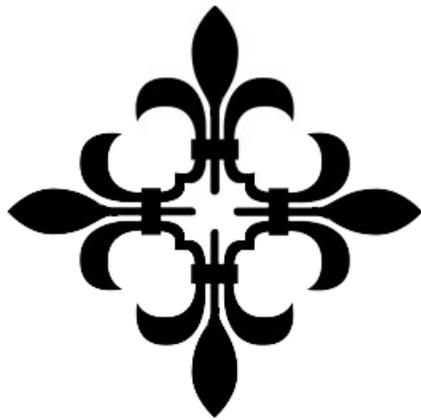


New Hope
Presbyterian Church



September 8, 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

We welcome back to our worship today, the women's vocal ensemble, Alegria, which is the Spanish word for joy. Alegria is made up of Lindsay LaMarche, Judy Hodge, Micah Hummel, Glenda Schmitt, Kathy Carr, Judi Holyroyd, and Kathy Kuehnle.

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: Jim & Debbie Phillips, Michael Black, Joe Seidler and the Generations Faith Family.

Flowers: To the glory of God and in celebration of their 24th wedding anniversary, given by Herb & Kathy Gibbs.

Liturgist: Barbi Smith

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

Last Sunday's Attendance: 193

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

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 8, 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.*

Weaver of life, framer of the ages, *Genesis 1:26-28; Psalm 139, 13,15;*
we marvel at your artistry and the trust you place in us. *Colossians 1:15*
From our first cries to our final breaths, we are your own.
Bind us now to each other in ways beyond our choosing,
that your purpose might find fulfillment in our common life and service,
for we pray in the name of Jesus, the firstborn of all creation. 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.***

Lord, you have searched us and known us. *Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18*

You know when we sit and when we rise.

We praise you,
because we are fearfully and wonderfully made.

**We praise you,
because our lives are never hidden from you.**

+ *HYMN

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

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*THE CONFESSION

**Holy God,
like children long indulged,
we are quick to presume your pardon,
your sanction of the way we live.
We turn away from neighbors in need,**

sharing fragments that remain
 only after our cravings have been met.
 Merciful Maker,
 you created us for better use;
 remake us now.
 Where we are distorted re-center and reshape us,
 bring us low and raise us up.
 Then fire our hearts until we shine with your glory
 and find our place in your purpose.

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.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 18: 1-11

EPISTLE READING

Philemon 1-21

*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 14: 25-33

THE ALLELUIA

Celtic 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.

(11:00) COMMISSIONING OF 2013-2014 MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION & FORMATION

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

The psalmist proclaims,
*"...we will tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the LORD, and God's might,
and the wonders that God has done" (Ps. 78:4)*

As people of faith,
we are dedicated to be a teaching and learning church,
and we commit ourselves to tell the stories of our faith,
to our children, youth and adults,
and to proclaim the love and power of God to make all things new.

Congregation: Who will tell our youngest children?

Stacy Pearson, Director of the New Hope Presbyterian Preschool:

Our teachers and nurturers of young children
will gather them in their arms
and tell the stories of Jesus and of God's care.
Together we will guide the first steps of their faith journey.

Congregation: Who will share God's loving ways with our children?

Barbi Smith, Director of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation:

Our teachers and leaders of children
will tell the stories of our faith.
In exciting ways they will see how Jesus
healed the sick, freed the captives, and fed the hungry.

Congregation: Who will tell our youth the truths important to their lives, and who will lead them to make life-changing discoveries for themselves?

Katie Sternhagen, Coordinator of Youth Ministries:

The teachers and leaders of our youth
will open up God's Word.
The challenges and excitement of the Christian life
will become theirs as they confirm and live into the faith
in which they were baptized.

Congregation: Who will teach adults and challenge them to ponder the faith and grow toward spiritual maturity?

Holly Martinez, Elder, Formation for Discipleship Committee:

The teachers and leaders of adults will explore how their lives might reflect the grace and peace known to them through Jesus Christ, even as we continue throughout our entire lives to learn, grow and live into our baptism.

QUESTIONS OF THE TEACHERS AND LEADERS

Holly Martinez, Elder, Formation for Discipleship Committee:

Teachers and leaders, do you welcome the responsibility of teaching because you are determined to proclaim the glorious deeds of the LORD and the wonders that God has done?

We do.

Will you prepare for your encounters with energy, intelligence, imagination and love, relying on God's mercy and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit?

We will, with God's help.

QUESTIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

Do you, the congregation of the New Hope Presbyterian Church, confirm the call of God to these before you as teachers and leaders of our educational ministries in the service of Jesus Christ, and will you support them in this ministry through your encouragement and prayers?

We do and we will.

COMMISSIONING PRAYER

CHARGE & BLESSING

THE EUCHARIST

*HYMN

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

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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 *Lift High the Cross*

George William Kitchin (1827-1912)
Rev. by Michael Robert Newbolt, 1916; alt.
Refrain and Descant

Sidney Hugo Nicholson, 1916
Desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Till all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.

Till all the world a - dore His sa - cred name. *Fine*

1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,
2. Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain

The Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died.
 Your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
 Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

*Please rise in body or spirit.

+ Those arriving may be seated.



O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

Robert Grant, 1833; alt.

Attr. Johann Michael Haydn (1737–1806); alt.

1. O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!
2. O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,
3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
4. Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?

O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love;
Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.
Al - might - y, Thy power hath found - ed of old;
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;

Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days, Pa -
The char - iots of heaven the deep thun - der - clouds form, And
Hath stab - lished it fast by a change-less de - cree, And
It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain, And

vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.
round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

Spirit of god, Descend Upon My Heart

MORECAMBRE 10.10.10

George Croly, 1854

Frederick Cook Atkinson, 1870

1. Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
2. Hast Thou not bid us love Thee, God and King;
3. Teach me to feel that Thou art al - ways nigh;
4. Teach me to love Thee as Thine an - gels love,

Wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
All, all Thine own: soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
Teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear,
One ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;

Stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as Thou art,
I see Thy cross, there teach my heart to cling.
To check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh;
The bap - tism of the heaven - de - scend - ed Dove,

And make me love Thee as I ought to love.
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!
Teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
My heart an al - tar, and Thy love the flame.

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2014
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Katie Harmon
Neal Powers
Michael Ray
Nancy Taylor

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Cindy Dalton, Moderator
Donna Huffman
Bill Irvine

2014
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Don Higgason
Margaret Mortland
Pat Murphy
Jane Rigdon

2015
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Jackie Etling
Bill Judd
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