New Hope Lutheran Church

"Sharing God's gifts with all, proclaiming New Hope in Jesus"



Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 3rd, 2023

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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 3rd, 2023 Worship Setting—1-ELW

Pastor of Record—Pastor Gretchen Freese

A NOTE ABOUT COMMUNION

Here at New Hope we offer the celebration of Holy Communion at all Sunday worship services as we are able. All baptized members and guests are invited to join us as we partake in the Body and Blood of Our Savior.

A WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

At New Hope Lutheran Church, visitors are especially welcomed. We regularly gather for worship, study, fellowship and service and invite all those who gather with us to participate in these ministries. Regardless of where you come from you are foremost a child of God and are welcomed at this place we call New Hope Lutheran Church.

Just come as you are...

WELCOME AND ANNOUCEMENTS

(Please stand if you are able)

GATHERING SONG

"Will You Come and Follow Me"ELW 798

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 of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: 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 \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE



P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Children's Message: Pastor Scott Vana

First Reading: Jeremiah 15: 15-21

A reading from Jeremiah

¹⁵O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. 16 Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. 17I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. ¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

R: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 26: 1-8

¹Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

²Test me, O Lord, and try me; examine my heart and my mind.

³For your steadfast love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.

⁴I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.

⁵I have hated the company of evildoers; I will not sit down with the wicked.

⁶I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, that I may go in procession round your altar,

⁷singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

⁸LORD, I LOVE THE HOUSE IN WHICH YOU DWELL and the place where your glory abides.

Second Reading: Romans 12: 9-21

A reading from Romans

⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

R: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand if you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

Gospel: Matthew 16: 21-28

P: The Holy gospel according to Matthew,

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

²⁷"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Sermon of the Day...... Pastor Scott Vana

(Please stand if you are able)

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"For the Beauty of the Earth"ELW 879

APOSTLES CREED

A: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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.

(Please be seated)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Merciful God,

C: Receive Our Prayer.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

<u>OFFERING</u> (Please stand if you are able)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let Us Pray,

C: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

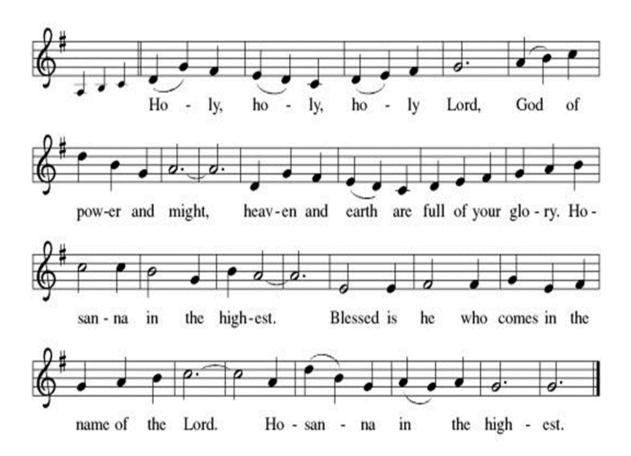
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times....praise your name and join their unending hymn.



Words of Institution

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken)

Our Father, which 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 trespassers, 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.

(Please be seated) **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

We encourage you to utilize the Lamb of God as a time of Meditation/ Preparation for Communion.

(Please remain seated until Communion Hymn begins)



Communion

Lutherans confess that Jesus Christ is present in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. We invite all baptized Christians to join us at the Lord's Supper.

(Please Stand if you are able) **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his Grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray,

C: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SENDING SONG:

"Listen, God is Calling"..... ELW 513

SENDING

P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord.

C: Sharing God's Gifts with All, Proclaiming New Hope in Jesus! Thanks be to God.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

9/5 Katherine Barnett



Readings for September 10th

Ezekiel 33: 7-11 Psalm 119: 33-40

Romans 13: 8-14 Matthew 18: 15-20



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<u>Announcements</u>

- Pastor Gretchen is available for our pastoral care needs. If anyone would like to meet her somewhere for coffee to talk, needs a home visit, or wants to speak over the phone, Pastor Gretchen will make herself available. Her email is freesegm@gmail.com and she can be reached at (765) 532-3154.
- Please note the phone number has changed to 574-240-8850

PRAYER LIST

For Healing and the Courage to Cope with Life's Challenges (3 Week List)

Greater Monticello Community, New Hope Lutheran Church, Vern and Kathy Barnett, Barb Fawley, Harvey and Waneta Garbison,

For those Battling Long Term Illness (3 Month List)

Vicki Leonard, Reinert Spille, Laura Culross, Jim Culross

For Those who are Homebound or Battling Chronic Illness

Claude Culross, Shelly Wiseley, Bill Maegldin.

Those Serving Our Country and Community

Ty Barnes, Cameron Burgess, Thomas Hiddle, Area First Responders.

Our Partners in Mission

Bishop Bill Gafkjen (GUFF-ee-ehn), The Indiana-Kentucky Synod, Pastor Gretchen Freese, Jeff Truscott (missionary in Singapore), Kathleen Lutz (missionary in Nairobi), Monticello First Presbyterian Church.

New Hope Call Committee Scott Lutz, Lucy Norris, Cathy Raderstorf

This Week at New Hope...

Sunday, September 3rd: Worship Service at 9:00 AM. (Service from today will be posted on YouTube/Website later in the week).

Monday, September 4th: Office CLOSED but available by Phone

Tuesday, September 5th: Office CLOSED but available by Phone

Wednesday, September 6th: Office CLOSED but available by Phone

Thursday, September 7th: Office CLOSED but available by Phone

Friday, September 8th: Office OPEN 4-6pm

Sunday, September 10th: Worship Service at 9:00 AM. Coffee Hour

following worship