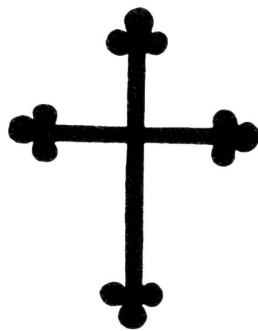


New Hope
Presbyterian Church



June 23, 2013

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 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: Jerry & Rhonda Dyer, Bill & Ruth Reilly, Jim Pettit, Mel Fairchild, Jerry Brown and Kim & Linda Carr

Flowers: To the glory of God and in celebration of their 47th wedding anniversary on June 26th, given by Jim & Connie Pettit, and to the glory of God and in celebration of Lauren Garten's birthday, given by Kirk & Deb Garten.

Liturgist: Elder Rick Cassetta

Sound Booth Technician: Neal Powers

Last Sunday's Attendance: 197

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 cjames@newhopepc.org or 636/936. 2200 x.11.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 23, 2013

10:30 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.*

Teach us, good Lord,
to serve you as you deserve;
to give and not to count the cost;
to fight and not to heed the wounds;
to toil and not to seek for rest;
to labor and not to ask for any reward,
save that of knowing that we do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Worship

+ *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.***

Like Elijah, we seek you, O God,
in the great and powerful, in the roaring wind and fire.

1 Kings 19:11-12; Galatians 3:23-29

But we find you in a whisper.

We gather today to seek you,
to hear you, to worship you.

As one in Christ Jesus—

no longer Jew nor Greek,
no longer slave nor free,
neither male nor female,

but all baptized as one in Christ.

+ *HYMN

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

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*THE CONFESSION

**O God, you are our exceeding joy.
In you alone we have hope of refuge,
and in Christ alone are we properly clothed
and in our right minds.
Yet, we confess,
we cling to old forms of status and identity.
We do not seem to know how to proceed
without continually appealing to race, class, and gender,
categories that divide, rather than unite us in Christ.
Forgive us, O God.
Send out your light and your truth.
Let your Holy Spirit lead us to your dwelling,
that we may praise you with all our gifts
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
and in the name of 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

I'll Fly Away

Mark Hayes

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

1 Kings 19: 1-15a

EPISTLE READING

Galatians 3: 23-29

*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
THE ALLELUIA

Luke 8: 26-39

Celtic 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.

*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

For Everyone Born

Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal Sampler #38

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

Holy

Giulio Caccini

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.*

*All who are able please stand.

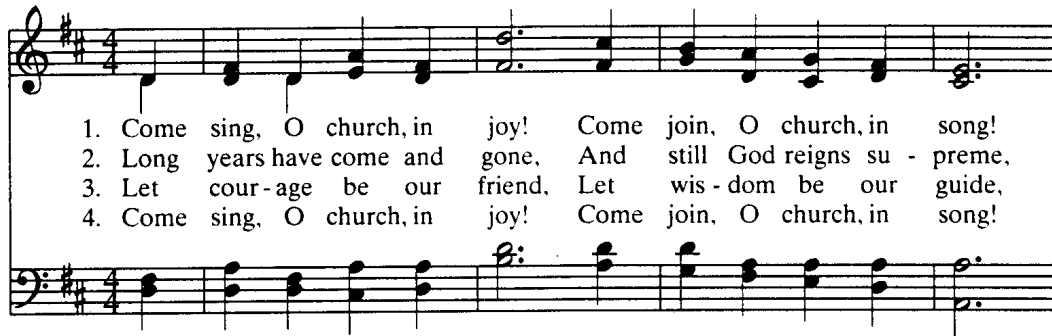
+ Those arriving may be seated.



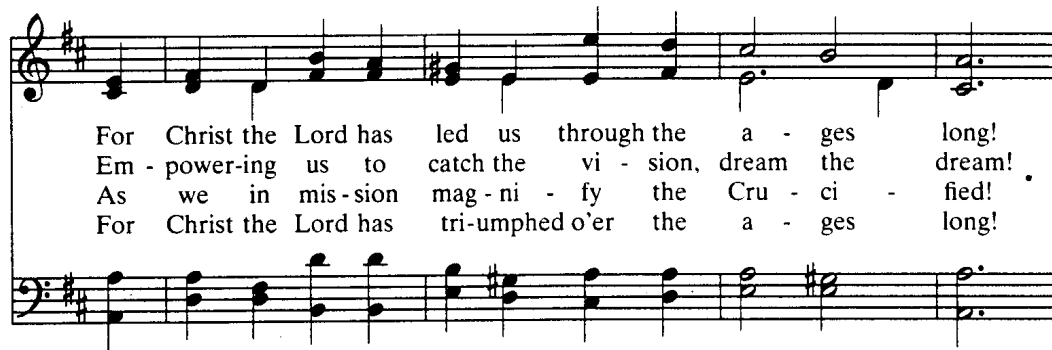
Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

