



## **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**

**We welcome** the Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce to our pulpit today. A graduate of the University of Washington and Princeton Theological Seminary, Kristine has served churches in Seattle, WA (her hometown), Boulder, CO, Cherry Hill, NJ and Edinburgh, Scotland. Kristine is married to Matt, who teaches History of Christianity and World Religions at Lindenwood University. They are the proud parents of Phoebe, 2-years-old and Jenson, 5 months.

**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 10:30 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 worshipers, please do not take flash photos during the worship service.

**Ushering for today's worship:** Rick Cassetta, Rick & Tyler Etling, Ken Pinkley, Mark & Jennifer Everly, Joe Seidler, Earl & Juanita Bostic and Martha Hacker

**Flowers:** To the glory of God, and honor of Bill Pire's birthday, given by Sally Pires; and, to the glory of God and in celebration of Emily and Olivia Besgrove's birthdays, given by David & Kimm Besgrove..

**Liturgist:** Christopher James

**Sound Booth Technician:** Joe Petrowsky

**Last Sunday's Attendance:** 181

### **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  
*Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

June 16, 2013

10:30 a.m.

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**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.*

Bless us, O God,  
with a reverent sense of your presence,  
that we may be at peace  
and may worship you with all our mind and spirit,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.***

Who are you?

*Belonging to God: A First Catechism, Questions 1-2*

**I am a child of God.**

*Presbyterian Church (USA)*

Who are we?

**We are children of God, the family of faith.**

What does it mean to be children of God?

**We belong to God who loves us and calls us God's own.**

**In life and death we belong to God.**

Let us worship God.

+ \*HYMN

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

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\*THE CONFESSION

**Merciful God,**

**in your gracious presence**

**we confess our sin and the sin of this world.**

**Although Christ is among us as our peace,**

**we are a people divided against ourselves**

**as we cling to the values of a broken world.**

The profit and pleasures we pursue  
lay waste the land and pollute the seas.  
The fears and jealousies that we harbor  
set neighbor against neighbor  
and nation against nation.  
We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,  
of intellect and reason,  
and have turned them into bonds of oppression.  
Lord, have mercy upon us;  
heal and forgive us.  
Set us free to serve you in the world  
as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.  
*Worshippers may reflect on this prayer and offer personal confession in silence.*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

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.***

ANTHEM

*Soon and Very Soon*

Andre Crouch

***THE WORD***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 32

\*THE GOSPEL

THE ACCLAMATION

***Come Christians join to sing Alleluia! Amen!***

***Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!***

***Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;***

***Praise is his gracious choice; Alleluia! Amen!*** (Tune: MADRID)

GOSPEL READING

John 20: 24-32

THE ALLELUIA

*Celtic Alleluia*



SERMON

**Believing is Seeing**

The Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce

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.*

\*THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Ecumenical version*

**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.**

\*HYMN

*We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight*

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WITNESS TO MISSION

*Adult Mission Trip to Pensacola, Florida  
Habitat for Humanity, June 8-15*

**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.*

ANTHEM

*This Do in Remembrance of Me*

Judith Hunnicutt

PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

**THE SENDING**

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *As We Go*

*As we go, may your Spirit go before us.  
As we go, may we follow where you lead.  
May we live what we have learned,  
share the message we have heard,  
and be a light unto the world as we go.*

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\*All who are able please stand.

