

*New Hope Lutheran Church*



*Liturgy of Holy Communion  
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 8, 2024  
10:30 am*

**NEW HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**2105 Willis Lane**  
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*A Word to our Visitors & Guests*

Welcome to New Hope Lutheran Church-ELCA. We are grateful you chose to worship with us and hope that you will experience the joy of God's life-changing love today. Whether looking for a church home, curious about the Christian Faith or visiting with Family, you are welcome here. Please fill out a Connection Card, located in the seat pocket in front of you, so we might better communicate with you. They can be placed in the offering plate or given to an usher. Please stop by the visitor booth in the lobby for information about any of New Hope's ministries. We have a children's sermon and then Children's Church for preschool-third grade. Childcare is available for infants through age three. If you are in need of childcare, please speak to one of our ushers.

ALL are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper. We invite you to come forward as the ushers instruct and stand or kneel at the altar. You will receive the bread in your hand and a small cup of wine or juice. After communing you are invited to rise and return to your seat by way of the side aisle.

New Hope Lutheran Church has been planted in Keller for over 25 years. We are energized by our mission to pass on the faith, serve our community, worship God and grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. We pray your time with us today will inspire and challenge you to live out your faith in daily life and join us as we live out our mission to ***Boldly Share God's Word!***

Pastor Miles Holder  
Scott Martin, Parish Lay Minister  
Bruno Ribeiro, Music Director  
Charlene Starr, Administrative Assistant  
Elizabeth Kunkler, New Hope Christian School Director

## *Prelude*

### *Call to Worship*

*The assembly stands*

#### **Here I am to Worship (Sung)**

Here I am to worship,  
Here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely,  
Altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.  
Here I am to worship.

## *Welcome*

We welcome all those who gather to worship this morning, both here in person, and those joining us on Facebook Live. This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. We extend a special welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning. We're so pleased that you have chosen to gather here to worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

## *Confession and Forgiveness*

P: In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✝ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

# What Wondrous Love Is This

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when  
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to  
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this  
 I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down  
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,  
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,

that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my  
 be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my  
 who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will  
 I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?  
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.  
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.  
 on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.



# Canticle of Praise

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

*All*



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## ***Prayer of the Day***

P: Let us pray...

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.

**C: Amen**

*The assembly is seated*

## ***Word***

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

### **Isaiah 35:3-7**

<sup>3</sup> Strengthen the feeble hands, steady the knees that give way; <sup>4</sup> say to those with fearful hearts, “Be strong, do not fear; your God will come, he will come with vengeance; with divine retribution he will come to save you.”

<sup>5</sup> Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. <sup>6</sup> Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy. Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert. <sup>7</sup> The burning sand will become a pool, the thirsty ground bubbling springs. In the haunts where jackals once lay, grass and reeds and papyrus will grow.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 146 (read bold text responsively)

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, my soul.

<sup>2</sup> **I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.**

<sup>3</sup> Do not put your trust in princes, in human beings, who cannot save.

<sup>4</sup> **When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;  
on that very day their plans come to nothing.**

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God.

<sup>6</sup> **He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them—  
he remains faithful forever.**

<sup>7</sup> He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets prisoners free,

<sup>8</sup> **the LORD gives sight to the blind, the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down,  
the LORD loves the righteous.**

<sup>9</sup> The LORD watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow,  
but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

<sup>10</sup> **The LORD reigns forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD.**

## James 2:1-10, 14-17

My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism. <sup>2</sup> Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in filthy old clothes also comes in. <sup>3</sup> If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, “Here’s a good seat for you,” but say to the poor man, “You stand there” or “Sit on the floor by my feet,” <sup>4</sup> have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? <sup>5</sup> Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him? <sup>6</sup> But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? <sup>7</sup> Are they not the ones who are blaspheming the noble name of him to whom you belong? <sup>8</sup> If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, “Love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing right. <sup>9</sup> But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. <sup>10</sup> For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it. <sup>14</sup> What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? <sup>15</sup> Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. <sup>16</sup> If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? <sup>17</sup> In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

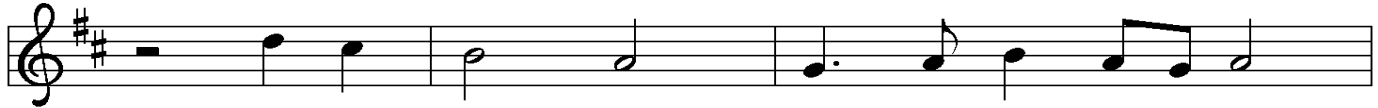
L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.



