

New Hope Presbyterian Church



March 9, 2014

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.

During Today's Worship

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 on 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 Pre-K 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.

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 fellow worshippers, please do not take flash photos during the worship service.

Coins for Concern...All loose coins in the offering baskets go toward the youth mission trip to New Orleans. The Ministry, Mission & Evangelism (MME) Committee has challenged the congregation with the goal of \$1000 in loose change, so let those offering baskets jingle!

Ushering for today's worship: (8:45) Michael Black, Cindy Martin, Jim & Debbie Phillips (11:00) Kirk Garten, Bill & Linda Judd, Kristin Judd, Ken Pinkley, Joe Seidler, Ben & Christie Tutschulte.

Liturgist: Del Phillips

Acolyte: (11:00) Luke Hantack **Water-bearer:** (11:00) Mitchell Hantack

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

Last Sunday's Attendance: No worship last Sunday due to weather.

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 or home bound Communion, contact Pastor James at cqjames@newhopepc.org or 936. 2200 x.11.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

First Sunday in Lent

March 9, 2014

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

*As the people gather, worshipers greet one another, welcoming newcomers.
Please silence cell phones and pagers.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

+ GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Prayer of Preparation

The start of the Prelude signals the time to enter a period of quiet reflection.

This prayer is offered as an aid to help worshipers center the heart and mind for worship.

God of our wilderness,
as we devote these forty days to you,
shape us by your Holy Spirit
into the image of Christ our Lord,
so that we may be ready, by your grace,
to confront the power of death
with the promise of eternal life. Amen.

Matt. 4:1-11

OPENING SENTENCES & PRAYER OF THE DAY

+ *HYMN 41

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

LYONS

*THE CONFESSION

**God of great mercy, we confess
that we have sinned against you.
You provide the food we need;
still we hunger for other things.
You give your word to guide us;
still we surrender to temptation.
Forgive us, by your steadfast love.
Create a clean heart within us,
teach us your holy way,
and restore the joy of salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Worshipers may reflect on this prayer and offer personal confession in silence.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie Eleison



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

...In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Greet those around you with: "The peace of Christ be with you," responding, "And also with you."

(11:00) ANTHEM

Only God

Mary McDonald

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7

*PSALTER

Psalm 32(*Glory to God 446*)

How Blest, Those Whose Transgressions

MEIRIONYDD

EPISTLE READING

Romans 5: 12-19

*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 4: 1-11

SERMON

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

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. 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 775

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

WALK WITH ME

*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)

*Please rise in body or spirit.

+ Those arriving may be seated.



"I've Been Wondering..."

FAQs About Worship

What if I feel moved to receive Communion, but am not baptized?

The Lord's Supper and Baptism are inseparable. If you feel called by the Holy Spirit to meet Christ in Communion, we believe that you are also being called to Baptism. We will not turn anyone away from the Lord's Table, but we do invite you to speak to the pastor or a member of the session about Baptism as soon as possible.

For more information about the relationship between Baptism and the Lord's Supper, see the Presbyterian Church (USA) Directory for Worship (especially W-2.4006 and W-2.4011) and *Invitation to Christ: A Guide to Sacramental Practices*, available online at www.pcusa.org/sacraments.

What is Lent?

Lent is a season of the church year, a period of 40 days (not including Sundays) that serves as a time of preparation for Easter. Lent, as is a liturgical season, is more restrained and somber than during other seasons of the year, yet the Sundays in Lent witness not only the Lord's passion and death, but also his victory over sin and death. Even so, service music containing "alleluia" is traditionally not sung during these weeks. For a similar reason, the church refrains from singing the Doxology and the Gloria Patri ("Glory be to the Father") during this season.

The Lenten season is a journey with Jesus along the path to Jerusalem and the cross. It is a time to repent, which literally means "to turn around," to turn again to God with renewed trust and gratitude for the steadfast love and faithfulness of God. As such, Lent serves as a time of preparing for baptism and the renewal of the baptismal covenant in the journey toward Easter. The color of the season is purple, the color of royalty—and also the color of the robe put on Jesus when he was mocked and beaten (John 19:2). Thus, purple has become the color of sacrifice and penitence.

Why do we "bury" the alleluias at the start of Lent?

