New Hope Presbyterian Church



WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT NEW HOPE

We are grateful you have joined us today and invite you to participate fully in the worship, education, and mission life of our church.

- **Preparing for worship...** Please silence cell phones upon entering the sanctuary. The need may arise for you to exit the service early. If so, please refrain from exiting during prayers, reading of scripture and choral anthems. Natural and appropriate exit points are during congregational hymns or sung responses. Your courtesy is appreciated. Also, as a kindness to fellows worshipers, please do not take flash photos during the worship service.
- **Large-print bulletins and hearing enhancement equipment are available** for ease of worship. An usher will be happy to assist you. At the close of worship, please return the unit to the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.
- Children are especially welcome in our worship services, because faith is formed by the practices that shape it. Red worship bags for young children (non-readers) and blue bags for older children (readers) may be found on the wall outside the sanctuary. An usher will help you locate one. If you would like a worship bag with your child's name of it, you may fill out a request form on the Welcome Table or call the church office (936.2200). Parents who prefer child care will find the infant nursery on the first floor and the toddler nursery on the lower-level.
- **Worship Feast,** an experience to help elementary-age children develop awareness of God's presence and openness to mystery through a variety of prayer practices, is available during the 11:00 service. Children who wish to participate will be dismissed after the Gospel Reading.

Ushering for today's worship: 8:45) Rick Cassetta, Rick & Tyler Etling, Ken Pinkley (11:00) Earl & Juanita Bostic, Mark & Jennifer Everly, Paul & Martha Hacker, Ken Pinkley, Joe Seidler.

Liturgist: Del Phillips

Acolyte: Katie Groat Water Bearer: Kelsey Etling

Sound Booth Technician: (8:45) Joe Petrowsky (11:00) Deb Garten

Last Sunday's Attendance: 211

If You Are New to New Hope

Information about our church can be found at the Welcome Table in the foyer.

New Hope Cares

For pastoral care and to notify the church of illness, hospitalization, or death, please contact the church office at 636/936.2200 (office@newhopepc.org). To arrange for homebound Communion, contact Pastor James at cqjames@newhopepc.org or 936.2200 x.11.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Palm Sunday

April 13, 2014

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

© The congregation gathers outside around the crosses in the circle drive to prepare for the processional into the church. Ushers distribute worship bulletins and palms fronds. Announcements pertaining to the life of the congregation are provided in the weekly News & Opportunities insert in the worship bulletin.

*GREETING

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1-11
The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*BLESSING OF THE PALMS

We praise you, O God,
for redeeming the world
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Today he entered the holy city in triumph
and was proclaimed messiah and king
by those who spread garments and branches along his way.

Bless these branches and all who carry them.

Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross,
so that, joined to his death and resurrection,
we enter into life with you;
through the same Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

Let us go forth in peace,

in the name of Christ. Amen.

+*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 196 All Glory, Laud and Honor VALE WILL ICH DIR GEBEN The procession into the church begins. Worshipers pass into the narthex to the pealing of the hand bells. Once inside the sanctuary, worshipers may find a place to be seated, but remain standing through the hymn.

(11:00) PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO SECOND GRADERS

Ethan Schrautemeier Dannika Ward Ava Tutschulte Aliviah Wilburn

LITANY OF PRESENTATION

What is the church?

We are the church:

the people who believe the good news about Jesus, who are baptized, and who share in the Lord's Supper.

Through these means of grace,

the Spirit renews us so that we may serve God in love.

How do we know this good news?

Through reading the Bible and hearing it taught and preached.

The Holy Spirit inspired those who wrote the Bible and helps us rely on its promises today.

from Belonging to God: A First Catechism, PC(USA), Questions 35, 37

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Holy God, in baptism we promise to guide and nurture by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging one another to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of his church.

We pledge ourselves anew to this promise.

As these children read and study their Bibles,

may your Spirit help them to learn about your love for them in Jesus Christ, that they may know you, love you and follow you with the whole of their lives. Amen.

