

New Hope Presbyterian Church



September 15, 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 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: Rick Cassetta, Rick & Tyler Etling, Ken Pinkley, Mark & Jennifer Everly, Joe Seidler, Earl & Juanita Bostic and Martha Hacker.

Flowers: To the glory of God and in honor of what would have been Alma Kuhlows's 90th birthday, given by Lynne Snyder.

Sound Booth Technician: (8:45) Joe Petrowsky (11:00) Russell Dittmar

Last Sunday's Attendance: 215

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 cjames@newhopepc.org or 636/936. 2200 x.11.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 15, 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.*

Gracious God,
when our spirits lift at the beauty of the day, you are Lord;
and when chaos threatens to overwhelm
and we dread the next news cycle—still, you are Lord.
Always you are creating, redeeming, sustaining.
Speak then your mercy into this place
until we discover the courage to open our eyes,
unclench our hands, and move toward our neighbor in need,
until all the world rises and moves with the rhythm of your grace;
for we long to honor the name of Jesus,
by whose breath we pray. 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.***

Let us bow before our Creator,
whose Spirit moves over desert and sea,
whose Word has the power to create, to judge, and to save.

Jeremiah 4:11-12

Come, let us worship God.

+ *HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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*THE CONFESSION

**Creator of the universe,
we imagine that we are in familiar territory,
that we know what to expect of this hour,
that we will leave much the way that we came.**

**Do not abandon us to our foolishness.
In judgment, illumine our darkness.
In mercy, bear us home—
until we recognize your presence
wherever evil is confronted,
truth is spoken, and life is restored.**

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

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

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.***

ANTHEM

Great Is Your Name

Carl Freeman

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28

PSALTER

Psalm 14

The cantor will sing the verses and the congregation will sing the refrain.

John Ferguson



O, that sal - va - tion would come from Zi-on!

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¹*Fools say in their heart,
"There is no God."
Their deeds are corrupt and vile;
not one of them does any good.*

²*God looks down from heaven
to see if there are any who are wise,
or if any are seeking after God.*

³*But all have fallen away. (R)*

*All are unfaithful;
all alike are depraved;
not one of them does what is right,
not a single one.*

⁴*Don't those evildoers understand?
They devour the people of God
as if they were eating bread;
they never pray to God. (R)*

⁵*They will be struck with fear and terror,
for God is on the side of the faithful.*

⁶*You may deride the hope of the poor,
but God is their shelter.*

*7O that salvation for Israel would come from Zion!
When God restores the fortunes of the people,
then Jacob will rejoice,
Then Israel will be glad. (R)*

EPISTLE READING

1 Timothy 1: 12-17

*THE GOSPEL

THE ACCLAMATION

Come Christians join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

Praise is his gracious choice; Alleluia! Amen! (Tune: MADRID)

GOSPEL READING

Luke 15: 1-10

THE ALLELUIA

Celtic Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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.

*HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

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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. 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

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *As We Go*

*As we go, may your Spirit go before us.
As we go, may we follow where you lead.
May we live what we have learned,
share the message we have heard,
and be a light unto the world as we go.*

*All who are able please stand.

+ Those arriving may be seated.



In the details...

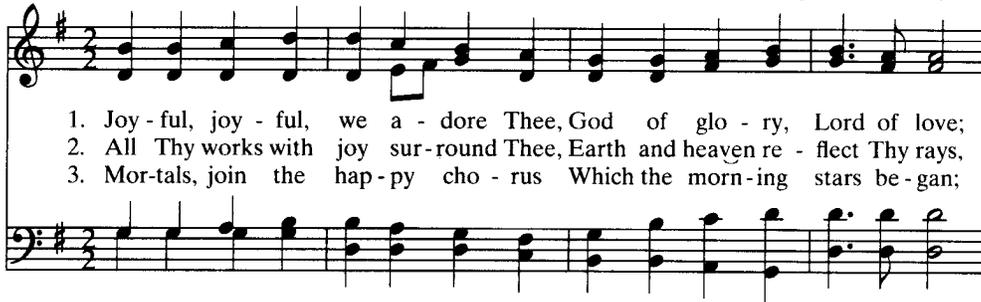
The banner in the chancel represents the liturgical season known as Ordinary Time. "Ordinary" is not to connote "mundane," but refers rather to the counting of the days using ordinal numbers (first, second, third, etc.). The whole of the church year can be understood to be an annual rehearsal of the 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.

