

# New Hope Presbyterian Church



September 21, 2014

## **WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT NEW HOPE**

*We are grateful you have joined us today and invite you to participate fully in the worship, education, and mission life of our church.*

### **During Today's Worship**

**Large-print bulletins and hearing enhancement equipment are available** for ease of worship. An usher will be happy to assist you. At the close of worship, please return the unit to the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.

**Children are especially welcome in our worship services**, because faith is formed by the practices that shape it. Red worship bags for young children (non-readers) and blue bags for older children (readers) may be found on the wall outside the sanctuary. An usher will help you locate one. If you would like a worship bag with your child's name on it, you may fill out a request form on the Welcome Table or call the church office (936.2200). Parents who prefer child care will find the infant nursery on the first floor and the Pre-K nursery on the lower-level.

**Worship Feast**, an experience to help elementary-age children develop awareness of God's presence and openness to mystery through a variety of prayer practices, is available during the 11:00 service. Children who wish to participate will be dismissed after the Gospel Reading.

**Preparing for worship...**Please silence cell phones upon entering the sanctuary. The need may arise for you to exit the service early. If so, please refrain from exiting during prayers, reading of scripture and choral anthems. Natural and appropriate exit points are during congregational hymns or sung responses. Your courtesy is appreciated. Also, as a kindness to fellow worshippers, please do not take flash photos during the worship service.

**Ushering for today's worship:** (8:45 am) Rick Cassetta, Rick Etling, Ken Pinkley.

(11:00 am) Earl & Juanita Bostic, Mark & Jennifer Everly, Paul & Martha Hacker, Ken Pinkley, Joe Seidler.

**Flowers:** To the glory of God and in memory of Fran Pinkley on the 51st wedding anniversary of Ken & Fran Pinkley, given by Ken Pinkley; and, to the glory of God and in memory of Alma Kuhlow on what would have been her 91st birthday, given by Lynne Snyder.

**Liturgist:** Elder Jim Pettit

**Acolyte:** Katie Groat

**Sound Booth:** (8:45) Neal Powers (11:00) Bill Irvine

**Last Sunday's Attendance:** 185

### **If You Are New to New Hope**

**Information about our church** can be found at the Welcome Table in the foyer.

### **New Hope Cares**

**For pastoral care** and to notify the church of illness, hospitalization, or death, please contact the church office at 636/936.2200 (office@newhopepc.org). To arrange for home bound Communion, contact Pastor James at cqjames@newhopepc.org or 936.2200 x.11.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

September 21, 2014

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

**THE GATHERING**

*As the people gather, worshipers greet one another, welcoming newcomers.  
Please silence cell phones and pagers.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

+ GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Prayer of Preparation

*This prayer is offered as an aid to help worshipers center the heart and mind for worship.*

To your name, Lord Jesus,  
help me to bow the knee and all its worshiping,  
bow the head and all its thinking,  
bow the will and all its choosing,  
bow the heart and all its loving. Amen.

+ \*DOXOLOGY (*Glory to God* 607)

OLD HUNDREDETH LM

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*OPENING SENTENCES

We live only by the goodness of the Lord,  
**who showers blessing  
on the just and unjust.**

*Ex. 16:4; Matt. 20:16; Phil. 1:26*

We boast only in the grace of Jesus Christ,  
**for the first will be last,  
and the last will be first.**

+ \*HYMN 664

*Morning Has Broken*

BUNESSAN

\*THE CONFESSION

God our redeemer, we confess  
that we remain captivated by sin.  
You shower your blessing upon us,  
yet we continue to complain.

You give us more than we deserve,  
yet we resent your goodness to others.  
Forgive us; liberate us!  
Let us be no longer bound by sin,  
but released, restored, set free  
to worship and serve you in freedom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

THE PEACE

*Greet those around you with: "The peace of Christ be with you," responding, "And also with you."*

RESPONSE OF PRAISE      *Glory Be to the Father (Glory to God 581)*      GLORIA PATRI  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

(11:00) ANTHEM      *Epilogue of Praise*      Jos. Martin

**THE WORD**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING      Exodus 16: 2-15  
EPISTLE READING      Philippians 1: 21-30  
\*THE GOSPEL

ACCLAMATION      *Christ, Be Our Light (refrain) (Glory to God 314)*      CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT  
*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.*

GOSPEL READING      Matthew 20: 1-16  
THE ALLELUIA      *(Glory to God 586)*      ALLELUIA 7  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

