

WELCOME!



Sunday School ~ 9:30 am
Worship ~ 10:45 am

Morning Worship

May 26, 2024

Reflections

Prayer is the revolutionary activity by which weak, mortal creatures take our stand in the great cosmic battle and do our part to move heaven and earth toward God's final victory.

~ Iain Duguid

The anticipation of seeing God's face shining on us with the same warmth in love that he has for his own Son is the answer to our present discouragement, difficulty, and despair. Lift up your eyes from the trials and difficulties of the present and behold the glorious inheritance God has prepared for you. Gaze intently upon that glory and let it strengthen your weak knees and encourage your failing arms for the battle that is set before you.

~ Iain Duguid

Approach to God

Welcome

Missions Moment — Hannah Foster

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship — Isaiah 40:21-23, 25-26 (responsive)

²¹ Do you not know? Do you not hear?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

²² **It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,**

and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;

who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,

and spreads them like a tent to dwell in;

²³ **who brings princes to nothing,**

and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.

²⁵ To whom then will you compare me,

that I should be like him? says the Holy One.

²⁶ Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these?

He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name;

by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power,

not one is missing.

Prayer of Invocation

Praise

Songs of Praise

Only a Holy God

Who else commands
all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make
every king bow down?
Who else can whisper
and darkness trembles?
Only a Holy God

What other beauty
demands such praises?
What other splendor
outshines the sun?
What other majesty
rules with justice?
Only a Holy God

*Come and behold Him,
the One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy,
forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God*

What other glory
consumes like fire?
What other power
can raise the dead?
What other name
remains undefeated?
Only a Holy God (chorus x2)

Who else could rescue me
from my failing?
Who else would offer
His only Son?
Who else invites me to
call Him Father?
Only a Holy God,
only my Holy God (chorus x2)

Ancient of Days

Though the nations rage,
kingdoms rise and fall
There is still one King,
reigning over all
So I will not fear
for this truth remains:
That my God is the Ancient of Days

Chorus

*None above Him, none before Him
All of time in His hands
For His throne it shall remain
and ever stand
All the power, all the glory
I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of Days*

Though the dread of night
overwhelms my soul
He is here with me, I am not alone
O His love is sure
and He knows my name
For my God is the Ancient of Days
(chorus)

Though I may not see
what the future brings
I will watch and wait
for the Savior King
Then my joy complete
standing face to face
In the presence
of the Ancient of Days (chorus)

Confession of Sin — Psalm 51:1-5

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!
³ For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words
and blameless in your judgment.
⁵ Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
and in sin did my mother conceive me.

Assurance of Pardon — Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Baptism — Hallie Jeanne Koops

Offering* — *Psalm 116:12-14* ¹² *What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me?* ¹³ *I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,* ¹⁴ *I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.*

**You can give on-line at the New Hope website: www.newhopeopc.org
and click on the green "give" button in the corner.*

Response in Song — Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.

Teach some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:
Prone to wan - der—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

The musical score is written in treble and bass clefs with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. It includes three systems of vocal melody and piano accompaniment, with lyrics printed below the vocal lines.

Robert Robinson, 1758

NETTLETON 8.7.8.7.D.
Asahel Nettleton, 1825

Commitment

Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — 1 Samuel 17:1-16; 41-50

Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle. And they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. ²And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered, and encamped in the Valley of Elah, and drew up in line of battle against the Philistines. ³And the Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. ⁴And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. ⁵He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail, and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. ⁶And he had bronze armor on his legs, and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. ⁷The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron. And his shield-bearer went before him. ⁸He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. ⁹If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." ¹⁰And the Philistine said, "I defy the ranks of Israel this day. Give me a man, that we may fight together." ¹¹When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

¹²Now David was the son of an Ephrathite of Bethlehem in Judah, named Jesse, who had eight sons. In the days of Saul the man was already old and advanced in years. ¹³The three oldest sons of Jesse had followed Saul to the battle. And the names of his three sons who went to the battle were Eliab the firstborn, and next to him Abinadab, and the third Shammah. ¹⁴David was the youngest. The three eldest followed Saul, ¹⁵but David went back and forth from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Bethlehem. ¹⁶For forty days the Philistine came forward and took his stand, morning and evening.

⁴⁵Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. ⁴⁶This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, ⁴⁷and that all this assembly may know that the LORD saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the LORD's, and he will give you into our hand."

