

# New Hope Presbyterian Church



September 28, 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, 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, Margo VanMill. (11:00) Jerry Brown, Kim & Linda Carr, Mel Fairchild, Jim Pettit, Bill & Ruth Reilly.

**Flowers:** To the glory of God and in loving memory of the Rev. Jim and Iva Lou Bullard (Deb's parents), given by Kirk & Deb Garten.

**Sound Booth:** (8:45) Mike Dame (11:00) Bill Irvine

**Last Sunday's Attendance:** 152

### **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 for home bound Communion, contact Pastor James at [cqjames@newhopepc.org](mailto:cqjames@newhopepc.org) or 936.2200 x.11.

# ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## *Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

September 28, 2014

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

*It Is Well With My Soul*  
a duet for organ and piano

arr. Mark Hayes & Marvin Gaspard

Prayer of Preparation

*This prayer is offered as an aid to help worshipers center the heart and mind for worship.*

Grant unto us, O God, the fullness of your promises.  
Where we have been weak, grant us your strength;  
where we have been confused, grant us your guidance;  
where we have been distraught, grant us your comfort;  
where we have been dead, grant us your life.  
Apart from you, O Lord, we are nothing,  
in and with you we can do all things. Amen.

*Book of Common Worship*

+ \*DOXOLOGY (*Glory to God* 607)

***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.***

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\*OPENING SENTENCES

Let the mind of Christ be in you—  
**one mind, one heart, one joy.**  
Let the Spirit of Christ be with you—  
**one Spirit, one body, one love.**

*Phil. 2:1-2,5*

+ \*HYMN 626

*As the Deer*

AS THE DEER

\*THE CONFESSION

**God our redeemer, we confess  
that we remain captivated by sin.  
We promise to serve you,  
then we fail to do your will.**

**We pretend to follow you,  
then we go our own way.  
Forgive us; liberate us!  
Let us be no longer bound by sin,  
but released, restored, set free  
to worship and serve you in freedom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

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

(11:00) CHORAL RESPONSE      *Drop, Drop Slow Tears*      Orlando Gibbons

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

THE PEACE

*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 to God 581)*      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

Exodus 17: 1-7

PSALTER

Psalm 78: 1-4, 12-16, cantor/choir

*People of the Lord (Glory to God 632)*

EPISTLE READING

Philippians 2: 1-13

\*THE GOSPEL

ACCLAMATION      *Christ, Be Our Light (refrain) (Glory to God 314)*

CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

***Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.***

***Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.***

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 21: 23-32

THE ALLELUIA      *(Glory to God 586)*

ALLELUIA 7

***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

***Alleluia, alleluia, 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 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

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*☞ Coming to the Table—Ushers will invite worshipers to the Lord's Table by rows. All the baptized may come to the Table at the center and return by the outside aisles.*

*☞ Receiving the elements—You may take the bread, dip it into the chalice and partake of both together (intinction), or you may partake of the bread first, and then proceed to partake of the juice separately 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 263

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

CORONATION

\*BLESSING & CHARGE

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\*Please rise in body or spirit.

+ Those arriving may be seated.



## **“I’ve Been Wondering…” FAQs about Worship**

### ***What is a cantor?***

Strictly speaking, a cantor is a leader of song. In the Jewish synagogue, as well as in the Christian church throughout the ages, the office of cantor is a specialized ministry that serves by leading the congregation in its worship. Whereas a soloist may sing as a part of worship, a cantor more specifically leads the congregation in prayer through song. For instance, the psalms are really prayers set to music. They come to us from the Jewish tradition and the Hebrews’ experience of God in the Old Testament. In worship, the psalms serve not as a distinct scripture reading, but as a prayerful response to the first reading. We pray the psalms in a variety of ways. Sometimes the congregation sings the psalm as a metrical (hymn) setting. At other times, we sing it as a responsorial setting where the cantor sings the verses and the congregation sings the refrain. Regardless, the psalms are prayers we sing and the cantor serves to lead the congregation’s singing in a more relational and directive role than simply a “soloist.” A cantor’s role is not limited to leading the psalms. The cantor also leads the congregation’s other musical prayers, regardless of whether the congregation is also singing along.

