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January 12, 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, will not meet today, the first Sunday of the month, so that children may be with the congregation for the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

**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) Jim & Debbie Phillips and Michael Black (11:00) Joe Seidler and the Generations Faith Family

**Liturgist:** Elder Ruth Irvine

**Sound Booth Technician:** (8:45) Joe Petrowsky (11:00) Deb Garten

**Last Sunday's Attendance:** No services on 12/29 due to cold and snow.

### **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](mailto:office@newhopepc.org)). To arrange or home bound Communion, contact Pastor James at [cjames@newhopepc.org](mailto:cjames@newhopepc.org) or 636/936. 2200 x.11.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## *Baptism of the Lord*

January 12, 2014

8:45 a.m.

### **THE GATHERING**

*As the people gather, worshipers greet one another, welcoming newcomers.  
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### CALL TO WORSHIP

+ GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Prayer of Preparation

*The start of the Prelude signals the time to cease talking and enter a period of quiet reflection.  
This prayer is offered as an aid to help worshipers center the heart and mind for worship.*

God of life and new life,  
you are splendid and strong!  
Your voice thunders above the sound of loud waters.  
You sit enthroned above the floods of life.  
As Jesus heard you speak to him in his baptism,  
may we also hear you calling us your beloved,  
through Jesus Christ, your son, our brother. Amen.

+ \*DOXOLOGY

***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.*** (Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH LM, *Glory to God* 607)

\*OPENING SENTENCES

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;  
**the God of glory thunders.**

*Ps. 29:3; Matt. 3:17*

And the voice from heaven said:  
**This is my Son, the Beloved,  
with whom I am well pleased.**

+ \*HYMN 409

*God Is Here!*

ABBOT'S LEIGH

\*THE CONFESSION

**God of glory, we confess  
that we have not sought your face.  
We adore the high and mighty**

and ignore your humble servant.  
We act with prejudice and partiality  
and fail to share your love for all.  
Forgive us; give us grace.  
Pour out the power of your Spirit  
and renew us in our calling:  
to show the wonder of your love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Worshippers may reflect on this prayer and offer personal confession in silence.*

#### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

...In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
**Thanks be to God.**

#### THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

*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 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.*** (Tune: GLORIA PATRI, *Glory to God* 581)

#### **THE WORD**

##### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

##### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 42: 1-9

##### PSALTER

Psalms 29

*The God of Heaven (Glory to God 259)*

*The cantor will sing and the congregation may sing along.*

##### EPISTLE READING

Acts 10: 34-43

##### \*THE GOSPEL

##### THE ACCLAMATION

*Raise a Song of Gladness*

***Raise a song of gladness, peoples of the earth.  
Christ has come, bringing peace, joy to every heart.  
Alleluia, alleluia, joy to every heart!  
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##### GOSPEL READING

Matthew 3: 13-17

THE ALLELUIA

***Alleluia! Alleluia!***

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SERMON

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

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***...Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,***

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**...Christ has died;**

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**...Our Father, who art in heaven,**

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**thy kingdom come, thy will be done,**

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**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.

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Upon extending the bread and cup toward the congregation...*

Holy things for holy people.

**Only one is holy, one is Lord:  
Jesus Christ to the glory of God.**

#### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

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#### PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

#### ***THE SENDING***

\*HYMN 543

*God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me*

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### PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

As many of you as were baptized into Christ  
have clothed yourselves with Christ.

*Galatians 3:27*

**There is one body and one Spirit,**

**just as we were called to the one hope of our calling.**

*Ephesians 4:4*

*To candidates for Ordination & Installation:*

In baptism, you were clothed with Christ,  
and are now called by God through the voice of the church  
to enter into ministries of service and governance,  
announcing in word and deed the good news of Jesus Christ.

