

WELCOME!



Worship ~ 10:45 am

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We are pleased that you are coming to worship at New Hope Presbyterian Church. In order to serve you well, please:

- ***Visit our Welcome Table***
- ***ESV Bibles are available on the back table for use during the service***
- ***Turn off the ringer on your electronic devices***
- ***Nursery is available for children up to age 4***
- ***Large Print bulletins available upon request***
- ***Children's bulletins available at the Welcome Table***
- ***Please fill out a blue visitor card if you are visiting and place it in the offering box or give to a greeter***

Vision of New Hope Presbyterian Church

New Hope Presbyterian Church
is a grace and gospel-centered fellowship
which exists to magnify Jesus Christ
in the areas of worship, fellowship
and outreach.

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Morning Worship

August 18, 2024

Reflections

*The bride eyes not her garment,
but her dear bridegroom's face;
I will not gaze at glory,
but on my King of grace;
not at the crown he gifteth,
but on his pierced hand:
the Lamb is all the glory
of Emmanuel's land.*

~ "The Sands of Time are Sinking"

Approach to God

Welcome — Pastor Francis VanDelden

Prelude

Call to Worship — Isaiah 54:5-10 (responsive)

⁵ For your Maker is your husband,
the LORD of hosts is his name;
and the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer,
the God of the whole earth he is called.

⁶ **For the LORD has called you
like a wife deserted and grieved in spirit,
like a wife of youth when she is cast off, says your God.**

⁷ For a brief moment I deserted you,
but with great compassion I will gather you.

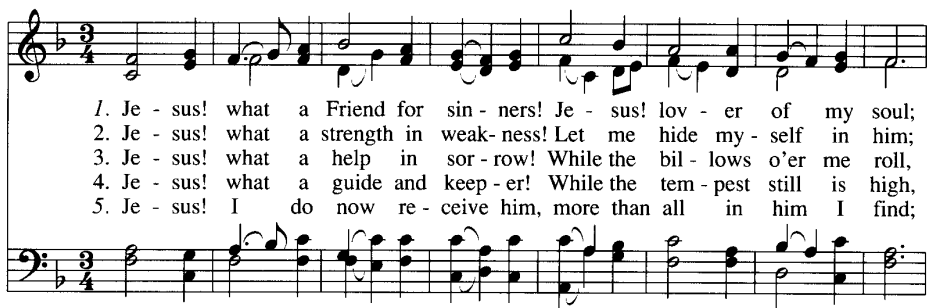
⁸ In overflowing anger for a moment I hid my face from you,
**but with everlasting love I will have compassion on you,"
says the LORD, your Redeemer.**

⁹ "This is like the days of Noah to me:
as I swore that the waters of Noah
should no more go over the earth, so I have sworn that I will not be
angry with you, and will not rebuke you.

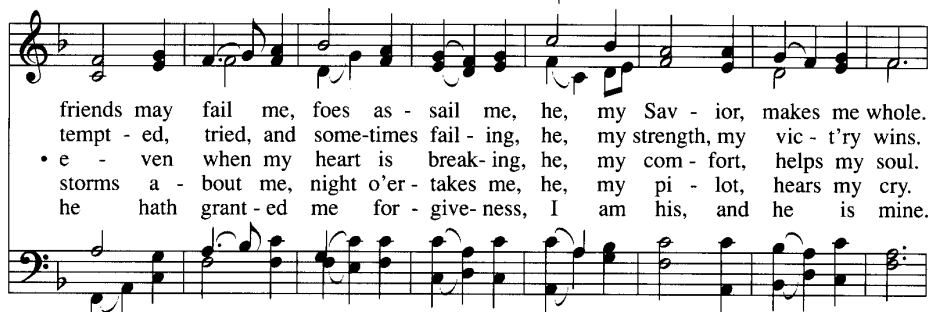
¹⁰ **For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed,
but my steadfast love shall not depart from you,
and my covenant of peace shall not be removed,"
says the LORD, who has compassion on you.**

