowry

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Talia Poortenga, Emma VanDelden, Mary Troxel
Infant Nursery: Dawn Myers
Children's Church: Susan & Paul Johnson
Sound: Mark Nichols
Live Stream: Lance Duvall
Nursery On-call: Monica Laird
Prayer Team: Mark & Sally Rice

Serving Next Week

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Monte Festog, Mark Rice (early team)
Sue Bridenbaugh, Jackie Plowman (late team)
SS nursery: Katie Poortenga, Elisa Godoy

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Monica Laird, Karl Koops, Levi VanDelden
Infant Nursery: Dan Godoy
Children's Church: Karen Ochs, Jessie VanDelden
Sound: Ed Wright
Live Stream: Isaac Wright
Nursery On-call: Valory Snyder
Prayer Team: Cath Howard, Cynthia Wintermyer

THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Today Fellowship Meal, immediately following the worship service.

Monday Session Meeting, 7:00 pm at the church

Wednesday Wednesday Bible Studies
• 10:00 am ladies' studies
 ◇ Genesis study, meeting at Amy Wright's home, includes childcare
 ◇ 2 Cor. study meeting in C8 at the church

Thursday Ladies' Night Out, see announcement page for details.

Saturday Men's Discussion Group, 8-10 am, Discussing R.C. Sproul's video series, "Defending Your Faith."
Ladies' Book Tea, see announcement page for details

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for John Jastrzembksi and his family as they grieve the loss of John's father last week. Praise God that he knew the Lord and is, even now, rejoicing at the throne!
- Pray for the people of Israel and those who are suffering in light of the recent attack and violence. Pray that God will bring peace in this crisis, will provide protection and comfort, and will cause the Jewish people to turn to and call on the name of the Lord.
- Praise God that He loves us, that He sent His son to die for us, and that because of that He helps us to know Him...all for His glory. Give thanks for His faithfulness and care for us.
- Pray for our country. Pray that God will change the hearts and minds of those who do not know Him to bring about revival and salvation. Pray that where there is darkness, the light of truth will shine.
- Give thanks for the recent marriage of Kristen Lalley and Thanos Pappas. Pray that the Lord would bless their union, that He would be at the center of their lives, and that they would serve Him all their days.
- Pray for Mavis Bauer, Jeff & Patti Deschamps, Cindy Pottala, and John & Muriel Hadidian who are all dealing with significant health struggles.
- Pray for Michelle Williams and Rachael Kobe who are expecting new little ones. Pray for the health and well-being of both moms and babies throughout the pregnancies.
- 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, John and Rachel Clifford who will be serving the Lord in Rwanda through Mission to the World. Pray for John as he sets up an internship program to stir up more people into missions in Africa. Pray for Rachel as her role at home and in ministry slowly begins to change over the next several months. Pray for peace and stability for Jackson as he will begin school in Rwanda, mid-year.
- Continue to pray for Luke Hake in east Asia as he serves the Lord and shares the gospel. Pray that his language learning will continue to go well and that he would lay aside every weight and sin that so easily entangles, and run with perseverance the race marked out, fixing his eyes on the Son, the founder and perfecter of his faith.
- Pray for Kristen and Thanos as they serve the Lord in Europe. Pray for wisdom as they seek God's guidance in how and where to serve in the future.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fellowship Meal, TODAY! Meatball subs, salad, chips and dessert will be served. Gluten Free options will be available. Plan to stay after the service and join us!

Congregational Meeting, following the worship service on October 29th, we will have a brief congregational/corporation meeting to vote on the proposed change to our fiscal year budget. Please take time to read through the document found on page 15-16 and contact any member of Session, any of the Trustees, or the treasurer with any feedback or questions prior to the corporation meeting.

Ladies' Night Out is Thursday, October 19! Ladies, join us for dinner at 6:00pm at BJ's (Spectrum Dr, Frederick) and/or dessert around 8:00pm at Monica Laird's home (4325 Dover Dr, Frederick). RSVP for dinner by Wednesday, October 18 to Elease Layman - 301.767.6848 or elease.layman@gmail.com.

