

New Hope
Presbyterian Church

*20 years
of faithful
ministry & worship*

October 26, 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.

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

Flowers: To the glory of God and in loving memory of her mother's birthday on October 21st and in memory of her father's passing on October 28th, and as thanks to God for blessing her with such wonderful parents, given by Barbara White.

Acolyte: (11:00) Katie Groat

Sound Booth: (8:45) Mike Dame (11:00) Bill Irvine

Last Sunday's Attendance: 151

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 for home bound Communion, contact Pastor James at cqjames@newhopepc.org or 936.2200 x.11.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Reformation Sunday

October 26, 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

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

Loving God,
you not only welcome us,
you receive us into yourself.
Give us courage to be so open to others,
to let them become so dear to us,
that we might share not only your gospel
but also our lives, through Christ,
who makes room for us all. Amen.

1 Thess. 2:8

+ *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

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

In you, we come home—

to rest, to wrestle, to love, to be loved.

Before the mountains were born, before you delivered the whole world,
from everlasting past to everlasting future, you are God.

In you, we are home—

we dream, we flourish, we fade, we rejoice.

We dwell in you.

+ *HYMN 267

Come Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

*THE CONFESSION

**Sovereign God, we confess
that we are not ready for your holy realm.
You offer us your law of love,
but we disobey the simplest command.
You offer us your gospel of grace,
but we disregard this greatest gift.
Forgive us, merciful God,
so that we may return to your fold
and rejoice in your presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the Lamb upon the throne.**

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 (Glory to God 581)

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

Deuteronomy 34: 1-12

*HYMN 687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past
based on Psalm 90

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EPISTLE READING

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8

*THE GOSPEL

ACCLAMATION *Christ, Be Our Light (refrain) (Glory to God 314)*

CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

***Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.***

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22: 34-46

THE ALLELUIA *(Glory to God 586)*

ALLELUIA 7

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

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR 20 YEARS

(11:00) ANTHEM

We Will Give Thanks

Mark Patterson

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 at the station to the left as you approach the Table (with Pastor James).

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

THE SENDING

Here I Am, Lord

*HYMN 69

HERE I AM

*BLESSING & CHARGE

*Please rise in body or spirit.

+ Those arriving may be seated.



Reformation Sunday

Reformation Sunday is a celebration peculiar to Protestant traditions. It is a time to recall the fact that the Church of Jesus Christ must ever and always be about the business of renewal if it is not to sink into staid traditionalism. It's a time to recall the fact that the gospel of Jesus Christ is, and of necessity must be, highly adaptive. If the story of our faith cannot be retold in ways that are meaningful to each new generation, it will die.

The achievements of the early Reformers—those we celebrate today—are dramatic:

- the decentralization of church authority from the monolithic Roman model to more congregational and representative forms of church government;
- the congregational singing of psalms;
- the articulation of the “priesthood of all believers” as opposed to the “preeminence” of clergy;
- ordination as a functional responsibility, not some indelible, elitist order;
- the elevation of preaching and teaching to a level of importance equal to that of sacramental celebration;
- the mass publication of Scripture and the recognition of the right—indeed the obligation—of all Christians to read and weigh the impact of it for their own lives;
- the conduct of worship in each congregation’s native language, so that all have equal access to its intellectual, as well as its mystical, rewards; and,
- the dramatic increase in congregational participation in the act of worship, especially in prayer and song.

Reformation Sunday is an opportunity for us to remind ourselves that these are gifts. It is a time to remind ourselves of our need to be about the task of continual renewal as a central and ongoing concern. And it is a time to celebrate those who, with particular devotion, contributed in ways large and small to our great past of which we are the most recent beneficiaries.