SERMON

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

*✠ In silent prayer and reflection you may renew the covenant into which you are baptized. If you would like to learn more about this sacrament, Pastor James would welcome the opportunity to speak with you about it.*

\*HYMN 351      *All Who Love and Serve Your City*      CHARLESTOWN

**THE EUCHARIST**

OFFERING OF OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The prayer continues. After the words, "... who forever sing to the glory of your name:" the congregation sings,*

***...Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

*The prayer continues. After the words, "Great is the mystery of faith," the congregation proclaims,*

**...Christ has died;**

**Christ is risen;**

**Christ will come again.**

*The prayer continues and ends with the Lord's Prayer...*

**...Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*☞ Coming to the Table—Ushers will invite worshipers to the Lord's Table by rows.  
All the baptized may come to the Table at the center and return by the outside aisles.*

☞ *Receiving the elements—You may take the bread, dip it into the chalice and partake of both together (intinction), or you may partake of the bread first, and then proceed to partake of the juice separately from the tray of individual cups. Gluten-free bread is available at the station to the left as you approach the Table (with Pastor James).*

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

***THE SENDING***

\*HYMN 729

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

\*BLESSING & CHARGE

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\*Please rise in body or spirit.

+ Those arriving may be seated.



**"I've Been Wondering..."**  
**FAQs about Worship**

***Why does worship always begin with the greeting, "Grace to you and peace in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ"? Why not simply, "Good morning"?***

We never want to underestimate the power and importance of words. Such a greeting as "Good morning" is something we say to each other all the time and it constitutes "polite" speech. The reality, however, is that it is not always a "good" morning. Consider the man who just lost his job, or the woman who is mourning the death of a loved one. The quality of the day is beside the point of our gathering. We gather as Christians for worship not because it's a "good morning" or a "glorious day," because often it's not. We come together as the Church because of Jesus the Christ. Paul often addressed his congregations: *"Grace to you and peace in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."* Or *"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all"* (2 Cor. 13:14). That is not something you will hear that at a Rotary meeting or the Elk's Lodge. A greeting like this signifies that we are called together by a power far greater than ourselves. It sets the tone for *this* assembly.

***Why do those reading scripture say, "Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church?"***

Rather than giving information about the reading (i.e. book, chapter and verses already printed in the worship bulletin), liturgists (readers, also known as "lectors") address the meaning of what is happening when we gather. This is a statement of belief that the Triune God continues to speak in the present time through the Holy Spirit. So we are bid to "listen." This moves the reading of scripture beyond a mere recitation of ancient words. Rather, it is God becoming manifest to shine forth in the Word read and proclaimed. Thus, the liturgist begins with a strong verb—"Hear..."—as a summons for us all to take notice and attend to this still-speaking God.

***What if I feel moved to receive Communion, but am not baptized?***

The Lord's Supper and Baptism are inseparable. If you feel called by the Holy Spirit to meet Christ in Communion, we believe that you are also being called to Baptism. We will not turn anyone away from the Lord's Table, but we do invite you to speak to the pastor or a member of the session about Baptism as soon as possible.

For more information about the relationship between Baptism and the Lord's Supper, see the Presbyterian Church (USA) Directory for Worship (especially W-2.4006 and W-2.4011) and *Invitation to Christ: A Guide to Sacramental Practices*, available online at [www.pcusa.org/sacraments](http://www.pcusa.org/sacraments).

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Marion Hamilton, *Child Care Provider*  
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Cecilia Poma, *Sexton*

## *Session*

*Fellowship*  
Jim Pettit (2014)  
Katie Harmon (2015)  
Craig Graber (2016)

*Formation for Discipleship*  
Susan Phillips (2014)  
Lauren Martinez (2014)  
Deb Garten (2015)  
Shelley Geiger (2016)

*Ministry, Mission & Evangelism*  
Ruth Irvine, Clerk (2014)  
Neal Powers (2015)  
Jim Salter (2016)

*Worship, Music & the Arts*  
Kristin Judd (2014)  
Michael Ray (2015)  
Linda Dencker (2016)

*Administration & Support*  
Allen Sebaugh (2014)  
Kathy Gibbs (2015)  
Bill Pires (2016)

## *Diaconate*

2014  
Kimm Besgrove  
Jennifer Everly  
Don Higgason  
Pat Murphy  
Laura Eikmann

2015  
Jerry Dyer  
Jackie Etling  
Bill Judd  
Kristen Moore  
Jim Phillips

2016  
Earl Bostic  
Ruth Connor  
Marion Hamilton  
Stan Whiteley  
Jan Parker



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# News & Opportunities

**Sunday, September 21st**

8:45 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
9:45 a.m.	Christian Formation	Various Locations
11:00 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
3:00 p.m.	Kids Fellowship Club	Sunshine Room
3:00 p.m.	Youth Group	Senior High Room