***Congregation responds:***

**We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ,  
and we celebrate God's particular call to our brothers and sisters.**

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THE RITE OF ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF DEACONS & RULING ELDERS

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

There are a variety of gifts,  
but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

*1 Corinthians 12:4-7, 27*

**There are different ways of serving God,  
but is the same Lord who is served.**

God works through each person in a unique way,  
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

**Together we are the body of Christ,  
and individually members of it.**

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again 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.**

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF ORDINATION

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

CHARGE

CHORAL RESPONSE

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Peter Lutkin

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ANTHEM

*If You Are God*

Phillip Keveren

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## ***Endings & Beginnings***

### ***The Rite of Ordination & Installation***

Today we celebrate the ordination and installation of Deacons and Ruling Elders. The Presbyterian Church (USA) as a denomination is defined by its theology and that theology directly informs our governing structure, or polity. The name *Presbyterian* comes from the Greek word that means “elder” or “wisest one.” With Christ as the head of the church, we have established a system for governance that is representative and democratic. Power and authority are not held by a bishop, as in more hierarchical denominations, but by the assembled body of presbyters which consists of both elders (also known as “ruling elders”), who are elected by congregations and ordained by Sessions, and Ministers of Word and Sacrament (also known as “teaching elders”). We value shared authority and power and so we work together with other congregations within a structure called a Presbytery, in a region called a Synod, and as a national body called the General Assembly.

Ruling elders, together with Ministers of Word and Sacrament (teaching elders), make up the Session of the congregation. The function of the Session is to govern the life of the congregation. Deacons make up the Diaconate or Board of Deacons, and serve to care for the members of the congregation, as well as minister to the needs of the larger community. Each year, the congregation is asked to nominate from among its members, people to serve as elders and deacons. The Nominating Committee prays over those nominations and presents a slate of nominees to the congregation to be voted upon and elected to those respective offices. Once a person is ordained to the office of elder or deacon, that person is an elder or deacon, respectively, for life. Once that person’s term of active service on the Session or Diaconate is over, that person can be called again through the voice of the church to serve another term. When that happens, he or she is not re-ordained, but rather is installed again to active service. The service of ordination and installation is rooted in the baptismal covenant of the church. All candidates for ordination and/or installation, as well as all the baptized of the congregation are reminded of their own calls to discipleship in Jesus Christ.

Today, thirteen members of New Hope are being ordained and/or installed to service as ruling elders and deacons in and for the church. **Lauren Martinez** is being ordained and installed as a Ruling elder. Elders **Linda Dencker, Shelley Geiger, Craig Graber, Rob Matheny, Bill Pires** and **Jim Salter** are being installed to active service on the Session. **Earl Bostic, Marion Hamilton, Rich Taylor** and **Stan Whiteley** are being ordained and installed as deacons. Deacons **Ruth Connor** and **Jennifer Everly** are being installed to active service on the Diaconate.

Just as today is a beginning for those named above, it is also an ending for elders and deacons who are completing their terms of service. Ruling elders **Rick Cassetta, Mark Everly, Holly Martinez, Julie Nowakowski** and **Tyler Etling** are ending their active service on the Session today; and Deacons **Donna Huffman** and **Bill Irvine** are ending their service on the Diaconate. They have led this congregation well over the past several years in faithful leadership and service. Let us join together in thanksgiving and gratitude for their ministry.

## Notes

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The Rev. Dr. Christopher Q. James, *Pastor*  
Barbara Smith, *Director of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation*  
Kathryn Sternhagen, *Coordinator of Youth Ministries*  
Stacy Pearson, *Director of the Preschool*  
Brian Parrish, *Director of Music Ministries*  
Mike Greene, *Pianist*  
Laura Brown, *Office Manager*  
Monica Schrautemeier, *Child Care Provider*  
Audrey Chipley, *Child Care Provider*  
Marion Hamilton, *Child Care Provider*  
Bailey Hight, *Child Care Provider*  
Vickie Moore, *Sexton*  
Cecilia Poma, *Sexton*

## ***Preschool Teachers***

Lori Christensen  
Barb DeVries  
Shirley Diehl  
Christen Moeller  
Nobue Olwig

Nicole Pettker  
Heather Robbins  
Shelley Schneider  
Kate Statzer

Robin Thomas  
Alice Wittich  
Melissa Young  
Carla Zerbolio  
Amy Zumbahl

## ***Session***

2013  
Rick Cassetta  
Linda Dencker  
Mark Everly  
Holly Martinez  
Julie Nowakowski  
Tyler Etling

2014  
Miranda Fleschert  
Ruth Irvine, Clerk  
Jim Pettit  
Susan Phillips  
Allen Sebaugh

2015  
Katie Harmon  
Neal Powers  
Michael Ray  
Nancy Taylor

## ***Deacons***

2013  
Donna Huffman  
Bill Irvine

2014  
Kimm Besgrove  
Don Higgason  
Pat Murphy

2015  
Jerry Dyer  
Jackie Etling  
Bill Judd  
Kristen Moore  
Jim Phillips



CALENDAR

Sunday, January 12th

8:45 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
9:45 a.m.	Christian Education	Various Locations
11:00 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
3:00 p.m.	Kids Fellowship Club	Lower Level
3:00 p.m.	Mid High Youth	Demolition Ball
3:00 p.m.	Senior High Youth	Demolition Ball
6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class	Senior High Room

