



**NEW HOPE
PRESBYTERIAN**

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
July 27, 2025, 10AM

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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WELCOME

PRELUDE: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*
MARTYN, S. Marsh, arr. Ken Medema



CALL TO WORSHIP: Luke 1:32–33

Come and worship Jesus Christ, ³² "the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, ³³ and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

INVOCATION

HYMN: *The God of Abraham Praise* (TH 34)

SONG: *Before the Throne of God Above*

OFFERING & OFFERTORY: *O God Beyond All Praising*
THAXTED, Gustav T. Holst, arr. Lloyd Larson

SONG: *Ancient of Days*

PASTORAL PRAYER

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN

SERMON: "The Christmas that Almost Wasn't"
2 Kings 11:1-21
Rev. Richard L. Burguet

HYMN: *Jesus Shall Reign* (TH 441)

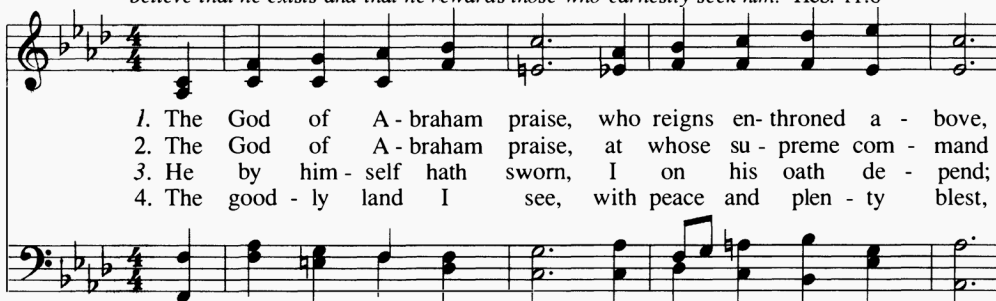
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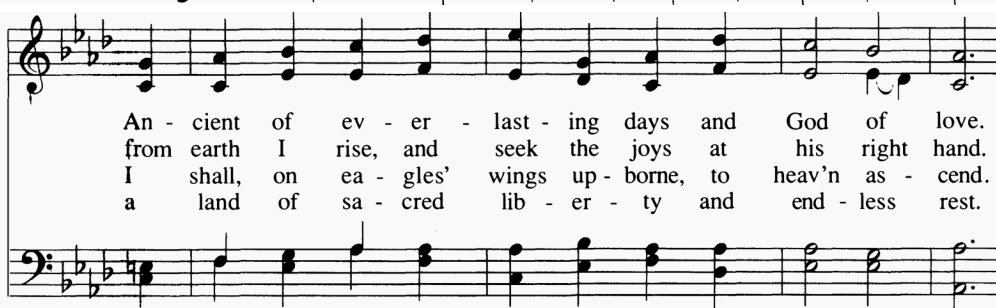
POSTLUDE

The God of Abraham Praise

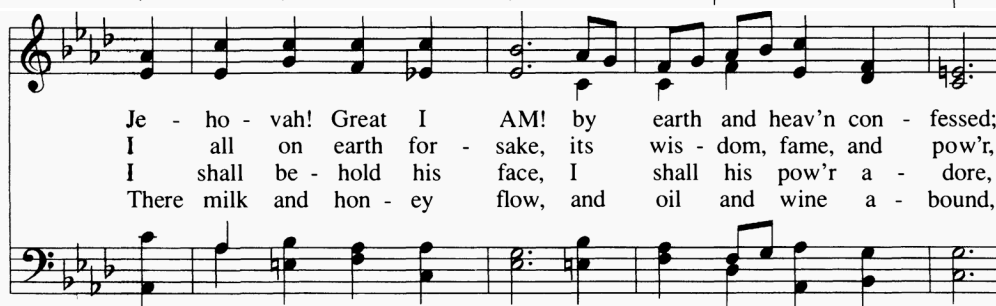
Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him. Heb. 11:6



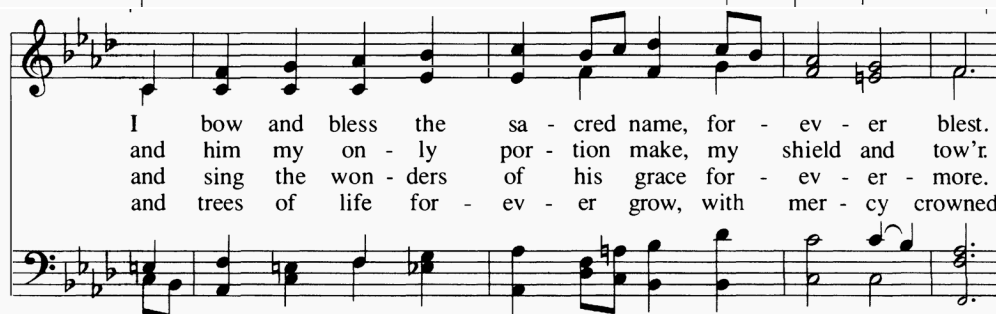
1. The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove,
 2. The God of A - braham praise, at whose su - preme com - mand
 3. He by him - self hath sworn, I on his oath de - pend;
 4. The good - ly land I see, with peace and plen - ty blest,



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days and God of love.
 from earth I rise, and seek the joys at his right hand.
 I shall, on ea - gles' wings up - borne, to heav'n as - cend.
 a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty and end - less rest.