What we do with *alleluias* only makes sense in context with the larger meaning of Lent. So let's start there. Lent arrives each year as the earth prepares to awaken from its winter slumber. So, too, does the church prepare itself for renewal in the springtime of Christ's resurrection. Lent is about the church recovering its center in the dying and rising of Christ as well as preparing candidates being called by God to the waters of baptism. In short, we all learn again how deep is our hunger for God. Marking this spiritual journey are faith practices: communion with God, restraint from excess, and generous sharing. We know these practices as prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. When we bury *alleluias* (removing them from our worship) for the season of Lent, we begin a "fast" from using a word which is pungent with the fragrance of Easter. Like seed planted in the soil, we put away our *alleluias* until that time (at the Great Vigil) when their return to the liturgy trumpets the glory of the resurrection. So, on Transfiguration Sunday, we sing an entire feast of *alleluias* and, then, with reverence and joy, place them in a "coffin" for 40 days.

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Cecilia Poma, *Sexton*

Session

Fellowship
Jim Pettit (2014)
Katie Harmon (2015)
Craig Graber (2016)

Formation for Discipleship
Susan Phillips (2014)
Lauren Martinez (2014)
Nancy Taylor (2015)
Shelley Geiger (2016)

Ministry, Mission & Evangelism
Ruth Irvine, Clerk (2014)
Neal Powers (2015)
Jim Salter (2016)

Worship, Music & the Arts
Michael Ray (2015)
Linda Dencker (2016)

Administration & Support
Allen Sebaugh (2014)
Rob Matheny (2015)
Bill Pires (2016)

Diaconate

2014
Kimm Besgrove
Jennifer Everly
Don Higgason
Pat Murphy

2015
Jerry Dyer
Jackie Etling
Bill Judd
Kristen Moore
Jim Phillips

2016
Earl Bostic
Ruth Connor
Marion Hamilton
Richard Taylor
Stan Whiteley

Sunday, March 9th	8:45 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
	9:45 a.m.	Christian Formation	Various Locations
	11:00 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
	12:15 p.m.	Inquirer's Luncheon	Narthex
	12:15 p.m.	Confirmation Class	Senior High Room
	5:00 p.m.	Senior High Fundraising Dinner	Worship Space
Monday, March 10th	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Conference Room
	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting	Worship Space
Tuesday, March 11th	9:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study	Senior High Room
	7:00 p.m.	A.A.	Worship Space
	7:00 p.m.	Safe Sanctuary	Senior High Room
Wednesday, March 12th	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, March 13th	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts	Worship Space
	7:00 p.m.	Female Connection	Narthex
Saturday, March 15th	8:00 a.m.	Men's Fellowship Breakfast	Worship Space
	11:00 a.m.	Strategic Water Packet Distribution	Narthex
Sunday, March 16th	8:45 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
	9:45 a.m.	Christian Formation	Various Locations
	11:00 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class	Senior High Room

NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

Spring Directories are now available! Copies are available on the Information Table and are labeled with each family's name. Please take only one directory per family!

YOUTH NEWS

Please plan on Joining the Senior High Youth for the Fundraising Dinner tonight, March 9th, at 5:00 pm (this dinner was rescheduled due to last Sunday's inclement weather).

Get in touch with your inner-Cajun and be ready to celebrate the Senior High Mardi Gras dinner tonight! Doors open at 5p.m.

No Fellowship meetings on Sunday, March 16th.

PW SCHOLARSHIP

Attention New Hope high school seniors: Presbyterian Women is excited to announce the first annual scholarship for our graduating high school seniors. Applications for this \$1,000 merit scholarship are available on the Information Table in the narthex and on the church website. All applications are due to the church office by 2:00 pm on March 23, 2014. The scholarship will be awarded on Sunday, May 4, 2014. For more information contact Ann Schmid, PW moderator, 636-699-2142, or ann_schmid1@yahoo.com.

FINANCIAL CORNER	
February Contributions	35,089.00
Monthly Budget	37,821.25
Year-to-date Contributions	70,015.00
Year-to-date budget	75,642.50

SAFE SANCTUARY CLASS

A Safe Sanctuary Certification Class will be offered on Tuesday, March 11 at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room. All volunteers who work with children are required to complete the class and submit to a background check through the Missouri State Police. The class will take about an hour. Childcare will be provided if requested. Please register for this class by contacting Barbi Smith at stlbarbi99@gmail.com or 636 936-2200.

INQUIRER'S LUNCHEON

The Fellowship Committee is hosting an informal luncheon on today at 12:15 p.m. for those interested in uniting with our congregation in membership. This will be a time of conversation to get to know one another better and to answer any questions you might have about New Hope.

