

New Hope
Presbyterian Church



May 10, 2015

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 Information 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. They will meet in the narthex and be escorted to the lower-level.

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

Ushering for today's worship: (8:45) Michael Black, Cindy Martin, Jim & Debbie Phillips.
(11:00) Craig Clarke, Kirk Garten, Bill & Linda Judd, Kristin Judd, Debbie McDanel, Joe Seidler.

Flowers: To the glory of God and Deb Mackin's mother and all the wonderful ladies of New Hope, given by Deb Mackin.

Liturgist: (8:45) Elder Margo Van Mill (11:00) Elder Kathy Gibbs

Sound Booth: (8:45) Bill Irvine (11:00) Deb Garten

Last Sunday's Attendance: 158

If You Are New to New Hope

Information about our church can be found at the Information 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 (lbrown@nhpres.org). To arrange for home bound Communion, contact Pastor James at cqjames@nhpres.org or 936.2200 x.11.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2015

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

*As the people gather, worshipers greet one another, welcoming newcomers.
Please silence electronic devices.*

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.

Creator of the universe,
you made the world in beauty,
and restore all things in glory
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.
We pray that, wherever your image is still disfigured
by poverty, sickness, selfishness, war, and greed,
the new creation in Jesus Christ may appear in justice, love, and peace,
to the glory of your name. Amen.

+ *DOXOLOGY (*Glory to God* 607)

OLD HUNDREDTH LM

***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.***

*OPENING SENTENCES & PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sing to our God a new song.

Psalms 98:1-8

God has done marvelous things!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

Let the world and its people sing together for joy!

...who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

+ *HYMN 239

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

GELOBT SEI GOTT

(11:00) ANTHEM

God of Great and God of Small

Natalie Sleeth

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 10: 44-48

EPISTLE READING

1 John 5: 1-6

*THE GOSPEL

ACCLAMATION *Christ Is Alive! (v.5) (Glory to God 246)*

TRURO

***Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.***

GOSPEL READING

John 15: 9-17

THE ALLELUIA

FESTIVAL ALLELUIA

***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

SERMON

*HYMN 495

We Know That Christ Is Raised

ENGELBERG

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

(8:45)

Kayla Marie Martinez

Baptized October 17, 1999, Dardenne Presbyterian Church, Dardenne Prairie, MO

(11:00)

Emily Louise Besgrove

Baptized October 4, 1998, St. Charles Presbyterian Church, St. Charles, MO

Olivia Elizabeth Besgrove

Baptized October 22, 2000, St. Charles Presbyterian Church, St. Charles, MO

Luke Preston Hantack

Baptized November 17, 2002, New Hope Presbyterian Church, St. Charles, MO

Grace Jane Elizabeth James

Baptized August 26, 2001, Germantown Presbyterian Church, Germantown, TN

Shannon Paige Rera

Baptized June 14, 1998, Summit Presbyterian Church, Stafford, VA

PROFESSION OF FAITH

RENUNCIATIONS

PROFESSION – *the Apostles' Creed*

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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 to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

LAYING ON OF HANDS

PRAYER

WELCOME

...Let us welcome them as they join with us
in the worship and mission of the church.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.

**Together we will give thanks and praise to God,
sharing in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.**

THE PEACE

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

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

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.

☞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. Gluten-free bread is available with Pastor James from the plate in his left hand.

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

THE SENDING

*HYMN 726

Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

*BLESSING & CHARGE

*Please rise in body or spirit.

+ Those arriving may be seated.



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 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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Vickie Moore, *Sexton*

Session

Fellowship
Craig Graber (2016)
Margo Van Mill (2017)

Formation for Discipleship
Deb Garten (2015)
Shelley Geiger (2016)
Jennifer Everly (2017)

Ministry, Mission & Evangelism
Jim Salter (2016)
Jim Cox (2017)

Worship, Music & the Arts
Michael Ray (2015)
Linda Dencker (2016)
Lynne Snyder (2017)

Administration & Support
Kathy Gibbs (2015)
Bill Pires (2016)
Clark Hurrell (2017)

Diaconate

2015
Jerry Dyer
Jackie Etling
Bill Judd
Kristen Moore
Jim Phillips

2016
Earl Bostic
Ruth Connor
Marion Hamilton
Stan Whiteley
Jan Parker

2017
Laura Eikmann
Steve Gerke
Donna Huffman
Kay McCarthy
Kurt Romkey

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 10th
8:45 a.m. Mothers' Day
9:45 a.m. Word & Sacrament
11:00 p.m. Christian Formation
2:00 p.m. Word & Sacrament
Worship Space
Various Locations
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Monday, May 11th
10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting
Conference Room
Youth Room

Tuesday, May 12th
7:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting
Worship Space

Thursday, May 14th
6:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 936
Worship Space

Saturday, May 16th
8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast
Worship Space

Sunday, May 17th
8:45 a.m. Word & Sacrament
9:45 a.m. Christian Formation
11:00 p.m. Word & Sacrament
12:15 p.m. PW Women Luncheon
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News & Opportunities

NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

New Hope's Summer Worship Schedule
Beginning on Sunday, May 24th, New Hope
will begin it's summer worship schedule be-
low:
9:45 am—Christian Formation Classes
10:30 am—Word & Sacrament

First quarter giving statements are available
on the Information Table. Please pick up
your copy and make sure the statement re-
flects your records. Please contact Laurie
Meinert at the church office with any ques-
tions.

PER CAPITA

Per capita letters are included in the
quarterly giving statements available on the
Information Table. The blue envelope in
your giving envelopes pack is to be used for
the per capita apportion. New Hope is
required to pay the per capita apportion for
each active church member. To date, we
have received \$1,615.77, which is 15% of
our total per capita appropriation. If
you did not receive an envelope, please
contact the church office. Per capita
appropriationment is \$30.30 per church
member.

