



NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
Epiphany Sunday: January 4, 2026 | 10:30AM

W E L C O M E T O N E W H O P E

We are so glad you found your way here today. To our members and returning visitors, welcome back! To those of you who are new, welcome! There are a couple of things you might like to know.

First, New Hope Presbyterian is a Bible-believing congregation seeking to worship and serve God in response to the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Second, we believe gathered worship is the central event in the church's life together: it restores and shapes our whole lives in the pattern of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We also recognize that for some of you this is the first time (or the first time in a long time) in a more structured service of worship that calls for you to participate so actively. Relax! Everything you need is both printed in the Worship Guide you are holding and up on the screen. We encourage you to turn off the auto-pilot and join us in vibrantly and enthusiastically praising God, confessing, singing, and hearing the Scriptures. Worship is for all of God's people. Enjoy the service!

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MEDITATION

Reflect on these words about the Incarnation of Christ:

"The Lord's generation received testimony not only from angels and prophets, from shepherds and parents, but also from the aged and the righteous. Every age and both sexes, as well as the miraculous occurrences, build up faith: a virgin bears Him, a barren woman gives birth, a dumb man speaks, Elizabeth prophesies, the magi adore, the one enclosed in the womb leaps for joy, the widow confesses Him, and the righteous awaits Him." – Ambrose

WELCOME

PRELUDE: O Lord, Hear My Prayer

From Psalm 102:1-2, Jacques Berthier

O Lord, hear my prayer.
O Lord, hear my prayer.
When I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer.
O Lord, hear my prayer.
Come and listen to me.

The Lord is my song.
The Lord is my praise.
All my hope comes from God.
The Lord is my song.
The Lord is my praise.
God, the wellspring of life.



— G O D ' S G L O R Y —

CALL TO WORSHIP

Galatians 4:4–7

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

INVOCATION

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL: Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning (TH 206)

— O U R G U I L T —

READING OF THE LAW

Matthew 5:3–12

Read God's Law as His Will For Your Life:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. ⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ⁶ “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. ⁷ “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. ⁸ “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. ⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. ¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Confess your sins to God:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

— G O D ' S G R A C E —

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 51:7-8

Receive these words of Comfort from God:

⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL: O Jesus Sweet, O Jesus Mild (TH 232)

PASTORAL PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

— O U R G R A T I T U D E —

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: How Great Our Joy!

JUNGST, trad. German, arr. J. Rutter

*While by the sheep we watched at night,
Glad tidings brought an angel bright.*

*How great our joy!
Joy, joy, joy!
Praise we the Lord in heav'n on high!
There shall be born, so he did say,
In Bethlehem a child today.
There shall the child lie in a stall,
This child who shall redeem us all.
This gift of God we'll cherish well,
That ever joy our hearts shall fill.*

SERMON: "Where is the Lost and Found?"

2 Kings 22

Rev. Richard L. Burguet

CONGREGATIONAL SONG: As with Gladness Men of Old (TH 226)



— G O D C O M M U N E S W I T H U S —

CORPORATE CONFESION OF FAITH: *The Apostle's Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Catholic" means universal- one church across all times, places, and peoples.*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past* (TH 30)

BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE

Guidelines for Reception of the Lord's Supper:

The Lord's Supper, also called "Communion" or "the Eucharist," is the ultimate family meal for Christians. We invite all followers of Jesus to partake of this sacrament— those who have believed the Good News, have repented of their sins, and are baptized members in good standing with the Lord's Church. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus and His people, the Church: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself." - 1 Cor. 11:27-29

Reflection for Those Not Partaking:

Prayer for a Search for Truth: "Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who You are. Give me an understanding of You that is coherent, convincing, and that leads me into the life You promise."

Prayer for Awakening: "Lord Jesus, I have heard teaching from the Bible and have been in church for years, but very little of this seems real to me. Please show me the reality of what You are saying. Unnerve me with the bad news. Captivate me with the good news. Make what is familiar seem new."

Prayer for Belief: "Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through You I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank You for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the Cross, and offering me forgiveness and new life. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive You as Savior and Lord."

Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning

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We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him. Matt. 2:2

1. Bright - est and best of the sons of the morn - ing, dawn on our
 2. Cold on his cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing; low lies his
 3. Say, shall we yield him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion, o - dors of
 4. Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple ob - la - tion, vain - ly with
 5. Bright - est and best of the sons of the morn - ing, dawn on our

dark - ness and lend us your aid; Star of the East, the ho - ri -
 head with the beasts of the stall; an - gels a - dore him in slum -
 • E - dom and of - f'rings di - vine, gems of the moun - tain and pearls
 gifts would his fa - vor se - cure; rich - er by far is the heart's
 dark - ness and lend us your aid; Star of the East, the ho - ri -

zon a - don - ing, guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
 ber re - clin - ing, Mak - er and Mon - arch and Lord o - ver all.
 • of the o - cean, myrrh from the for - est or gold from the mine?
 ad - o - ra - tion; dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.
 zon a - don - ing, guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.

O Jesus Sweet, O Jesus Mild

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Being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross! Phil. 2:8

1. O Je - sus sweet, O Je - sus mild, your Fa - ther's
 2. O Je - sus sweet, O Je - sus mild, your birth the
 3. O Je - sus sweet, O Je - sus mild, we seek to

will you have ful - filled. From heav'n a - bove to
 world with hope has filled. Your death has ran - somed
 do what you have willed. All that we have comes

earth you came, and born as man you took our
 our lost race, for on the cross you took our
 from a - bove; Lord, keep us walk - ing in your

name. O Je - sus sweet, O Je - sus mild.
 place. O Je - sus sweet, O Je - sus mild.
 love. O Je - sus sweet, O Je - sus mild.