CHILDREN

Today, March 9th March 16th
Infant Nursery
Sylvia Malta Greg Marshall
Pre-K Nursery
Katie Sternhagen Barbi Smith

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
March 9th - Barbi Smith & Nancy Taylor
March 16th - Katie Sternhagen & Vicky Koonley

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=10C0F4FA9A829A7FA7-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.
March 9th - Blankets for Friends of Kids with Cancer
March 16th - No KFC
April 25th - Spring Overnight! Stay tuned for details!

MISSION

MARCH MEAL-A-MONTH
1 boxed meal, 1 can vegetables, 1 can fruit, 1 box/bag cookies, 1 plastic jar peanut butter

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, March 16, 2014
Genesis 12: 1-4
Psalm 121
Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17
Matthew 17: 1-9

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.

KFC & YOUTH SWIMMING

March 23, KFC and Youth Groups are going to the RENAUD CENTER for a WINTER SWIM PARTY. Time: 4:15 - 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$5.00/ person swimming. Younger siblings are welcome if parent is swimming with them!

FEMALE CONNECTION

Leaping Leprechauns during Lent
The Female Connection is going to play "Bunco" for a celebration of St. Patrick's Day on Thursday, March 13 at 7 PM in the Narthex at the Church. Please join us for an evening of fun & fellowship. All women are invited to attend; no sign-up is necessary and we'll show you how to play (it's extremely easy). Following Bunco tradition, please bring a gift in the range of \$5-8 to exchange at the end of play. Some type of Easter or spring decoration would be appropriate. Wear your green!! Also, please bring a snack to share; drinks will be provided. For more information or questions, please contact Deb Mackin. We hope to see you there!

SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS

COMMUNITY GARDEN - Several members of the congregation have expressed interest in developing a community garden on a plot on the church grounds. The Mission, Ministry and Evangelism Committee will host an hour-long planning meeting at 6 p.m. March 17 at the church. We'll discuss issues such as where the garden would be located, what could be planted there and other matters. Anyone interested in participating in the garden is encouraged to attend. Those with questions or comments should contact Jim Salter at 314-369-3242.

Last year, the 2013 Coins for Concern sponsored three mission projects: Heifer International, OASIS food pantry and the adult mission trip. Through giving your loose change to the weekly offering baskets, we raised almost \$300.00. We have received thanks from all three groups, and here's what they said.

"Thanks to your generous spirit, Heifer International is helping families in need all over the world. Together we are providing the right tools and opportunities to help them achieve self-reliance – igniting transformation in families and projects all over the world."

"Thank you so much for your donation to the OASIS Food Pantry. Your gift means so much to the families that receive help from OASIS."
"Thank you all so much for your support of us as we went on the adult mission trip. Knowing that you encouraged us and provided funding for us meant so much. Bless you!"

This year, 2014 Coins for Concern will help sponsor the youth mission trip. Our challenge is to help raise \$1000 for our kids to go to New Orleans. So, please bring your spare change each Sunday and place it in the offering baskets. Our youth will be so appreciative of your support.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Save the date of Sunday, March 23rd for the next PW meeting! We will be celebrating our "Hats on for Cancer" that day and commemorating our donations to "Friends of Kids with Cancer." Children and youth of our church are invited to attend the luncheon. A decorated hat box will be on the Welcome Table during Sundays in March encouraging all church members to contribute their donations to this valuable organization. During the meeting, Ann Schmid will share a presentation on "Hats in Art". Lunch will be Subway sandwiches, chips and cookies. Reservation forms are on the Information Table and the PW Bulletin Board and can be turned in the offering baskets or church office. Please bring individually sealed candy and/or stickers of help stuff Easter Eggs for the church Easter Egg Hunt. Be sure to wear your hats on Sunday, March 23rd!

SAVE THE DATE

This year's Vacation Bible School, Workshop of Wonders: Imagine and Build with God, is scheduled for July 13 - 17 (a.m. session) and July 14 - 18 (p.m. session). Please plan to be a part of this great week of sharing God's love with boys and girls age 2 through sixth grade. There are many, many opportunities to help! Watch for the sign up sheet on the Information Table in the next few weeks!

ADULT MISSION TRIP

The ADULT MISSION TRIP to Pensacola, Florida to work with Habitat for Humanity is June 7 - 14, 2014. Since this is a non-budgeted event, there will be several fundraisers to support it in the near future. If you are interested in going on the trip, there is information on the Information Table or you can contact Barbi Smith at 936-2200 or bsmith@newhopepc.org. If you are unable to go on the trip, but would like to support it, please watch for news of the Mission Trip fundraisers!