

# 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!

Wi-Fi Network: NewHope, Password: "Letusin!"

We have hearing aid assist devices available in the Narthex. See a greeter.



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## WELCOME

**PRELUDE:** The Lord is My Light

From Psalm 27, The Iona Community, Czechoslovakian hymn tune

The Lord is my light, My light and my salvation. With God protecting me from every danger, Whom shall I fear?

Should evil powers advance, Should armies try to kill, Let them surround me and Let them attack me; I'll still trust God. One thing I as the Lord, This only I desire: Always in worship to Gaze at God's goodness And seek his aid.

Preserved by God from harm, Secure in him alone, I will rejoice in the Face of affliction And sing God's song.



## CALL TO WORSHIP: Romans 12:1-2

<sup>1</sup> I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

## INVOCATION

**CONGREGATIONAL HYMN:** Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (TH 76)

**CONGREGATIONAL SONG:** Good and Gracious King

## OFFERING

**OFFERTORY:** This Is My Father's World/ The God of Abraham Praise/Holy, Holy, Holy

Maltbie D. Babcock, TERRA BEATA; Thomas Olivers, LEONI; Reginald Heber, NICAEA

This is my Father's world, And to my listening ears, All nature sings and 'round me rings, The music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas His hands the wonders wrought. The God of Abraham praise, All praised be his name, Who was and is and is to be, Always the same.

The one eternal God, Whose timelessness is clear; The first, the last beyond all thought, Throughout the years. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning Our song shall rise to thee! Holy, holy, holy,

Holy, holy, holy, Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, Blessed Trinity!

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: Lead On, O King Eternal (TH, 580)

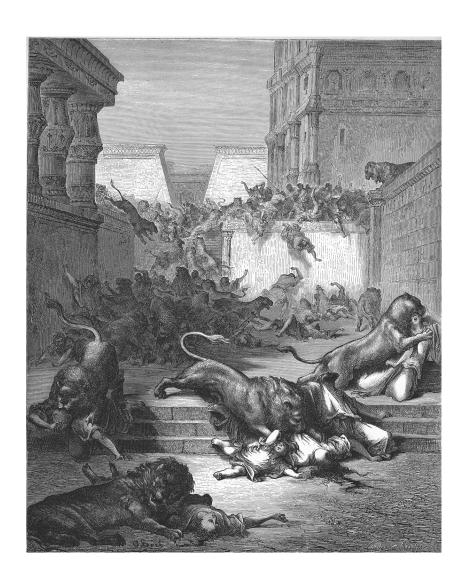
# **PASTORAL PRAYER**

**SERMON:** "Worship Matters" 2 Kings 17 **Rev. Richard L. Burguet** 

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: Crown Him with Many Crowns (TH, 295)

BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 



SERMON NOTES:

#### SERMON REVIEW

## "Something Rotten In the Land Of Judah" (2 Kings 16)

Last week we learned from Senior Pastor Richard Burguet just how bad things had gotten in Judah during the 16-year reign of Ahaz. He did not do what was right in the eyes of Lord as his father David had done, nor did he seek the Lord's counsel. He was totally corrupted and as committed to pagan worship as the pagan nations around Israel. There was a deficiency in orthodox worship, which only got worse when Israel allied itself with Syria to attack Jerusalem (vv. 6-7), and the Edomites invaded the port city of Elath. Ahaz obligated himself to the king of Assyria by stripping the temple of its treasures and gave them to the king of Assyria an act of submission. He literally sold his birthright, ignored God (see Isaiah 7:12) and his promise of the coming Christ (see Isaiah 7:14-17), and placed all his trust in himself and pagan Assyria. He repudiated the gospel and the Davidic covenant and Judah rapidly declined (vv. 10-20). On a visit to Assyria, he bowed down to the pagan god of Damascus and had Uriah the priest build an altar similar to theirs. Ahaz had become totally reliant on himself and decided what was true and right. This serves as a warning to us to stop being pragmatists by trusting in self, and to wait patiently on God and rest in his promises. We should not see God as a genie who honors our wishes but as the God who can guide and direct us in truth. As we live today in the light of Christ's coming, how do we react when we're under pressure? Where and to whom do we run? We need to know evil is helped by wickedness just as much as it is encouraged by wickedness. Run to Christ for answers. That's the difference between godliness and worldliness. Cling to and trust only in God every day.

Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul. Ps. 103:22



From Psalm 103 Henry F. Lyte, 1834; mod. LAUDA ANIMA 8.7.8.7.8.7. John Goss, 1869

# Good and Gracious King



# Lead On, O King Eternal

I am the LORD your God ... who directs you in the way you should go. Is. 48:17



Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1888

LANCASHIRE 7.6.7.6.D. Henry Smart, 1836

# Crown Him with Many Crowns

On his head are many crowns. Rev. 19:12



George J. Elvey, 1868

## **PRAY THIS WEEK:**

**MISSIONS PARTNERS:** From Don Cobb (and wife, Clair-Lise) in Aix-En-Provence, FR: "I've been invited to lead two church-weekend retreats back to back, one this weekend (September 27-28), the other the following weekend (October 4-5). Both of these will be on the topic of 'The Church as a Community of Disciples.' Please pray for all these activities! Pray especially that the Lord would prepare beforehand the hearts and minds of those who will be attending the teaching sessions and church retreats, and that what I share from God's Word would be a means of growth and strengthening!"

**CFL PRESBYTERY:** For Christ United Fellowship in Orlando and pastors Michael Aitcheson and Colton Allen.

**NEW HOPE:** For a pool of Children's ministry volunteers who are willing to teach on Wednesday evenings or Sunday mornings, as well as nursery workers. (See Dir. Tina if you can serve here!)

LAKESIDE COVENANT: From RE Rob Simson: "Prayer and praise for ongoing men's leadership training."

**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)	(\$345,905)
Contributions	\$333 682

#### IMAGES

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### 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

29 David Wieboldt

#### SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

7 Franz & Verneal Frank

9 Jim & Katie Barnes

12 John & Shirley Minatelli



## **TEACHING ELDERS:**

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

## MINISTRY STAFF:

Dr. Randall Van Meggelen, Music Director Tina Van Meggelen, Children's Director Lyndsey Coyle, Administrator Olga Kolpakova, Accompanist

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