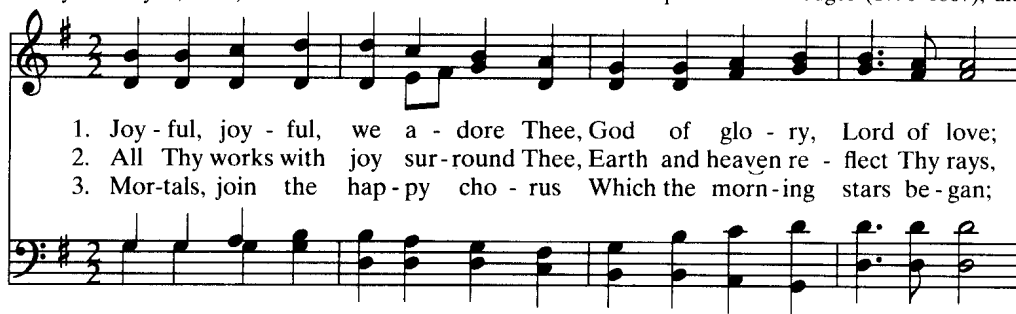
+ Those arriving may be seated.



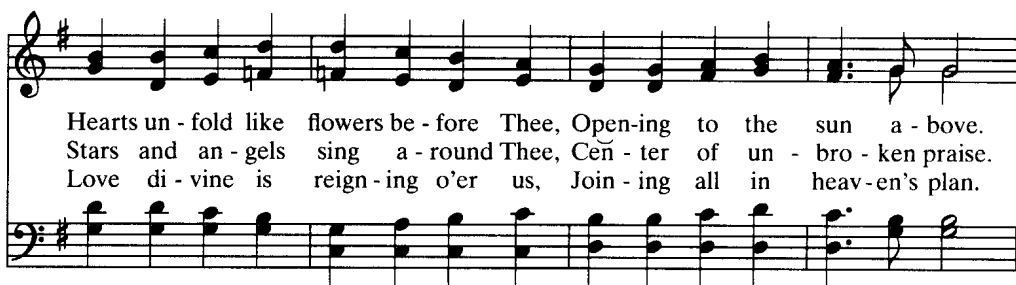
# Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Henry van Dyke, 1907; alt.

Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824  
Adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867); alt.



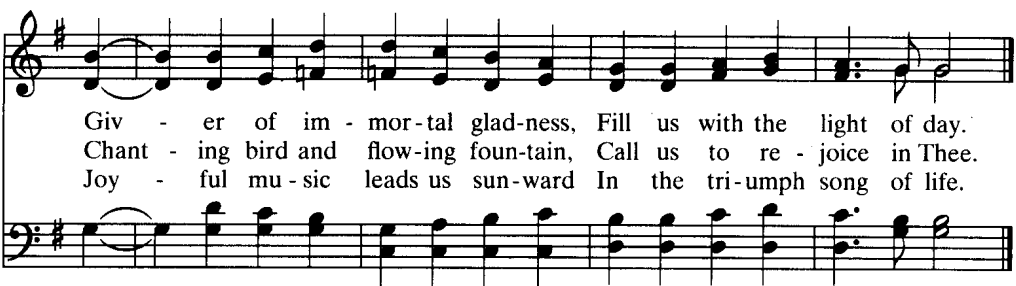
1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
2. All Thy works with joy sur - round Thee, Earth and heav - en re - flect Thy rays,  
3. Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;



Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore Thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.  
Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
Love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, Join - ing all in heav - en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; Drive the gloom of doubt a - way;  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flower - y mea - dow, flash - ing sea,  
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife,



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.  
Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, Call us to re - joice in Thee.  
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life.



# We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

Henry Alford, 1844; alt.

Samuel McFarland, c. 1816  
Harm. Richard Proulx, 1986

1. We walk by faith and not by sight; No  
 2. We may not touch His hands and side, Nor  
 3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And  
 4. That, when our life of faith is done, In

gra - cious words we hear From Christ, who spoke as  
 fol - low where He trod; But in His prom - ise  
 may our faith a - bound To call on You when  
 realms of clear - er light We may be - hold You

none e'er spoke; But we be - lieve Him near.  
 we re - jice, And cry, "My Lord and God!"  
 You are near And seek where You are found:  
 as You are, With full and end - less sight.