Monday, January 13th

10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	Joint Meeting of Session & Deacons	Worship Space

Tuesday, January 14th

7:00 p.m.	A.A.	Worship Space
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Wednesday, January 15th

10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
6:15 p.m.	Handbell Practice	Worship Space
7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice	Worship Space

Thursday, January 16th

10:00 a.m.	Fellowship for a Cause	Conference Room
5:50 p.m.	Employment Ministry Committee	Worship Space
7:00 p.m.	Employment Ministry	Worship Space

Saturday, January 18th

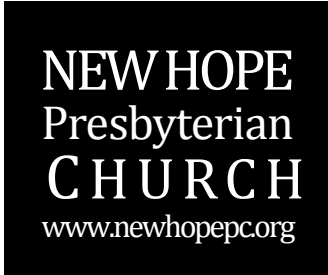
8:30 a.m.	Men's Fellowship Breakfast	Worship Space
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Sunday, January 19th

8:45 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
9:45 a.m.	Christian Education	Various Locations
11:00 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
12:00 p.m.	Congregational Meeting	Worship Space
3:00 p.m.	Kids Fellowship Club	Lower Level
4:00 p.m.	Mid High Youth	Winter Jam
4:00 p.m.	Senior High Youth	Winter Jam
6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class	Senior High Room

*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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News & Opportunities

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NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

2014 Giving Envelopes are available by the Information Table. Please make sure to stop by and pick up your giving envelopes for next year!

2013 Giving Statements will be available by the Information Table in the Narthex beginning Sunday, January 12th. Please remember to pick up your statement while at church!

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will take place on Sunday, January 19th at 12:00 pm in the Worship Space. Annual reports will be available to the congregation beginning Friday, January 10th. Annual reports will be emailed to members and a limited number of reports will be available in hard copy. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the report, please call or email the church office.

The church office will be closed on Monday, January 20th, in observation of Martin Luther King Day.

2014 FLOWER CALENDAR

The 2014 Flower Calendar is available in the Narthex. Sign up for flowers to celebrate a birthday or anniversary, or to remember a loved one. Flowers are \$30.00 and may be taken home after the second service each week.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

For members who participate in the electronic funds transfer program through VANCO: Please remember that if you changed your monthly contribution amount for 2014, you must also update that amount through VANCO. Please contact the church office or go online to our website at [www.newhopepc.org](http://www.newhopepc.org) if you have any questions..

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Adult Bible Study: "Into the World: the Acts of the Apostles"

Tuesday, January 21 – April 22, 2014  
Morning Session 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.; Evening Session 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Senior High Room, Lower Level

Cost: \$20.00/Resource Book

Leader: Barbi Smith

Luke is your guide as you relive the events of the early church. Catch the wind of the same spirit that brings renewed life to today's Christians. Participants visit the key personalities, review their activities, reflect on their meaning, and discover their message to the Church today. 14 Sessions. Sign up for this course on the sign up sheet on the information table in the Narthex or email Barbi Smith at [stlbarbi99@gmail.com](mailto:stlbarbi99@gmail.com). Childcare will be provided.

CHILDREN

Today, January 12th      January 19th  
Infant Nursery  
Nancy Taylor                      Sylvia Malta  
Pre-K Nursery  
Vicky Koonley

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  
January 12th - Bridget Dekeuster  
January 19th - Kathy Mudrovic & Adam Huffman

Kid’s Fellowship Club is for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade and meets on Sundays from 3:00 until 4:30 pm in the lower level of the church, unless otherwise indicated.  
January 12th - Game Night - Bring your favorite board game! We’ll try to play them all!  
January 19th - Sleep Under - We’ll do many of the activities from our sleep-overs, except we won’t sleep over! Perler beads, Wii, Lego games, crafts & pizza!