Praise

Hymn of Praise — Jesus What a Friend for Sinners



1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! lov - er of my soul;
2. Je - sus! what a strength in weak - ness! Let me hide my - self in him;
3. Je - sus! what a help in sor - row! While the bil - lows o'er me roll,
4. Je - sus! what a guide and keep - er! While the tem - pest still is high,
5. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive him, more than all in him I find;



friends may fail me, foes as - sail me, he, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.
tempt - ed, tried, and some - times fail - ing, he, my strength, my vic - t'ry wins.
• e - ven when my heart is break - ing, he, my com - fort, helps my soul.
storms a - bout me, night o'er - takes me, he, my pi - lot, hears my cry.
he hath grant - ed me for - give - ness, I am his, and he is mine.

REFRAIN



Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend!



Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, he is with me to the end.

Song of Praise

Isaiah 40

(men) Do you not know?

(women) Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

(repeat)

(men) He will not grow tired or weary,

(women) And His understanding no one can fathom.

(men) He gives strength to the weary,

(women) And increases the power of the weak.

(men) Even youths grow tired and weary,

(women) And young men stumble and fall;

But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;

They will run and not grow weary,

They will walk and not be faint. (repeat)

(chorus after 2nd time)

Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God

Prayer of Adoration

Renewal

Song of Confession

We Have Not Known Thee

We have not known Thee as we ought,
Nor learned Thy wisdom, grace and power;
The things of earth have filled our thought,
And trifles of the passing hour.
Lord, give us light Thy truth to see,
And make us wise in knowing Thee.

We have not feared Thee as we ought,
Nor bowed beneath Thine awesome eye,
Nor guarded deed and word and thought,
Remembering that God was nigh.
Lord, give us faith to know Thee near,
And grant the grace of holy fear.

We have not loved Thee as we ought,
Nor cared that we are loved by Thee;
Thy presence we have coldly sought,
And feebly longed Thy face to see.
Lord, give a pure and loving heart
To feel and know the love Thou art.

We have not served Thee as we ought,
Alas, the duties left undone,
The work with little fervor wrought,
The battles lost or scarcely won!
Lord, give the zeal, and give the might,
For Thee to toil, for Thee to fight.

When shall we know Thee as we ought,
And fear and love and serve aright?
When shall we, out of trial brought,
Be perfect in the land of light?
Lord, may we day by day prepare
To see Thy face and serve Thee there.

Assurance of Pardon — Romans 8:31-39

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who

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was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written,

*“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”*

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Offering* — *John 3:16* ¹⁶ *“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.*

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and click on the green “give” button in the corner.*

Response in Song

How Great is Your Love, O Lord

No eye has seen and no ear has heard
And no mind has ever conceived
The glorious things that You have prepared
For every one who has believed.
You brought us near and You called us Your own
And made us joint heirs with Your Son.

*How high and how wide, How deep and how long
How sweet and how strong is your love;
How lavish your grace, how faithful your ways
How great is your love, O Lord.*

Objects of mercy who should have known wrath
We're filled with unspeakable joy
Riches of wisdom, unsearchable wealth,
And the wonder of knowing your voice.
You are our treasure and our great reward
Our hope and our glorious King.

Commitment

Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — Psalm 46

- ¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
²Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
³though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
⁵God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
⁶The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.
⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.
¹⁰“Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”
¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Sermon — The River of Life

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Closing Song — On that Day (page 10)

Benediction

Postlude

The whole church is invited to come forward for prayers for the Snyder family with our prayer team after the service.

The River of Life

Psalm 46

Closing Song — On That Day

I believe in Christ, risen from the dead
He now reigns victorious,
His kingdom knows no end
Through His resurrection
Death has lost its hold
I know on that final day
I'll rise as Jesus rose

CHORUS

*On that day we will see you
shining brighter than the sun
On that day we will know you
as we lift our voice as one
Till that day we will praise you
for your never ending grace
And we will keep on singing
on that glorious day*

What a blessed hope,
though now tired and worn
We will spend eternity
around our Savior's throne
Though we grieve our losses
we grieve not in vain
For we know our crown of glory
waits beyond the grave (chorus)