⁴⁸When the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. ⁴⁹And David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground. ⁵⁰So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. There was no sword in the hand of David.

Sermon — You Need a Hero

~ Pastor Jacob Jastrzembski*

**bio can be found on page 10*

You Need a Hero

1 Samuel 17

Closing Hymn — My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who bore my pain
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
And gave me life again
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness
And clothed me with His light
And wrote His law of righteousness
With power upon my heart

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who walks beside
Who floods my weaknesses with strength
And causes fears to fly
Whose every promise is enough
For every step I take
Sustaining me with arms of love
And crowning me with grace

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who reigns above
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace
Whose every thought is love
For every day I have on earth
Is given by the King
So I will give my life my all
To love and follow Him

Benediction

Postlude

*Please come forward for prayers with our prayer team
after the service.*

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Dustin Mixon, Becky Wood (early team)
Laura Caruso, Gene Wood (late team)
SS Nursery: Ronnie Socash, Kim Hanlin

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Rachel Neahusan, Kelsey Roberts, Samantha VanDelden,
Caelyn Poortenga
Children's Church: Steve Hake, Meg Quist
Sound: Craig Lalley
Live Stream: John Godoy
Nursery On-call: Betsy Lalley
Prayer Team: Cath Howard, Cynthia Wintermyer

Serving Next Week

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Monte Festog, Jennifer Hephner (early team)
Matthew Layman, Devin McMillan (late team)
SS Nursery: Steve Hake, Dan Godoy

10:30 am

Toddler Nursery: Joel Poortenga, Jordan Roberts, Cora Kim, David Ochs
Children's Church: Amy Wright, Jack Socash
Sound: Kim Hanlin
Live Stream: Johannes Haasbroek
Nursery On-call: Betsy Lalley
Prayer Team: Monte & Rosemarie Festog

THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Tuesday

Trustee/Session Meeting, 7:30 pm in C8

Wednesday

Morning Bible Studies

→ 10:00 am Ladies' Bible Study in C8, no childcare
→ 10:00 am Ladies' Bible Study at Amy Wright's home,
child care available

Evening Adult Bible Study, 6-7:30 pm, includes pizza dinner at
6:00 pm

→ **GEMS & CSB**, 6-7:30 pm in sanctuary building
→ **Youth Group**, 6-8 pm in C8

Saturday

Men's Ministry Discussion Group, meeting at the church
from 8-10 am

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Hannah Foster as she prepares to go to the Boardwalk Chapel for the summer and give thanks for her desire to reach the unsaved, grow in her faith, and help build the faith of others.
- Pray for Valory Snyder as she anticipates treatment for her recent health struggles. Pray that she will have a proper diagnosis from the doctors in Baltimore and proper treatment in Frederick. Pray that she will continue to walk in faith and trust knowing that her Father goes before her.
- Pray for Pastor Francis that he will lead well and shepherd thoughtfully.
- Praise God for his provision for us and for giving us His Son, Jesus, who is our champion and our Savior. Pray that we will live our lives under that knowledge and in a way that serves and honors Him.
- Pray for Alanna Duvall and Hannah Graf who are expecting new little ones. Pray for the health and well-being of both moms and babies throughout the pregnancies.
- Pray for continued strengthening of health and well-being for both Man Kim and Mavis Bauer.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: those who are suffering from the effects of abuse, are grieving the loss of loved ones, are suffering with dementia or other chronic illnesses, are fighting cancer, or any other difficult trial.

Frederick Area

- Pray for the missions that we support financially: CareNet Pregnancy Center, Child Evangelism Fellowship, and the Frederick Rescue Mission. Pray that they will be places where the gospel is proclaimed and Christ honoring.
- Pray for opportunities to share the gospel with those in our sphere of influence and pray for wisdom and boldness when those opportunities arise.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our missionaries of the month, the church planters of the Mid-Atlantic presbytery. Pray particularly for growth in grace and numbers at the Culpeper, VA Bible studies that have begun on Thursday evenings. Pray, too, for the planned launch of a Berryville Bible study this summer. Pray that God will continue to increase faith and zeal for these Bible studies and that church planting will grow and flourish in the Presbytery of the Mid-Atlantic.
- Pray for John & Rachel Clifford as they leave for Rwanda this week. Pray for safety in travel, for a smooth transition to life in Africa, and that they will be warmly welcomed and embraced by their new church family.
- Pray for Luke Hake as he is on furlough here through the end of July. Pray that the Lord would use this time to bring him encouragement, refreshment, and joy as he spends time with family and friends.
- Pray for Kristen and Thanos as they serve the Lord in Greece. Pray that they will settle in well to the ministry they have been called to and that Thanos will thrive in and enjoy the Bible college he will be attending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting, mark your calendars for June 30th for our annual meeting of the congregation and the corporation. It will take place immediately following the worship service and will include lunch. Stay tuned for details!

