



January 19, 2025

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT NEW HOPE

Our worship stems from the Presbyterian/Reformed branch of the Christian faith, and you'll find much of what you need to participate in this bulletin. If you're unfamiliar with these traditions, you may simply let the prayers of the community carry you forward. There is no wrong way to come to God in prayer.

We're glad you're here.

### **During Today's Worship**

- 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 of it, you may fill out a request form found in the Outreach & Information Center in the narthex or call the church office (936.2200). Parents who prefer child care will find the nursery (infant—Pre-K) in Room 204 (main level).
- **Worship Feast,** an alternative Christian formation experience for elementary-age children is available during the service. Children who wish to participate may be dismissed after the Gospel Reading. They will exit by the side (north) door and be escorted across the hallway.
- **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.
- Large-print bulletins are available for ease of worship. An usher will be happy to assist you.
- **The offering**...Your financial contributions to New Hope may be placed in one of the two offering stands located at the entry to the main sanctuary doors.
- **The Eucharist (the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion)** is open to all the 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.
- **Restrooms** are located on the south side of the building, across the hall from the kitchen. When you exit the worship space, turn left and they are down the hall on the right.

**Liturgist:** Sylvia Bane Malta **Tech team:** Bob Davenport & Scott Truett

## If You Are New to New Hope

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

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#### **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.

New Hope broadcasts our worship livestream to our website. The video and audio of the service are recorded and may be replayed. Your participation in our worship constitutes your consent for you and/or your child(ren) to have your image and/or voice potentially recorded and replayed.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

# Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2025 10:15 a.m.

### THE GATHERING

Worshipers are invited to greet one another and welcome newcomers.

Please silence electronic devices.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

+ Greeting & Announcements

PRELUDE Be Thou My Vision

arr. Joel Raney

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

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.

-Book of Common Prayer (1549)

## \*Opening Sentences & Gathering Prayer

How precious is the steadfast love of God.

Ps. 36:7, 9, adapt.

All people may take refuge in the shadow of God's embrace.

Christ is the fountain of life.

In Christ we behold the light of God.

...who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

\*HYMN 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

### \*THE CONFESSION

Merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

Forgive us for the ways we act

with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.

We ignore the needs of our neighbors;

we resist your call to oppose injustice;

we give in to scarcity and fear;

we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults

and release us from their grasp.

...cont.

Show us your lovingkindness.
Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways.

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

## **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

## THE PEACE

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



# THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

**EPISTLE READING** 

Isaiah 62:1-5

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

\*THE GOSPEL

THE ACCLAMATION

CELTIC ALLELUIA



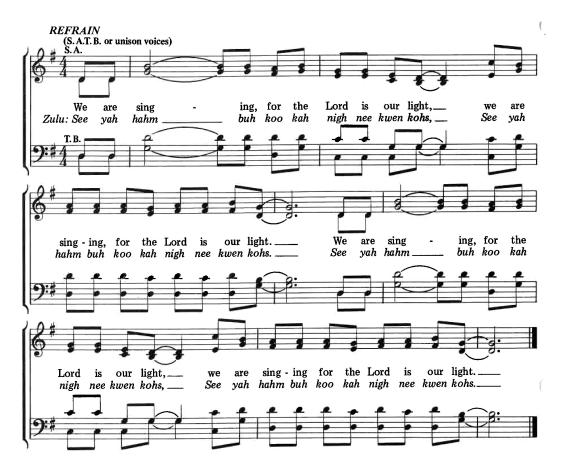
GOSPEL READING

John 2:1-11

# **SERMON**

**S**A moment for silence and reflection.

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



# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

### THE EUCHARIST

## OFFERING OF OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

En Financial contributions to the mission and ministry of New Hope may be placed through the slot of the offering stand located at the entry to the sanctuary, or securely online via the QR code on page 10.

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Mark Hayes

### 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.

...We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

...Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

...Power of the Most High,

One God, now and forever.

Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray.

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

vour will be done.

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

So Ushers will invite worshipers to the Lord's Table by rows. Please allow for social distance, approaching the Table at the center and returning by the outside aisles.

& Please cup your hands to receive the bread. Gluten-free bread is available at the plate in the center.

**COMMUNION MUSIC** 

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Joel Raney

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

# THE SENDING

\*HYMN 733

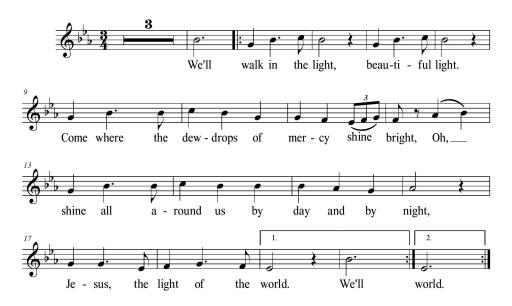
We All Are One in Mission

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- \*BLESSING & CHARGE
- \*CHORAL RESPONSE

Jesus, the Light of the World
1st, Choir; 2nd, Congregation

Evelyn Simpson-Cureton



<sup>\*</sup>All who are able may stand.

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<sup>+</sup> Those arriving may be seated.



### **WORSHIP RESOURCES**

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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*Trudi Johnson, *Office Manager* 

### Session

2025 Lindsay Gonterman Tracy Grundy Tara Larrew Greg Marshall 2026 Jeff Connor Lynn Harmon Holly Martinez Stan Whiteley 2027
Rick Getz
Bill Lamey
Deb Mackin, Clerk of Session
Colleen Shear

### Diaconate

2025 John Cusumano Bob Dencker Jerry Dyer Martha Lamey

2026 Bryan Eikmann Shari Mahon Joe Seidler, Moderator Amie Tilk 2027 Ruth Connor Bob Davenport Jane Johnston Robin Murphy

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