

NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE September 14, 2025

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 a greeter.



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WELCOME

PRELUDE: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
LOBE DEN HERREN, Stralsund Gesangbuch



CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 147:1-6

¹ Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting. ² The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. ³ He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. ⁴ He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names. ⁵ Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. ⁶ The Lord lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

INVOCATION

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: The Church's One Foundation (TH 347)

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: Thine Be The Glory (TH, 274)

OFFERING & OFFERTORY: O Lord, You're Beautiful Keith Green

Oh Lord You're beautiful Your face is all I seek And when Your eyes are on this child Your grace abounds to me

I want to take Your Word And shine it all around First help me just to live it Lord And when I'm doing well Help me to never seek a crown For my reward is giving glory to You

Oh Lord please light the fire That once burned bright and clear Replace the lamp of my first love That burns with holy fear

CONGREGATIONAL SONG: O Church, Arise!

PASTORAL PRAYER

SERMON: "Building a Church that Breaks Down the Gates of Hell"

Matthew 16:13–18

Rev. Robert Rothwell

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: Onward Christian Soldiers (TH, 572)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

BELGIC CONFESSION ARTICLE 27: THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH

We believe and confess one single catholic or universal church—a holy congregation and gathering of true Christian believers, awaiting their entire salvation in Jesus Christ, being washed by his blood, and sanctified and sealed by the Holy Spirit.

This church has existed from the beginning of the world and will last until the end, as appears from the fact that Christ is eternal King who cannot be without subjects.

And this holy church is preserved by God against the rage of the whole world, even though for a time it may appear very small to human eyes— as though it were snuffed out. For example, during the very dangerous time of Ahab the Lord preserved for himself seven thousand who did not bend their knees to Baal.

And so this holy church is not confined, bound, or limited to a certain place or certain people. But it is spread and dispersed throughout the entire world, though still joined and unite in heart and will, in one and the same Spirit, by the power of faith.



The Church's One Foundation



5. 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

6. Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy!

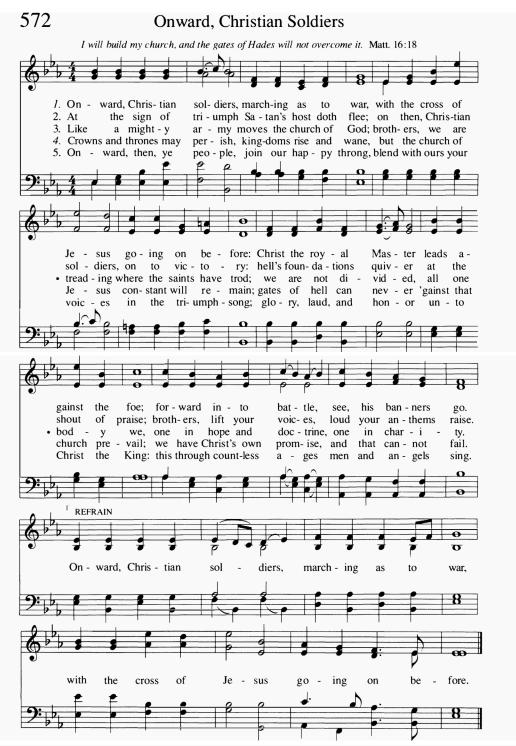
Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Thine Be the Glory

Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 15:57







SERMON NOTES:		

SERMON REVIEW

"The Biblical Game Of Thrones" (2 Kings 15)

Last week Senior Pastor Richard Burguet said the writer of this text wanted us to realize that there was a huge turnover in the seven kings who ruled in this short 59-year span in Israel's northern and southern kingdoms, because of their unfaithfulness and failure to remove the high places of pagan worship that allowed the people to continue to sin. They failed to seek God and allow him to rule in their lives and let him alone lead them out of their sin. This serves as a warning to worshippers today. Deep in our hearts we all long for a true king and Jesus is the only one who can deliver us. The seven kings—Azariah (Uzziah), Zechariah, Shallum, Meneham, Pekahiah, Pekah, and Jotham—were removed by assassination or by God's judgment. Theirs was a detailed summary of decline due to their failure to return to God and believe in his promises, which always come true, whether through blessing or a judgment. This reminds us that if we don't respond to God's word quickly, it will ultimately lead to ruin. God will not put up with our idolatry. Unless we turn to him, we will most assuredly have to bear his wrath as the kings did. We need to turn from self and the world and find our security and satisfaction in nothing else but Jesus Christ (see Hebrews 2:1-3). To enjoy all he offers, we must listen to God and obey. All is not well as we might think if we're not walking with Jesus, the only one in whom salvation and lasting peace is found.

PRAY THIS WEEK:

MISSIONS PARTNERS: For Amy Ketchum and Tekle Kumera as they adjust to life and ministry at the Rafiki village in Tanzania. Also for protection for Lisa Kropf as she travels to see them on Friday the 19th.

CFL PRESBYTERY: For Christ's Community Church in Titusville and Pastor Steve Page.

NEW HOPE: Praise for a wonderful start to our choral season and that the Lord would bless New Hope through the choir's service when we begin next week.

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)	(\$327,699)
Contributions	\$319.216

IMAGES

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

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