



New Hope Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
August 23, 2026

Welcome to New Hope Church - we're glad you are here to worship with us today! If you're not a member, we invite you to join our church family.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

† Opening Sentences

L: Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

P: **Your word is our heritage forever, the joy of our hearts.
Let us worship God.***

† Opening Hymn

GtG #2

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

† Prayer of Confession

P: Almighty God, who sent the promised Holy Spirit to bring life and hope, we confess that we do not always trust this promise. Rather than rest in the assurance of our salvation, we live in fear, striving to uphold a law that is powerless to save. Our striving causes us to boast in our own power and righteousness, and to live

† Indicates where those who are able may stand.

in vain comparison with others. We forget that our salvation and our sanctification are gifts from you. Forgive us for our pride and lack of trust. Help us live in gratitude and peace.

We pray this through Christ our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Silent reflection.

† Words of Assurance

L: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. The Spirit of God dwells in you. If you hear nothing else today, hear these words: there is no condemnation. In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

P: **Thanks be to God!***

† Gloria Patri

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

P: God, your word goes out and does not return empty but prospers that for which it was sent. By your Spirit, open our minds to your word this day, that we might walk according to your ways; for the sake of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

Scripture Reading Isaiah 55:10-13 p. 1149

L: This is the Word of The Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Scripture Reading Romans 8:1-11 p. 1756

L: May God bless the reading of his Word.

P: Amen.

Sermon

“Shall We Dance”

Elder Rich Zoltak

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

P: 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 to 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.

† Responsive Hymn

“I Surrender All”

W&C #366

Time of Self-Offering with Offertory

† Doxology

† Prayer of Dedication

P: Loving and ever-present God, receive these tithes and offerings, our worship, and our lives to your service; in Jesus' name. Amen.*

Prayers of the People with The Lord's Prayer

P: 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 our 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.

SENDING THE CHURCH INTO THE WORLD WITH THE WORD

† Closing Hymn “I Danced in the Morning” GtG #157

† Blessing and Response GtG #80
 “You Shall Go Out with Joy”

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you.

There'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the field
 will clap, will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

The trees of the field will clap their hands.
The trees of the field will clap their hands.
 While you go out with joy.

† Postlude