BRIDGE

Hallelujah what a day it will be
For at home with you my joy is complete
As I run into your arms open wide I will see
My father who is waiting for me (chorus)

THANK YOU FOR SERVING

10:30 am

Welcome Team: Marc Quist, Colin Brooks (early team)
Mark & Sally Rice (late team)
Toddler Nursery: Connor Freeman, Elaina Hake, Cora Kim, Lillian Williams
Children's Church: NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH
Sound: Craig Lalley
Live Stream: Johannes Haasbroek
Nursery On-call: Mary Troxel
Prayer Team: Monte & Rosemarie Festog

Serving Next Week

10:30 am

Welcome Team: Dustin Mixon, Becky Wood (early team)
Gene Wood, Laura Caruso (late team)
Toddler Nursery: Mary Troxel, Annie, Audrey, and Ian Kim
Children's Church: NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH
Sound: Mark Nichols
Live Stream: John Godoy
Nursery On-call: Amy Wright
Prayer Team: Mark & Sally Rice

THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Today

Prayer time for the Snyder family after the worship service.

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Valory Snyder and her husband, Ron, as they process the difficult news that Valory has entered hospice care and that the doctors can do no more for her. Pray for peace, knowing that God is good and that He loves them deeply. Pray for hope, knowing that God is faithful and keeps all of His promises. And pray that the Lord wraps His loving arms around them and they rest securely in His care. Pray for strength and comfort for the family and for her friends during this difficult time.
- Pray for our session as they lead the church and shepherd the flock. Pray for wisdom, for strength to carry out their calling, and for dedication to prayer and study of God's word. Give thanks for these men and their willingness to serve.
- Pray that as the upcoming Sunday school trimester commences in a couple of weeks will bring about growth in faith and biblical understanding for children and adults. Pray for the teachers that will be teaching, and for the organization of it all.
- Pray for Darlena Hartman who recently fell, broke her hip and required surgery. Pray that she will recover quickly and will be patient with the healing process and not be too disheartened while in rehab.
- Pray for Riccardo Bastardo and his family as they hope for the permission from the state department to allow his wife and child entrance into the United States. Pray for patience and peace as they wait.
- Pray for Hannah Graf as she nears the end of her pregnancy. Pray for continued good health for both mom and baby.
- 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 zeal for community outreach and evangelism within the body of New Hope. Pray that the outreach committee will help encourage and foster this zeal.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our missionary of the month: Luke Hake. Give thanks that Luke arrived safely back in Central Asia and is doing well. Pray for this period of transition back into missionary life and pray for clear provision for living arrangements for Luke.
- Pray for John and Rachel Clifford as they look for a church home in Rwanda. Pray that God would give wisdom to them as they look into their limited options but strongly desire to have a church family.
- Pray that those who are persecuted for the sake of the gospel will be strengthened in mind and body to be able to endure whatever comes their way.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer for the Snyder family, immediately following the worship service today, all who would like to join together to pray for Valory Snyder and her family are invited to the front right side of the sanctuary.

Sunday school for the fall and children's church will resume September 8th. Here are the plans for Sunday school in the fall:

- Adult Class — Join Mark Rice for a walk through Philipppians. Mark is an experienced teacher and will lead a highly interactive discussion through the book. Bring your Bibles!
- High School — Pastor Francis will be teaching on Worldviews
- Middle School — Steve & Karen Ochs
- 3rd-5th grade — Steve Hake & Ann Burden
- K-1st grade — Kim Jernigan & Nancy Howell
- PS-PK — Annie Kim & Lauren Mendez

Bring Your Own Craft Day - Attention all crafters and hobbyists! New Hope Women's Ministry is hosting another craft day on Saturday, September 14, 9am to 8pm. Feel free to scrapbook, make cards, sew, knit, crochet, quilt, paint, work on your stamp collection, whatever you want. You can stay for part of the day or all day! Table space and drinks are provided. Bring your friends. Bring a snack to share and plan your own meals. For more info or to RSVP (please RSVP so we can have space set up for you!), contact Elease Layman (elease.layman@gmail.com or 301.767.6848).

