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## **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**

***We welcome to our pulpit today the Rev. Vanessa Hawkins***, who is currently serving as the Designated Presbytery Associate Leader with the Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy. She was ordained in 1998 as a Minister of Word and Sacrament and has served the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) as a pastor, campus minister, mission partner, and denominational staff. She has a love for congregational formation: for resourcing efforts that cultivate spaces for hospitality, Sabbath, contemplative practices, and spiritual growth. She sees ministry as opportunities to encourage leaders to cultivate an experiential relationship with God by connecting head and heart matters. She understands that discerning our life together as a presbytery requires that we are contemplatives who have an open heart and mind and respect for others. Vanessa holds a Master of Divinity degree, a Masters in Christian Education, and a Diploma in Spiritual Direction. She is originally from Henderson, NC and moved here with her mother.

***We welcome Kathy Kuehnle back to the piano bench today***, and thank her for lending her gifts while Gay Spears is away.

***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 nursery on the first floor (Room 204). At the 11:00 service, child care for infants and toddlers will be in Room 204; Pre-K children will be in the Butterfly Room in 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 exit by the side (north) door and be escorted to the lower-level.

***Ushering for today's worship:*** (8:45) Jerry & Rhonda Dyer, Margo Van Mill. (11:00) Kim Carr, Mel Fairchild, Jim Pettit, Bill & Ruth Reilly.

***Flowers:*** To the glory of God and in memory of David Lynn on his birthday, given by Barbara Lynn.

***Liturgist:*** Linda Dencker

***Sound Booth:*** (8:45) Bill Irvine (11:00) Jim Pettit

***Last Sunday's Attendance:*** 158

### **If You Are New to New Hope**

***Information about our church*** can be found at the Outreach & Information Center 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

*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

October 22, 2017

8:45 a.m.

## **THE GATHERING**

*As the people gather, worshipers greet one another, welcoming newcomers. Please silence electronic devices. Announcements pertaining to the life of the church are provided in the weekly News & Opportunities. The prayer below is offered to help center one's heart and mind for worship. The start of the Opening Voluntary signals the time to enter a period of quiet reflection.*

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God of mercy,  
grant that the Word you speak this day  
may take root in our hearts,  
and bear fruit to your honor and glory,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

+ \*OPENING HYMN 12      *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

ST. DENIO

### \*GREETING & OPENING SENTENCES

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.  
**God's steadfast love endures forever.**  
Give thanks to God for the faith we share;  
**be steadfast in hope through Jesus Christ.**

### \*THE CONFESSION

**Eternal God,**  
**in whom we live and move and have our being,**  
**whose face is hidden from us by our sins,**  
**and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:**  
Cleanse us from all our offenses,  
**and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,**  
**that with reverent and humble hearts**  
**we may draw near to you,**  
**confessing our faults,**  
**confiding in your grace,**

**and finding in you our refuge and strength;  
through Jesus Christ your Son.**

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

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

THE PEACE

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

+ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

*Glory Be to the Father*

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

Exodus 33: 12-23

EPISTLE READING

1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10

\*THE GOSPEL

THE ACCLAMATION

CELTIC ALLELUIA



GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22: 15-22

SERMON

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

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PRAYERS OF JOY & CONCERN

**THE EUCHARIST**

OFFERING OF OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

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 cantor sings,*

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

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☞ *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 Hawkins from the plate in her left hand.*

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

***THE SENDING***

\*HYMN 542

*God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

GOD BE WITH YOU

\*BLESSING & CHARGE

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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CALL TO WORSHIP

+ GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Prayer of Preparation

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grant that the Word you speak this day  
may take root in our hearts,  
and bear fruit to your honor and glory,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*DOXOLOGY

***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.***

Rollo Dilworth

\*OPENING SENTENCES

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*Glory to God,  
 Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Paul Vasile

Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be-gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.  
 As it was in the be-gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

SOLO

*The Gift of Love*  
 Lynne Snyder, soprano

Lloyd Larson

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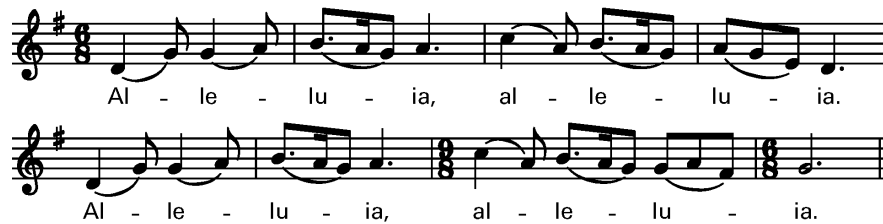
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The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

