#### **GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE** 

Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child

Traditional

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SILENT MEDITATION** 

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

When we are lonely, thinking that no one notices us, Jesus sees us.

When we are in pain, thinking that no one understands,

Jesus feels our hurt as if it were his own.

When what is most precious to us has slipped from our grasp, Jesus fills our hands again.

When we stray from the path of loving God and neighbor,

Jesus says to us, "You are forgiven."

When our road reaches death's destination,

Jesus says to us, "Rise!"

When Jesus says to us, "Do not weep,"

we sing, "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

\* HYMN 15

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

#### \* CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Healing God, you have filled our hearts with alleluias; you have turned our silence into song, our mourning into dancing.

Yet, there are others who are walking in the other direction: from joy to sorrow,

from having received to having lost, from life to death ... and we don't notice.

Forgive us, O God.

By your Spirit, give us eyes to see what gets forgotten, so that we might meet others' sorrow with our solace, others' loss with our presence, and others' poverty with our sacrifice.

Silent Prayers

Assurance of Pardon

**Bold font** indicates congregational participation.

\* You are invited to stand in body or in spirit.

Hymn 698 (three times)

\* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

"Take, O Take Me as I Am"

Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Kings 17:17-24, p. 282-283 (OT)

ANTHEM If My People Will Pray arr. Keith Christopher

Hear our prayer, O Lord,

Hear our prayer, O Lord;

Incline Thine ear to us,

And grant us Thy peace.

Refrain: If My people, which are called by My Name,

Shall humble themselves, shall humble themselves,

Shall humble themselves and pray.

I will forgive their sin, I will forgive their sin, I will forgive their sin and heal their land.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 7:11-17, *p. 839 (NT)* 

**SERMON** 

"Parade Interrupted"

Through the "Luke"-ing Glass: Seeing Jesus Through Luke's Eyes

#### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\* HYMN 803

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Heidelberg Catechism (Q. 1)

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

#### GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Self-Offering

Offertory Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

\* Doxology

(Hymnal, back page)

Louisa M.R. Snead

\* Prayer of Dedication

#### **CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### GOING OUT TO SERVE

\* HYMN 821

"My Life Flows On"

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Hymn 821, refrain only

"My Life Flows On"

**POSTLUDE** 

Do Lord

Traditional

#### END OF WORSHIP ... BEGINNING OF SERVICE



We light two candles in worship. The white candle reminds us of the presence of Christ's spirit in worship. The smaller candle is in a candle holder made by a member of our partner church, Iglesia El Divino Salvador in Guatemala, and it reminds us of our covenant with them.

Today's liturgist: Nan Riley

**Today's greeters:** Mike & Susan Garrett

Today's ushers: Kim Sluder & Tracy Owensby Fellowship: Mary Jo Limbird's Care Group

#### **Out-to-Lunch Bunch**

Everyone is welcome to join the Out-to-Lunch Bunch after church today! We will be going to Pomodoros Cafe. Please see Tom Fife.

# "Souper" Bowl Sunday

Last Sunday, we collected \$780.96! These funds will be donated to MANNA Food Bank. Your generosity will go toward feeding hungry people in Buncombe County. Thank you for your support!

#### Reusable Bags for MANNA

We have collected 90 reusable shopping bags to donate to MANNA. Thank you for your generosity! There is still time to donate. Please leave bags in the giant soup can bin by the front door. We will be bringing the bags to MANNA on our next volunteer date: Tuesday, February 12. Questions? Contact Linda Lewis at (828) 483-6296.

#### MANNA Food Bank

Come join our New Hope volunteer team directly at MANNA Food Bank on Tuesday, February 12, from 4:00 to 5:30 PM. We meet directly at MANNA and do a variety of service activities getting food ready for those who need it. Questions? Contact team leader Linda Lewis at (828) 483-6296.

#### "This Chair Rocks" Continues

There is an incessant barrage of messages that consigns the "no longer young" to the margins of society. Older adults internalize these messages and can contribute to their own disenfranchisement. Join Peg Lewis at 9:30 AM on Sunday, February 17, in the downstairs classroom (Room 104) for the second of two classes as we explore what ageism is and what its impact is on people of all ages. The conversation will be based on the book *This Chair Rocks* by Ashton Applewhite, but class participants do not need to read the book. Leader Peg Lewis is a certified gerontological counselor and has a Masters in Theology.

## February New Members Class: Dates Confirmed!

Interested in exploring the possibility of membership here at New Hope? There are just three simple steps: (1) attend one class from 12:30-2:00 PM next Sunday, February 17 (includes luncheon), (2) have dinner with the Session from 5:30-6:30 PM on Monday, February 18, and (3) be presented in worship on Sunday, February 24. Can't make any of these dates? Make-ups are easy! We are glad to schedule an alternative date for whatever you might need to miss. And, you can attend the class without having decided to join. Contact Pastor Kim.

# Next Sunday: "All About Chili" Fellowship Luncheon

Think you make the best chili around? Well, prove it! Our next fellowship luncheon is February 17, immediately following worship. And it's all about chili. If you make a mean pot, whip one up and bring it to share with your church family. A variety of chili toppings will be provided. Don't like chili? Come anyway and bring a salad or dessert to share. Please sign up in the Narthex. Contact Bill Carpenter at <a href="mailto:billcarpenter53@gmail.com">billcarpenter53@gmail.com</a> or (704) 219-1893.

#### Room in the Inn Needs Your Help

Drivers are needed on Sunday mornings to move mattresses for Homeward Bound's Room in the Inn program, which provides shelter for up to twelve homeless women each week in rotating congregations. Volunteer drivers do not need a CBL license and do not need to do any lifting. Each volunteer works about eight Sunday mornings per year for about 1½ hours per Sunday, driving mattresses from one congregation to another. Interested? Contact Sharon at (828) 776-9741.

#### Calendar

Sun	10	12:30	PM	Out to Lunch Bunch (see Tom Fife)
Tues	12	2:30	PM	Faith Formation
Wed	13	7:00	PM	Choir Rehearsal
Thurs	14	6:30	PM	Justice & Reconciliation
Sat	16	10:30	AM	Men's Brunch Bunch (J.K.'s)
Sun	17	9:30	AM	Sunday Morning Class
		11:00	AM	Worship
		12:30	PM	New Member Class
		12:30	PM	Out-to-Lunch Bunch (see Tom Fife)

# New Hope Presbyterian Church

We are a welcoming, inclusive faith community, seeking to respond to Christ's call to love and serve, through ministries of compassion and social justice.

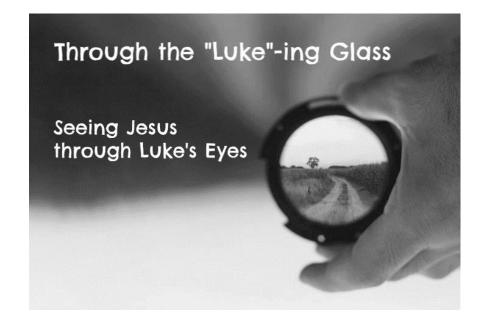
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# New Hope Presbyterian Church "Including, Renewing, Serving"

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 10, 2019
11 o'clock



# "Parade Interrupted" Fifth in the Series:



"As Jesus approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town."

Luke 7:12