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Session

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

Formation for Discipleship
Susan Phillips (2014)
Lauren Martinez (2014)
Deb Garten (2015)
Shelley Geiger (2016)

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

Worship, Music & the Arts
Kristin Judd (2014)
Michael Ray (2015)
Linda Dencker (2016)

Administration & Support
Kathy Gibbs (2015)
Bill Pires (2016)

Diaconate

2014
Kimm Besgrove
Jennifer Everly
Don Higgason
Pat Murphy
Laura Eikmann

2015
Jerry Dyer
Jackie Etling
Bill Judd
Kristen Moore
Jim Phillips

2016
Earl Bostic
Ruth Connor
Marion Hamilton
Stan Whiteley
Jan Parker

News & Opportunities

Sunday, October 26th

8:45 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
9:45 a.m.	Christian Formation	Various Locations
11:00 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
12:30 p.m.	20th Anniversary Banquet	Pezold Banquet Center

Monday, October 27th

7:00 p.m.	Formation for Discipleship	Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	New Officer Training	Senior High Room

Tuesday, October 28th

7:00 p.m.	A.A.	Worship Space
7:00 p.m.	Session Coordinating Council	Conference Room

Wednesday, October 29th

10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice	Worship Space

Sunday, November 2nd

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.	Session Coordinating Council	Conference Room
12:15 p.m.	Youth Group to Six Flags	
2:30 p.m.	Children's Choir	Worship Space
3:00 p.m.	Kids Fellowship Club	Sunshine Room

NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

FALL BACK!

Don't forget that Daylight Savings Time ends next Sunday, November 2nd. Make sure to set your clocks BACK one hour to make it on time to Sunday service!

ALL SAINTS DAY

New Hope will celebrate All Saints Day on Sunday, November 2nd. As a part of this celebration, during the Sacrament of Holy Communion, we will be remembering members and loved ones that have died in the Lord during the past twelve months (since November 2013). A list of those being remembered will be included in the November 3rd bulletin. If you have a friend or loved one who has died in the last year and you would like him or her mentioned, please call Laurie Brown at the church office (636) 936-2200, email her at lbrown@nhpres.org, or complete the insert on the Information Table and turn it in to the office.

DEACON CARE PACKAGES

The Deacons will again be sending Care Packages to college students and military personnel in October. If you have a loved one in one or both of those categories please send his/her name and contact information to the church office by calling or emailing to lbrown@newhopepc.org. Please specify if he or she is a college student or military personnel and if there are any allergies.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the *50 K in 50 Days* special collection. We have received \$50,000.00 towards which means we have achieved our goal! The funds raised will be used to repair the church parking lot and the playground area.

FINANCIAL CORNER

September Contributions	37,722.80
Monthly Budget	<u>37,821.25</u>
	- 48.45
Year-to-date Contributions	329,707.80
Year-to-date Budget	<u>340,391.25</u>
	-10,683.45

HARVEST OF TALENTS

The Harvest of Talents is coming on November 23rd after the 11:00 service. We will have a "Talents on Display" sheet on the Information Table for people that plan to bring items. If you wish, you may sign your name along with the items you plan to bring on November 23rd. This will give everyone a preview of the items that will be made available from our talented congregation! Then, bring your items on that morning and place them on the tables. After the service, everyone can check out all of the wonderful creations and make your selections. Free-will donations will be accepted items. All proceeds will benefit the Deacon's Benevolence Fund.

CHILDREN

Today, October 26th **November 2nd**
Infant Nursery
Martha Lamey
Pre-K Nursery
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
October 26th - Julie Nowakowski & Jennifer Taylor
November 2nd - No 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-child>

Kids Fellowship Club is a fun-filled fellowship club for boys and girls in Kindergarten through 5th grade. We will meet two Sunday afternoons each month in the Sunshine Room on the lower level.
November 2nd - Kids in the Kitchen! Boys and girls will make some tasty treats and learn a few cooking skills along the way. This is always a favorite activity so make sure to join us!

YOUTH TRIP TO SIX FLAGS

November 2nd - We're headed to Six Flags immediately following the 11:00 am worship service!
November 16th - Youth meeting in the Senior High Room at 3:00 pm.