Care for those who are currently unable to attend church, we currently have a few folks from New Hope that are unable to attend church due to health issues. We want to provide their addresses to you so that you, if you feel so inclined, can send them a note/card of encouragement.

Valory Snyder: 619 Himes Ave., #103, Frederick, MD 21703

Darlana Hartman: Autumn Lake at Glade Valley, 56 W. Frederick Street, Room 220-A, Walkersville, MD 21793

Mavis Bauer: 2525 Bear Ben Road, Frederick, MD 21701

John & Muriel Hadidian: 2501 Shelley Circle, Unit 1-D, Frederick, MD 21702

Prayer Covering for Luke Hake, as we did with the Clifford family, we are having a sign up sheet to commit to pray for Luke Hake. We would like to get enough folks signed up so that each day is covered in prayer for Luke. If you are interested in signing up for a day to pray, either sign up on the sheet on the welcome table or email Gingy in the office at admin@newhopeopc.org

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Youth Retreat and Help for Hire! The New Hope Youth retreat is Fri 10/4-6/24 at White Sulphur Springs Retreat Center about 30 mins away from Bedford PA. We will leave New Hope Friday afternoon and return to New Hope Sunday late morning. The cost will be \$130 per student and includes lodging, food, and transportation. There will be funds available to offset the cost for families that need it or for families sending multiple students. More information and registration is coming but for now, do two things. One, put the retreat dates on your calendar so you have “saved the date”. Two, refer to the Help for Hire announcement for a way you can participate in sending youth to the retreat. Any retreat questions can be directed to Monica Laird (410) 963-6522 or monlaird@gmail.com.

DAILY DEVOTIONS

Memory Text — Psalm 46:1 ¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Westminster Catechism 7 What is God? *God is a Spirit, in and of himself infinite in being, glory, blessedness, and perfection; all-sufficient, eternal, unchangeable, incomprehensible, everywhere present, almighty, knowing all things, most wise, most holy, most just, most merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth.*

Monday: What is the foundational Christian truth we confess in Psalm 46:1? What does “refuge” emphasize contrasted with “strength” and “very present help”? How does such a God leave you with no reason for being undone by fear (v 2)? How has God has been your refuge in the past? Leverage that for confidence to profess that God is *still* your refuge (see Heb 6:17-18, Rom 8:35)?

Tuesday: Ps 46:1-3. What kinds of troubles do vv 2-3 paint? How does God’s now-tottering creation show how we can feel about God in such chaos (Ps 104:5)? Can you tie these pictures to anything you’re going through now? Where to you tend to look for help, security, comfort, when things are chaos/turmoil? Actively put your chaos into the context of who God is *for you* his adopted child (v 1).

Wednesday: Contrast the uproar of Ps 46:2-3 with v 4-5. How does the allusion to Gen 2:10-14 help understand what the Psalmist wants us to understand from this river? Although there is no river in Jerusalem, what water makes God’s city glad (v 5, Ezek 47:1, Rev 22:1-2)? How does Jesus fulfill this (Jn 4:13-15)? How does the Spirit cause you to rejoice because of Christ and all his benefits and promises (Acts 16:25, Rom 8:28, 5:3-5, etc)?

Thursday: How does Psalm 46:6-10 portray God’s power? What is he inviting us to take in (v 8), what future reality are we meant to think about in trouble (vvv 8-9, Is 2:4, Rev 21:3-4)? Given vv 6-9, who needs to ‘be quiet’ before him? How does living in light of God’s purpose to be exalted (v 10), and the future kingdom of peace change your perspective on your current troubles?

Friday: How do you see God’s transcendence (greatness, majesty, power) in Ps 46:11? How do you see his immanence (nearness) in the same verse? Ponder how those two are tied together with the little word “our” -God in all his might has bound us to himself in covenant, by promise. Can your fortress be shaken?! Pray for a deeper rest in God.

Saturday: Read Phil 5:25-33 and note all that Christ does for his church. Pray for the service tomorrow.