Christmas Giving Opportunities, this year as we head into the holiday season, you will have the opportunity to participate in two different ministries (you can choose to do both, one of them, or neither based on your budget and ability). New Hope will be participating in **Operation Christmas Child** through Samaritan's Purse (starting soon and ending in mid-November, Colin Brooks will be overseeing) and buying gifts for residents and families at the **Frederick Rescue Mission** (starting at the end of November and ending mid-December, Ann Burden will be overseeing). Please be paying attention to upcoming announcements about these ministries!

New Address, Diana Neeriemer reached out to let us know she is settled in North Carolina and wanted to make sure we had her new address: 8533 Kenridge Ln, Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526. Her cell phone number remains the same.

Ladies of New Hope you are invited to a Ladies Book Tea, We will be dining on Tea, Crumpets, and other yummy Tea Party foods while learning about inspiring and interesting books recommended by ladies in our church. The Tea will be on October 21 at 10:00 in the morning.

- Bring your favorite fancy Tea cup and saucer for the occasion.
- Our tables will be decorated by YOU! Sign up and pick a fun theme to decorate a table.
- We are planning on using this event to bless the ministry to young women at Carenet pregnancy center with items that they need! Bring Diapers size 4,5,and 6 and any consumable items like body wash, shampoo, wipes, etc.
- This would be a great opportunity to invite a neighbor or friend!
- Please use the sign up <https://app.sharefaith.com/App/Form/aa476e01-4ee9-4ade-bb12-c224facde850> or click on the QR code below to let us know if you are coming and if you can bring something to share. Any Questions: Contact Ann Burden 240-446-6656 or Joy Nichols 301-514-8972 or Rosemarie Festog 301-471-4301.



Clifford Family Mission Support Update & Information for Voting

By Eleese Layman, Treasurer, on behalf of the Board of Trustees

In spring 2023, New Hope started investigating the possibility of adding John Clifford to the church's staff as a part-time pastoral intern, providing him a bare minimum salary and housing in Frederick. The dual purposes behind this idea were (1) that New Hope might benefit from the skills and gifts of John and his family's deepening relationship in the body at New Hope and (2) that John and Rachel would be allowed plenty of space and time to pursue the work of fundraising for their family's call to the mission field in Rwanda.

In summer 2023, New Hope approved a budget of \$33,000 for the Pastoral Intern>Base Salary line item in the 23-24 fiscal year budget. Half of this amount would be covered by extra General Fund support pledges from some congregants, following a broad appeal for such "over and above" donations. No funds were allocated to Mission to the World, as, at that time, the Budget & Finance Committee fully anticipated that the Cliffords would not depart until summer 2024.

As of today, the following situations and financial responses have arisen:

- John's family has had several unanticipated, large expenses (e.g., car repairs).
 - John's existing salary was calculated without any wiggle room for such expenses, and we want to care for his family's needs in an appropriate way. The Board of Trustees (which includes Session) has increased John's salary by a net amount of \$4,000 to be paid out evenly over the remaining pay periods through December 2023. John essentially worked full-time over much of the summer while being paid for part-time work, and this change will not cause any increase in budget spending under the Pastoral Intern>Base Salary line item since his employment will end 6 months sooner than anticipated (see next main point).
 - No congregational vote is required for this change, but the Trustees wanted to keep the congregation informed.
- The Cliffords' fundraising has been thoroughly blessed, and it is highly likely that they will have the necessary 80% funding by November 1 which they require in order to depart in January 2024. In this case, John's last date of employment will be December 31, 2023.
 - With the input of the Missions & Outreach Committee, the Board of Trustees would like New Hope to start funding the Cliffords via Mission to the World at our anticipated regular level at the same time that the Cliffords start their mission work, rather than delaying until the beginning of our new fiscal year starting July 1, 2024.

- The proposed change to our current '23-'24 budget (**item to vote on**) is as follows:

“Add a new line item to the existing 2023-2024 budget (Missions & Outreach>Mission to the World) to support the Cliffords’ mission work in Rwanda in the amount of \$6,000 (effectively \$1,000/month beginning January 2024).”

- Because the change is greater than 1% of our total General Fund budget, such a change requires a simple majority vote by the corporation (i.e., congregation...you!).
- The amount is the remaining salary amount minus extra support pledges that could possibly cease with John’s employment ceasing. **Overall budget would not increase.**
- Note: Missions & Outreach plans to continue support of the Cliffords in the new fiscal year beginning in July 2024 at the rate of \$12,000/year. This amount will be part of the proposed budget at the June 2024 annual meeting and is not part of the current vote.