**Monday, September 22nd**

6:30 p.m.	PTO Meeting	Worship Space
7:00 p.m.	Formation for Discipleship	Senior High Room

**Tuesday, September 23rd**

7:00 p.m.	A.A.	Worship Space
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**Wednesday, September 24th**

10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice	Worship Space

**Thursday, September 25th**

7:00 p.m.	PW Presentation & Dessert	Worship Space
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12:00 p.m.	Deacon Picnic	Church Wide

*News & Opportunities*, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available on the Welcome Table in the narthex and at [www.newhopepc.org](http://www.newhopepc.org).

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**DEACON PICNIC**

Mark your calendars for the annual Deacon Picnic on Sunday, September 28th, immediately following the 11:00 am worship service. The Deacons are providing fried chicken for everyone, as well as fun and games! We welcome the entire congregation, as well as friends, but do ask that you RSVP to the church office or [lbrown@newhopepc.org](mailto:lbrown@newhopepc.org) or by completing a form on the Information Table.

We also ask that each participant bring a dish according to the chart below:

Last Name	Dish
A - G	Salad
H - M	Veggie or Side Dish
N - Z	Dessert

**FESTIVAL OF SHARING**

The annual Festival of Sharing takes place in Sedalia, MO on Saturday October 18, 2014. This year New Hope is donating Readin' and Writin' Packs (\$12), Personal Hygiene Packs (\$20), and Family Food Packs (\$25). If you elect to make a financial gift simply mark it for "Festival of Sharing." We are now collecting donated items for the kits. Look for our collection basket in the narthex and flyers on the information table listing the contents for each kit. Sunday October 12, 2014 will be the last day for contributions. Thank you for faithfully supporting this statewide effort.

**20TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET**

"Reflecting on God's blessings – moving forward with renewed hope"

NHPC 20th Anniversary Banquet

New Hope has been worshipping together for 20 years! Join us on Sunday, October 26th at 12:30 pm for food (dessert contest), some church history, great fellowship, tons of fun and live entertainment featuring a 90 minute free concert by Vocal Edge, St. Louis' premier men's vocal group. The banquet is at Pezold Banquet Center, 5701 Highway N. The cost is \$12/person before September 30th and \$15/person after September 30th, with kids under 5 free. RSVP on Sundays in the Narthex.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the *16 K in 16 Days* special collection. To date, we have received \$36,382.66 towards our goal of \$50,000.00, which means we are 73% of the way there! The funds raised will be used to repair the church parking lot and the playground area. Thanks again to all who have given or anticipate giving!

**FINANCIAL CORNER**

August Contributions	43,411.55
Monthly Budget	<u>37,922.88</u>
	5,488.67
Year-to-date Contributions	294,054.80
Year-to-date Budget	<u>303,383.04</u>
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## CHILDREN

**Today, September 21st – September 28th**  
*Infant Nursery*  
Sylvia Bane-Malta                      Katharine Harmon  
*Pre-K Nursery*  
Laura Eikmann                              Carol Dodds

**The infant nursery** is for babies & toddlers up to age two and is located in the Turtle Room upstairs. The Pre-K nursery is for ages 3-5 and is located in the Butterfly Room downstairs.

**Worship Feast**, for elementary aged children, is a special program that is designed to help children develop their innate connection to God and their natural openness to mystery through a variety of prayer practices.

Worship Feast Volunteers  
September 21st - Adam Huffman & Kathy Mudrovic  
September 28th—Jane Cox & Julie Nowakowski

To sign up to volunteer in the infant nursery, pre-k nursery, or Worship Feast, go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4fa9a829a7fa7-child>

**Kids Fellowship Club** is a fun-filled fellowship club for boys and girls in Kindergarten through 5th grade. We will meet two Sunday afternoons each month in the Sunshine Room on the lower level.

**Today, September 21st**—“Wet & Wild Game Night” at church from 3:00 until 5:00 pm. Wear your swim suit and bring a towel. Younger siblings are welcome if a parent plans to stay.

## MCTEACHER'S NIGHT

Take a night off from cooking! Join the New Hope teachers at McDonald's for dinner on Tuesday, October 7 from 4-8 PM. A portion of all proceeds (both inside and the drive through) will benefit New Hope Preschool.

