

New Hope Presbyterian Church



"Rejoice with me!

for I have found my sheep
that was lost." Luke 15:6

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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 toddler 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: Rick Cassetta, Rick Etling, Tyler Etling, Ken Pinkley, Mark & Jennifer Everly, Joe Seidler, Earl & Juanita Bostic and Martha Hoerchler.

Flowers: To the glory of God and in celebration of Rick Etling's birthday, given by the Ken Pinkley.

The red roses at the foot of the cross are in celebration of births of Sarah Olivia Taylor, born to Richard and Nancy Taylor on April 10th; and Madison & McKenzie Larrew, born to Jared and Tara (Callahan) Larrew on April 11th.

Liturgist: Elder Jim Pettit

Acolyte: (8:45) Elizabeth Peterson

Bible-bearer: Kelsey Etling **Water-bearer:** Eric Gibbs

Sound Booth Technicians: (8:45) Joe Petrowsky (11:00) Rich Taylor

Last Sunday's Attendance: 224

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 or home bound Communion, contact Pastor James at cqjames@newhopepc.org or 636/936. 2200 x.11.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2013

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

*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.*

O God of peace,
you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,
the great shepherd of the sheep.
By the blood of your eternal covenant,
make us complete in everything good that we may do your will,
and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

+ *DOXOLOGY & OPENING SENTENCES

***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.***

O come let us bow down and worship;
let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

Psalm 95:6-7

**For the Lord is our God;
we are the Lord's people,
the flock that God shepherds.**

+ *HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

**Faithful God,
in baptism you claimed us;
and by your Spirit you are working in our lives,
empowering us to live a life worthy of our calling.
We thank you for this great gift,**

which shows that we belong to you,
 frees us from sin and death,
 unites us with Jesus the Christ in his death and resurrection,
 and joins us together as his body the Church.
 Establish us in your truth,
 and guide us by your Spirit,
 that, together with all your people,
 we may grow in faith, hope, and love,
 and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ,
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit
 be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

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 *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.***

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Acts 9: 36-43

PSALTER (8:45) Psalm 23

(11:00) ANTHEM *The Lord Is My Shepherd*

EPISTLE READING Revelation 7: 9-17

*THE GOSPEL

THE ACCLAMATION

Tune: GELOBT SEI GOTT

Good Chris-tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
 of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL READING
THE ALLELUIA

John 10: 22-30

Festival Alleluia



SERMON

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

☞ In silent prayer and reflection you may renew the covenant into which you are baptized. If you have not been to the waters of baptism and would like to learn more about this sacrament, Pastor James would welcome the opportunity to speak with you about it.

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

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.**

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

☞All the baptized may come to the Table at the center and return by the outside aisles. You may take the bread, dip it into the chalice and partake of both together (intinction), or you may partake of the bread and then proceed to partake of the juice from the tray of individual cups.

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

THE SENDING

Lord of All Hopefulness

Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal Sampler #35

*HYMN

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *The Steadfast Love of the Lord*

Edith McNeill

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning, new every morning; great is your faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness." The score includes a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The music is in a single melodic line.

*All who are able please stand.

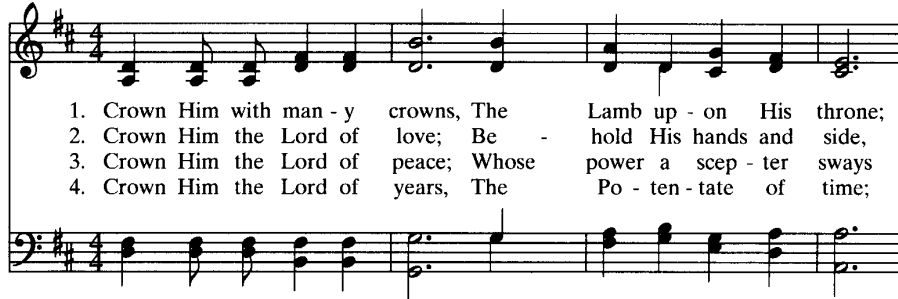
+ Those arriving may be seated.