Je - ho - vah! Great I AM! by earth and heav'n con - fessed;
 I all on earth for - sake, its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r,
 I shall be - hold his face, I shall his pow'r a - dore,
 There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,



I bow and bless the sa - cred name, for - ev - er blest.
 and him my on - ly por - tion make, my shield and tow'r.
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for - ev - er - more.
 and trees of life for - ev - er grow, with mer - cy crowned.

5. There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our Righteousness, 6. The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high;
 triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace. "Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry.
 On Zion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains, Hail, Abraham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays;
 and glorious with his saints in light forever reigns. all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

Before the Throne of God Above

Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong and per - fect plea, a great High
 When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with - in, up - ward I
 Be - hold Him there, the ris - en Lamb, my per - fect spot - less right eous - ness, the great un -
 I bow be - fore the cross of Christ, and mar - vel at this love - di - vine, God's per - fect

Priest whose name is love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is grav - en on His
 look and see Him there, who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior
 change - a - ble "I Am," the King of glo - ry and of grace. One with Him - self I can - not
 Son was sac - ri - ficed to make me right - eous in God's eyes. This riv - er's depths I can - not

hands, my name is writ - ten on His heart; I know that while in heav'n He
 died my sin - ful soul is count - ed free, for God the Just is sat - is -
 die, my soul is pur - chased with His blood; My life is hid with Christ on
 know, but I can glo - ry in its flood; The Lord Most High has bowed down

stands, no tongue can bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
 fied to look on Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
 high, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.
 low, and poured on me His glo - rious love, and poured on me His glo - rious love.

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Ancient of Days

VERSES 1 & 2



Though the na - tions rage, king - doms rise and fall, there is still one King reign - ing o - ver all. So, I
(Though the) dread of night o - ver - whelms my soul, He is here with me. I am not a - lone. O, His

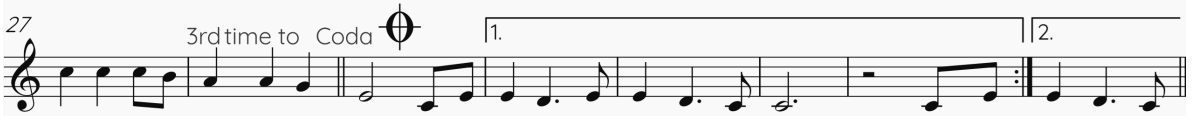


CHORUS

will not fear; for this truth re - mains: that my God is the An - cient of Days. None a - bove Him, none be
love is sure and He knows my name. For my God is the An - cient of Days.



fore Him. All of time in His hands. For His throne, it shall re - main and ev - er stand. All the pow - er, all the



glo - ry, I will trust in His name. For my God is the An - cient of Days. Though the An - cient of



Days. Though I may not see what the fu - ture brings, I will watch and wait for the



Sav - ior King. Then, my joy com - plete, stand - ing face to face in the pres - ence of the An - cient of Days.



None a - name. For my God is the An - cient of Days. For my God is the An - cient of Days.

Jesus Shall Reign

He will rule from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. Ps. 72:8

Chords: F D A⁷ D G C#dim D A E⁷ A 7 D

1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc -
 2. To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3. Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
 4. Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns; the pris - 'ner
 5. Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

Chords: G D Em D A D A⁷ D G D A⁷ D

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from shore to
 throng to crown his head; his name, like sweet per - fume, shall
 • love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es shall pro -
 leaps to lose his chains, the wea - ry find e - ter - nal
 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with songs a -

Chords: A F D G C#dim D Em⁷ D Em D A⁷ D 7

shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 • claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 rest, and all the sons of want are blest.
 gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION: CHAPTER V — OF PROVIDENCE

