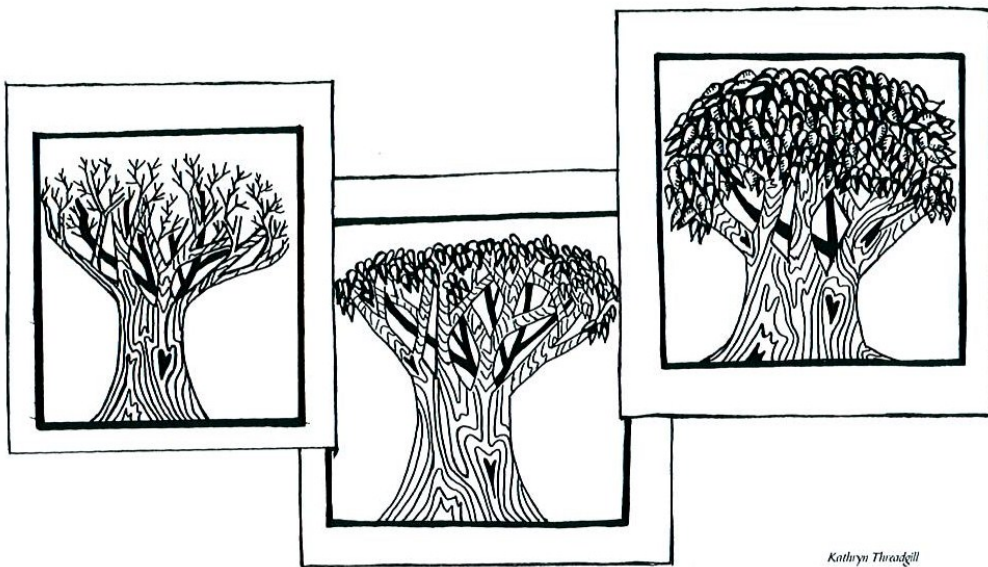


New Hope Presbyterian Church



Kathryn Threadgill

April 14, 2013

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 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.

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.

Ushering for today's worship: Jim & Debbie Phillips, Michael Black, and the Generations Faith Family.

Flowers: To the glory of God and in celebration of Dean & Marge Dalton's 70th wedding anniversary, given by the Knes and Bordes families; and to the glory of God and in celebration of Katie & Brad Harmon's 5th anniversary, given by their family..

Liturgist: Elder Neal Powers

Acolyte: (8:45) Elizabeth Peterson (11:00) Summer Brennecke

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

Last Sunday's Attendance: 233

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 636/936. 2200 x.11.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2013

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 cease talking and enter a period of quiet reflection.
This prayer is offered as an aid to help worshipers center the heart and mind for worship.*

Eternal and all-merciful God,
with all the angels and all the saints
we laud your majesty and might.
By the resurrection of your Son,
show yourself to us
and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

+ *DOXOLOGY & OPENING SENTENCES

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

Call on the name of the Lord in praise;
make known God's deeds among the nations!

Psalm 105: 1-5

**Sing to God with joyful songs;
tell of God's wonderful deeds!**

+ *HYMN

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*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty,
you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring,
you are the fire of rebirth.

**Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams.
Honor to you for cloud and rain, for dew and snow.,
Your waters are below us, around us, above us:**

our life is born in you.
 You are the fountain of resurrection.
 Praise to you for your saving waters:
 Noah and the animals survive the flood.
 Hagar discovers your well.
 The Israelites escape through the sea,
 and they drink from your gushing rock.
 Naaman washes his leprosy away,
 and the Samaritan woman will never be thirsty again.

**At this font, holy God, we pray:
 Praise to you for the water of baptism
 and for your Word that saves us in this water.
 Breathe your Spirit into all who are gathered here and into all creation.
 Illumine our days. Enliven our bones. Dry our tears.
 Wash away the sin within us, and drown the evil around us.**

Satisfy all our thirst with your living water, Jesus Christ, our Savior,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
 now and forever.

Amen.

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."

+ RESPONSE OF PRAISE *Gloria Patri*

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
 world without end. Amen. Amen.***

(11:00) ANTHEM

Be Still, and Know That I Am God

David Lantz, III

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 9: 1-6


PSALTER

Psalms 30

Michael Morgan

HYFRYDOL

Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831



1. Sing to God, that all may hear you! God, whose arms can
 2. God, whose wrath we more than mer - it; God, whose grace we
 3. Change our sor - row to re - joic - ing, Clothe with glad - ness

lift and save; By Thy heal - ing touch, re - vive us, Life re -
 can - not earn; When the pride of hu - man na - ture From Thy
 all de - spair; Cause un - stead - y feet that stumb - le Now to

- store be - yond the grave. Praise we now our sure sal - va - tion,
 ways tempts us to turn; Then we cry to Thee for mer - cy,
 dance be - neath Thy care. Dry the tears we shed in mourn - ing,

God, the ho - ly one a - bove, End the night so
 "Can the tomb re - peat Thy praise?" Through Thy good - ness,
 Give us stead - fast hope al - ways; Fill our hearts with

dimmed by an - guish, With the sun - rise of Thy love.
 yet re - deem us, Make us faith - ful all our days.
 ex - pec - ta - tion, And our songs with thanks and praise.