## WORSHIP

**New Hope worships** each Sunday at 8:45 am and 11:00 am

**Lectionary for Sunday, Sept. 28, 2014**  
Exodus 16: 2-15  
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45  
Philippians 1:21-30  
Matthew 20:1-16

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Presbyterian Women will kick off our season on Thursday, September 25th at 7:00 pm with Sue Dittmar presenting a program titled, “There’s This Book: My Adventures in the Stacks.” Childcare provided, RESERVATIONS PREFERRED. Elaine Barbee will provide dessert and PW will serve beverages. A PW Reservation sheet will be located on the Information Table on Sundays from September 7th through September 22nd.

## YOUTH

The Mid & Senior Highs kick off their fellowship meetings today at 3:00 pm in The Senior High Room. Our meetings will correspond with KFC meetings. Find out more about our plans for the year this afternoon!

## WORK DAY

The Mission, Ministry and Evangelism Committee and the Adult Mission Team are sponsoring a work day on Nov 8, 2014 to raise funds for the 2015 Adult Mission Trip. The work can be done on Nov 8 or on a mutually agreeable date. Please contact Mark Everly at 636-575-4125 to participate.

## VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Jubilee Circle continues to need child care help on the first Thursday of the month from 10-11am. Nancy Seals has graciously offered to help every month, but we need an additional volunteer. There is a sign up sheet on the Information Table. Questions? Contact Jennifer James at 314-640-5880.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES**  
The 2014-2015 Sunday School year has begun for everyone from toddlers in the Nursery to adults! Below is a list of classes, where they meet and the curriculum they are using. Sunday School is from 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. each Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact Barbi Smith at 636-936-2200 or [bsmith@newhopepc.org](mailto:bsmith@newhopepc.org).

**Birth – Three Years Old** (Nursery) Wee Children at Church  
**Preschool (ages 3 – 5)** (Butterfly Room) Wee Believe (PCUSA)  
**Kindergarten – Grade 2** (Caterpillar Room) Feasting on the Word (PCUSA)  
**Grades 3 – 5** (Downstairs Kitchen) Feasting on the Word (PCUSA)  
**Youth (Grades 6 – 12)** (Senior High Room) Feasting on the Word (PCUSA)  
**Contemporary Issues (adults)** (Conference Room) Varies  
**Nooma Series (adults)** (Mid-high Room) Nooma DVDs

New Study for Adults!  
Come to the Gather Place (the Mid-High Room) for a new adult class! The Nooma Series is a collection of short films that explore our world from the perspective of Jesus. Through each dvds, Rob Bell extends an invitation to search, question, and join the discussion. Each session stands along so come to all or one. There is a flyer on the Information Table with a description of each session.  
September 14 “Rain”, September 21 “Trees”, September 28 “Kickball”, October 5 “Dust”, October 12 “Lump”

## FREE LUNCHEON & PRESENTATION

The Peacemaking Offering is one of four denominational offerings. It supports the peacemaking efforts of the church at every governing body level and provides an opportunity to witness to God's gift of peace in the world. Gifts

given to the Peacemaking Offering through a congregation are divided in the following manner: twenty-five percent retained by congregations for support of their own peacemaking ministry, 25 percent used to support presbytery and synod peacemaking efforts, and 50 percent forwarded to the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program of the Presbyterian Mission Agency so that it can continue to provide assistance and resources for congregations and other bodies of the PCUSA.

This year, the twenty-five percent of the offering that remains locally will go to The Covering House. The Covering House ([thecoveringhouse.org](http://thecoveringhouse.org)) is an organization of client support for women who are 20 years old or younger. They provide residential treatment for young women who have been enslaved in human trafficking and have been able to break free of this horrible abuse. Plan to come listen to Kathy Farrar who will explain the burgeoning growth of human trafficking in the St. Louis area, what life was like for these young women and how The Covering House is making a difference in their lives. (NOTE: This presentation is not suitable for pre-teen children, and you may wish to have a serious discussion about human trafficking with your teenager before attending. If your pre-teen children will attend the luncheon, we can provide childcare in another room if so requested on the reservation form.)

You are invited to a free luncheon during peacemaking season. The Ministry, Mission and Evangelism and the Fellowship Committees, along with Presbyterian Women, are sponsoring a Peacemaking Luncheon and a speaker from The Covering House on Sunday, October 12th right after the second worship service. Please plan to attend this luncheon (a free will offering will be taken and given to The Covering House). Please complete a reservation card found on the Information Table so we know how much food to prepare.