

# WELCOME TO NEW HOPE

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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We have hearing aid assist devices available in the Narthex. See an elder or volunteer.



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### WELCOME

PRELUDE: Lead Me, Lord
LEAD ME LORD, Samuel Wesley, arr. John Leavitt

## — G O D ' S G L O R Y —

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 100

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! <sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! <sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. <sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! <sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

## INVOCATION

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: Holy, Holy, Holy! (TH 100)

## — OUR GUILT —

## **READING OF THE LAW**

Matthew 5:20, 48; 6:1, 33; 7:12

Unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven... You must therefore be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect... Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven... Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you... So whatever you with that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the law and the prophets.

## **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

#### From Psalm 51

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from out iniquity and cleanse us from our sin! For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and uphold within us a willing spirit. Then we will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

### SILENT CONFESSION

## - GOD'S GRACE-

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

1 John 2:1-2

<sup>1</sup> My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. <sup>2</sup> He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

**CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** There Is a Higher Throne

PASTORAL PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

— OUR GRATITUDE —

**GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS** 

**OFFERTORY:** Doxology (Romans 11)

Based on Romans 11, Music by Andrew Peterson

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:** Gloria Patri (GREATOREX) (TH 735)

**SERMON:** "The Biblical Game of Thrones" **2 Kings 15** 

Rev. Richard L. Burguet



**CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:** How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place (TH 469)

## -GOD COMMUNES WITH US-

CORPORATE CONFESSION 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.

<sup>\*&</sup>quot;Catholic" means universal- one church across all times, places, and peoples.

## **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."

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# **SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**



**CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:** Lift High the Cross (TH, 263)

**BENEDICTION** 

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**POSTLUDE** 

# Holy, Holy, Holy!

Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come." Rev. 4:8



# There Is A Higher Throne



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# Gloria Patri

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness. Ps. 29:2



2nd cent.; tr.

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX) Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

## 469

## How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. Luke 14:16



- 5. Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come; send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.
- 6. We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

Isaac Watts, 1707 Alt. 1961, 1990, mod. ST. COLUMBA C.M. Old Irish hymn melody; alt. 1990

# Lift High the Cross

I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself. John 12:32



SERMON NOTES:

#### **SERMON REVIEW**

### "Do You Know Whom You Are Serving?" (Colossians 3:18-25)

Last week Associate Pastor David Kelly noted that because of the Fall, we lead our lives serving ourselves. Our sin has us serving self first. After we're saved, it takes the law of God to remind us who we serve and why. That's why it's a good practice to start each day with reading God's word to focus on serving the Lord first. We need to die to self and the flesh and live for God. Paul's text tells us it's more than instructions for wives, husbands, children, fathers, and slaves. It's about each serving the Lord in accordance with his word because we are in a relationship with him above all else. We are to serve our Creator with gratitude and thanksgiving for all he has done for us. It's also important to watch what we say and how we say it to others. It matters because it shows the true condition of our hearts. We are to be genuine, not two facedone way on the outside and another on the inside. Paul cautions parents to be careful not to provoke their children as they will become discouraged and may be less likely to seek God. Our hearts need to totally turn away from sin and trust in Jesus aboye all else. How our hearts are tuned while serving others matters because it reflects the joy we have in how Jesus treated us by taking our sin to the cross and loving us unconditionally. He justified us. If we served those who are hurting the most, far fewer of us would be hurting. By serving him above all else, God promises us an inheritance in the Lord. He equips us in our sanctification so that we will always seek him first in all we do. We can't let sin entice us to lie and justify ourselves. God rewards those who work for him and serve him above self. He is the one who gives us the greatest reward—an eternal inheritance with him in his glorious kingdom.

### **PRAY THIS WEEK:**

**MISSIONS PARTNERS:** For Rev. Daniel and Lydiah Mathuva of Equipping Leaders International as they minister to people and trains leaders throughout Africa.

CFL PRESBYTERY: For Willow Creek and Pastor Drew Taylor.

**NEW HOPE:** Praise for the beginning of an exciting new season at New Hope with the addition of Sunday School and Evensong!

**LAKESIDE COVENANT:** From Matt Matulia: "For our Fall discipleship ministries to get off the ground and running in an effective way and for them to be fruitful for our people."

**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH OF KHERSON, UKRAINE:** For God's protection and provision for Vova, Max and his family, and the Holy Trinity Church family, and preservation of the church building. That God would be pleased to preserve the vision that Vova still has and that the Lord would give him a growing zeal and love for his word, wisdom, and understanding beyond his abilities, training, and experience as he shepherds his people. Also for his sermon preparations - and that the Lord would speak powerfully through him. And for Max to be graciously spared from military service and able to stay with his family and help Vova in serving the church.

#### YEAR-TO-DATE GIVING

#### General Fund

(Budget)	(\$318,596)
Contributions	\$309,112

### **IMAGES**

Cover: "Stained Glasses in Cathedral Saint Vincent." Photo by Willy Mobilo via canva.com.

Page 6: "Love is Enough–Narrow Band of Ornament Foliage." William Morris. Engraving. 1872. The Birmingham Museum.

Pages 8: "Chalice late 12th cent., silver gilt and decorated with niello figures." Engraving. Encyclopedic and biographical dictionary of industry and industrial arts. Vol. II. E.O. Lami 1875.

#### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 Mary Worsham, Ryan Stormant

10 Gabrielle Moman

11 Jennifer Overfield

12 Linda Wieboldt

13 Bill Castleberry

15 Toni Peyton, Lyndsey Coyle

21 Daniel Overfield

24 Gayle Minnig

26 Rob Simson

27 Paul Griffin

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#### SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

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### **TEACHING ELDERS:**

Rev. Richard L Burguet, Senior Pastor Rev. David Kelly, Associate Pastor

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