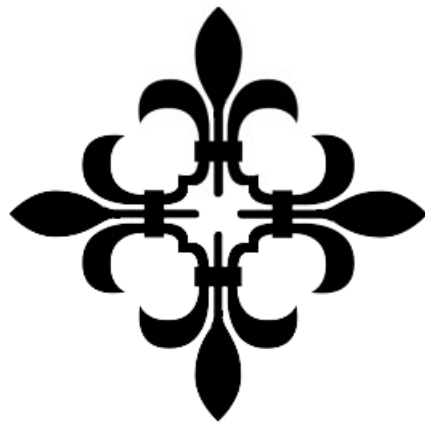


New Hope  
Presbyterian Church



October 27, 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 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) Jerry & Rhonda Dyer (11:00) Bill & Ruth Reilly, Jim Pettit, Mel Fairchild, Jerry Brown, Kim & Linda Carr.

**The red rose** at the foot of the cross is to the glory of God and in celebration of the birth of David Jose Phillips, born October 18<sup>th</sup> to Logan and Anita Phillips. Proud grandparents are Jim & Debbie Phillips, and proud Aunt & Uncle are Ben & Miranda Fleschert.

**Liturgist:** Elder Ty Etling

**Sound Booth Technician:** (8:45) Neal Powers (11:00) Rich Taylor

**Last Sunday's Attendance:** 198

### **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

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

October 27, 2013

8:45 & 11:00 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.*

Good and gracious God,  
you promise to pour out your Spirit upon us;  
you are the hope of the world.  
Give us strength, that we might serve you;  
make us humble, that we might live for your glory alone.  
In the name of Jesus we pray. 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.***

Our God of salvation is the hope of all the ends of the earth. *Ps. 65; 2 Tim. 4:6-8, 16-18*

**The Lord stands with us and strengthens us.**

East and west shout for joy,

**as God brings us safely into the kingdom.**

We shout in triumph! We sing to the Lord!

**To God be the glory forever and ever!**

+ \*HYMN

*Come Sing, O Church, In Joy*

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\*THE CONFESSION

**No words can express the depth of our need  
or reveal the extend of our sin.**

**But you know us completely, O God.**

**When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,  
you forgive our transgressions.**

**You rescue us from evil**

and clothe us with love.  
**Humbly, we thank you;**  
**for no words can express our gratitude**  
**for the gift of your salvation. Amen.**

*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.**

**THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Joel 2: 23-32

PSALTER

Psalm 65

*The cantor will sing the verses and the congregation will sing the refrain.*

<sup>1</sup> You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;  
to you shall vows be fulfilled.

<sup>2</sup> To you, the one who answers prayer,  
to you all flesh shall come.

<sup>3</sup> Our sins are stronger than we are,  
but you blot out our transgressions.

<sup>4</sup> Happy are they whom you choose  
and draw to your courts to dwell there!  
They will be satisfied by the beauty of your  
house, by the holiness of your temple. **(R)**

<sup>5</sup> Awesome things will you show us  
in your righteousness, O God of our salvation,  
O hope of all the ends of the earth and of  
oceans far away.

<sup>6</sup> You make firm the mountains by your power;  
you are girded about with might.

<sup>7</sup> You still the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves,  
and the clamor of the peoples.

<sup>8</sup> Those who dwell at the ends of the earth  
will tremble at your marvelous signs;  
you make the dawn and the dust to sing for joy. **(R)**

<sup>9</sup> You visit the earth and water it abundantly;  
you make it very plenteous;  
the river of God is full of water.  
You prepare the grain,  
for so you provide for the earth.

<sup>10</sup> You drench the furrows  
and smooth out the ridges;  
with heavy rain you soften the ground  
and bless its increase.

<sup>11</sup> You crown the year with your goodness,

and your paths overflow with plenty.  
<sup>12</sup>May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy.

<sup>13</sup>May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; let them shout for joy and sing. **(R)**

EPISTLE READING

2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

\*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

Luke 18: 9-14

THE ALLELUIA

*Celtic Alleluia*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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 EUCHARIST**

OFFERING OF OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS

(11:00) ANTHEM

*And the Church Shall Rise*

Stan Pethel

CONSECRATION & COMMITMENT

*☞ Instruction and Moment to Complete Estimate-of-Giving Cards*

*You are invited to complete your Estimate-of-Giving card. If you need more time, you may take it with you and return it to the church office at a later date. When you come forward for the Lord's Supper, you may place your card in the basket on the Lord's Table as a worshipful act of dedication. You may then proceed to partake of the bread and the cup.*

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. 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

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

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\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

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\*Please rise in body or spirit.