## ***Gospel Acclamation***

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## ***Gospel***

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark

**C: Glory to you, O Lord**

**Mark 7:24-37**

<sup>24</sup> Jesus left that place and went to the vicinity of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know it; yet he could not keep his presence secret. <sup>25</sup> In fact, as soon as she heard about him, a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an impure spirit came and fell at his feet. <sup>26</sup> The woman was a Greek, born in Syrian Phoenicia. She begged Jesus to drive the demon out of her daughter. <sup>27</sup> “First let the children eat all they want,” he told her, “for it is not right to take the children’s bread and toss it to the dogs.” <sup>28</sup> “Lord,” she replied, “even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” <sup>29</sup> Then he told her, “For such a reply, you may go; the demon has left your daughter.” <sup>30</sup> She went home and found her child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. <sup>31</sup> Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup> There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged Jesus to place his hand on him. <sup>33</sup> After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man’s ears. Then he spit and touched the man’s tongue. <sup>34</sup> He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, “*Ephphatha!*” (which means “Be opened!”). <sup>35</sup> At this, the man’s ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly. <sup>36</sup> Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. <sup>37</sup> People were overwhelmed with amazement. “He has done everything well,” they said. “He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

## ***Children’s Message***

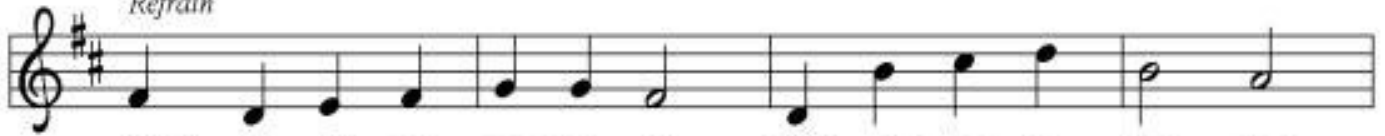
### ***Sermon***

*The assembly is seated*

***Pastor Miles Holder***

# Healer of Our Every Ill

*Refrain*



Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

*Refrain*



peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.  
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.  
ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.  
way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

## ***APOSTLES' CREED***

A: Let us confess the faith of the Church with 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 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**

## ***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION***

A:Hear us, O God

**C:Your mercy is great**

## ***Peace***

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

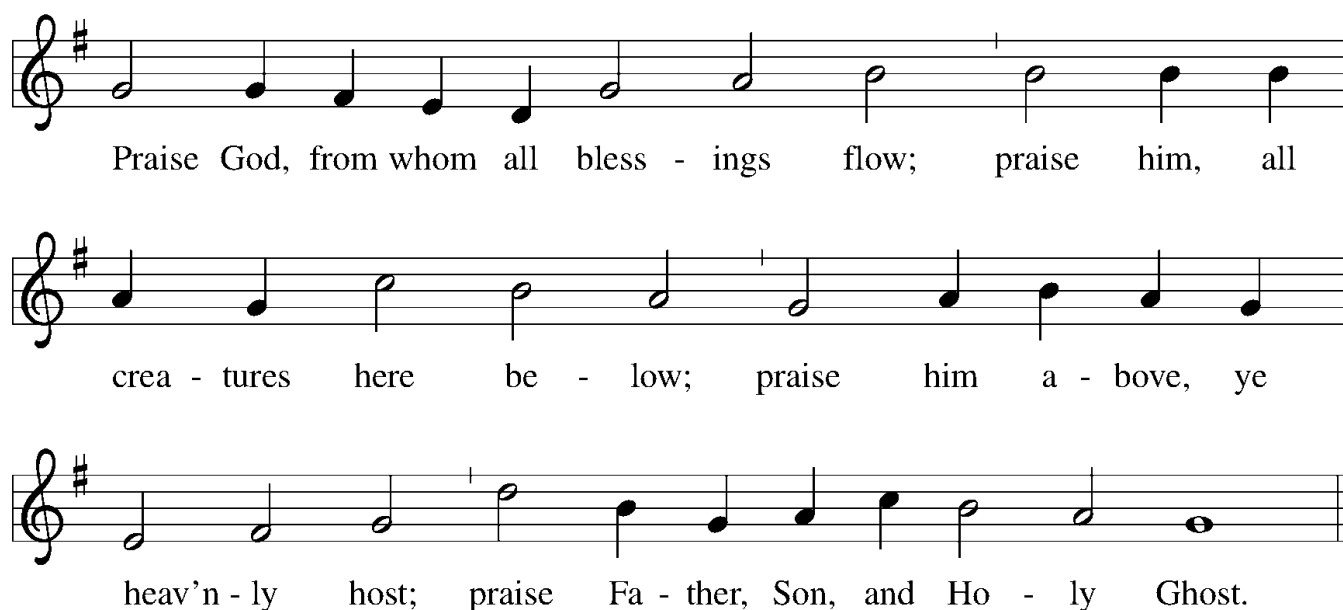
**C:** And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.*