Attention all crafters and hobbyists! New Hope Women's Ministry is hosting a "Bring your Own Craft Day" on Sat June 22 from 9 am – 8 pm. This is a time to bring your own activity to work on with friends, uninterrupted, for as long as you want with as much space as you want. Feel free to scrapbook, make cards, sew, knit, crochet, quilt, paint, work on your stamp collection, whatever you want. Table space and drinks are provided. Bring your friends. Bring a snack to share and plan your own meals. Contact Monica Laird monlaird@gmail.com or 410 963-6522 to let us know you are coming or if you have questions.

Wednesday Ladies' Bible Study, the Bible study that meets in C8 on Wednesdays at 10:00 am will be having a prayer time only on May 29 beginning at 11 a.m. They will conclude the time with a brown bag lunch.

This group will restart Bible Studies at the beginning of September, but will gather for prayer at a date TBD in July.

General Fund Giving, as of 4/30/24

Budgeted YTD: \$406,924.40

Actual YTD: \$391,079.28

Variance (Deficit): -\$15,845.12

Bio for Jacob Jastrzemski

Jacob was born in Bogota Colombia and adopted by Patrice and John Jastrzemski. He grew up in Cumberland MD and received his Bachelor's degree in Biblical and Religious Studies from Grove City College. He continued his education at Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte NC where he received an MDiv. He is currently working as a Hospital Chaplain in South Carolina.

DAILY DEVOTIONS

Memory Verse — Ephesians 3:17-19 ¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—**that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.**

Westminster Larger Catechism 45. How does Christ execute the office of a king? *Christ executes the office of a king, in calling out of the world a people to himself, and giving them officers, laws, and censures, by which he visibly governs them; in bestowing saving grace upon his elect, rewarding their obedience, and correcting them for their sins, preserving and supporting them under all their temptations and sufferings, restraining and overcoming all their enemies, and powerfully ordering all things for his own glory, and their good; and also in taking vengeance on the rest, who know not God, and obey not the gospel.*

Monday: Is 1 Sam 17 about courageously facing our giants? How does putting it in context show how it advances the history of God's redemptive work (1 Sam 16:13-14, 1 Sam 15:22-28, Rev 12:9f)? When do you first read about God in 1 Sam 17? What does this say about Saul's trust in God (v 11)? What about David (v 26)? Do you live in the reality of a 'living God'?

Tuesday: What do you learn about David's character in 1 Sam 17:12-40. What is his chief concern (v 26, 36, 45)? Consider how much you care about God's reputation. How do his priorities and character shadow Christ the final, true Davidic Servant-King (Jn 17:4, Heb 10:9, Mt 20:28)?

Wednesday: 1 Sam 17. How do you think the Israelites of that day responded to the events in this story? Are we to relate primarily to David or to the Israelites in this text? How does that change the applications? What do the Israelites do in response to David's victory (52ff)? If Christ wins the victory for us (Col 1:13), how do we respond (Col 1:11f, Eph 6:10ff)?

Thursday: 1 Sam 17:41-47. Contrast Goliath's speech with David's (41-47). On whose strength does each focus? What three things does David really want the people to learn from this? How would applying the truth "The battle belongs to the LORD" change your week? How could prayer move you to experience the truths in v 47 more?

Friday: Note David's incredible perspective in 1 Sam 17:45. He is so God-centered! How does his last speech in this chapter (45-47) speak to our weaknesses and inabilities (see Ps 20:7, 33:16-19, 2 Cor 12:7-10)? How does it humble us? How does it point us to God and give us confidence?

Saturday: Read Eph 4:25-27. How are these verses meant to shape church community?