### ***In the details...***

**The banner in the chancel** represents the liturgical season known as Ordinary Time. “Ordinary” is not to connote “mundane,” but refers rather to the counting of the days using ordinal numbers (first, second, third, etc.). The whole of the church year can be understood to be an annual rehearsal of the history of salvation as seen in the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ to new life. Ordinary Time consists of those days outside of the major festival seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter. This is the time when scriptures about Jesus’ life and ministry are read in worship, when our life in the church is marked by spiritual growth, which gives reason for the color of ordinary time (green for growth).

In the banner, the Alpha (A) and Omega (Ω) are the first and last letters, respectively, of the Greek alphabet (the original language of the New Testament). Taken together, they represent God’s sacred time which spans between the beginning of time at creation and the ending of time at the consummation of all that is. Jesus said, “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end” (Revelation 22:13). Chronos, secular, human time is designated by the sundial.

### ***“I’ve Been Wondering...”***

#### **FAQs about Worship**

***During the Eucharist, why does the presider say, “Holy things for holy people,” and the people respond, “Only one is holy, one is Lord: Jesus Christ to the glory of God”?***

When we are baptized, we are born into and made a part of “a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people,” as the Apostle Peter’s first letter tells us (1 Peter 2:9). Churches experiencing a renewal of faith are reclaiming Cyril of Jerusalem’s 4<sup>th</sup> century liturgy and this identity as God’s holy people has come to have a place in our Sunday worship, as well.

After breaking the bread and pouring the cup, the presider holds them before the congregation and says, “*Holy things for holy people.*” The congregation responds, “*One is holy, one is Lord: Jesus Christ to the glory of God.*” This statement affirms what we believe about God and about ourselves. We are made holy—set apart for God’s service in the world—and yet, our invitation to the Lord’s Table is not because of our holiness, but rather in spite of it. The Lord’s Supper is not for those who deserve it, but for “all who have been baptized, remembering that access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and

love" (*Book of Order*, W-2.4011). We are not worthy, but we are still holy. Our worthiness, like our holiness, comes from God. As human beings, we are finite and limited. In short, we sin. But God loves us nonetheless, and refuses to allow our sinfulness to define who we are.

*"Holy things for holy people. One is holy, one is Lord: Jesus Christ to the glory of God."* This creedal statement affirms the paradoxical nature of God and the mystery of faith. We are made holy and invited to share the feast of Christ's reign despite ourselves. No one is more welcome or more worthy than another. In our own dirty human holiness, we bask in the light of Christ's own holiness of which we partake and in which we shine. Thanks be to God!

### ***Why are those baskets near the Lord's Table and what do we do with them?***

During the invitation to the Lord's Table, the presider says, "Come, share the feast of the risen Christ." The Lord's Supper, the Eucharist, is a meal of thanksgiving to which we are invited by Christ to feed upon God and be nourished for our spiritual journey of faith. This is a meal that cannot be shared or celebrated too often. Welcomed by Christ, we come to the Table for our spiritual nourishment, but we do so not for ourselves alone. The meal is not simply for our own spiritual contentment, but serves also as fuel for our discipleship in service to others. Coming to the Lord's Table, we act out that Day when "people will come from east and west, from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God" (Luke 13:29). The Lord's Table is one at which all will be fed and no one will go away hungry.

Until that Day, we live our faith by seeing to it that the hungry among us have food to eat. So, as an expression of our faith and commitment to help the poor, the baskets near the Lord's Table are for us to fill with non-perishable food. You may bring the food with you and place it in the baskets as you come forward to the Table, or you may place it in the baskets at any other time that is convenient for you. On the first Sunday of the month, following our sharing of the Lord's Supper, we bless the food in the baskets, giving thanks to God for those who have brought it, as well as for those who will receive it and be strengthened by it. Then, our children and youth carry the food out of the sanctuary to be delivered to the O.A.S.I.S. Food Pantry. On the second Saturday of the month, our youth and others work at the Food Pantry, distributing the food to the hungry. So come, share the feast of the risen Christ and be filled with God. Then go, feed others as Christ has fed you.

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