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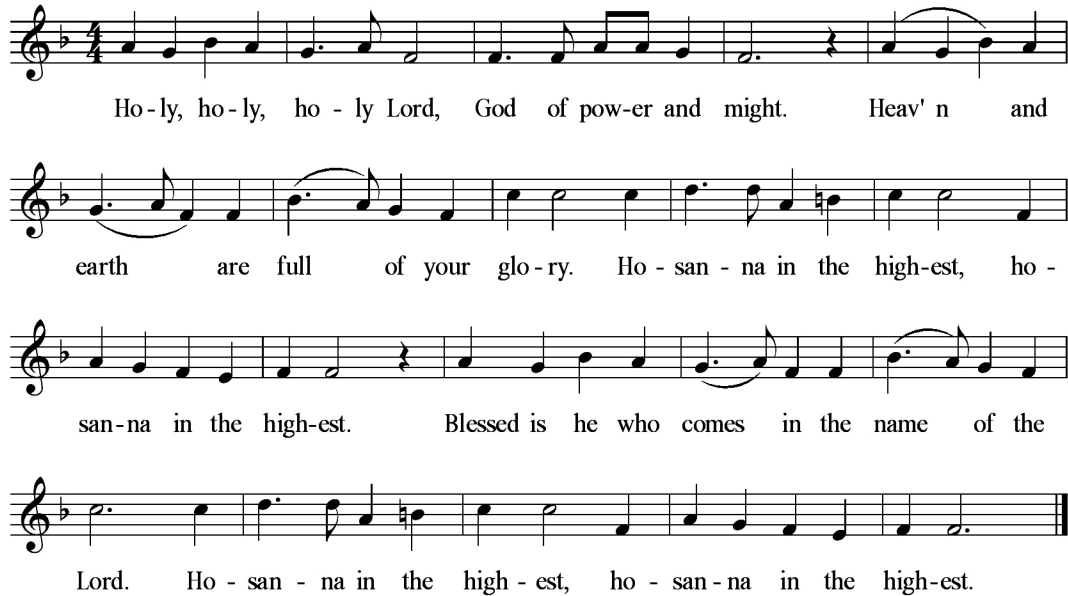
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earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est, ho -  
san-na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
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## WORSHIP RESOURCES

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Prayer of Preparation, as found in the *Book of Common Worship*, Presbyterian Church (USA) (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 1993), 19.

Opening Sentences, as found in *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching & the Arts*, Vol. 50.1, 152.

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## PRAYERS

### *of Joy*

the birth of William Andrew Fletcher, to Nicki & Andy Fletcher (grandson of Jeff & Ruth Connor, October 9)  
the birth of Rosemarie Lyla Beselman, to Katie & Mark Besselman (September 23)

### *for Healing & Wholeness*

Mike Dame	Harold Morgan (father of Vicky Koonley)
Dona Holmes (mother of Gay Spears)	Marissa Lamey (daughter of Bill & Martha Lamey)
Heather Sturgeon & family (granddaughter of Nancy Seals)	Sam Kahn (uncle of Martha Lamey)
Lori Seidler	Don Douglas (cousin of Carolyn Doerr)
Bev Ehlers (neighbor of Bill & Ruth Reilly)	Debby Schroeder (aunt of Kelly Hantack)
Charlene Hitz (friend of Ruth Reilly & Marilynne Counts)	Ron Steiner (cousin of Connie Pettit)
Herb Gibbs	Tom Wilkerson (friend of Laurie Meinert)
Penny Allen (daughter of Matt & Cassie Allen)	Henry, Lindsay & Trevor Gonterman
Tobi Whiteside (cousin of Donna Huffman)	Tammy Morales & family (friend of Bill & Martha Lamey)
Bernadette Alcantar (sister of Martha Lamey's sister-in-law)	Skyler Bazzell (grandchild of Donna Huffman's friend)
Rebekah Kaider (niece of Jon & Ann Schmid)	David Routzahn (friend of Donna Huffman)
Jane Meinert (mother of Chris Meinert)	Zoey Mendenhall (granddaughter of Kathy Gibb's cousin)
Dick Ronna (brother-in-law of Donna Huffman's cousin)	Cassandra Barber (granddaughter of Allen & Carolyn Rudolph)
Kathy Wikoff (cousin of Barbara Newman)	Jim McLaughlin (cousin of Jim Salter)
Bill Lamey (father of Bill Lamey)	Pat Adelman (friend of Jim Pettit)
Vicki Keatting (friend of Vicky Howell)	Marie Himmelbach (friend of Liz Resche)
Fay Teacutter	Sheri Clayton
Susan Phillips	Garry Clayton
Anna Mae Richardson	Kim Jackson (friend of Laura Eikmann)
John Mauex (cousin of Paul & Martha Hacker)	Taylor Sutton (friend of Elizabeth Eikmann)
Nina Dixon (friend of Donna Huffman)	W.T. Bryant (nephew of Sue White)
Karen Schriefer (friend of Debbie McDanel)	Melissa Ayers (friend of Martha Lamey)
Virginia Turner (mother of Deb Mackin)	Jacob Daniel (great-nephew of Jane Cox)
Charlie Stephans (grandchild of Carolyn Doerr's friend)	Bob Mudrovic
Erin Murphy (daughter-in-law of Pat & Robin Murphy)	
Barbara Clarke Burton (sister of Craig Clarke)	

