

WELCOME!



Sunday School ~ 9:30 am
Worship ~ 10:45 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***
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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

February 18, 2024

Reflections

The story of the Bible is that we have been made for a relationship with God; that we have chosen and we choose to live our lives without God; that we are, as a result, alienated from God, and God is not indifferent to that fact. Our alienation is two-sided: from ourselves to him, on account of our sin; from God to us, on account of his wrath. And the mystery of his grace is that in Jesus, God has reconciled sinners to himself—that Jesus did not come to tell us what we need to do to try and make ourselves Christians; he came to save us and to reconcile us to God. ~Alistair Begg

"If I stand, let me stand on the promise that you will see me through, and if I can't, let me fall on the grace that first brought me to you." ~"If I Stand" lyric by Rich Mullins

All that we see, hear, touch, taste, and smell in the universe is reading God's creative masterpiece, his epic poem. Homer, Dante, Milton, and Spenser were masterful poets, as far as humans go. But at their best, their poems are merely human imaginations. But when God imagines, his images come into real existence. His poems are living and active and multi-dimensional. You are an epic poem, a God-imaging poem — become flesh and spirit. Your poem contains all the comedic and tragic drama of an existence more real and more meaningful than you have yet to comprehend. If you think you are a boring work of prose, you don't yet see things as they really are. You are afflicted with a sin-induced cataract in the eye of the heart. But it is God's intention and delight to heal your sight (Ephesians 1:18). ~Jon Bloom

Approach to God

Welcome — Joel Poortenga, elder

Prelude

Call to Worship — Psalm 100 (responsive)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

² **Serve the LORD with gladness!**

Come into his presence with singing!

³ **Know that the LORD, he is God!**

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

⁵ **For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

Praise

Hymn of Praise — Come People of the Risen King

Come, people of the risen King, who delight to bring Him praise,
Come all, and tune your hearts to sing
To the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him,
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

*Rejoice, Rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; Oh Church of Christ, rejoice!*

Come those whose joy is morning sun,
And those weeping through the night,
Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace. (chorus)

Come young and old from ev'ry land, men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands; find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world His people sing; Shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through ev'ry age: "Our God is all in all." (chorus)

Prayer of Adoration following by the Lord's Prayer in unison

Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one, for yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Song of Praise — 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*

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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

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

Renewal

Assurance of Pardon/Confession of Sin — Colossians 3:1-17

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

¹²Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³bearing 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. ¹⁴And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Response in Corporate Prayer

O THOU GIVING GOD,

My heart is drawn out in thankfulness

to You,

for Your amazing grace and condescension

to me

I want not the favor of man to lean upon

for Your favor is infinitely better.

Your eternal wisdom in provision

towards me, infinitely good;

and it matters not when, nor where, nor how I serve You,

nor what trials I am exercised with,

if I might but be prepared for Your work and will.

Give me special grace to fit me for special services,

and keep me trusting at all times,

humble, solemn, and conformed to Your will.

In the Precious Name of Jesus, Amen

Response in Song — Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea

A great High Priest whose name is Love

Whoever lives and pleads for me

My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart

I know that while in heaven He stands

No tongue can bid me thence depart,

No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within

Upward I look and see Him there, who made an end of all my sin

Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free

For God the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,

To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there the Risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness

The great unchangeable I Am, the King of glory and of grace

One with Himself I cannot die my soul is purchased by His blood

My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God

With Christ my Savior and my God

Baptism — Hallie Jeanne Koops

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

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and click on the green "give" button in the corner.*

Response in Song — Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring-time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
stars in their cours - es a - bove, join with all na - ture in
pres - ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see: all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro -



vid - ed— Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

Congregational Prayer

Children ages 4-5 may be dismissed for Children's Church

Sermon Text — Ephesians 2:4-10

⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Sermon — Saved by Grace for Good Works

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Song — Romans Doxology (page 10)

Benediction

Postlude

*Please come forward for prayers with our prayer team
after the service.*

———— **Saved by Grace for Good Works** ————

Ephesians 2:4-10

1. Made Alive by Grace (vs 5-6)
2. To Display God's Grace (vs 7-10)

Closing Song — Romans Doxology

Oh, the depth of the riches, the wisdom of God
How unsearchable His ways.
How profound are His judgments
so high above our thoughts
And His pathways
no man can trace

