

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

## WELCOME!

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**

November 3, 2024

#### Reflections

God's sovereign and powerful work of salvation frees us to obey Him with joy.

~ R.C. Sproul

All those that are justified, God vouchsafeth in and for His only Son Jesus Christ, to make partakers of the grace of adoption, by which they are taken into the number, and enjoy the liberties and privileges of the children of God, have His name put upon them, receive the spirit of adoption, have access to the throne of grace with boldness, are enabled to cry, Abba, Father, are pitied, protected, provided for, and chastened by Him as by a Father: yet never cast off, but sealed to the day of redemption; and inherit the promises, as heirs of everlasting salvation. (Westminster Confession 12)

# **Approach to God**

#### **Welcome** — Pastor Francis VanDelden

#### **Prelude**

## Call to Worship — 1 Peter 1:3-5

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

#### **Praise**

#### Song of Praise Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name. He has hushed the law's loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame: He has washed us with his blood, He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies, Called us by his grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes: He has washed us with his blood, He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation threaten hard to bear us down! For the Lord, our strong salvation holds in view the conqu'ror's crown: He who washed us with his blood, soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder, grace and justice, Join and point to mercy's store; When through grace in Christ our trust is, Justice smiles and asks no more: He who washed us with his blood, has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high; Here they trusted him before us, now their praises fill the sky: "You have washed us with your blood; You are worthy, Lamb of God."

## **Prayer of Adoration**

### Songs of Praise

#### By Faith

By faith we see the hand of God In the light of creation's grand design In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth With the power of His promise in their hearts Of a holy city built by God's own hand A place where peace and justice reign (chorus)

We will stand as children
of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him
our soul's reward
Till the race is finished
and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day When the longed-for Messiah would appear With the power to break the chains Of sin and death And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go In the power of the Spirit to the lost To deliver captives and to preach good news In every corner of the earth (chorus)

By faith this mountain shall be moved And the power of the gospel shall prevail For we know in Christ all things are possible For all who call upon His name (chorus)

## **How Firm a Foundation**

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in his excellent word! What more can He say than to you he has said, To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled? To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not; I am with you.
O, be not dismayed,
For I am your God,
and will still give you aid.
I'll strengthen you, help you,
and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous,
omnipotent hand.
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omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with you
your troubles to bless,
And sanctify to you
your deepest distress.
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your deepest distress.

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace all sufficient shall be your supply.
The flame shall not hurt you;
I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell Should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake. I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

#### Renewal-

# **Confession of Sin** — Responsive Reading of the Law and the Psalms

 $\it Leader: And God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God . . . . You shall have no other gods before me.$ 

People: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

Leader: You shall not make for yourself an idol . . . . You shall not bow down to them or worship them.

*People:* Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

Leader: You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

People: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

Leader: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

*People:* How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty! Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere.

Leader: Honor your father and your mother.

People: Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you are good, O Lord.

Leader: You shall not murder.

People: Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me.

Leader: You shall not commit adultery.

People: You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.

Leader: You shall not steal.

People: Have mercy on me, O God . . . blot out my transgressions.

Leader: You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

**People:** Keep me from deceitful ways; be gracious to me through your law.

Leader: You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

*People:* Turn my heart toward your statutes and not toward selfish gain. Save me from all my transgressions.

Leader: The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.

*People:* My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.

## **Assurance of Pardon** — Ephesians 2:4-6

<sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus...

**Offering**\* — 1 Chronicles 16:34 <sup>34</sup>Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

\*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**

#### **Living Hope**

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven and spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness,
Your loving-kindness tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written, Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever, Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain, there's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ, my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise Your buried body began to breathe Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me (Repeat)

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain, There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ, my living hope.

### Commitment

## **Congregational Prayer**

Children ages 4-5 are welcome to go to children's church at this time at parents' discretion.

## **Sermon Text** — Ephesians 6:17

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. <sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup> For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup> Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup> Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup> and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup> and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God...

## **Sermon** — The Helmet of Salvation

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

New Hope Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are forsaking their sins and trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel, to receive communion with us. The bread served today is gluten free.