EPISTLE READING

Revelation 5: 11-14

*THE GOSPEL

THE ACCLAMATION

Tune: GELOBT SEI GOTT

Good Chris-tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL READING
THE ALLELUIA

John 21: 1-19

Festival Alleluia



SERMON

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

✠ In silent prayer and reflection you may renew the covenant into which you are baptized. If you have not been to the waters of baptism and would like to learn more about this sacrament, Pastor James would welcome the opportunity to speak with you about it.

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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.

(11:00) ANTHEM

This Is the Feast of Victory

Richard Hillen

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

THE SENDING

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

On That Great, Great Mornin'

Mary McDonald

*POSTLUDE

*All who are able please stand.

+ Those arriving may be seated.



O Day of Radiant Gladness

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Stanzas 1-2, Christopher Wordsworth, 1862; alt.

Stanza 3, Charles P. Price, 1980

Stanza 4, *The Hymnal* 1982

Memmingen ms., 17th century

Harm. George Ratcliffe Woodward, 1904

1. O day of ra-diant glad-ness, O day of joy and light,
2. This day at the cre-a-tion The light first had its birth;
3. This day God's peo-ple, meet-ing, The Ho-ly Scrip-ture hear;
4. That light our hope sus-tain-ing, We walk the pil-grim way,

O balm of care and sad-ness, Most beau-ti-ful, most bright;
This day for our sal-va-tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
Christ's liv-ing pres-ence greet-ing, Through bread and wine made near.
At length our rest at-tain-ing, Our end-less Sab-bath day.

This day the high and low-ly, Through a-ges joined in tune,
This day our Lord vic-to-rious The Spir-it sent from heaven,
We jour-ney on, be-liev-ing, Re-newed with heav-en-ly might,
We sing to You our prais-es, O Fa-ther, Spir-it, Son;

Sing "Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly" To the great God tri-une.
And thus this day most glo-ri-ous A tri-ple light was given.
From grace more grace re-ceiv-ing On this blest day of light.
The church its voice up-raises To You, blest Three in One.

THE SEASON OF EASTERTIDE

Easter is not simply one day, but a season of the church year known as the Great Fifty Days, lasting for seven weeks from Easter day to the day of Pentecost. Seven weeks times seven days per week equals 49 days, plus one day to express the completeness of resurrection life and the totality by which Christ's resurrection overcame the power of sin and death.

During the season of Eastertide, New Hope is observing the practice of replacing the Prayer of Confession with a prayer of Thanksgiving for Baptism. Following the penitential season of Lent, one way to celebrate Easter is to forgo the practice of corporate confession and give thanks for the new life that Easter brings and the Sacrament of Baptism signifies. Also during Eastertide, New Hope is reading from the Acts of the Apostles as the First Scripture Reading in worship. The Acts of the Apostles is the record of the growth of the early church in the first century after the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ. It is a moving testimony to how the Christian community lives in response to the earth-shattering reality that happened at Easter.

The tall candle near the pulpit is called the Paschal Candle. "Pascha" comes from the Hebrew word for "Passover," the central festival for the Jewish people in which the Hebrews celebrate their deliverance from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the land of Canaan. On the night before their deliverance through the Red Sea to freedom, the Lord instructed the people to kill a lamb and spread the blood on the doorposts of their homes. That night, the Lord would pass through the land of Egypt and kill the firstborn of every home, but would *pass over* the homes that had the blood of the lamb on the doorposts, thereby sparing the Hebrews the punishment exacted upon the Egyptians (Exodus 12). We read this story in our worship every year on Maundy Thursday.

For us Christians, Christ is our "paschal lamb" who was sacrificed that we might be delivered from slavery to sin to the freedom of life in communion with God and one another. God completed that work with the Resurrection of Christ. So the fullness of Easter, lived out in our worship over the three days from Maundy Thursday to Easter is the Christian Passover, or Pascha. The Paschal Candle is lighted at the Great Vigil of Easter, in which we proclaim that the light of Christ shines in the darkness of sin and death to give light to the world. The candle remains lit throughout the Great Fifty Days of Easter through Pentecost,

and then is again lighted at baptisms and funerals. In baptism, we die with Christ and are raised with him to newness of life. Death is the completion of our baptism in which all things are revealed and we are forever united with God.

So the Paschal candle tells our story as Easter people. Ours includes a lamb, a cross and the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet, A (Alpha) and Ω (Omega), reminiscent of what Jesus said, "I am the Alpha and Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end" (Revelation 22:13).

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