### ***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).

### ***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

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Audrey Chipley, *Child Care Provider*  
Marion Hamilton, *Child Care Provider*  
Vickie Moore, *Sexton*  
Cecilia Poma, *Sexton*

## ***Session***

*Fellowship*  
Jim Pettit (2014)  
Katie Harmon (2015)  
Craig Graber (2016)

*Formation for Discipleship*  
Susan Phillips (2014)  
Lauren Martinez (2014)  
Deb Garten (2015)  
Shelley Geiger (2016)

*Ministry, Mission & Evangelism*  
Ruth Irvine, Clerk (2014)  
Neal Powers (2015)  
Jim Salter (2016)

*Worship, Music & the Arts*  
Kristin Judd (2014)  
Michael Ray (2015)  
Linda Dencker (2016)

*Administration & Support*  
Allen Sebaugh (2014)  
Kathy Gibbs (2015)  
Bill Pires (2016)

## ***Diaconate***

2014  
Kimm Besgrove  
Jennifer Everly  
Don Higgason  
Pat Murphy  
Laura Eikmann

2015  
Jerry Dyer  
Jackie Etling  
Bill Judd  
Kristen Moore  
Jim Phillips

2016  
Earl Bostic  
Ruth Connor  
Marion Hamilton  
Stan Whiteley  
Jan Parker



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# News & Opportunities

**Sunday, September 28th**

8:45 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
9:45 a.m.	Christian Formation	Various Locations
11:00 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
12:00 p.m.	Deacon Picnic	Church Wide

**Tuesday, September 30th**

7:00 p.m.	A.A.	Worship Space
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**Wednesday, October 1st**

10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	Adult Mission Trip Meeting	Senior High Room
7:15 p.m.	Choir Practice	Worship Space

**Thursday, October 2nd**

10:00 a.m.	Jubilee Circle	Senior High Room
1:00 p.m.	Agape Circle	Senior High Room
5:50 p.m.	Employment Ministry Committee	Worship Space
7:00 p.m.	Employment Ministry	Worship Space
7:00 p.m.	Joy Circle	Conference Room

**Friday, October 3rd**

5:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop 1771	Worship Space
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**Sunday, October 5th**

8:45 a.m.	Word & Sacrament	Worship Space
9:45 a.m.	Christian Formation	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	Sunshine Room
3:00 p.m.	Youth Group Meeting	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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**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

The Session has called a meeting of the congregation for Sunday, October 5th at 12:00 pm, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Nominating Committee and electing members of the congregation to the ordered ministries of Ruling Elder and Deacon, and to the Nominating Committee for 2015.

**DEACON PICNIC**

TODAY is the annual Deacon Picnic, immediately following the 11:00 am worship service. The Deacons are providing fried chicken for everyone, as well as fun and games! We ask that each participant bring a dish: Last Name A - G: Salad, Last Name H - M: Veggie or Side Dish, Last Name N - Z: Dessert

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the *50 K in 50 Days* special collection. To date, we have received \$39,632.66 towards our goal of \$50,000.00, which means we are 80% of the way there! The funds raised will be used to repair the church parking lot and the playground area. Thanks again to all who have given or anticipate giving!

**FINANCIAL CORNER**

August Contributions	43,411.55
Monthly Budget	<u>37,922.88</u>
	5,488.67
Year-to-date Contributions	294,054.80
Year-to-date Budget	<u>303,383.04</u>
	- 9,328.24

**20TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET**

“Reflecting on God’s blessings – moving forward with renewed hope”  
 NHPC 20th Anniversary Banquet  
 New Hope has been worshipping together for 20 years! Join us on Sunday, October 26th at 12:30 pm for food (dessert contest), some church history, great fellowship, tons of fun and live entertainment featuring a 90 minute free concert by Vocal Edge, St. Louis’ premier men’s vocal group. The banquet is at Pezold Banquet Center, 5701 Highway N. The cost is \$12/person before September 30th and \$15/person after September 30th, with kids under 5 free. RSVP on Sundays in the Narthex.

**TRUNK OR TREAT**

Mark your calendars for Friday, October 24th at 6:00 pm for New Hope’s annual “Trunk-or-Treat!” More information will be coming soon!

**YOUTH**

October 5th - Join us for Frisbee Golf at Creve Coeur Park! Meet at church at 3:00 pm to carpool and bring a friend!  
 October 11th - OASIS Food Pantry at 9:45 am

**MCTEACHER’S NIGHT**

Take a night off from cooking! Join the New Hope teachers at McDonald’s for dinner on Tuesday, October 7 from 4-8 PM. A portion of all proceeds (both inside and the drive through) will benefit New Hope Preschool.

## CHILDREN

**Today, September 28th** **October 5th**

*Infant Nursery*

Katharine Harmon

Ruth Connor

*Pre-K Nursery*

Carol Dodds

Jane Cox

**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

September 28th—Jane Cox & Julie Nowakowski  
October 5th - No Worship Feast

To sign up to volunteer in the infant nursery, pre-k nursery, or Worship Feast, go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4fa9a829a7fa7-child>

**Kids Fellowship Club** is a fun-filled fellowship club for boys and girls in Kindergarten through 5th grade. We will meet two Sunday afternoons each month in the Sunshine Room on the lower level.

October 5th—"Blankets for Prayer Shawl Ministry" at church from 3:00 until 4:30 pm. We will tie flannel blankets to give to children who are hospitalized, seriously ill or who suffer a loss. We'll also play games and have a snack.