1. God the great Creator of all things doth uphold, (Heb. 1:3) direct, dispose, and govern all creatures, actions, and things, (Dan. 4:34–35, Ps. 135:6, Acts 17:25–26,28) from the greatest even to the least, (Matt. 10:29–31) by His most wise and holy providence, (Prov. 15:3, Ps. 104:24, Ps. 145:17) according to His infallible foreknowledge, (Acts 15:18, Ps. 94:8–11) and the free and immutable counsel of His own will, (Eph. 1:11) to the praise of the glory of His wisdom, power, justice, goodness, and mercy. (Isa. 63:14, Eph. 3:10, Rom. 9:17, Gen. 45:7, Ps. 145:7)
2. Although, in relation to the foreknowledge and decree of God, the first Cause, all things come to pass immutably, and infallibly; (Acts 2:23) yet, by the same providence, He ordereth them to fall out, according to the nature of second causes, either necessarily, freely, or contingently. (Gen. 8:22, Jer. 31:35, Exod. 21:13, Deut. 19:5, I Kings 22:28, 34, Isa. 10:6–7)
3. God, in His ordinary providence, maketh use of means, (Acts 27:31, 44, Isa. 55:10–11) yet is free to work without, (Hos. 1:7, Matt. 4:4, Job 34:10) above, (Rom. 9:19–21) and against them, (2 Kings 6:6, Dan. 3:27) at His pleasure.
4. The almighty power, unsearchable wisdom, and infinite goodness of God so far manifest themselves in His providence, that it extendeth itself even to the first fall, and all other sins of angels and men; (Rom. 11:32–34, 2 Sam. 24:1, 1 Chron. 21:1, 1 Kings 22:22–23, 1 Chron. 10:4, 13–14, 2 Sam. 16:10, Acts 2:23) and that not by a bare permission, (Acts 14:16) but such as hath joined with it a most wise and powerful bounding, (Ps. 76:10, 2 Kings 19:28) and otherwise ordering, and governing of them, in a manifold dispensation, to His own holy ends; (Gen. 50:20, Isa. 10:6–7, 12) yet so, as the sinfulness thereof proceedeth only from the creature, and not from God, who, being most holy and righteous, neither is nor can be the author or approver of sin. (James 1:13–14, 17, 1 John 2:16, Ps. 50:21)
5. The most wise, righteous, and gracious God doth oftentimes leave, for a season, His own children to manifold temptations, and the corruption of their own hearts, to chastise them for their former sins, or to discover unto them the hidden strength of corruption and deceitfulness of their hearts, that they may be humbled; (2 Chron. 32:25–26, 31, 2 Sam. 24:1) and, to raise them to a more close and constant dependence for their support upon Himself, and to make them more watchful against all future occasions of sin, and for sundry other just and holy ends. (2 Cor. 12:7–9, Ps. 73, Ps. 77:1, 10, 12, Mark 14:66–72, John 21:15–17)
6. As for those wicked and ungodly men whom God, as a righteous Judge, for former sins, doth blind and harden, (Rom. 1:24, 26, 28, Rom. 11:7–8) from them He not only withholdeth His grace whereby they might have been enlightened in their understandings, and wrought upon in their hearts; (Deut. 29:4) but sometimes also withdraweth the gifts which they had, (Matt. 13:12, Matt. 25:29) and exposeth them to such objects as their corruption make occasion of sin; (Deut. 2:30, 2 Kings 8:12–13) and, withal, gives them over to their own lusts, the temptations of the world, and the power of Satan, (Ps. 81:11–12, 2 Thess. 2:10–12) whereby it comes to pass that they harden themselves, even under those means which God useth for the softening of others. (Exod. 7:3, Exod. 8:15, 32, 2 Cor. 2:15–16, Isa. 8:14, 1 Pet. 2:7–8, Isa. 6:9–10, Acts 28:26–27)
7. As the providence of God doth, in general, reach to all creatures; so, after a most special manner, it taketh care of His Church, and disposeth all things to the good thereof. (1 Tim. 4:10, Amos 9:8–9, Rom. 8:28, Isa. 43:3–5, 14)

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"When Heads Roll" (2 Kings:10-36)

PRAY THIS WEEK:

MISSIONS PARTNERS: From Don & Claire-Lise Cobb in Aix-en-Provence, FR: For a project we've mentioned before that we've been working on for now close to a year-and-a-half, editing into a one-book format fifteen booklets that present the basics of Christianity. The book finally came out in January! We requested prayer that it would arrive in time for the "Church and her Testimony" conference and it arrived a week or so before this, so we were able to present it "hot off the press" at the conference! The sales have been encouraging, and we are now looking into opportunities for distribution, in particular in French-speaking Africa. Please continue to pray for its distribution, that it would be a long-term blessing for churches throughout the French-speaking world!

CFL PRESBYTERY: For Seven Rivers Villages Mission Church in Wildwood and pastors Stephen Speaks and Steven Brooks.

NEW HOPE: For our church to be a welcoming place to those who enter our walls, where people can experience a sense of belonging as members of Christ's body, and that we will model the fruits of the spirit—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control—in our dealings with each other.

LAKESIDE COVENANT: From Matt Matulia: "For our transition into our new office and classroom space that provides us with room to do kids and youth ministries and adult discipleship, and that the Lord would use this new space to advance his kingdom."

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH OF KHERSON, UKRAINE: Praise and thanksgiving to God for His mercy and grace in continuing to protect Holy Trinity Church as well as all of their other sister churches and their Pastors throughout Ukraine, including those located near frontlines. May the Lord continue to sustain, give strength and grace to our brothers and sisters in these very uncertain and dangerous days as they minister with Christ's love to those around them. Please continue to pray for God to intervene in the war-end negotiations. May our leaders not lean on their own understanding, but rather seek the wisdom of God.

YEAR-TO-DATE GIVING

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