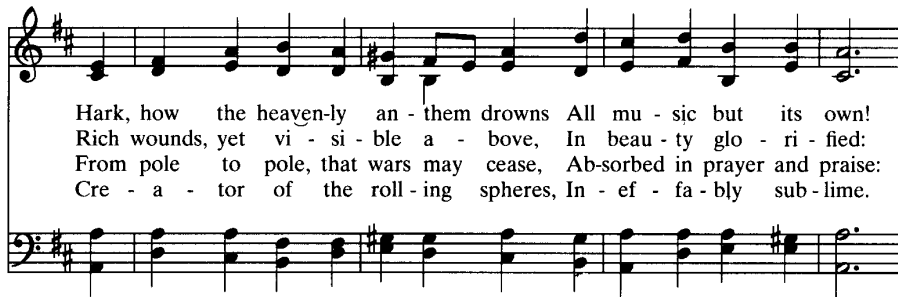
Crown Him with Many Crowns

Matthew Bridges, 1851

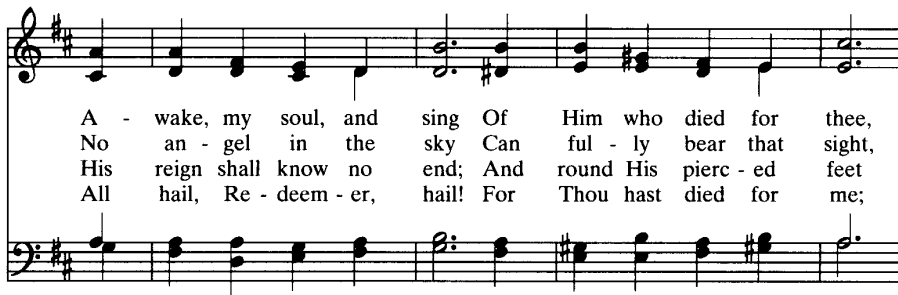
George Job Elvey, 1868



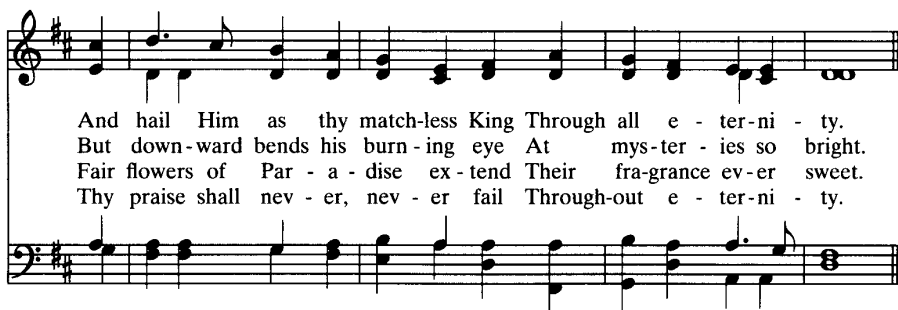
1. Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
2. Crown Him the Lord of love; Be - hold His hands and side,
3. Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose power a scep - ter sways
4. Crown Him the Lord of years, The Po - ten - tate of time;



Hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own!
Rich wounds, yet vi - si - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Ab-sorbed in prayer and praise:
Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, In - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
No an - gel in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight,
His reign shall know no end; And round His pierc - ed feet
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For Thou hast died for me;



And hail Him as thy match-less King Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
But down-ward bends his burn - ing eye At mys - ter - ies so bright.
Fair flowers of Par - a - dise ex - tend Their fra-grance ev - er sweet.
Thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail Through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Notes

THE SEASON OF EASTERTIDE

Easter is not simply one day, but a season of the church year known as the Great Fifty Days, lasting for seven weeks from Easter day to the day of Pentecost. Seven weeks times seven days per week equals 49 days, plus one day to express the completeness of resurrection life and the totality by which Christ's resurrection overcame the power of sin and death.

During the season of Eastertide, New Hope is observing the practice of replacing the Prayer of Confession with a prayer of Thanksgiving for Baptism. Following the penitential season of Lent, one way to celebrate Easter is to forgo the practice of corporate confession and give thanks for the new life that Easter brings and the Sacrament of Baptism signifies. Also during Eastertide, New Hope is reading from the Acts of the Apostles as the First Scripture Reading in worship. The Acts of the Apostles is the record of the growth of the early church in the first century after the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ. It is a moving testimony to how the Christian community lives in response to the earth-shattering reality that happened at Easter.

The tall candle near the pulpit is called the Paschal Candle. "Pascha" comes from the Hebrew word for "Passover," the central festival for the Jewish people in which the Hebrews celebrate their deliverance from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the land of Canaan. On the night before their deliverance through the Red Sea to freedom, the Lord instructed the people to kill a lamb and spread the blood on the doorposts of their homes. That night, the Lord would pass through the land of Egypt and kill the firstborn of every home, but would *pass over* the homes that had the blood of the lamb on the doorposts, thereby sparing the Hebrews the punishment exacted upon the Egyptians (Exodus 12). We read this story in our worship every year on Maundy Thursday.

For us Christians, Christ is our "paschal lamb" who was sacrificed that we might be delivered from slavery to sin to the freedom of life in communion with God and one another. God completed that work with the Resurrection of Christ. So the fullness of Easter, lived out in our worship over the three days from Maundy Thursday to Easter is the Christian Passover, or Pascha. The Paschal Candle is lighted at the Great Vigil of Easter, in which we proclaim that the light of Christ shines in the darkness of sin and death to give light to the world. The candle remains lit throughout the Great Fifty Days of Easter through Pentecost,

and then is again lighted at baptisms and funerals. In baptism, we die with Christ and are raised with him to newness of life. Death is the completion of our baptism in which all things are revealed and we are forever united with God.

So the Paschal candle tells our story as Easter people. Ours includes a lamb, a cross and the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet, A (Alpha) and Ω (Omega), reminiscent of what Jesus said, "I am the Alpha and Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end" (Revelation 22:13).

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