### *for the Grieving*

Paul Hacker on the death of his mother-in-law, Aubrey Williams (October 6)  
Mary Powers on the death of her mother, Mary Stahr Harris (September 28)  
Allen & Carolyn Rudolph on the death of his sister, Ruth Gnau (September 26)  
Barb Knes and family on the death of her father, Norris Dalton (September 10)  
Kathy, Herb, and Eric Gibbs on the death of Kathy's father, Arthur Yauch (September 5)  
Paul & Martha Hacker on the death of his brother-in-law, Jim King (August 16)

### *for the World and its People*

victims of the California wildfires  
victims of the attack in Las Vegas  
victims of the hurricanes in TX, FL, & the Caribbean  
victims of the earthquake in Mexico

### *for those deployed*

Dusty Heise (great-nephew of Linda Carr)

## **I've Been Wondering..."**

### **FAQs about Worship**

#### ***Why are we asked to fill out an estimate-of-giving card and turn it in during worship?***

This is what we celebrated last week, known as Consecration Sunday, and there are really two questions here. First, filling out an estimate-of-giving card asks us to be intentional about how we plan to support financially our ministry together as the church in the coming year. When we can name our commitment—our hopes and intentions—we are better able to follow through on what we want to see happen. Completing an estimate-of-giving card also helps the Session to plan most effectively for the coming year. When we know the total of what our members and friends plan to contribute financially, the Session can then better allocate our resources to maximize our efforts. In other words, we can know what we can do when we know what resources, financial and otherwise, we might expect to receive. Also, we call it an “estimate-of-giving”, because it is just that. Circumstances may change during the year that require you to adjust your estimate one way or the other. Your estimate-of-giving is not a binding contract, but simply a statement of your intentions and plans. If it needs to change, you may notify our Office Manager.

Second, filling out an estimate-of-giving card and turning it in during worship points to the whole of our giving as a spiritual discipline. We do this as an act of worship to remind ourselves that we are not merely “fundraising.” Rather, we are responding to the abundant blessings of God with our lives, not only our time and our talents but our treasure, as well. Jesus tells us, “where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” (Matthew 6:21) This suggests that we should give to those things to which we want to grow closer. As we give, we grow.

#### ***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](http://www.pcusa.org/sacraments).

*In the details...*

**The banner to the left of the chancel** represents the liturgical season known as Ordinary Time. “Ordinary” is not to connote “mundane,” but refers rather to the counting of the days using ordinal numbers (first, second, third, etc.). The whole of the church year can be understood to be an annual rehearsal of the history of salvation as seen in the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ to new life. Ordinary Time consists of those days outside of the major festival seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter. This is the time when scriptures about Jesus’ life and ministry are read in worship, when our life in the church is marked by spiritual growth, which gives reason for the color of ordinary time (green for growth).

In the banner, the Alpha (Α) and Omega (Ω) are the first and last letters, respectively, of the Greek alphabet (the original language of the New Testament). Taken together, they represent God’s sacred time which spans between the beginning of time at creation and the ending of time at the consummation of all that is. Jesus said, “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end” (Revelation 22:13). Chronos, secular, human time is designated by the sundial.

# new hope

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

*Striving to welcome and include all,  
worship God,  
grow in Christian faith,  
serve others,  
and be God's love in the world.*

The Rev. Dr. Christopher Q. James, *Pastor*  
Dr. Gay Holmes Spears, *Director of Music Ministries*  
Laura Meinert, *Office Manager*

## ***Session***

2017  
Jim Cox  
Jennifer Everly  
Clark Hurrell  
Lynne Snyder  
Margo Van Mill

2018  
Bryan Eikmann  
Kathy Gibbs, Clerk of Session  
Cindy Martin  
Del Phillips  
Rick Waldo

2019  
Jerry Dyer  
Kirk Garten  
Bill Lamey  
Alyssa Murray  
Sue White

## ***Diaconate***

2017  
Laura Eikmann  
Donna Huffman  
Kay McCarthy  
Stan Whiteley

2018  
Mark Besselman  
Bill Irvine, Moderator  
Kelley Hurrell  
Martha Lamey

2019  
Sharon Barnes  
Jennifer Bommarito  
Robert Dencker  
Carolyn Doerr  
Linda Judd

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