Brian Dill, 1988

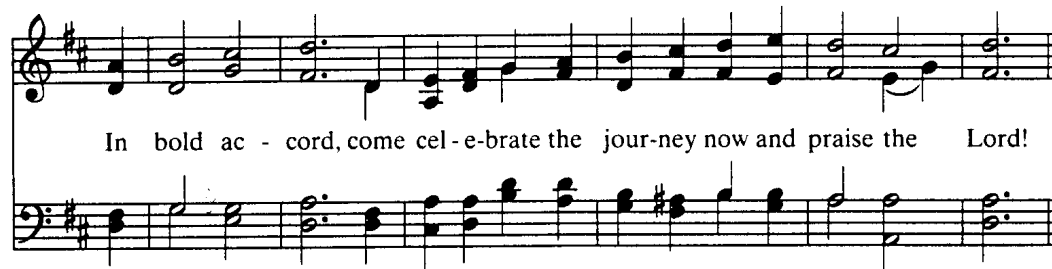
John Darwall, 1770



1. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
2. Long years have come and gone, And still God reigns su - preme,
3. Let cour-age be our friend, Let wis-dom be our guide,
4. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!



For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!
Em - power-ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!
As we in mis-sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!
For Christ the Lord has tri-umphed o'er the a - ges long!



In bold ac - cord, come cel-e-brate the jour-ney now and praise the Lord!

Notes

In the details...

The banner near 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

Why do we pour water into the font?

In ancient times, people regarded *flowing* water as *living* water. Standing water was (and is) known to become stagnant, but flowing water was and continues to be a habitat for life. We pour water into the font not just on those occasions when we celebrate the sacrament of baptism, but on every occasion we gather for worship because it is the waters of baptism that signify who we are as God's beloved. Baptism is not merely a static event in the life of an individual, but a dynamic process of living by God's grace into the fullness of life in the Christian community. When water is poured in the liturgy, we hear the sound of God's baptismal grace and we see anew the water that sustains life on earth and our life with God. It reminds us of our baptismal identity as God's own, of our ongoing need for God's grace, and of our calling to live as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Why do we gather around the font for the confession of sin?

"We love God because God first loved us" (1 John 4:19). As the people of God, we assemble for worship filled with baptismal confidence. Before we ever come to God, God has first come to us. Whenever and wherever we "find" God, we can be assured that God has first

found us. Whether we are baptized as infants or adults, our baptism is not an achievement on our part, but rather God's declaration of love and care for us. Knowing we are God's own and washed in love, we are able to approach the time of confession in honesty, vulnerability and the confidence that God will make us new.

Why do people touch the water when they pass by the font?

The great reformer Martin Luther was a monk who had experienced a crisis of faith in which the more he tried to attain God's love, the more he realized he could not do enough to rise above his own failings. One day while he was reading the Apostle Paul's letter to the Romans, he was awakened to God's magnificent grace that, of course we can do nothing on our own to win God's love, but that God loves us despite ourselves. It was an incredibly freeing realization as God's grace led him to the connection between the love of God and the meaning of the sacrament. Rather than "I *was* baptized," Luther came to declare, "I *am* baptized!" Baptism for Luther became his life-long comfort because it reminded him over and over again that, amidst all the difficulties of life, the truth of God's love and of his own grace-filled identity as a child of God can be seen and heard and felt in the waters of baptism. When we touch the water in the font, we feel with our own skin what we hold in our hearts, that we, too, are God's beloved claimed by grace, no matter what. Thanks be to God!

Why do we have times of silence in the liturgy?

We live in a world saturated with noise and our culture bombards us with sounds all around. Cell phones and computers, television and radio constantly vie for our attention. In the midst of life in this sort of world, the church gathers to *hear* God's voice in song, scripture, sermon and prayer, but also to *listen* for the Holy Spirit and respond from the depths of our hearts. Silence is the space within the liturgy for this to happen. Aidan Kavanagh has said that silence in worship is "the thunderous quiet of people communicating that which escapes being put into mere words." In our worship, silence is observed at the time of confession, following the sermon, during the prayers of the people, and elsewhere depending upon the season. Learning to engage silence requires just that—discipline and effort, but we are blessed if we try because this silence can become a fruitful oasis by which we are nourished in communion with God. Consider these scriptures: "*Be still, and know that I am God*" (Psalm 46:10); "*The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him!*" (Habakkuk 2:20).

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