MISSION

JANUARY MEAL-A-MONTH  
2 cans stew, 1 box rice or pasta mix, 1 can vegetables, 1 can fruit, butter, 1 box/bag cookies

WORSHIP

New Hope worships each Sunday at 8:45 am and 11:00 am. The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at both services.

Lectionary for Sunday, January 19, 2014  
Isaiah 49: 1-7  
Psalm 40: 1-11  
1 Corinthians 1: 1-9  
John 1: 29-42

The Choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 pm. Singers of all talents are needed and welcome to join us! For more information, please contact Brian Parrish at bparrish@newhopepc.org.

The Handbell Choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 pm . For more information, please contact Terry Martinez.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

2014-2015 Preschool Enrollment  
On January 26th church members will have the opportunity to enroll their preschooler in New Hope Presbyterian Preschool’s 2013 -2014 school year! We are accepting 2+’s ( 2 years and 9 months prior to start of class), 3’s (3 years old by July 31, 2013) and older 3’s (4 years old by December, 2013) on Tuesdays and Thursdays. On Monday, Wednesday aGAME NIGHTnd Friday the 4’s (4 years old before August 1) and 5’s (5 years old by December, 2014) can enjoy the program. There is a \$60 registration fee per child. We also offer Adventure Club as an extended option and before and after school care for those enrolled in preschool. If you have any questions, please contact Stacy Pearson at 636-922-9900 or email at

YOUTH NEWS

Mid High meets on Sundays at 3:00 pm in the Mid High Room. Senior High meets on Sundays at 4:30 pm in the Senior High Room.  
January 12th - Demolition Ball: Cost is \$20, includes an hour of Demolition ball, pizza and soda. We will meet there at 3:00 pm!  
Confirmation begins at 6p.m. that evening!  
January 19th - Winter Jam Concert - bring money for ticket and food. We’ll meet at church at 4:00 pm!

Calling all Chili Cooks! Enter your prize-winning recipe, donate for a bowl of your own, and come to support our youth! This is the first Mission Trip Fundraiser for the 2014 trip to New Orleans, LA! In conjunction with Presbyterian Women, come fill your body and spirit for lunch while supporting a great cause! A free will offering will be taken, as well as monetary support for your favorite recipe! Then stay for Tom Clayton, who will speak about his experience in the mission field! Contact Katie Sternhagen by email at ksternhagen@newhopepc.org, or in the church office (636) 936-2200 ext. 12 to enter your recipe! There are signup sheets on the information table as well as in the folder on the Presbyterian Women’s bulletin board. Who will win the “Chili Bowl” award? It could be you!

WELCOME TABLE VOLUNTEERS

The Fellowship Committee is looking for volunteers to help staff the Welcome Table during 2014. This includes meeting and directing visitors, welcoming first time visitors and acting as welcome director on Sunday mornings. If you’re out-going and like meeting new people, this volunteer position is perfect for you! Contact Jim Pettit or the church office if you’re interested in learning more!

CHURCH CALENDAR

Do you have a group that meets at New Hope? If so, please make sure that your event is on the church calendar! Whether a one time meeting, or regularly scheduled event, please call Laurie Brown at the church office to verify that your group is on the schedule. With more and more groups using our beautiful building, it’s becoming necessary to make sure that events are properly scheduled! Thanks for your cooperation!

COMMUNICATIONS

Help us keep in touch! If you are not already on the New Hope email list, join now and receive weekly newsletters before Sunday, as well as other updates that are important to members and friends. Just visit the New Hope website at www.newhopepc.org to register. Click on the “Contact Us” button on the right side and choose “Join Email List”. You can then choose the email notices you wish to receive. Call the church office with questions!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Save the date for the January PW meeting on Sunday, January 26th following the 11 o’clock service. The youth and PW will be sponsoring a chili cook-off lunch. All benefits from the lunch will go to the 2014 Youth Mission Trip. This event is a church wide activity that will include a chili/hot dog lunch with desserts and Tom Clayton will be our guest speaker focusing on his experiences on missions to Nepal, Afghanistan, India and Haiti. Please plan to join us and consider adding your favorite chili to the cook-off! Pick up a reservation form on Information Table or the PW Bulletin Board. Please return the form to the Offering Basket or the Church Office. See you for some delicious warm chili!