WORSHIP

New Hope worships each Sunday at 8:45 am and 11:00 am
Lectionary for Sunday, November 2, 2014
Joshua 3: 7-17
Psalm 107: 1-7, 33-37
1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13
Matthew 23: 1-12

SAFE SANCTUARY

There is one remaining opportunity to participate in Safe Sanctuary Training. Everyone who works with children or youth is required to be Safe Sanctuary "certified" every three years. Training will be offered on Thursday, October 30 at 7 p.m. The class is approximately one and a half hours long. Childcare may be offered if requested. If you would like to attend, please contact Barbi Smith at stlbarbi99@gmail.com or 314 807-2211.

OCTOBER MEAL-A-MONTH

2 cans stew, 1 box rice or pasta mix, 1 can vegetables, 1 can fruit, 1 box/bag cookies, 1 item of your choice.

BOOKMARKS

If you find a laminated book mark in your hymnal on Sunday morning, it is a gift from a child in our Worship Feast Program. Worship Feast is "where the children go when they leave worship", after their time with Chris. During Worship Feast, our children learn to quiet and center their bodies, their hearts and their minds and engage in a variety of prayer activities. The Zentangle Bookmarks are one of the activities offered. As children quietly and contemplatively color the bookmarks, they are encouraged to think about the things for which they are thankful and then to offer a prayer of thanks. Children may choose to take their bookmark home or donate it to a hymnal.

NEW CHRISTIAN FORMATION OPPOTUNITIES

STICKY FAITH
Sundays, October 19 – November 16
9:45 – 10:45 a.m.
Most parents would give anything to anchor their children with a vibrant faith that "sticks" and continues to mature long-term. Yet despite this deep desire, research indicates that approximately 40-50% of high school seniors drift from their faith after graduation. In response to this problem, the Fuller Youth Institute (FYI) has launched the College Transition Project, a national longitudinal study following 400 high school seniors during their first three years in college. This provocative and needed research is geared to spark a movement that empowers parents, churches, leaders, and adults of all ages to develop robust and long-term faith in kids. Please sign up for this course on the form on the Information Table or by emailing Barbi Smith at bsmith@nhpres.org.

DREAM
Tuesdays, October 28 – November 25
9:15 – 10:45 a.m. and 7 – 8:30 p.m.
Christianity has been expressed in countless ways over the centuries. The 21st century is no different. DreamThinkBeDo is not about "what" to believe. It's not about projecting someone else's "truth." It's a springboard for conversation about what's next for those who follow Jesus. "Love God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind (Luke 10:27) is the place to start.

USED BOOKS COLLECTION

The MME committee continues to need gently used books for distribution to various organizations in St Charles. This year we were successful in providing books to prisoners in the St Charles County jail and well as several retirement venues in the area. All have been very appreciative of the donated books. There will be a drop of box by the information table available for your donations.

WORK DAY

The Mission, Ministry and Evangelism Committee and the Adult Mission Team are sponsoring a work day on Nov 8, 2014 to raise funds for the 2015 Adult Mission Trip. The 2015 trip will again benefit Habitat for Humanity of Pensacola and will occur on June 13-20. This year's fundraising efforts hope to include a donation to the local (St. Charles) Habitat for Humanity organization as well.
You can support the mission trip by saving jobs that the mission team can complete for a free-will donation; or you can help with the work directly. The work can be done on Nov 8 or on a mutually agreeable date. Please contact Mark Everly at 636-575-4125 to participate.

SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS

The Covering House.
Thanks to the Fellowship Committee for providing the meal, and to the PW and a host of other volunteers for the successful Peacemaking Luncheon. We were troubled to learn of the extent of human trafficking in the St. Louis area, but inspired and encouraged by the work of the Covering House. They provide a safe environment for rescued girls. Your free-will offerings were donated to the Covering House.

Oasis Food Pantry News
Due to Thanksgiving activities, NHPC will not go to Oasis in November. Our next opportunity to serve will be December 13th. Instead, here's a special November challenge! Oasis donates birthday cake mixes and icing to families who have birthdays to celebrate. Make someone's birthday special! Bring in your favorite cake and icing mixes and place them in the basket at the information table, or hand them to Neal Powers. Let's see how many boxes he can juggle at one time.