*The assembly is seated.*

## ***Offering***

*In response to God's Good News of grace and abundance freely given to us in Christ Jesus, we return joyfully our first fruits for the mission of New Hope Lutheran Church, including the wider expressions of the whole body of Christ and the care of those in need.*



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all  
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## ***Offering Prayer***

**A:** Let us pray...

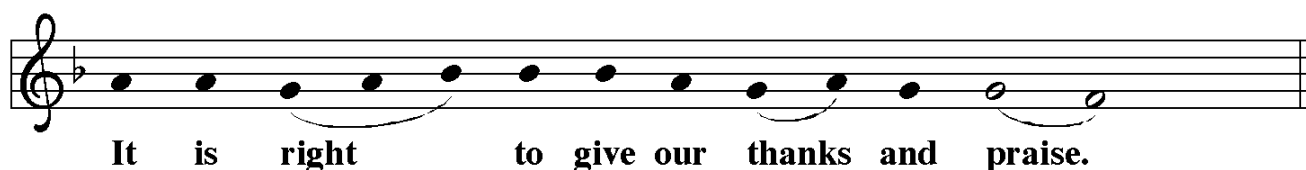
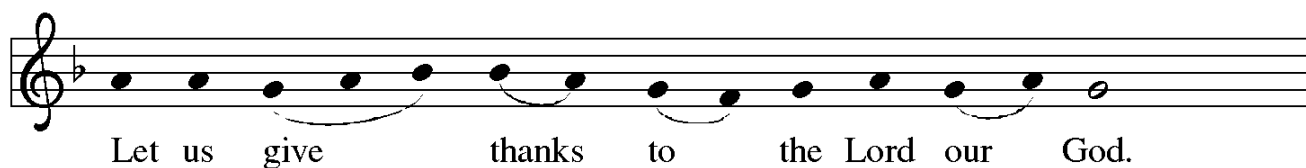
God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

## *Meal*

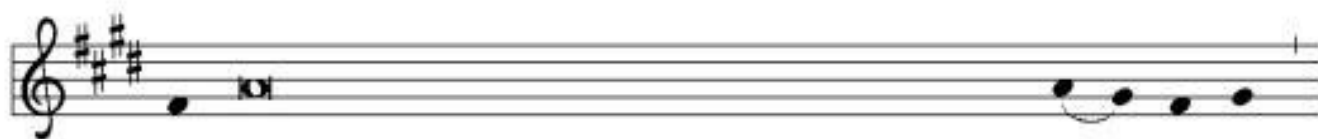
### *Great Thanksgiving*

*2nd Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136*





It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



al-mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;



who on this day overcame death and the grave,



and by his glorious resur-rec - tion



opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.



