



New Hope Presbyterian Church

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More Light Presbyterians' mission is to center and celebrate the lives, gifts, and leadership of LGBTQIA+ people in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and beyond. We accomplish this by igniting the prophetic witness of our ministry partners and by cultivating relationships rooted in mutual accountability and care. Together, we journey toward God's promised liberation and flourishing for all creation.

Preaching: Rev. Cindy Mood

Liturgist: Jill Giles

Today's Ushers: Bruce Hymel, Sam DeSantis

†Those who are able, please stand.

Bold Type indicates congregational response

Please turn off electronic equipment.

GOD GATHERS US TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

What a Wonderful World

Bob Thiele

CHIMES

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT

It's a Small World

Richard M Sherman

WELCOME

†RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

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In the beginning, God looked at everything — every color, every creature, every complexity —

And called it very good.

We gather as people made in that image — wonderfully diverse, beautifully made.

We come as we are. We are welcomed as we are.

We reject every word that has told us we are too much or not enough.

Sacred are our bodies. Beloved is every gender. Beautiful is every shade.

Today we sing a new song — a song the world needs to hear.

How could anyone tell us we were less than whole? We belong to God. We are loved.

Let us worship the One who made us and called us good. Amen.

SONG: How Could Anyone by Libby Roderick

†HYMN #20

All Things Bright and Beautiful

CALL TO CONFESSION:

We have just declared together that God looks at creation — all of it, all of us — and calls it good. And yet, if we are honest, we know that we have not always believed it. We have absorbed the lie. We have passed it on. We have let fear speak louder than love, silence speak louder than welcome, and the approval of others speak louder than the voice of God.

The good news is that confession is not punishment. It is the practice of telling the truth — to God and to ourselves — so that we can be free. So let us confess, trusting that the one we confess to is the same one who crossed every line to find us.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and tender God, we confess that we have not always lived as people who believe your love is for everyone.

We have been silent when silence was complicity. We have let the language of exclusion go unchallenged. We have, sometimes without knowing it,

made some of your beloved children feel that they had to earn a seat at your table — or that there was no seat for them at all.

We confess, too, the wounds we carry ourselves: the times we believed the lie about our own worth, the times we hid who we are, the times we accepted less than the fullness of love you always intended for us.

Forgive us. Heal us. And send us out as people brave enough to tell the truth — that you have never made a mistake, that your love has never had an asterisk, that the table has always, always been wide enough.

We pray in the name of Jesus, who ate with sinners and called it holy. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Hear the good news — and hear it as if for the first time:

In Jesus Christ, who came not for the righteous but for sinners, not for the whole but for the broken, not for those who had it figured out but for those still finding their way — in Christ, you are forgiven. Fully. Without conditions. Without an asterisk.

-God does not love you despite who you are. God loves you as who you are.-

Friends, believe the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

ASCRPTION OF PRAISE: HYMN# 581 *Gloria Patri* 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 never shall be,
World without end.
Amen**

†PASSING THE PEACE

... In a world that has told too many people the opposite, this moment matters. So turn — to whoever is near you — and mean it.

The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

GOD GIVES US THE WORD PROCLAIMED

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of every good word — Open our ears this morning to hear what we need to hear. Open our hearts to receive what we might be tempted to resist. Open our minds to be surprised by your scripture, which has never finished saying what it has to say.

We ask especially for courage: courage to hear your love as if it were aimed directly at us, courage to believe it is, courage to let it change the way we love each other.

Send your Spirit now upon these words and upon us who read and hear them. May what is spoken here be more than words.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 9:9-13

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

(Congregation Sings)

***This, this is where children belong,
Welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.
Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song:
This is where children belong.***

ANTHEM:

Healer of Our Every Ill

Marty Haugen

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 9:18-26

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

More Light

Rev. Cindy Mood

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

**We believe in a God who creates, and calls creation good.
We believe in Jesus, who crossed every line to touch the untouchable,
who called the outcast by name, who broke bread with sinners, and
whose table has always been wider than we imagined.
We believe in the Spirit — poured out on all flesh — who calls us to love
as God loves, without condition.
We believe you are not outside this love.
We believe none of us are. Amen.**

†HYMN #379

We Shall Overcome

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

15% of the collection will be sent to More Light Presbyterians.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit ever more;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.



Communion

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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 our Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... And so with those before us, and those around the world, and the whole company of heaven, we join the song that never ends:

**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.**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

... And now, as Jesus taught us — his people in every age, in every language, in every kind of body and life — we pray together:

**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 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**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

SONG: How Could Anyone by Libby Roderick

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SEND! Sermon Series- Sunday 6/14, 10:30 AM**
- **Ballard House Dinner- Tuesday 6/16, 5:00 PM**

†HYMN #301

Let Us Build a House

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†EXTROIT

Let There Be Peace On Earth

*Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me
Let there be peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be
With God as our Savior, family all are we
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally
Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me.*

POSTLUDE

Happiness Is the Lord

William J. Gaither

NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Where All are Welcomed and Affirmed
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Belong	Grow	Serve
Jill Giles Jerry Pettit	Iris Hymel Stacie Nugent	Pam Nicoletti JoAnn Franklin

At New Hope, everyone **belongs** and **grows** in relationship with God to **serve** others with love and courage.