

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Ps 124:8

The Prelude and Silent Meditation

Welcome and Announcements

*** Call to Worship**

Psalm 146:1-5

***Hymn of Adoration:** “Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul”

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*** The Prayer of Invocation and Adoration**

*** Affirmation of Faith:** *Heidelberg Catechism Question 45*

Question: How does Christ’s resurrection benefit us?

Answer: First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he won for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already now resurrected to a new life. Third, Christ’s resurrection is a guarantee of our glorious resurrection.

The Call to Confession (prayer in unison)

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is nothing good in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto men in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His name. Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon

Christ was pierced for our transgressions and crushed for our iniquities. He alone is our foundation, our refuge and our living hope. We have confessed our sins and acknowledged our iniquity. Therefore, by the authority of Jesus Christ, and as a minister of his gospel, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 16

New Testament Reading – John 20:19-31

Receiving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory: Joys are Flowing Like a River

arr. D. Wagner

The Pastoral Prayer with The Lord’s Prayer

*** Hymn of Preparation:** “It Is Well with My Soul!”

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*** Sermon Text: Job 2:1-10**

Sermon: *“God’s Training Through Trials”* **Dr. Joseph A. Pipa**

*** The Closing Hymn: “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” P. 629**

* The Benediction

* The Postlude

Please stand if able.

Announcements

We welcome Dr. Joseph A. Pipa, Jr Ph. D., D. D. to our pulpit and his wife, Carolyn (Sissy), to our service today. Dr. Pipa is President of Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary and Professor of Homiletic and Systematic Theology. Dr. Pipa obtained his Ph. D. from Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia in 1985 and was awarded his Doctor of Divinity degree by the Board of Trustees of Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary in 2015. He has been the pastor of several churches, has authored a number of books, and been the editor of and a contributor to various publications. Dr. Pipa and his wife, Carolyn, live in Greenville, SC.

If you are visiting with us, please complete a visitor’s card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate when passed. We’d love to have a record of your visit.

Everyone is invited to stay following the morning worship service for our Fellowship Lunch.

Articles for the Bell Rope are due to Earline by Wednesday, April 26th.

Restrooms are also located at the Sanctuary entrance just off the foyer.

April's Memory Verse

Every Word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him.
Proverbs 30:5

Birthday and Anniversaries for the week of 4/23 – 4/29:

Jimmy Copeland – 4/25

Our Nursery worker for today is Donna I.

This Week at NHPCA

Sunday, April 23	9:30 AM	Prayer Time
	9:45 AM	Christian Education
	10:30 AM	Fellowship Time
	11:00 AM	Worship Service
	Noon	Fellowship Lunch
	1:30 PM	Prayer Time

Welcome to New Hope.

We are honored to have you as our guest. We hope you will find this time we share together to be Christ-centered and encouraging. If you are a visitor, help us to get to know you by filling in the visitor's card. If you are looking for a church home, we encourage you to speak to one of the elders after the service.

A nursery is provided for children ages three years and under.

New Hope Presbyterian Church is a fellowship of Christian believers and their children assembled together before the cross of Jesus Christ to worship the living God in faith, to daily receive the mercy granted us in His Son, and by that grace to bear the fruit of our Savior's love in the world. As a Reformed Church, we believe that the Bible alone is the Word of God, and as such it is our only guide in what we are to believe and how we are to live before God.

Church Officers

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