**Closing Song** — Redeemed How I Love to Proclaim It (page 8)

#### **Benediction**

#### **Postlude**

You are invited to come pray with the prayer team up front after the worship service.

# The Helmet of Salvation –

Ephesians 6:17

## Closing Hymn — Redeemed How I Love to Proclaim It



## THANK YOU FOR SERVING

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Monte Festog, Rayann & Mike McGlamary (early team)

Matthew Layman, Dan Bull (late team)

SS Nursery: Laura VanDelden, Monica Laird

<u>10:30 am</u>

Toddler Nursery: Cynthia Wintermyer, Rosemarie Festog, Lizzie Ochs

Children's Church: Talia Wright, Jessie VanDelden

Sound: Kim Hanlin

Live Stream:

Nursery On-call:

Prayer Team:

Communion Set Up:

Lance Duvall

Mary Troxel

Mark & Sally Rice

Craig & Betsy Lalley

**Serving Next Week** 

9:30 am

Welcome Team: Brian Burden, Chris Boyles (early team)

Tim Howell, Jackie Plowman (late team)

SS Nursery: Kim Hanlin, Gingy Socash

<u>10:30 am</u>

Toddler Nursery: Cath Howard, Joel & Lorena Poortenga

Children's Church: Karen Ochs, Jacob Mendez

Sound: Ed Wright
Live Stream: Isaac Wright
Nursery On-call: Laura VanDelden

Prayer Team: David & Kathleen Porter

## THIS WEEK AT NEW HOPE

Today Planted Deep Growth Group, meeting today after the worship service in

the overflow room

Tuesday Session Meeting, 7:00 pm in C8

Wednesday Women's Bible study, 10 am at the church, no childcare, studying Jo-

seph's life

Women's Bible study, 10 am at Amy Wright's home, childcare provided,

studying Exodus.

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

→ **GEMS & CSB**, 6-7:30 pm in sanctuary building

 $\rightarrow$  Youth Group, 6-8 pm in C8

Saturday Men's Retreat, 9:00 am until 3:00 pm

## COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

#### **Our Church Family**

- Pray for our country in light of the upcoming election. Pray for peace, for love for one another, and for unity. Pray that Christians will be wise in their actions, be peacemakers, and be good witnesses for Christ.
- Pray for unity, clarity, and wisdom for our session as they meet this week and pray that they will be men of integrity, committed to the Word and prayer, with hearts of service.
- Pray for the upcoming men's retreat and for all who attend. Pray that
  much fruit will come from this time the men have together including
  good fellowship, worship, and learning. Give thanks for Monte Festog
  and his commitment to the spiritual growth of the men in the church.
- Give thanks for those who serve on Sundays so that we can all worship well together: the musicians, sound and livestream techs, nursery volunteers, children's church teachers, ushers, greeters, etc.
- Pray that those who struggle with anxiety and/or depression will find solace and encouragement in the care of God's people and in the reading of the scriptures. Pray for wisdom for them as they navigate difficult thoughts and feeling and look to the Lord for strength.
- 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 that the Lord will raise up folks from New Hope to serve in these missions.
- Pray for opportunities to share the gospel with people in our sphere of influence and for boldness and wisdom to act when those opportunities arise.

#### Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month, Worldwide Outreach. Pray particularly for the upcoming Thank Offering that helps to fund foreign missions, home missions, and Christian education in the OPC denomination. Pray that people in the denomination will be joyful and generous in their giving.
- Pray for our team currently in Asheville, NC helping with clean up after the devastation after the hurricane. Pray for their safety and that all that they do there would show the love of Christ.
- Pray for John and Rachel Clifford and their family as they serve the Lord in Rwanda and minister to the people around them.
- Continue to pray for Luke Hake as he ministers in Central Asia. Pray that
  he would have wisdom and would be able to balance his time wisely
  while finding refreshment in the Word each day.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Men's Retreat, mark your calendars, men, for the upcoming Men's Retreat. It will be held at New Hope from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm on November 9th. There is a sign up sheet in the lobby with more details included. See Monte Festog (festogm@hotmail.com) if you have any questions.