HANDBELL ANTHEM

Palm Sunday Procession

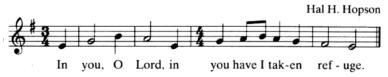
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THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING
PSALTER

Isaiah 50: 4-9a Psalm 31: 9-16

The cantor will sing the verses and the congregation will sing the refrain.



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 Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am in distress.
 Tears have wasted my eyes, my throat and my heart.
 For my life is spent with sorrow and my years with sighs.
 Affliction has broken down my strength and my bones waste away. (R)

¹¹In the face of all my foes I am a reproach, an object of scorn to my neighbors and of fear to my friends.

Those who see me in the street run far away from me.

¹²I am like the dead, forgotten by all like a thing thrown away. (R)

¹³I have heard the slander of the crowd.
Fear is all around me,
 as they plot together against me,
 as they plan to take my life.
¹⁴But as for me, I trust in you, Lord;
I say: "You are my God.
¹⁵My life is in your hands;
 deliver me from the hands of those who hate me.
¹⁶Let your face shine on your servant.
Save me in your love." (R)

EPISTLE READING Philippians 2: 5-11

*THE GOSPEL

THE ACCLAMATION Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (v.3) (Glory to God 197)

ELLACOMBE

"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord of heaven, our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 27: 11-54

HOMILY

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

© In silent prayer and reflection you may renew the covenant into which you are baptized. If you would like to learn more about this sacrament, Pastor James would welcome the opportunity to speak with you about it.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

...Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

...Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Savior.

Amen.

THE EUCHARIST

OFFERING OF OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM God So Loved the World

John Stainer

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The prayer continues. After the words, "... who forever sing to the glory of your name:" the congregation sings,

...Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The prayer continues. After the words, "Great is the mystery of faith," the congregation proclaims,

...Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The prayer continues and ends with the Lord's Prayer...

...Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy 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 evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Upon extending the bread and cup toward the congregation... Holy things for holy people.

Only one is holy, one is Lord: Jesus Christ to the glory of God.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

© All the baptized may come to the Table at the center and return by the outside aisles. As you come forward to the Table, you may place your palm frond at the baptismal font, or you may take it with you to have as you begin the journey through this Holy Week.

You may take the bread, dip it into the chalice and partake of both together (intinction), or you may partake of the bread and then proceed to partake of the juice from the tray of individual cups. Gluten-free bread is available at the station to the left as you approach the Table (with Pastor James).

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

THE SENDING

*HYMN 221

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

PASSION CHORALE

*BLESSING & CHARGE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Jesus, Remember Me (Glory to God 227) REMEMBER ME Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

(repeat)

*All who are able may stand.

+ Those arriving may be seated.











Holy Week & Easter at New Hope

April 17 *Maundy Thursday*

7:00 p.m. Word & Sacrament

with the Liturgy of Footwashing

April 18 Good Friday

7:00 p.m. Service of the Word

with the choir and organ presenting John Stainer's, *The Crucifixion*

April 19 Great Vigil of Easter

8:00 p.m. Service of Light, Word, Baptism & Eucharist

with Confirmation

April 20 Easter Sunday...The Festival of the Resurrection

8:45 & 11:00 a.m. Word & Sacrament

Over the past few years at New Hope Presbyterian Church we have been expanding the vocabulary of our faith to include the word Triduum (pronounced TRIH-doo-um) after the Latin, "Three Days." This single word draws together the inseparable relationship between Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday (with the Easter Vigil) and Easter morning which are celebrated as one extended liturgy. Though we come and go between our homes and church during this stretch of days, you might notice that the Triduum's liturgies have no benediction until the end of the Easter Vigil.

What does it mean?

Each of our worship services during the Triduum (and the whole of Holy Week) give us all a pretty good spiritual "work out." Not only do we come together *a lot*, there is a lot we *do together* in worship besides listening. The richness of meaning calls us to do a lot of praying, singing, moving, and processing, as we gather, pour water, tell again the story of our faith, and share bread and wine. The Triduum invites us to discover how each day is significant to the other. Just imagine reading J.K. Rowling's, *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* without reading the first two books in the series. Something would be lost. So too, each day of the Triduum—Thursday to Friday, Friday to Saturday, and Saturday to Sunday—brings something indispensable to the meaning of the whole event.