As with Gladness Men of Old

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When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. Matt. 2:10

1. As with glad-ness men of old did the guid-ing star be-hold;
 2. As with joy-ful steps they sped to that low-ly cra-dle-bed,
 3. As they of-fered gifts most rare at that cra-dle rude and bare;
 4. Ho-ly Je-sus, ev'-ry day* keep us in the nar-row way;
 5. In the heav'n-ly coun-try bright need they no cre-at-ed light;

as with joy they hailed its light, lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;
 there to bend the knee be-fore him whom heav'n and earth a-dore;
 • so may we with ho-ly joy, pure, and free from sin's al-loy,
 and when earth-ly things are past, bring our ran-somed souls at last
 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down;

so, most gra-cious God, may we ev-er-more be led to thee.
 so may we with will-ing feet ev-er seek thy mer-cy seat.
 • all our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'n-ly King.
 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo-ry hide.
 there for-ev-er may we sing al-le lu-ias to our King.

William Chatterton Dix, 1860
 Alt. 1961

DIX. 7.7.7.7.7.7.
 Conrad Kocher, 1838
 Arr. by William H. Monk, 1861

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Ps. 90:1

1. Our God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2. Un - der the shad - o w of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4. A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone;

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5. The busy tribes of flesh and blood,
 with all their lives and cares,
 are carried downward by your flood,
 and lost in foll'wing years.
6. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
 bears all its sons away;
 they fly forgotten, as a dream
 dies at the op'ning day.
7. Our God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come:
 O be our guard while troubles last,
 and our eternal home.

From Psalm 90
 Isaac Watts, 1719
 Alt. 1990, mod.

ST. ANNE C.M.
 Attr. to William Croft, 1678-1727
 Tate and Brady's Supplement to the New Version, 1708

SERMON NOTES:

SERMON REVIEW

“Soli Deo Gloria” (Ezekiel 36:22-23; Ephesians 1:11-12; 1 Peter 2:9)

Last week Senior Pastor Richard Burguet opened by noting many of us lack a purpose in life and have failed to see the reason for living that's bigger than self. Many have lost their true purpose in life, which is to glorify God alone, and have become unsatisfied because they see their existence as being purely meaningless, incidental, empty, and lacking. When we read Genesis 1:26-31 we see the purpose of Creation was to glorify God, which is central to everything in Scripture (see also Psalm 19:1; Isaiah 43:7). God created us to honor and glorify Him (see Psalm 106:8; 1Peter 2:9- 10) because He cares for us (see Psalm 23; Isaiah 42:8; Ezekiel 36:22-23). All God does is for His praise and glory (Ephesians 1:11-12, 14). The transcendent purpose of Jesus, the sinless God-man, was to pay for our sin on the cross, but mostly for God's glory. Christ, the one who redeemed those created in His image, knew glorifying God was a beautiful thing. The reason we've been given certain skills and abilities is to give our lives purpose and meaning and to glorify God so others around us will benefit. God's purpose for our salvation is to glorify Him. Our redemption and salvation, and the redemption of Creation, was for His glory (see Revelation 4:11), to glorify all He's done, and to reflect Christ's majesty. The glory of God is what sets our proper focus. John Calvin said, "The whole world is a theater for the display of the divine goodness, wisdom, justice and power, but the Church is the orchestra, as it were, the most conspicuous part of it." That's why God created everything—as a theater for the display of His glory and His glory alone—*Soli Deo Gloria*. But in the theater, the Church is the orchestra. To God be the glory, now and forever.

PRAY THIS WEEK:

MISSIONS PARTNERS: For Drew Bennett from Florida Church Planting Network as he leads the monthly cohort meeting with church planters from around Central Florida.

CFL PRESBYTERY: For NewCity in Orlando and pastors Benjamin Kandt, Jason Dunn, Kenneth Dyches, Michael Allen, and Justin Grimm.

NEW HOPE: That our people would hold the joy of Christmas and thankfulness for the incarnation in their hearts all year.

LAKESIDE COVENANT: For Lakeside as they prepare to elect three elders on January 11 and near the end of their process of particularization.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH OF KHERSON, UKRAINE: For God's continued protection and provision for Vova, Max and his family, and the Holy Trinity Church family, and preservation of the church building. That as the war drags on, seemingly endlessly, that those who have remained there will be given strength and courage to continue to endure and serve those around them.

YEAR-TO-DATE GIVING

General Fund

(Budget) _____	(\$473,343)
Contributions _____	\$483,955

IMAGES

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Page 3: "The End of the First Book." Reliques of Ancient English Poetry, Volume 2. Thomas Percy. Riverside Press Limited. 1885.

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Mary Rudd
- 2 Bill Worsham
- 4 Don Simpson
- 5 Mary Claire Burguet
- 6 Irma Burguet
- 7 Elaine Haley
- 16 Tim Owens
- 23 Jamurious McCoy, Thea Van Meggelen
- 26 Al Stewart
- 28 Kenn Hall
- 29 Thomas & Joseph Schriefer



NEW HOPE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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