Operation Christmas Child is an annual shoebox collection ministry where shoeboxes filled with school supplies, games, toys, and other useful items for children are collected and distributed each year by Samaritan's Purse. Your donation of a shoebox filled with items for a boy or girl in age groups 2-4, 5-9, and 10-14 will provide a gift to someone who otherwise would have nothing. Moreover, it provides an opportunity to share the love of Jesus. Collection week is 18-25 November so please have shoebox donations at New Hope by 24 November. Contact Colin Brooks for more information: colin.brooks2@gmail.com

Thank offering, every year the OPC has a Thank Offering that funds Worldwide Outreach (which encompasses foreign missions, home missions, and Christian education within the denomination). For the next few weeks you will see flyers available near the bulletin box that will give you more information. A collection for the Thank Offering will take place on November 17 & 24. If you want to give to the Thank Offering via check, please write the check out to New Hope Church and include "thank offering" in the memo line. If giving cash, please put it in an envelope and write "thank offering" on the envelope.

Mailboxes, several new mailboxes have been added for those who are regularly attending New Hope Church. Please check to see where yours is! If you don't have one and would like one, please email Gingy in the office at admin@newhopeopc.org

# Paid Position Available: Part-Time Children's Care Coordinator at New Hope OPC

Join our church staff as the Children's Care Coordinator, where you'll play a vital role in shaping a nurturing environment for New Hope's kids! You'll recruit, train, and support nursery team leaders and volunteers while creating a safe and engaging space for children. You'll significantly assist in volunteer scheduling and oversee the continued implementation of our Child Protection Policy, ensuring all volunteers working with New Hope's children and youth ministries are adhering to policy standards. If you're a New Hope member who is passionate about children's ministry and thrives on leadership, collaboration, and organization, we want to hear from you! To apply, submit an informal resume along with a short note detailing why you are interested in this role to Elease Layman at elease.layman@gmail.com.

Job type: Part-time, salaried (including paid training)

Pay range: \$2,400 to \$4,800 annualized salary, commensurate with experience

Approx. time commitment: 1 to 4 hours weekly, with variability

Application deadline: November 15, 2024

#### **Ministry Highlights**

We are highlighting one or two ministries in the bulletin each week to help folks know about the various ministries in the church, who oversees them, and how they function. Please take some time to read these highlights so that you will have more knowledge and know if you might want to serve in any of them! This week we are going to highlight and give a broad overview of the five main committees of the church.

**Outreach Committee:** The outreach committee's job is to oversee all of the home and foreign missions that originate out of the New Hope congregation. It is also responsible for creating the budget for funding any of the ministries that come under the committee's purview. The ministries that the outreach committee oversees the funding for are: the Frederick Rescue Mission, CareNet Pregnancy Center, Child Evangelism Fellowship. This committee also oversees the funding of the missionaries that have come out of the congregation: The Cliffords and Luke Hake. There is also funding in their budget for short term missions and local outreach. Steve Hake is the chairman of this committee.

**Worship Committee:** The worship committee oversees most of the ministries that occur on Sunday morning with the exceptions of Sunday school and nursery. Under the oversight of the worship committee are the music teams, the sound techs, the livestream techs, and the welcome team. Dennis Caruso is the chairman of the worship committee.

**Edification Committee:** The edification committee oversees all of the Christian Education and fellowship ministries of New Hope Church including Sunday school, nursery, the Wednesday Night programs, church life, Bible studies, growth groups, men's ministry and women's ministry. Amy Wright is chairperson of the edification committee.

**Board of Trustees:** the board of trustees is a group of laypeople who are elected from the church body and is responsible for overseeing the physical and financial aspects of New Hope Church. This board takes care of all building and property issues, oversees the rental part of the property, oversees the church treasurer, and generally makes sure that the physical church is well cared for. Connor Freeman is the president of the board of trustees.

**Diaconate:** the deacons are responsible for caring for the needs of the church body. They are to be ordained men who have been trained and examined and found to fulfill the qualifications set forth in the Bible. Currently, New Hope is in need of men for deacon.