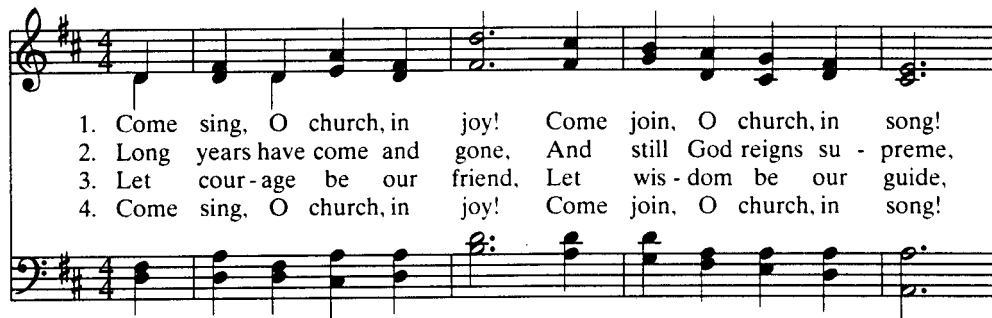
+ Those arriving may be seated.



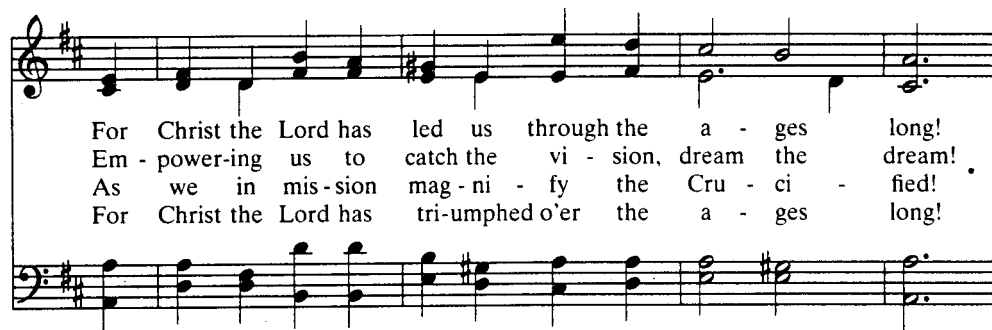
# Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

Brian Dill, 1988

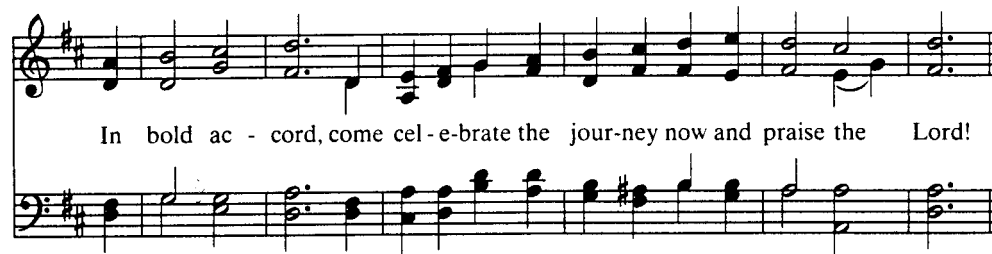
John Darwall, 1770



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!



# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther, 1529  
Trans. Frederick Henry Hedge, 1852

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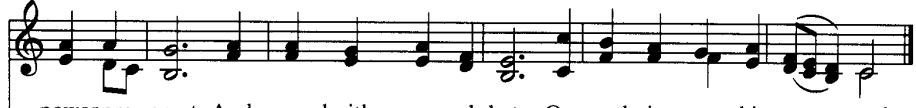
1. A might - y for - tress is our God, A bul - wark nev - er fail - ing;  
2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, Our striv - ing would be los - ing;  
3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, Should threat - en to un - do us,  
4. That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, No thanks to them, a - bid - eth;



Our help - er He a - mid the flood Of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.  
Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choos - ing.  
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to tri - umph through us.  
The Spir - it and the gifts are ours Through Him who with us sid - eth;



For still our an - cient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is He, Lord Sab - a -  
The prince of dark - ness grim, We trem - ble not for him; His rage we  
Let goods and kin - dred go, This mor - tal life al - so; The bod - y



power are great, And, armed with cru - el hate, On earth is not his e - qual.  
oth His name, From age to age the same, And He must win the bat - tle.  
can en - dure, For lo! his doom is sure, One lit - tle word shall fell him.  
they may kill, God's truth a - bid - eth still, His king - dom is for - ev - er.



### ***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)***

#### ***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).

#### ***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 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).

***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.

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