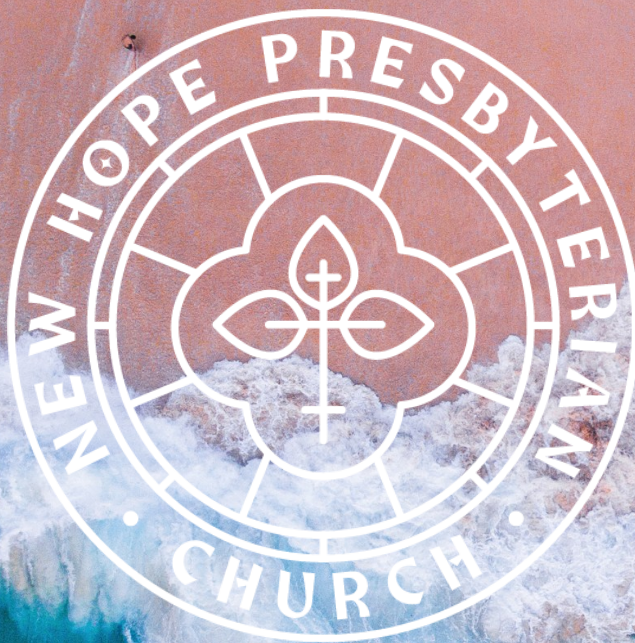




SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
July 26, 2026 | 10:30AM

W E L C O M E T O N E W H O P E !

We are so glad you found your way here today. To our members and returning visitors, welcome back! To those of you who are new, welcome! There are a couple of things you might like to know.

First, New Hope Presbyterian is a Bible-believing congregation seeking to worship and serve God in response to the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Second, we believe gathered worship is the central event in the church's life together: it restores and shapes our whole lives in the pattern of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We also recognize that for some of you this is the first time (or the first time in a long time) in a more structured service of worship that calls for you to participate so actively. Relax! Everything you need is both printed in the Worship Guide you are holding and up on the screen. We encourage you to turn off the auto-pilot and join us in vibrantly and enthusiastically praising God, confessing, singing, and hearing the Scriptures. Worship is for all of God's people. Enjoy the service!

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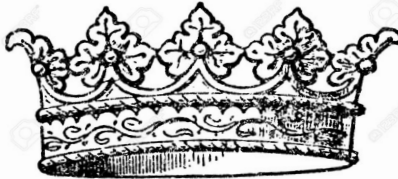
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WELCOME

PRELUDE: *Praise to the Lord, Almighty*
LOBE DEN HERREN, Stralsund Gesangbuch



CALL TO WORSHIP

Revelation 15:3b-4

³ ...“Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! ⁴Who will not fear, O Lord, For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

INVOCATION

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: *Be Thou My Vision* (TH 642)

CONGREGATIONAL SONG: *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

OFFERING & OFFERTORY: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*
ST. COLUMBA, arr. Michael Card and Craig Duncan

PASTORAL PRAYER

CONGREGATIONAL SONG: *In Christ Alone*

SERMON: "Divorce: A Consequence of Lust & Discontent"
Matthew 5:31-32
Rev. Richard Burguet

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: *God, Be Merciful to Me* (TH 486)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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"Be Still, Oh Wandering Eye " (Matthew 5:27-30)

Be Thou My Vision

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Whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. Phil. 3:7

Unison

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
 2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er
 3. Be thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my
 4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -
 5. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach

else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought by
 with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Fa - ther,
 • dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light, thou my soul's shel - ter,
 her - i - tance, now and al - ways: thou and thou on - ly,
 heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what -

day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 I thy true son; thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
 • thou my high tow'r: raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 ev - er be - fall, still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th cent.
 Tr. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905
 Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912

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 Traditional Irish melody
 Arr. by David Evans, 1927

How Deep the Father's Love for Us



1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all meas - ure that
2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -
3. I will not boast in an - y-thing: No gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But



He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His treas - ure. How
shamed, I hear my mocking voice call out a-mong the scof - fers. It
I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why



great the pain of sear - ing loss. The Fa - ther turns His face a - way as
was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished; His
should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer. But



wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
dy - ing breath has brought me life. I know that it is fin - ished.
this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

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In Christ Alone



In Christ a-lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
In Christ a-lone who took on flesh, Full-ness of God in help-less babe!
There in the ground His bo-dy lay, Light of the world by dark-ness slain;
No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me;



This cor-ner-stone, this sol-id ground, firm through the fierc-est drought and storm.
This gift of love and right-eous-ness scorned by the ones He came to save.
Then burst ing forth in glo-rious day, up from the grave He rose a-gain!
From life's first cry to fi-nal breath Je-sus com-mands my des-ti-ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease!
'Til on that cross, as Je-sus died, the wrath of God was sat-is-fied;
And as He stands in vic-to-ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev-er pluck me from His hand;



My com-fort-er, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
For ev-'ry sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
For I am His and He is mine: bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.
'Til He re-tURNS or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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God, Be Merciful to Me

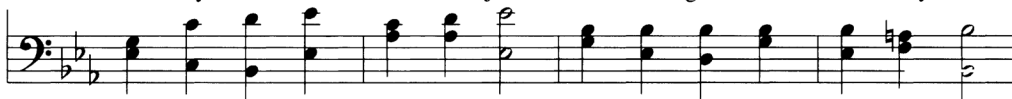
Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love. Ps. 51:1



