# New Hope Presbyterian Church



The Festival of the Resurrection

March 31, 2013

#### WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT NEW HOPE

We are grateful you have joined us today and invite you to participate fully in the worship, fellowship, 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 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 pre-school 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, will not meet today so that children may be with the congregation for the celebration of the Lord's Supper.
- **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.
- **During the offering** please pass the Fellowship of Friendship pads so all worshipers may greet one another by name and provide updated contact information.
- **All loose coins in the offering plates each week** go toward a local or global mission outreach as designated by the Mission Committee on a monthly basis.
- *Ushering for today's worship:* Michael Black, Jim & Debbie Phillips and the Generations Faith Family.

*Flowers:* To the glory of God and in celebration of Deb Garten's birthday, given by Kirk Garten; and, to the glory of God and in celebration of Kelsey Etling's birthday, given by Ken Pinkley.

Liturgist: Elder Jim Pettit

Acolyte: (8:45) Elizabeth Peterson
(11:00) Luke Hantack

Last Sunday's Attendance: 110

Bible-bearer: Kayla Martinez

Water-bearer: Lauren Martinez

Sound Booth Technicians: (8:45) Bill Irvine (11:00) Russell Dittmar

### 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

## Easter Day

March 31, 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**

HANDBELL PRELUDE

Easter Song

Anne Herring arr. John F. Wilson

Book of Common Worship

#### 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.

God of glory, fill your church with the power that flows from Christ's resurrection, that, in the midst of the sinful world, it may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity, risen to new life with Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

INTROIT Alleluia Randall Thompson

OPENING SENTENCES & PRAYER OF ADORATION Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

+\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!

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#### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

We give you thanks, O God,

that you have made us your own

by water and the Word in baptism.

You have called us to yourself,

enlightened us with the gifts of your Spirit,

and nourished us in the community of faith.

Uphold us and all your servants

in the gifts and promises of baptism,

and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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.

#### THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 10: 34-43

**PSALTER** 

Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

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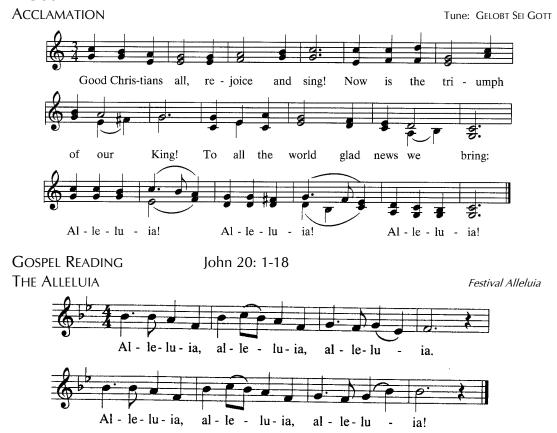
MIT FREUDEN ZART (Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above)



#### **EPISTLE READING**

#### 1 Corinthians 15: 19-26

#### \*THE GOSPEL



#### **SERMON**

### **Walking Sightless Among Miracles**

Dr. James

#### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

En 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.

\*HYMN

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

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#### THE EUCHARIST

OFFERING OF OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

HANDBELL ANTHEM Easter Joy

Michael Helman Based on the hymn tunes LLANFAIR, DUKE STREET & ST. KEVIN

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION

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

© Coming to the Table—Ushers will invite worshipers to the Lord's Table by rows. All the baptized may come to the Table at the center and return by the outside aisles.

So Receiving the elements—You may take the bread, dip it into the chalice and partake of both together (intinction), or you may partake of the bread first, and then proceed to partake of the juice separately from the tray of individual cups.

ANTHEM On that Great, Great Mornin'

Mary McDonald

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

#### THE SENDING

#### \*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord in the power of his resurrection. Alleluia!

2 Corinthians 13:13

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen!** 

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia, alleluia!

\*HYMN Lift High the Cross

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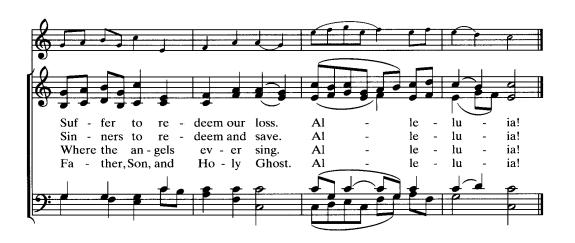
<sup>+</sup> Those arriving may be seated.



<sup>\*</sup>All who are able may stand.

# Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

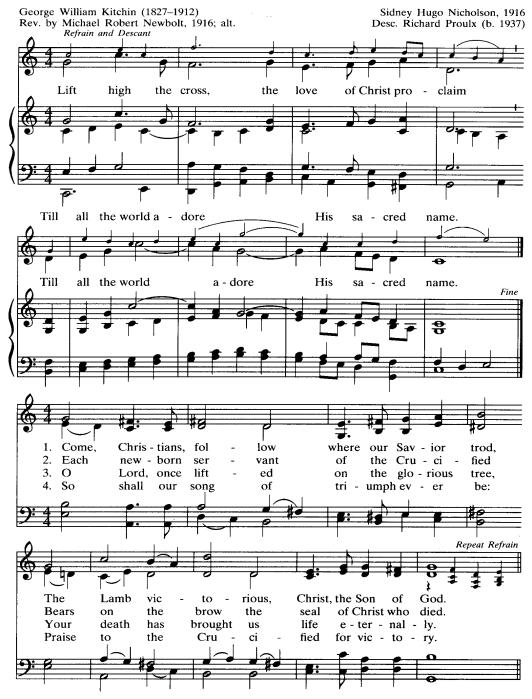




## Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!



# Lift High the Cross



# 2013 Easter Lilies

Edd & Deb Mackin in memory of Margot Mackin

Deb Mackin in memory of Steve Morris

Del & Susan Phillips in memory of Kimberly, Abbi, Sandi and Blake Vaughn

Betty T. Oseik in memory of Edward H. Osiek

Nancy Harrington in memory of Dolores Fagan

Nancy Harrington in memory of Vera Plummer

Nancy Harrington in memory of Thelma Yankee

Craig Graber in honor of my parents, Reas & Nancy Graber and Edward & Mae Eizabeth Kohlbrenner

Craig Graber in honor of my children, Robert & Kyle Graber and Mandy Brozek

Randy, Sylvia & Marissa Malta in gratitude of our many blessings

Alma Kuhlow in memory of my beloved husband and parents

Mary Neill in memory of Harlan & Lillian Hommes

Pete & Amanda Brown in honor of Barbara Brown

Pete & Amanda Brown in honor of Janita Smart

Lynne Snyder on memory of my father, Robert Kuhlow, and grandparents

Alma Kuhlow in gratitude of my loving family

Bob & Linda Dencker in memory of Bob's parents

Bob & Linda Dencker in memory of Linda's parents Stan Whiteley in memory of John C. & Virginia M. Whiteley Ken Pinkley in memory of Fran Pinkley Ken Pinkley in memory of Steve Pinkley Ken Pinkley in gratitude of Rick & Jackie Etling Ken Pinkley in gratitude of Tyler & Kelsey Etling Bill & Sally Pires in gratitude of God's Grace Sally Usai in memory of Tom Usai Kay McCarthy in gratitude of spring eternal Cindy Hembrough in honor of Ernie & Madeline Waren Cindy Hembrough in memory of Rick Hembrough Michael & Peggy Black in honor of our grandchildren Sheri & Garry Clayton in honor of our grandchildren Carolyn & Allen Rudolph in honor of the Journey Faith Family Carolyn & Allen Rudolph in honor of all our loved ones Gary & Roberta Looman in memory of our parents Carl & Carolyn Doerr in memory of Carl's parents Carl & Carolyn Doerr in memory of Carolyn's parents

#### 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 baptismal font 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  $\Omega$  (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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Marion Hamilton, Child Care Provider
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#### **Preschool Teachers**

Lori Christensen	Carla Powderly	Robin Thomas
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Michelle Galik	Shelley Schneider	Melissa Young
Christen Moeller	Sandy Smith	Carla Zerbolio

#### Session

2013	2014	2015
Rick Cassetta	Miranda Fleschert	David Besgrove
Linda Dencker	Ruth Irvine, Clerk	Katie Harmon
Mark Everly	Jim Pettit	<b>Neal Powers</b>
Holly Martinez	Susan Phillips	Michael Ray
Julie Nowakowski	Allen Sebaugh	Nancy Taylor
Tyler Etling		

#### Deacons

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2013	2014	2015
Deryl Botkin	Kimm Besgrove	Jerry Dyer
Cindy Dalton, Moderator	Don Higgason	Jackie Etling
Grace Harmon	Margaret Mortland	Bill Judd
Donna Huffman	Pat Murphy	Kristen Moore
Bill Irvine	Jane Rigdon	Jim Phillips