

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Wade in the Water* Traditional

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SILENT MEDITATION

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

In the days of Noah, God placed a rainbow in the sky.

**In the colors of the rainbow, we see God's covenant of faithfulness to the whole of creation.**

In the days of Moses, God's commandments were written on tablets of stone.

**In God's commandments, we see God's ways of shalom for human community.**

In the days of the prophets, God promised to give us a new covenant, not on tablets of stone, but on our hearts.

**As members of the living Body of Christ, our hearts beat with God's promise among us.**

\* HYMN 250 "In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

### \* CONFESSION AND PARDON

*Call to Confession*

*Prayer of Confession*

**God of the rainbow, you made a covenant with all living creatures, promising life and hope.**

**Yet, we forget our connection to you and to our neighbor, wandering into the ways of self-centeredness.**

**Forgive us, O God.**

**By your Spirit, lead us to the cup of the new covenant, that we might know the love of Christ outpoured, and pour ourselves out in love for the world.**

*Silent Prayers & Assurance of Pardon*

### \* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Hymn 698 (three times) "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.**

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**Bold font** indicates congregational participation.

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

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 18:1-8, p. 853 (NT)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-10, p. 5 (NT)

SERMON "The Flood"

### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\* HYMN 815 "Give to the Winds Thy Fears"

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostle's Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Invitation to Offering*

*Offertory* *Deep River* Traditional

\* *Doxology* (Hymnal, back page)

\* *Prayer of Dedication*

### THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Invitation to the Lord's Table*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks ...

Let us pray for God's rule on earth as Jesus taught us, saying:

**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.**

*The Words of Institution*

*The Feast*

*All the bread we serve is gluten-free, and our juice is non-fermented.*

507 "Come to the Table of Grace"

527 "Eat This Bread"

*Prayer After Communion*

### GOING OUT TO SERVE

\* HYMN 22, vv. 1-5 "God of the Sparrow"

*During the singing of the hymn, you are invited to come forward with your monthly 5-cents-a-meal offering to fight hunger, both here and throughout the world. Please place your cash or check in the soup can by the Communion Table.*

### \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

#### \* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Hymn 22, v. 6 "God of the Sparrow"

POSTLUDE *Water Music* George Frideric Handel

### 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:** Bonnie Runkle

**Today's greeters:** Herschel & Linda Lewis

**Today's ushers:** Jay & Susan Maveety

**Today we thank Rev. Buddy Olney and Rev. Dr. Ken Meeks!**

Buddy, who is preaching today, is a retired PC(USA) pastor, having served churches in Tennessee, Virginia, and North Carolina after earning his M.Div. from Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. Ken, our Parish Associate for Visitation, is presiding over the Lord’s Supper and is also helping with the liturgy.

**Seating in the Sanctuary**

Since the choir is on break for the summer, you are welcome to sit in the choir seats in the front left corner of the sanctuary during worship. And, if you are comfortable sitting closer to the front of the sanctuary, we invite you to move up and make room for visitors and others who may be more comfortable sitting closer to the back. It also helps if you move to the center of your row so that those who come in after you can access the chairs closer to the aisle more easily. Thank you for helping us make our small sanctuary a hospitable place for all!

**July Diaper Drive Kicks Off Today**

Our goal is to collect 1,000 diapers this month for BeLoved Asheville! Please drop off diapers in the collection bin in the Narthex. Thank you.

**Out-to-Lunch Bunch**

Everyone is welcome to join the Out-to-Lunch Bunch for lunch after church today! We will be going to Copper River Grill. See Judy Urich for more information about today’s lunch outing.

**Storytelling and Ice Cream Social Tonight**

Join us tonight at 6:00 PM to make your own ice cream sundaes and to hear the legendary WNC story teller Sandra Gudger. Everything will be provided. Come and bring a friend!

**MANNA Food Bank This Tuesday, July 9**

Join our New Hope volunteer team directly at MANNA Food Bank on July 9 from 4:15 to 5:30 PM. We meet directly at MANNA (627 Swannanoa River Road, Asheville) and do a variety of service activities. Questions? Contact team leader Linda Lewis at (828) 483-6296.

**Habitat ReStore “Third Thursday” on July 18**

Join us for our monthly “Third Thursday” at the Habitat for Humanity ReStore on Thursday, July 18, from 2-4 PM. We meet directly at the ReStore (31 Meadow Road, Asheville). You can come one time, on a regular monthly basis, or whenever you can. Contact Susan Maveety at (828) 628-0840 or susan.maveety@gmail.com.

**July Wildflower Hike**

On Thursday, July 25, Jay Maveety will lead us on a wildflower hike! We will meet at the church that morning and carpool to the trails. This hike is appropriate for all who are comfortable walking on uneven, but generally flat, ground. The total distance is no more than one mile. Save tuned for more details. Questions? Contact Bill Carpenter at (704) 219-1893 or billcarpenter53@gmail.com.

**Pastoral Care While Pastor Kim Is Away**

While Pastor Kim is away on study leave, our Parish Associate, the Rev. Dr. Ken Meeks, will be on call to cover emergency pastoral care. Contact Ken at (706) 202-8821 or email him at kenep56@gmail.com. Kim will be back in the office on July 23.

**Guest Preachers in July**

We are so grateful that, while Pastor Kim is away, we will get to hear messages from several of New Hope’s resident pastors! Coming up:

- July 14: Rev. Ed Hillman
- July 21: Rev. Dr. Ken Meeks
- July 28: Louden Young, M.Div., MA

**Suggest Names to the Nominating Committee**

You are invited to suggest names to the Nominating Committee for next year’s class of elders and deacons. Since these are suggestions, you do not need to ask your suggested person for their permission. You may also suggest yourself. Forms are available in the Narthex. Please place your completed form in the box provided in the Narthex or email it to Chair Jay Maveety at jay.maveety@gmail.com.

**Calendar**

Sun	7	11:00 AM	Worship
		12:30 PM	Out-to-Lunch Bunch (see Judy Urich)
		6:00 PM	Storytelling & Ice Cream
Sun	14	11:00 AM	Worship
		12:30 PM	Out-to-Lunch Bunch (see Judy Urich)

**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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“Including, Renewing, Serving”

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 7, 2019  
11 o’clock



“The Flood”



“For in seven days I will send rain on the earth for forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground.”  
Genesis 7:4