*For from Him and through Him
and to Him are all things.
To Him be the glory forevermore.
To Him be the glory forever. Amen! Amen!*

Oh, the depth of the riches, the wisdom of God,
How magnificent are His ways.
Who has been His advisor
and who has counseled Him
All He gives us who can repay (chorus)

Oh, the depths of the riches, the wisdom of God
How immeasurable is His grace.
How unfailing His kindness,
so far removed His wrath
And His mercies are new each day (chorus)

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Wayne Greenfield, Chris Lear (early team)
Jennifer Hephner, Laura Caruso (late team)
SS Nursery: Dave & Dawn Myers

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Connor Freeman, Elaina Hake, Emma VanDelden,
Elizabeth Ochs
Children's Church: Joy Nichols, Jessie VanDelden
Sound: Craig Lalley
Live Stream: Lance Duvall
Nursery On-call: Betsy Lalley
Prayer Team: David & Kathleen Porter

Serving Next Week

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Monte Festog, Jacob Mendez (early team)
Hannah Foster, Cath Howard (late team)
SS Nursery: Ronnie Socash, Liesl Boyed

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Joel Poortenga, Katie Martin, Audrey Kim, Lillian Williams
Children's Church: Karen Ochs, Megan Quist
Sound: Kim Hanlin
Live Stream: Johannes Haasbroek
Nursery On-call: Amy Wright
Prayer Team: Mark & Sally Rice

THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Tuesday **Session Meeting**, 7:00 pm in C8

Wednesday **Wednesday Bible Studies**

- **10:00 am**, meeting in C8 at the church, no childcare
- **10:00 am**, meeting at Amy Wright's home, there will be childcare
- **Evening Adult Bible Study**, 6-7:30 pm, includes pizza dinner at 6:00 pm
- **GEMS & CSB**, 6-7:30 pm in sanctuary building
- **Discipleship Explored**, 6-7:30 in the sanctuary building
- **Youth Group**, 6-8 pm in C8

Saturday **Men's Ministry Discussion Group**, 8-10 am in the overflow room, discussing interesting or challenging passages from the Bible.

New Members' Class, 8:00 am until 1:00 pm. Includes brunch, at the church.

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Joy and Mark Nichols as they grieve the loss of Joy's father this past week. Pray that the Lord would bring comfort to the family during this difficult time. Give thanks that Jack McConaghie knew and loved the Lord and is now in His presence.
- Pray for the session meeting that is happening this week. Pray for unity, clarity of vision, and wisdom as they lead the church.
- Pray for the upcoming Winterlight retreat that our youth will be participating in. Pray that during this time their faith would be grown, they will enjoy the time together, and build lasting relationships.
- Give thanks for the upcoming New Members' class and those involved in it. Pray that the folks who participate will be encouraged in their faith and understanding and soon become part of our church body.
- Pray that Ginny Lundregan and Mavis Bauer would have patience and healing while they are in rehab. Pray that they are able to return home soon. Pray for Barbara Ruch as she enters hospice; give thanks that she is entrusting herself to God during this time.
- Pray for Michelle Williams and Alanna Duvall who are expecting a 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.
- Pray for opportunities to share the gospel with those in our sphere of influence and for the boldness to speak when the opportunities come.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our missions of the month, the foreign missions work of the OPC. Pray for the work on each of the eight active missions fields: China, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Haiti, Quebec, Uganda, Ukraine, and Uruguay. Pray that the unbelieving will understand their need for redemption and salvation and by God's grace hear the gospel, believe it, and live redeemed lives. Pray, too, that above all things, the one and true and living God would be praised and worshipped.
- Pray for Luke Hake as he serves the Lord in west Asia and for continued joy in the work that he is called to do. Pray that he would honor the Father with his words, actions, and motivation as he spends time with these friends and that he would speak boldly and accurately of our King.
- Pray for John and Rachel Clifford as they prepare for their mission work in Rwanda. Pray that they will be encouraged and energized by this calling they have and will be able to transition well into life in Africa.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Members' Class, we will have our next New Members Class on Saturday, February 24th from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm and will include a brunch. This class is for anyone who is interested in joining the church or would just like to get to know more about New Hope or the denomination (Orthodox Presbyterian). If you would like to participate in the class or would like more information, contact Pastor Francis (pastor@newhopeopc.org) or Gingy in the office (admin@newhopeopc.org) or one of the elders.