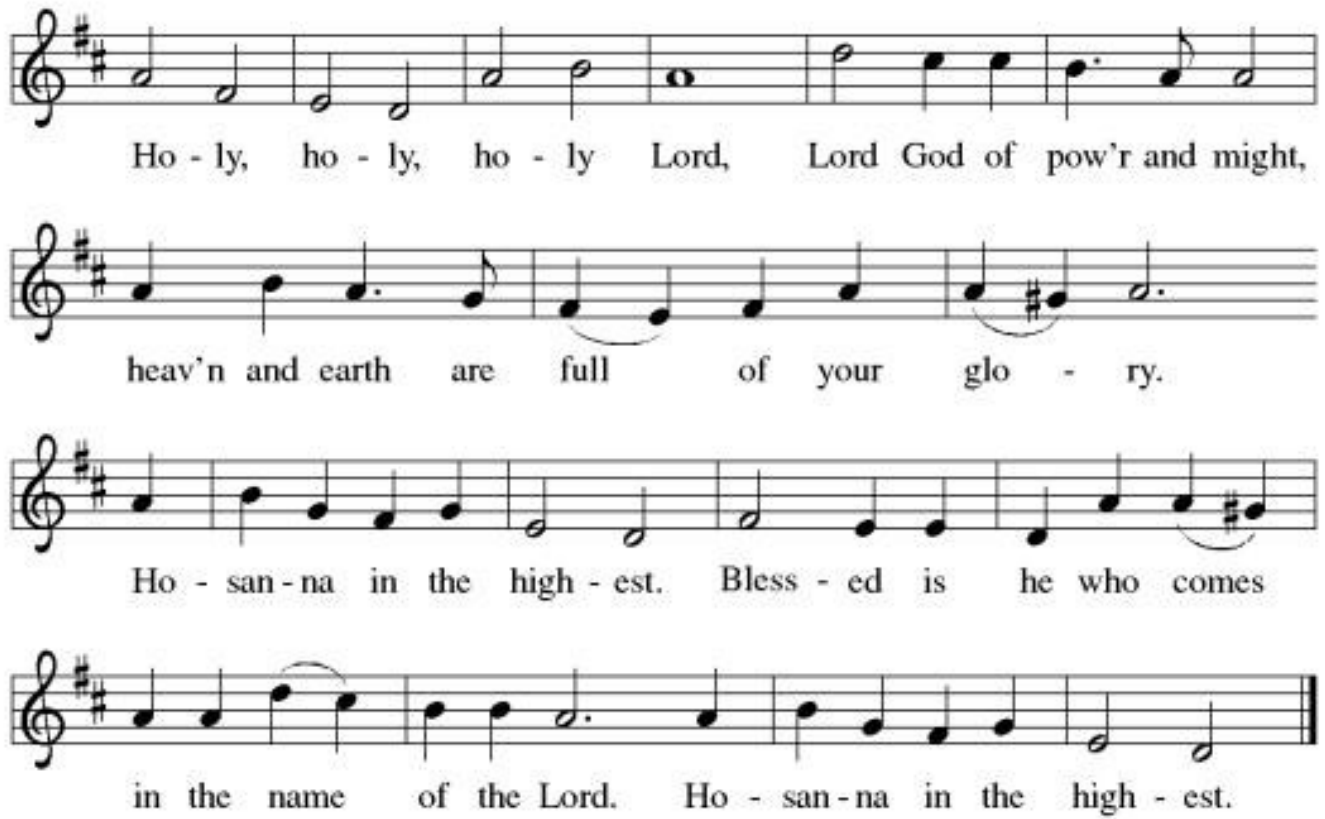
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,



with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The presiding minister prays the words of institution*  
*Matthew 26:26-28*

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.  
In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.  
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.  
Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.  
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

***Lord's Prayer***

*Matthew 6:9-13*

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.  
**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.**  
**Amen**



# *The Sacrament of Communion*

*We practice open communion at New Hope. Jesus is the host for this meal and is present in the bread and the wine. He invites you to come and receive the body of Christ given for you, and the blood of Christ shed for you. Forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in this meal. Children who have not yet received communion instruction are invited to come forward for a blessing. You will receive bread from the pastor, then either wine or grape juice. Please let the ushers know if you are in need of communion at your seat.*

## *Invitation to Communion*

P: The bread is broken and the wine is poured. Come to the Lord's table of love, mercy and forgiveness, for all things now have been made ready.

## *Agnus Dei*

*"Lamb of God" John 1:29*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

# Come, Let Us Eat



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,



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Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,



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Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom.

## *Table Blessing*

P: And now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace, now and unto eternal life.

**Amen**

## *Prayer after Communion*

A: Let us pray together...

C: O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

## Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in



joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

## *Announcements*

### *Blessing*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

## 10,000 Reasons

Bless the Lord, O my soul O my soul;  
Worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up; it's a new day dawning.  
It's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Bless the Lord, O my soul O my soul;  
Worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Bless the Lord, O my soul O my soul;  
Worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship Your holy name.

Worship your holy name.  
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name,  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship Your holy name.  
Worship your holy name. worship Your holy name.