#### **Invitation to the Lord's Supper**

Since it is our privilege today to celebrate the blessed sacrament of the Lord's Supper, we are called to prepare our hearts by rightly examining ourselves.

"Do This in Remembrance of Me," says Jesus as He invites us to His Holy Supper. It is not only a privilege, but also a personal responsibility to respond to this gracious invitation. The apostle Paul alerts us to this responsibility in 1 Corinthians 11:27, "Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord." Furthermore, the Lord, through the Apostle Paul also instructs us that those who eat and drink "without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgement on himself." In light of the scriptural teaching, the elders invite you to join in the com-

In light of the scriptural teaching, the elders invite you to join in the communion celebration on the basis of the following personal affirmations:

- 1. I confess that I am a sinner and repent of my sins.
- 2. I have been baptized into the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- 3. I believe in Jesus as my Savior and Lord who forgives all my sins because of His sacrifice.
- 4. I desire to show my thankfulness to God by resolving to live in faith and obedience before my Lord, and in love and peace with my neighbors.
- 5. I have made a public profession of faith in a church that recognizes the sovereign authority of God's Word and that we are saved only by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.
- 6. I am not under the discipline of my home church.

If, for some reason, you do not believe you should partake of communion with God's people at this time, the elders would then urge you to refrain from participating today and they would also urge you to actively seek out either one of the elders or the pastor for further instruction. They are eager and willing to discuss these matters in light of God's Word, as they are called to tend to these matters for the purity of Christ's Church, His Glory, and the good of His people.

We are confident that the Savior accepts us at His table when we come in faith, with sorrow for our sins, and with a will to follow Him as He commands.

## DAILY DEVOTIONS

**Memory Text** — **Ephesians 6:13-15** <sup>13</sup> Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup> Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup> and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace.

**Heidelberg Catechism 29** Why is the Son of God called "Jesus," that is "Savior"? Because he saves us, and delivered us from our sins; and likewise, because we ought not to seek, neither can find salvation in any other.

**Monday:** Read Eph 6:16a. In v 10 Paul said tells us to put on the armor "of God." How has God worn the helmet in Isaiah 59:14-17? How has Christ worn the helmet of salvation (i.e. accomplished your salvation. Lk 3:6, Tit 2:11)? This is the "past aspect" of your salvation (i.e. your justification). Wear the helmet. Seek to rejoice throughout today for your salvation.

**Tuesday**: Eph 6:16a. The "present aspect" of salvation is our sanctification (maturing as a Christian). In Eph 2:6 Paul reminds the saved that they're united to Jesus in his resurrection and exaltation. How does that help you grow in right living (see Rom 6:4-19)? Put in your mind today that you are a saint, God's beloved child, "in Christ." Let that shape how you think and act.

**Wednesday:** Eph 6:16a. The helmet protected especially against the horseman's broadsword. In what ways does Satan take a broadsword to the believer's helmet -that is, the "past aspect" and "present aspect" of salvation (think about doubt, despair, guilt of sin, grief over slowness of maturing, etc)? How would you answer those doubts, etc, from the Bible (e.g. Heb 9:12, Heb 12:1-3, Rom 8:1)?

**Thursday:** Read Eph 6:16a, 1 Thess 5:9. What word does 1 Thess add? This emphasizes the "future aspect" of our salvation. What is the future aspect of our salvation (1 Pet 1:3-5, 1 John 3:1-3)? How does this future aspect help us fight against the long, painful, disappointing seasons in life where we're tempted to give up (2 Cor 4:17-18)? Meditate on a future without sin, pain, temptation, disappointment, but rather fullness of joy.

**Friday:** Eph 6:16a. How does Satan distract you from thinking of eternity and all its glory (review 1 Pet 1:3-8)? What can you do to fight busyness and distraction in order to think about your salvation (past, present, future)? Give thanks for these three aspects of your salvation, and sing (listen to) a salvation song of praise to God.

**Saturday:** Eph 6:16b. What is the sword? How does Hebrews 4:12-13 describe it? Why? Pray for tomorrow's service.