## USED BOOKS COLLECTION

The MME committee continues to need gently used books for distribution to various organizations in St Charles. This year we were successful in providing books to prisoners in the St Charles County jail and well as several retirement venues in the area. All have been very appreciative of the donated books. There will be a drop of box by the information table available for your donations.

## WORSHIP

**New Hope worships** each Sunday at 8:45 am and 11:00 am

**Lectionary for Sunday, October 5, 2014**

Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Psalms 19

Philippians 3: 4-14

Matthew 21: 33-46

## FESTIVAL OF SHARING

The annual Festival of Sharing takes place in Sedalia, MO on Saturday October 18, 2014. This year New Hope is donating Readin' and Writin' Packs (\$12), Personal Hygiene Packs (\$20), and Family Food Packs (\$25). If you elect to make a financial gift simply mark it for "Festival of Sharing." We are now collecting donated items for the kits. Look for our collection basket in the narthex and flyers on the information table listing the contents for each kit. Sunday October 12, 2014 will be the last day for contributions.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**JUBILEE CIRCLE:**

A big "Thank You" to Nancy Seals and Margaret Mortland for helping provide child care for the Jubilee Circle's September meeting! We are thankful for your willingness to help with our little ones.

The Jubilee Circle continues to need child care help on the first Thursday of the month from 10-11am. There is a sign up sheet on the Information Table. Questions? Contact Jennifer James at 314-640-5880.

**OUTLOOK BIBLE STUDY:**

The Formation for Discipleship Committee is looking for a leader for an adult Bible study on Sunday mornings. Interest has been expressed in the Bible Study from the Outlook magazine. If you would be interested in leading such a group, or would like more information, please contact Barbi Smith at 636 936-2200.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

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The 2014-2015 Sunday School year has begun for everyone from toddlers in the Nursery to adults! Below is a list of classes, where they meet and the curriculum they are using. Sunday School is from 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. each Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact Barbi Smith at 636-936-2200 or [bsmith@newhopepc.org](mailto:bsmith@newhopepc.org).

**Birth – Three Years Old** (Nursery) Wee Children at Church

**Preschool (ages 3 – 5)** (Butterfly Room)  
Wee Believe (PCUSA)

**Kindergarten – Grade 2** (Caterpillar Room)  
Feasting on the Word (PCUSA)

**Grades 3 – 5** (Downstairs Kitchen) Feasting on the Word (PCUSA)

**Youth (Grades 6 – 12)** (Senior High Room)  
Feasting on the Word (PCUSA)

**Contemporary Issues (adults)** (Conference Room) Varies

**Nooma Series (adults)** (Mid-high Room)  
Nooma DVDs

New Study for Adults!

Come to the Gather Place (Room 103) for a new adult class! The Nooma Series is a collection of short films that explore our world from the perspective of Jesus. Through each dvds, Rob Bell extends an invitation to search, question, and join the discussion. Each session stands along so come to all or one. There is a flyer on the Information Table with a description of each session.

September 28 "Kickball", October 5 "Dust", October 12 "Lump"

## FREE LUNCHEON & PRESENTATION

The Peacemaking Offering is one of four denominational offerings. It supports the peacemaking efforts of the church at every governing body level and provides an opportunity to witness to God's gift of peace in the world. Gifts

given to the Peacemaking Offering through a congregation are divided in the following manner: 25% retained by congregations for support of their own peacemaking ministry, 25 percent used to support presbytery and synod peacemaking efforts, and 50 percent forwarded to the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program of the Presbyterian Mission Agency so that it can continue to provide assistance and resources for congregations and other bodies of the PCUSA.

This year, the 25% of the offering that remains locally will go to The Covering House. The Covering House ([thecoveringhouse.org](http://thecoveringhouse.org)) is an organization of client support for women who are 20 years old or younger. They provide residential treatment for young women who have been enslaved in human trafficking and have been able to break free of this horrible abuse. Plan to come listen to Kathy Farrar who will explain the burgeoning growth of human trafficking in the St. Louis area, what life was like for these young women and how The Covering House is making a difference in their lives. (NOTE: This presentation is not suitable for pre-teen children, and you may wish to have a serious discussion about human trafficking with your teenager before attending. If your pre-teen children will attend the luncheon, we can provide childcare in another room if so requested on the reservation form.)

You are invited to a free luncheon during peacemaking season. The MME and the Fellowship Committees, along with Presbyterian Women, are sponsoring a Peacemaking Luncheon and a speaker from The Covering House on Sunday, October 12th right after the second worship service. Please plan to attend this luncheon (a free will offering will be taken and given to The Covering House). Please complete a reservation card found on the Information Table so we know how much food to prepare.