Remembering by Doing

One of the distinguishing features of Christianity is that it is an historical religion. The liturgical year that shapes our worship reflects God's acting in history, especially Jesus' arrest, betrayal, trial, crucifixion, burial, and resurrection. Together, this concentration of events creates an intensity of liturgical experience over a very short time span. It is the very intensity of this experience, in fact, that has formed and renewed God's people over hundreds of years. We remember what God has done for us in Jesus Christ by enacting it in our worship, locating ourselves within the larger story of God's people, and living out God's Word at the Font and at the Table. It is a very active sort of remembering. In giving our lives over to this week, we taste new life of the crucified and risen Lord.

Maundy Thursday

This day in Holy Week is traditionally referred to as "Holy Thursday" or "Maundy Thursday." The word "maundy" is derived from the Latin "mandatum" which means "command" and refers to the new commandment to love one another which Jesus gave to the disciples at the Last Supper, the night before his death (John 13:34). The congregation gathers this evening to remember that night so long ago when our Lord broke the bread and gave the cup and so instituted this holy supper which has been for more than 1900 years, the Church's holiest occasion of communion and celebration. The mood of the service is not triumphant but somber and reflective as we recall the eve of Jesus' passion and death. At the same time, there is also unmistakably present the note of faith and hope, even as there was on that first Maundy Thursday. So do we as the

Church once more gather with our Lord to prepare for his suffering and death but also to anticipate the glory of his resurrection which we will celebrate on Easter.

This year, we will introduce the Liturgy of Footwashing as a part of our worship on this night. Just as ashes are a central symbol of the meaning of Ash Wednesday, so the act of footwashing is a central symbol of the meaning of Maundy Thursday. Footwashing is a powerfully symbolic response to Jesus' own example and his command that his disciples love one another as he loves us.

Following the sermon, worshipers will be invited to proceed to one of three stations located around the worship space to have their feet washed. Once a person's feet are washed, he or she will turn and wash the next person's feet. This is an intimate experience of servanthood that Jesus demonstrates for us. Many may choose not to participate because it asks us to be vulnerable. We don't like to expose our feet in public. We hide them, cover them and dress them. But to have one's feet washed, and to wash others, is to cross boundaries of intimacy. By doing so, however, we ritually embody the sort of servanthood Jesus asks us to show toward one another.

This will be completely voluntary. No one will be compelled to participate. Like the whole of our liturgy, no one is ever forced to engage in particular acts of worship. Rather, the footwashing is a both a gift and a challenge that is meant to pull us out of our comfort zones. You may choose to participate or not. During the footwashing, the congregation will sing the song, *Live in Charity*, a prayerful, meditative song based on the ancient Latin hymn, *Ubi Caritas*. Another hymn to be included is *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*.

Good Friday

The Good Friday service is a penitential service that allows for much contemplation and for the power of silence to speak for itself. The passion narrative will be presented through the choir and organ presenting John Stainer's oratorio, *The Crucifixion*.



The Great Vigil of Easter

The Great Vigil of Easter is "the brightest jewel of Christian liturgy." It is one of the most ancient and revered celebrations of the church. In the ancient church, the Easter Vigil marked the time when the catechumens (pronounced *KAT-ĕ-coo-mens*) —those who had studied and prepared through all of Lent—were baptized just before dawn and then shared the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time with the gathered community.

Of all the services of worship throughout the year, the Easter Vigil is the one that tells the story of salvation history from creation through Christ's resurrection. In retelling the stories, we locate ourselves amongst God's people within the story.

The Great Vigil of Easter is a service of worship, but it is worship like you have never experienced it before. The service begins outside around a fire, which represents the light of the risen Christ shining amidst the darkness of death. From there the service moves inside for retelling the story of salvation. Following that, we will all gather at the waters of the font to renew the promises of our baptismal covenant alongside our confirmation students who will claim the faith for themselves. Once renewed, we will gather at the Lord's Table to give thanks (eucharist) and share the meal of our faith. Easter officially begins at sundown on Easter Eve. Therefore, the Great Vigil of Easter serves as the first service of the season of Easter!