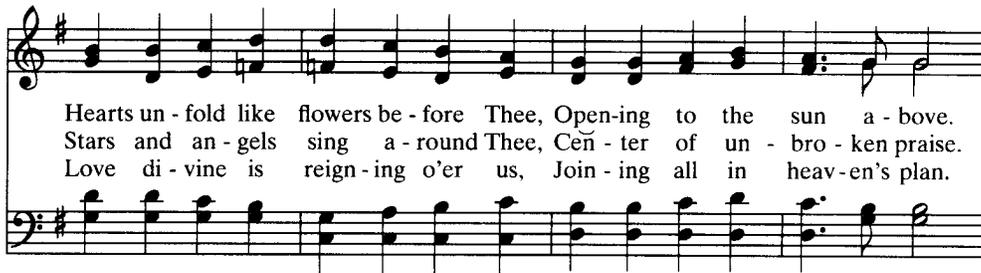
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Henry van Dyke, 1907; alt.

Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824
Adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867); alt.



1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All Thy works with joy sur - round Thee, Earth and heav - en re - flect Thy rays,
3. Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;



Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore Thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.
Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
Love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, Join - ing all in heav - en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; Drive the gloom of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flower - y mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife,



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.
Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, Call us to re - joice in Thee.
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life.

“I’ve Been Wondering…” (FAQs about Worship)

Eucharist, Holy Communion, Lord’s Supper—which of these names is correct?

The short answer is that all of them are correct and each highlights a different aspect of what the sacrament signifies. First of all, “sacramentum” is a Latin word that means “mystery.” We call it a “mystery” because it is a way we can see something that really happens to us on the inside. We have different names for this sacrament.

“Eucharist” comes from a Greek word that means “thanksgiving.” Every time we worship God we give thanks to God for taking care of us. The sacrament, then, is a thanksgiving meal at which we give praise and gratitude to God for the life, death and resurrection of Jesus the Christ, which brings salvation to the world.

Sometimes we call it the “Lord’s Supper.” This name reminds us of when Jesus gave it to us, sitting around the table with his disciples on the night before he died. This is a meal we have to share together as we remember that night long ago when Jesus took bread and wine and told his disciples to remember him every time we gather at the Table and that he will be with us. From this meal, we receive spiritual nourishment for the journey of faith and discipleship.

When we use the name “Holy Communion” we are saying that the sacrament brings us together and makes us “one with Jesus Christ and with all who share this feast,” as we affirm in the Eucharistic prayer or Prayer of Great Thanksgiving. The sacrament, then, is a meal of thanksgiving and remembrance that is set aside (holy) for us to abide in fellowship (commune) together.

Why are those baskets near the Lord’s Table and what do we do with them?

During the invitation to the Lord’s Table, the presider says, “Come, share the feast of the risen Christ.” The Lord’s Supper, the Eucharist, is a meal of thanksgiving to which we are invited by Christ to feed upon God and be nourished for our spiritual journey of faith. This is a meal that cannot be shared or celebrated too often. Welcomed by Christ, we come to the Table for our spiritual nourishment, but we do so not for ourselves alone. The meal is not simply for our own spiritual contentment, but serves also as fuel for our discipleship in service to others. Coming to the Lord’s Table, we act out that Day when “people will come from east and west, from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God” (Luke 13:29). The Lord’s Table is one at which all will be fed and no one will go away hungry.

Until that Day, we live our faith by seeing to it that the hungry among us have food to eat. So, as an expression of our faith and commitment to help the poor, the baskets near the Lord’s Table are for us to fill with non-perishable food. You may bring the food with you and place it in the baskets as you come forward to the Table, or you may place it in the baskets at any other time that is convenient for you. On the first Sunday of the month, following our sharing of the Lord’s Supper, we bless the food in the baskets, giving thanks to God for those who have brought it, as well as for those who will receive it and be strengthened by it. Then, our children and youth carry the food out of the sanctuary to be delivered to the O.A.S.I.S. Food Pantry. On the second Saturday of the month, our youth and others work at the Food Pantry, distributing the food to the hungry. So come, share the feast of the risen Christ and be filled with God. Then go, feed others as Christ has fed you.

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE 10.10.9.10

Ancient Irish poem
Trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905
Vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912; alt.

Irish ballad
Harm. David Evans, 1927

1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. Rich - es. I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
3. Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;

Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

Music: Harmonization from the Revised Church Hymnary 1927. Used by permission of Oxford University Press.

LIFE IN CHRIST

Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light:
Great God of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

The musical score consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line is written in a single treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The piano accompaniment is written in a grand staff with a treble and bass clef, also in two flats and 4/4 time. The lyrics are aligned with the vocal line.

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