FINANCIAL CORNER

April Contributions	34,241.00
Monthly Budget	<u>34,457.00</u>
	- 216.00
Contributions to date	147,577.89
Budget to date	<u>137,828.00</u>
	9,749.89

KITCHEN NEWS

During Spring Work Day, several of our won-
derful ladies spent the day scrubbing down
the kitchen and cleaning out cabinets. Many
dishes were found that have been left here
over the past months. Please check the kitch-
en counter to see if any of the items stacked
there belong to you!

CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES

Nursery: meets in the upstairs nursery
Pre-K Class: meets in the Butterfly Room on
the lower level
K - Grade 2: meets in the Caterpillar Room
on the lower level
Grades 3 - 5: meets in the lower level kitch-
en off of the Sunshine Room
Grades 6 - 12: meets in the Youth Room on
the lower level
Contemporary Issues Adults - meets in the
Conference Room

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

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CHILDREN

Today, May 10th

Infant Nursery

Jennifer Everly

Pre-K Nursery

Nancy Seals

May 17th

Barb Griffith

Martha Lamey

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

May 10th — Ann Rademan & Jane Cox

May 17th— Jennifer James & Sue Dittmar

We need many volunteers to ensure that our children's programs run smoothly. Please consider volunteering one of the nurseries or during Worship Feast! To sign up to volunteer in the infant nursery, pre-k nursery, or Worship Feast, go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4fa9a829a7fa7-nhpc>

FEMALE CONNECTION

Ladies, it's time for a little Putt-Putt. On Thursday, May 21, we'll meet at 6:30 PM at the Swing-A-Round Golf Center on Veteran's Parkway (that's the south service road of I-70) between Zumbuhl and Cave Springs. We'll play a fun round of miniature golf and then we'll swing over to Culver's on Muegge for some frozen delights. Please join us; no signup is necessary, just show up. We always have a great time and we always enjoy the extra fellowship that a new person brings to our group. In case of rain, we'll meet at Culver's at 6:30. For more information or questions, please contact Deb Mackin. We hope to see you there!

WORSHIP

New Hope worships each Sunday at 8:45 am and 11:00 am

Lectionary for Sunday, May 17, 2015

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

Psalm 1

1 John 5: 9-13

John 17: 6-19

PW BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

MAY 17th!

PW has many reasons to celebrate this year. In May, we will recognize our scholarship recipient, elect and install officers, and receive a birthday offering to support two organizations that minister to abused women and children and to victims of trafficking, prostitution and addiction. PW's national organization has designated Bethesda Christian Community Center and The Community of St. Therese of Lisieux as recipients of this year's Birthday Offering grants.

Sign up at the information table to join PW for a soup and salad lunch after church on May 17. Please bring a salad to share. To request child care, contact Mary Powers by May 14 at 314-277-5440 or marystahr@charter.net.

ADULT MISSION TRIP

Spring is here! Need some help with cleaning? The adult mission trip group is still taking calls to help in any work you may have around the house. Members of the team will come to your house in exchange for a free will donation. To set up a time to get help with your spring cleaning call Linda Judd at 636-578-3352.

2015 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

This year's Vacation Bible School, G-Force: God's Love In Action, is scheduled for July 13 - 17 from 9:00 am until noon. Please plan to be a part of this great week of sharing God's love with boys and girls age 2 through fifth grade. There are many, many opportunities to help! Volunteer forms are now available on the Information Table in the Narthex. We need your help to make this year's VBS a success. Please consider volunteering!

VBS registration forms are now available on the Information Table!

Registration has begun for New Hope's 2015 VBS program! Registration forms are available on the VBS table in the Narthex. This year's VBS will be held July 13 - 17 from 9 a.m. - noon. Please remember to save the VBS dates and tell all of your family, friends and neighbors!

DEACON HELP NEEDED!

Ever thought about volunteering at church but just can't seem to find the time during the day or on a weekend? We have the perfect opportunity for you! The deacons are looking for volunteers to help with their home meal assistance. The program works like this: volunteers would receive a phone call asking them to prepare a meal for a church member in need. Once the meal is prepared, the volunteer would deliver the meal to the member. It's that easy! And it makes a big difference to a family who is working their way through an illness, loss of a loved one, or other traumatic event. If you feel called to help the deacons with this important mission, or you know someone who could benefit from a home-cooked meal, please contact the church office.

PW REGIONAL & CHURCH-WIDE GATHERINGS

June 18-21 The Church-wide Gathering of Presbyterian Women 2015 will be in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The theme is "One Body, One Spirit". Contact Mary Powers for additional information and to register for these events. marystahr@charter.net or 636-978-1135

SCRIP CARDS

SCRIP cards work great if you are planning your summer vacation. There are hotels and car rental agencies available for purchase. We also have your everyday needs such as Walmart. Order on Sunday and pick them up the following Sunday. A portion of each purchase comes back to the church as "free" money. If you have any questions, contact Jennifer Everly at 314/369-4398.

MAY MEAL-A-MONTH

2 cans tuna, 1 box Tuna Helper, 1 can vegetables, 1 can fruit, 1 box/bag cookies,

PAMPERED CHEF ORDERS

The items that were ordered during the PW Pampered Chef party are here! Items are sorted and in boxes in the church office. Please stop by and pick up your order today!

DEACONS' CORNER

Please be sure to let a Deacon or the church office know if you have or you know of a care concern within our congregation. We can be identified by our gold Deacon pins. You can also find us available at the welcome table before and after each service.