

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Prelude in D Minor* J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SILENT MEDITATION

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Who is our neighbor?

**The righteous and the unrighteous,
the just and the unjust.**

Who else is our neighbor?

**The rich and the poor, the weak and the strong,
the great and the small, the arrogant and the humble.**

Is anyone else my neighbor?

**The Democrat and the Republican,
the citizen and the undocumented,
the homeless and the homeowner,
the incarcerated and the free.**

There is one more neighbor:

**I am a neighbor!
I am called to be a neighbor in this city,
loving God by humbly serving others.**

* HYMN 744 “Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

* CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**O God, in Christ you have broken down the dividing wall.
Yet, instead of extending our hand across the divide,
we often rebuild walls of separation.**

**Trying to keep “the other” out, we end up concealing
ourselves in prisons of our own making.**

Forgive us, O God, and have mercy on us.

**By the power of your Spirit, restore us and our cities,
that in honoring our neighbor, we might honor you.**

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.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 10:8-20, p. 844 (NT)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Amos 7:7-17, p. 748 (OT)

SERMON “Unrepentant Cities”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

* HYMN 351 “All Who Love and Serve Your City”

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *The Confession of 1967* (9.31)

**To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as
God’s reconciling community. This community, the
church universal, is entrusted with God’s message of
reconciliation and shares God’s labor of healing the
enmities which separate people from God and from each
other. Christ has called the church to this mission and
given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains
continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful
obedience to his call.**

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Offering

Offertory *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot* Traditional

* *Doxology* (Hymnal, back page)

* *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 343, vv. 1-5 “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Hymn 343, v. 6 “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

POSTLUDE *I’ll Fly Away* 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: Laura Brown

Today’s greeters: Bill & Marlene Johnson

Today’s ushers: Laura Brown & Kim Presley

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Russ & Jean Moxley in honor of their 12 grandchildren and their wonderful parents.

We welcome Rev. Ed Hillman to the pulpit today!

An ordained pastor in the United Methodist Church, Ed currently serves as the head chaplain across the street at Givens Estates. Ed’s wife Leslie is a member and a greeter at New Hope, and Ed is an associate member.

Out-to-Lunch Bunch

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

July Diaper Drive Continues

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.

Bold font indicates congregational participation.

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

Pastor Kim's July Plans

Pastor Kim will be away for the first three weeks of July. She will be staying at San Francisco Theological Seminary, where she will be working on her Doctor of Ministry. She will also have some time for renewal, seeing old friends and visiting her beloved tide pools and redwoods. Kim will be back in the office on Tuesday, July 23, and back in worship on Sunday, July 28.

Pastoral Care While Kim Is Away

Our Parish Associate for Visitation, the Rev. Dr. Ken Meeks, will be on call while Kim is away in July to cover emergency pastoral care needs. He will also continue his regular visitation. Contact Ken at (706) 202-8821 or email him at kenep56@gmail.com. With your permission, Ken can also inform your deacon of any needs you'd like the deacons to know about.

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! Then, on the last Sunday of July, Kim will be back as liturgist, with our own Loudon Young preaching here for the first time since his graduation from Columbia Theological Seminary. We will celebrate his graduation after worship.

July 21: Rev. Dr. Ken Meeks

July 28: Loudon 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, or you may download one from the "Connect" page on our church website. Please place your completed form in the box provided in the Narthex or email it to Chair Jay Maveety at jay.maveety@gmail.com.

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!

Men's Brunch Bunch meets at 10:30 AM this Saturday, July 20, at J.K.'s on Long Shoals. We gather every other Saturday to eat and enjoy fellowship. Please join us! Contact John Riley at (828) 575-2894.

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.

Worship bulletin announcements for Sunday, July 21 are due to Administrator, Erin May, by noon on Wednesday, July 17.

Calendar

Sun	14	11:00 AM	Worship
		12:30 PM	Out-to-Lunch Bunch (see Judy Urich)
Sat	20	10:30 AM	Men's Brunch Bunch
Sun	21	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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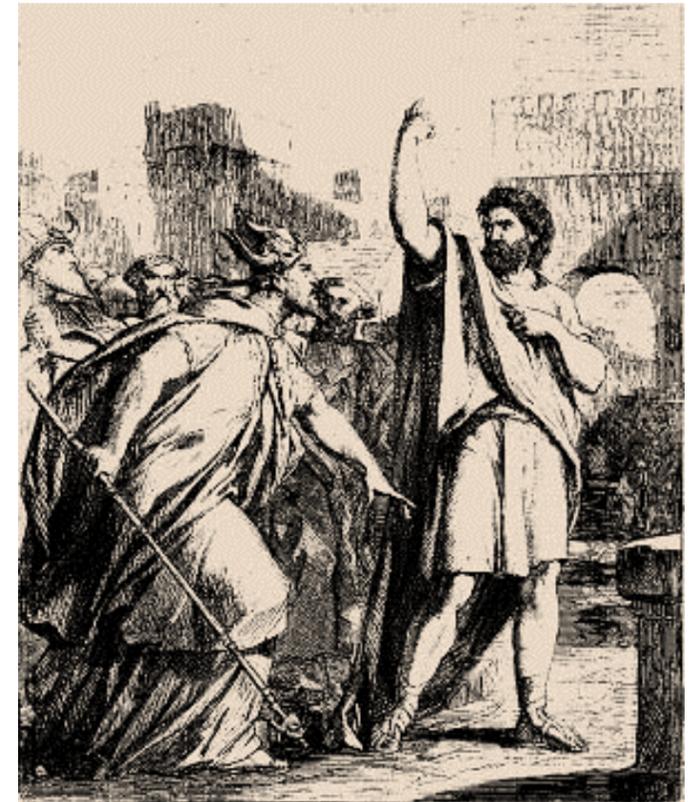
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"Including, Renewing, Serving"

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
July 14, 2019
11 o'clock



"Unrepentant Cities"



"...Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land"

Amos 7:17