1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;
 2. My trans-gres-sions I con-fess, grief and guilt my soul op-press;
 3. I am e - vil, born in sin; thou de - sir - est truth with - in.
 4. Bro - ken, hum - bled to the dust by thy wrath and judg-ment just,



- plen - teous in com - pas - sion thou, blot out my trans - gres - sions now;
 I have sinned a - gainst thy grace and pro-voked thee to thy face;
 Thou a - lone my Sav - ior art, teach thy wis - dom to my heart;
 let my con - trite heart re - joice and in glad - ness hear thy voice;



- wash me, make me pure with - in, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.
 I con - fess thy judg-ment just, speech- less, I thy mer - cy trust.
 make me pure, thy grace be- stow, wash me whit - er than the snow.
 from my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in bound- less grace.



5. Gracious God, my heart renew,
 make my spirit right and true;
 cast me not away from thee,
 let thy Spirit dwell in me;
 thy salvation's joy impart,
 steadfast make my willing heart.

6. Sinners then shall learn from me
 and return, O God, to thee;
 Savior, all my guilt remove,
 and my tongue shall sing thy love;
 touch my silent lips, O Lord,
 and my mouth shall praise accord.

WHEN GOD ALLOWS DIVORCE

Rev. Robert Rothwell | *Tabletalk Magazine* | July 2016



Mark 10:10–12

“In the house the disciples asked [Jesus] again about this matter. And he said to them, ‘Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.’”

Given modern no-fault divorce laws and the allowance for divorce in cases of “irreconcilable differences,” both of which reflect a disdain for Christ’s teaching on marriage (Mark 10:1–9), it is unsurprising that many Christians believe divorce is never acceptable. Moreover, passages such as today’s text, at least on first reading, seem to lend credence to the idea that divorce is always wrong. As a rule, however, we want to make sure our views are driven by an accurate interpretation of God’s Word and not our cultural context. It is possible to overreact to sin in such a way that we make the law more restrictive than the Lord intends.

If Mark 10:10–12 were all that we had from Jesus and the Apostles on when divorce is permissible, we might conclude that divorce is always a sin and never acceptable. Yet we have further revelation on the subject that gives us an important fact—although divorce is always the result of sin, divorce in itself is not always a sin, and not everyone in a divorce situation is guilty of sin. Matthew 19:9 gives us one case in which divorce is allowable: sexual immorality. This term translates the Greek word *porneia*, which can cover a wide variety of sexual sins and not just a physical relationship between a person and another who is not his or her spouse. Repeated, impenitent sexual sin is proper grounds upon which the injured spouse may seek a biblical divorce. Paul gives the other grounds for a biblically permissible divorce—desertion on the part of an unbeliever (1 Cor. 7:10–16). A Christian married to an unbeliever is free to remarry if the unbeliever wants out of the marriage. In both cases, it is imperative that good and godly elders are prepared to deal with the multitude of complexities that can arise when one spouse seeks a divorce. They must be able to discern when actual sexual sin has been committed, when a professing believer has actually proven himself an unbeliever through impenitent spousal abuse, and much more if they are going to accurately discern whether a divorce is biblically acceptable in a particular situation.

Jesus’ teaching on marriage and divorce gives us a proper framework for lawful sexual activity. Christ reaffirms Genesis’ teaching that the only God-approved sexual relationship is that between one man and one woman in a lawful marriage (Mark 10:1–12). This rules out all homosexual acts as well as all premarital and extramarital sexual relationships between men and women.

Coram Deo - Living before the face of God

As we have seen, God permitted divorce in this fallen world to protect injured spouses. However, just as the innocent person in a biblically permissible divorce is not required to stay married when he or she is sinned against, neither is he or she required to seek a divorce when sinned against. Making the right decision depends on studying God’s Word and receiving much godly counsel.

PRAY THIS WEEK:

MISSIONS PARTNERS: For Tekle Kumera and Amy Ketcham as they serve in the Rafiki Village in Tanzania. Tekle delivered 44,400 Bibles last week! Pray that the Word of God is read, believed, and studied by many in Tanzania.

CFL PRESBYTERY: For Immanuel Presbyterian in DeLand and pastors Deren Harper and Tyler Kenney.

NEW HOPE: That the Lord will see to our financial needs and provide the funds that we are lacking in our general giving.

LAKESIDE COVENANT: Praise that our daughter church, Lakeside Covenant is healthy and growing and training additional officers.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH OF KHERSON, UKRAINE: *From Vova:* Praise to the Lord and thank you brothers and sisters at New Hope for your prayers for us. Our God is Great and Awesome! Please pray for unity in our church. Please pray that our people would come to truly know and trust God. The Lord continues to protect Holy Trinity church members and the church building even though the number of drone attacks has doubled from a few months ago.

IMAGES

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1 Barbara May
16 Mike Williamson
18 Ana Williamson
24 Bob Peyton
27 Ellen Yates
29 Joshua Overfield

YEAR-TO-DATE GIVING

General Fund

Budget _____ \$300,590

Contributions _____ \$275,658

Deficit _____ - \$24,932

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

1 Ashley and Gayle Minnig
2 Neil & Liz Griffin
5 Keith & Wendy Harper
7 Rob and Therese Simson
23 Randall & Tina Van Meggelen
26 David and Laurel All



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