Nominations for Elder & Deacon, nominations for elder and deacon are always open! On the welcome center there are nominating forms that include a list of qualification questions to help you discern if someone might be qualified to be an elder or deacon. If there is someone you would like to nominate for elder or deacon, please talk to them first and see if they are willing to undergo training. Then, fill out the nominating form and give it to one of the elders.

OPC Youth Retreat, All young people grades 8th-12th are invited to attend Winterlight Youth Retreat on February 23-24, 2024 at Covenant OPC in Sinking Spring, PA. This retreat will be a wonderful time of fellowship with other youth, along with excellent teaching from Mr. Brian Groot. Register online at philadelphia.opc.org/winterlight for \$30. Contact Pastor Francis if you are interested in attending.

Help Needed!, We are looking for someone to provide and serve brunch for the New Members' class on Saturday, February 24th. If you are interested in doing this, please contact Gingy in the office at admin@newhopeopc.org or Pastor Francis.

Ladies' Brunch, mark your calendars for the "Growing in Christ" ladies' brunch on April 6th. More details will be forthcoming but we hope all New Hope ladies set this date aside!

Youth Group multi-church event, Saturday, April 13th from 4:00 pm until 8:30 pm at New Hope. There will be dinner, devotions, games, gaga ball and more. For more details, and to help, contact Emma or Samantha VanDelden (emmavand@gmail.com or samanthavd36@gmail.com).

Celebration of Life for Jack McConaghie (Joy's father), New Hope was a special place for Joy's dad Jack during the year he spent with us. To remember and celebrate his life and time with us, Mark and Joy will be hosting a potluck to remember Jack, share a story or two, and celebrate his life devoted to the gospel. So, you are invited to come to a potluck on Sunday, March 3rd 12:30pm, immediately following the Sunday morning worship service at New Hope. If you have any questions about the event, you can reach out to Mark at 301-663-1532 / markn.psalm37@gmail.com. If you're able, please signup via this page: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FA4AF23A64-48016006-jack>

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text — Ephesians 2:5 ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵**even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—**

Westminster Confession 16.2 These good works, done in obedience to God's commandments, are the fruits and evidences of a true and lively faith: and by them believers manifest their thankfulness, strengthen their assurance, edify their brethren, adorn the profession of the Gospel, stop the mouths of the adversaries, and glorify God, whose workmanship they are, created in Christ Jesus thereunto, that, having their fruit unto holiness, they may have the end, eternal life.

Monday: Eph 2:5-8. What phrase is repeated twice in these verses? What is grace? Why must salvation be completely of grace (Eph 2:1-3, 8, Rom 3:20ff)? Can it be said that our faith is a work, a contribution we make (Eph 2:8, Rom 4:4-5)? How do you sometimes functional deny this doctrine ("I'm unworthy of God's love, I'm not good enough, I need to do better before I pray," etc)? Rest rest in salvation by grace alone in Christ alone.

Tuesday: Eph 2:5-6. What does it mean to be raised with Christ (Rom 6:4, Col 2:12-13)? What is the future aspect of this resurrection (1 Cor 15:42ff)? Eph 2:6 emphasizes the ongoing effect of being raised with Christ. How do we live a new, resurrection life now (Rom 6:4, Gal 5:16-17, 22f)? What does it look like to be a resurrected one (Eph 4:18, 22, 24)?

Wednesday: Eph 2:6. Why was Christ seated (Eph 1:20-23)? Because we are unite to him by faith, we too are seated with him. How do we already now exercise power and authority over the flesh, the devil, and the world (Eph 6:10, 16, James 4:7-8, Titus 2:2, Mt 6:10, 1 Cor 10:13)?

Thursday: Eph 2:7. What is the highest reason God saves sinners by sheer grace? How is this underlined in Eph 1:3, 6, 7, 12, 14? When does v 7 say he will do this? Who will be the audience? Delight in each word in this verse, and praise God for this. Where do you see God's grace in kindness in yourself, the church, the world? Praise him for it.

Friday: Eph 2:9-10. Works can't save us. But why can't we be saved without them? We are not saved by works, but we are saved "for" them (v 10). Do you tend to emphasize grace or works? How does v 10 tie them together (see Titus 3:4-8)? Compare the "walking" in v 10 and v 2-on which course are you walking? Skim ch 4-6 for examples of such good works. Abound in them!

Saturday: Eph 2:11-18. How does Jesus bring peace and reconciliation to drastically different groups?