### ***Dismissal***

**P:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.



## ***Boldly Sharing God's Word***

***Come as You Are!***

***Come Make a Difference!***

***Come to Belong!***

***If you are visiting New Hope or have a prayer request please fill out the blue connection card located in the seat pocket.***

**Be sure to check New Hope's website for updated information and calendar  
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# Prayer Requests

## **Thanksgiving to God for:**

- New Hope Christian School
- Those who found employment
- First responders and police

## **God's guidance and direction for:**

- The mission and ministry of New Hope Lutheran Church
- National and world leaders working for justice and peace
- Those discerning vocational call or seeking employment
- Those who struggle with family issues

## **NT-NL sister congregations and ministries:**

Pray daily for Christ's redeeming love and grace to be at the heart of our witness and for leaders in Campus Ministry and Youth & Family Ministry, NT-NL Synod Council, St. John in Wilson, Church of the Damascus Road and the incarcerated and those working in prisons.

## **Healing, wholeness, protection:**

- Congregation members and friends: *especially Bryan, Matt, Jorge and the family of Jesse, Amy, the family of Elizabeth M., the Conner family, Jack, the Divis family, Betty, Andrew, Karen K., Scott, Craig, Carrie, Rachel, Delores, Kristell, Tim Capps and family, and the peoples and leaders of Russia, Ukraine, Israel and Palestine.*
- Homebound, especially Ella Kramer
- Children and teachers navigating remote learning
- Young adults attending college or away from home
- All athletes playing sports
- Cub Scouts and The Order of The Arrow
- All deployed, non-deployed, reserve and veteran Armed Forces and families
- Those recovering from catastrophe or weather
- All those affected and displaced by recent natural disasters
- The victims of terrorism and violence

## **Grieving:**

Those dealing with loss

## **Upcoming Events:**

- Church picnic today September 8th 12:00-3:00pm 640 Johnson Rd Park, Pavilion #1.
- Children's' choir practice starts Wednesday September 11th 5:30-6:00pm
- Youth groups starts back Wednesday September 11th 6-7:00pm after choir practice
- Bunco will return September 12 at 6:30pm. \$5 to play, bring a snack or dessert to share, water is provided and all are welcome!
- Sunday September 15th, Rebecca Chase, an intern at Calvary in NRH, will be the assisting minister and delivering the sermon.

# New Hope Giving

As of 9/1/2024

<u>Weekly</u>		<u>YTD</u>	
Contributions	Budget	Contributions	Budget
\$1,763	\$2,769	\$95,907	\$98,008

Thank you to the following who served at worship *today*:

**Pastor:** Miles Holder

**Assisting Minister:** Jan Carter **Reader:** Freida Sullivan

**Ushers:** Greg Carter & Jessica Rueter **Greeter:** Greg Carter

Thank you to the following who will serve at worship **September 15th**

**Pastor:** Miles Holder

**Assisting Minister:** Rebecca Chase **Reader:** Karin Urbanczyk

**Ushers:** Daniel Goffney & Scott Martin **Greeter:** Scott Martin

**Thank you to the counters for September:** Maria Capps & Rick Humes

## Thank you to following teams

**Hybrid Worship Team:** Andrew Edelstein, Bob Gartner & Jeff Manthei

**Altar Guild:** Gerda Evans, Deb Hultberg, Deb McMurry, Janice Needham,  
Laura Salvetti & Wendy Underwood

**Praise Team:** Maria Capps, Kemberley Edelstein,  
Jack Lang, Gary Markestad & Karin Urbanczyk

## Looking Ahead...

<b>Today</b>	<b>12-3</b> Church Picnic-Pastor's birthday
<b>Tues. Sept. 10th</b>	<b>7:00pm</b> Bible Based Recovery
<b>Wed. Sept. 11th</b>	<b>5:30-6:00pm</b> Children's Choir practice
	<b>6-7:00pm</b> Youth group
	<b>7:00pm</b> Finance Meeting
<b>Thurs. Sept. 12th</b>	<b>6:30pm</b> Bunco
<b>Sun. Sept. 15th</b>	Rebecca Chase visiting
	Council meeting after service

*~Adult Choir Practice every Sunday 9:15 am~*

*\*\*\*Children's Sunday School every Sunday from 9:30am to 10:15am\*\*\**