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Marion Hamilton
Richard Taylor
Stan Whiteley

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 13th 8:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Palm Sunday Word & Sacrament Christian Formation Word & Sacrament Easter Egg Hunt KFC Mid High and Senior High Youth	Worship Space Various Locations Worship Space Lower Level Senior High Room
Monday, April 14th		
10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting	Worship Space
Tuesday, April 15th 9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study A.A.	Senior High Room Worship Space
Wednesday, April 16th		
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
6:15 p.m.	Handbell Practice	Worship Space
7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice	Worship Space
Thursday, April 17th 7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
Friday, April 18th 7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service of the Word	Worship Space
Saturday, April 19th 8:00 p.m.	Easter Vigil Chevy's Fundraiser for Adult Mission Service of Light, Word, Baptism & Eucharist	Trip Worship Space
Sunday, April 20th 8:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 p.m.	Easter Sunday Word & Sacrament Christian Formation Word & Sacrament	Worship Space Various Locations Worship Space

News & Opportunities, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available on the Welcome Table in the narthex and at www.newhopepc.org.

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April 13, 2014

News & Opportunities

NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday (April 17th) Word & Sacrament at 7:00 pm

Good Friday (April 18th) Service of the Word at 7:00 pm

Easter Vigil (April 19th) Service of Light, Word, Baptism & Eucharist at 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday (April 20th) Word & Sacrament at 8:45 am & 11:00 am

First quarter giving statements are now available on the Information Table. Please pick up your copy and make sure the statement reflects your records. Please contact Laurie Brown at the church office with any questions.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The youth groups are sponsoring the annual Easter egg hunt TODAY! Children through 5th grade are invited to participate. Please join us immediately after the second service and wait for the youth groups to tell the children when to begin.

MISSION

APRIL MEAL-A-MONTH

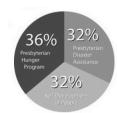
2 cans chicken, 1 box Chicken Helper, 1 can vegetables, 1 can fruit, 1 box/bag cookies.

EASTER LILIES

You may order a "live" lily to adorn our sanctuary on Easter Sunday and take it home with you after the 11:00 am service that day. You may also purchase a "virtual" lily, the cost of which will go to the Deacon's Benevolence Fund. Whichever you choose, you may still dedicate your gift in memory, honor or gratitude to someone. The list will appear in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Please use the envelope provided on the Information Table for your order. The cost of either the live or "virtual" lily is \$11.00 each. Checks can be written to NHPC. TODAY is the last chance to order vour lilies!.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Faith Endures: "Hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts." (Romans 5:5). Give to One Great Hour of Sharing to support



these Presbyterian Mission Agency ministries as they strive to help all of God's people find resilience, hope, and faith in the face of challenging circumstances. Please give generously.

CHILDREN

Today, April 13th April 20th

Infant Nursery

Alison Marshall Kimm Besgrove

Pre-K Nursery

Rick Koonley Jane Cox

The infant nursery is for babies & toddlers up to age two and is located in the Turtle Room upstairs. The Pre-K nursery is for ages 3-5 and is located in the Butterfly Room downstairs.

Worship Feast, for elementary aged children, is a special program that is designed to help children develop their innate connection to God and their natural openness to mystery through a variety of prayer practices.

Worship Feast Volunteers April 13th - Barbi Smith & Sue Dittmar April 20th - No Worship Feast

To sign up to volunteer in the infant nursery, pre-k nursery, or Worship Feast, go to http://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm? go=s.SignupLogin&urlid=10C0F4FA9A829A7 FA7-child

Use access code 1580 to log in.

Kid's Fellowship Club is for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade and meets on Sundays from 3:00 until 4:30 pm in the lower level of the church, unless otherwise indicated.

April 13th - There will be lots of fun as we enjoy a craft, some silly games and some special snacks!

April 25th - Spring Overnight! Come at 6:30 pm for pizza followed by lots of fun activities: crafts, perler beads, Legos, board games, rubber band bracelets, make up, the Wii and movies! Donuts & milk will be served for breakfast. Pickup time is 8:30 am. Cost is \$10 per child. Each child should bring a sleeping bag, pillow, pj's, and a snack to share. RSVP to Barbi Smith at stlbarbi99@gmail.com,

WORSHIP

New Hope worships each Sunday at 8:45 am and 11:00 am. The Lord's Supper is celebrated at both services.

Lectionary for Sunday, April 20, 2014

Acts 10: 34-43

Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

Colossians 3: 1-4

John 20: 1-18

The Choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 pm. Singers of all talents are needed and welcome to join us! For more information, please contact Brian Parrish at bparrish@newhopepc.org.

The Handbell Choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 pm . For more information, please contact Terry Martinez.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Our next PW meeting will be on Sunday, May 4th in the worship space, after the 11 o'clock church service. A catered lunch will be served as we celebrate our first PW Scholarship recipient and the 25th Anniversary of Presbyterian Women, PW officers will be installed for the coming year and we will participate in the PW Birthday Offering. This annual PW offering selected by the Creative Ministries Offering Committee will go to Blue Corn Mothers Alliance. This organization provides a range of services, from crisis intervention to education, for Albuquerque's Native American women who experience domestic violence. Please fill out a reservation sheet found either on the Information Table of in the folder on the PW Bulletin Board. Place the reservation sheets in the offering baskets or on the desk in the church office. Hope to see vou there!

YOUTH NEWS

The Mid High Youth Group meets on Sundays at 3:00 pm in the Mid High Room, unless otherwise indicated. The Senior High Youth Group meets on Sundays at 4:30 pm in the Senior High Room, unless otherwise indicated.

Today: Both Groups will meet at 3 p.m. to continue our Easter Experience and work on our Creation rendition for the Easter Vigil.

April 20th - No youth group meetings

There will be a Mission Trip meeting today after the Easter egg hunt for both parents and students.

SAVE THE DATE: May 4th Mission Trip CAR WASH Fundraiser!

FLOWER CROSS

What better way to celebrate the glory of Easter than with fresh flowers? Many of you know of New Hope's tradition of creating a "living cross" for Easter morning, but for those who may be new to us, here's an explanation and invitation. We fill a wood and wire cross with fresh greenery and flowers from our gardens for a beautiful symbol of resurrection. Please bring cuttings from your gardens or your local florist or grocery store to church Easter morning and insert them into the cross. We'll be there to assist you if you'd prefer that we do it. Happy Easter!

MENS FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Due to the Easter weekend, Men's Breakfast has been moved to Saturday, April 26th at 8:30 am. Please join us for great food and fellowship!

SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS

Mission, Ministry and Evangelism Opportunity

The Mission, Ministry and Evangelism Committee will be collecting comb and brush sets for infants, Johnson & Johnson Take Along Packs (shampoo, body wash, lotion, powder, etc.) and diapers for infants and toddlers. In addition, they would welcome new soft books for infants and toddlers. We will collect these things between now and May 1st.

Project Backpack is a non-profit organization that serves at-risk children in the St. Louis area. Our contributions will help this worthy cause to continue. Thank you, in advance, for supporting this mission project.

ONLINE DIRECTORY PHOTOS

The Fellowship Committee will be taking pictures for the online membership directory on Easter Sunday. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to have your family photo taken, this is the perfect Sunday to do it! Please plan on taking a few minutes of your time on Sunday to participate. If you have any questions, you may contact the church office.

WORK DAY

On Saturday, April 26th from 8 am to 5 pm(or a date/time convenient for you) our adults who will participate in the Adult Mission Trip to Pensacola, FL to work with Habitat for Humanity are offering their services to you. You might need some spring yard work done, a few windows washed, some painting done or just a day without kids. For your free will offering, you can have folks come help you with your spring project. Contact Linda Judd to arrange for workers at 636/578-3352 or williamjudd@charter.net. Just ask for what you need!!