

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Amazing Grace* by John Newton

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The vine emerges from the earth:

**nourished by water and nutrients in the soil,
preparing to nourish the branches that will be.**

It rises without visible connection:

**roots hidden, embedded in mystery and wonder,
promise still unseen.**

It is strong to withstand the rain and wind:

**supporting branches that are growing now,
leafing out, showing the first signs of fruit.**

Jesus said, "I am the vine, you are the branches."

**We abide in the vine of his love,
nourished, fed, and growing in grace.**

Jesus said, "Those who abide in me bear much fruit."

**We are fruiting now, ready to give delight to others,
the taste of gladness, the sweetness of joy.**

Jesus said, "May your joy be complete."

Let us worship the God of joy!

* HYMN 611 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

* CONFESSION AND PARDON

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Nourishing God, you give us Jesus to be our Vine,
that as branches we might always be connected
to what we need for abundant and joyful living.**

**Yet we confess that we often go it alone,
straining to bear fruit by ourselves,
neglecting our need for nourishment,
and forgetting the support of community.**

**Forgive us for the ways we have not cultivated a growing
relationship to you and to your people.**

**By the power of your Spirit, teach us how to abide in Christ,
and to know Christ abiding in us,
that we might receive what we need to bear fruit,
and to know joy.**

Silent Prayers & Assurance of Pardon

* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Hymn 288 (2 times)

"Spirit of the Living God"

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Galatians 5:1, 13-26

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 15:1-11

SERMON

"Joy"

The Fruit of the Spirit

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN 692

"Spirit, Open My Heart"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We trust in God, who clothes the wildflowers in glory,
who feeds the cardinals with abundant grain,
and who throws a party for prodigals come home.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ, full of grace and truth for us,
our Bread of Life, the Vine from which we grow in love.**

**We trust in the Holy Spirit, poured out extravagantly on us,
filling us with the power to trust we are beloved,
to have eyes to see the belovedness of others,
and to bear the fruit of the Spirit with joy.**

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Self Offering

Offertory *How Can I Keep From Singing* by Robert Lowry

* *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 48 (4 times)

"Rain Down"

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

This Little Light Of Mine

Arr. Mark Hayes

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: Jay Maveety

Today's greeters: Pat Koonts and Carlyn Rich

Today's ushers: Elaine Morse and Bill Carpenter

Men's Re-Treat

The men get together on the second Wednesday of the month at The Well-Bred Bakery & Cafe in Biltmore Village at 11 AM for coffee and treats. The June get together will be this coming Wednesday, June 12. Questions? Contact Bruce Rasmussen at (828) 633-0327 or by email at bandj.online@yahoo.com.

Men's Brunch Bunch

Men's brunch bunch will meet at 11:00 AM Saturday, June 15, at Cracker Barrel (located at 5 Crowell Rd in Asheville). Questions? Contact Bruce Rasmussen at (828) 633-0327.

MANNA Food Bank Volunteering

We volunteer on the second Friday of every month from 1-3 PM. Join us on June 14 or July 12 directly at MANNA. In August we will be switching to the *first Thursday* of the month, from 1-3 PM. Contact Linda Lewis at (828) 483-6296 to sign up.

Bold font indicates congregational participation.

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

Asheville Tourists Baseball Game

On Wednesday, June 19, our Asheville Tourists take on the Winston Salem Dash starting at 6:30 PM. Woody Ferrell has pre-ordered the tickets! Cost is \$10 each. Contact Woody at (828) 412-2495 or woody.ferrellnc@gmail.com to get yours.

Soul Food Luncheon & Equity Presentation

Join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship on Sunday, June 23, for a soul food luncheon catered by a local Black-owned business. Copland Rudolph, one of New Hope's charter members and the Executive Director of the Asheville City Schools Foundation, will share about ACSF's racial equity work, which New Hope supports.

Southern Appalachian Repertory Theater: Fiddler on the Roof

We're going to see the 2 PM show of "Fiddler on the Roof" on Saturday, June 29! We'll carpool from the church. Pre-ordered tickets are \$27 at our group rate. Contact Woody Ferrell at (828) 412-2495 or woody.ferrellnc@gmail.com to claim your seat.

Summer Sunday Morning Class: Medieval Women Mystics

Rev. Keith Grogg, pastor of Montreat Presbyterian Church, will be our guest teacher! On two Sundays, June 30 and July 7, Keith will lead us in a two-part exploration of three medieval women mystics: Hildegard of Bingen, Catherine of Siena, and Mary of Oignies. Join us for this special opportunity! Please RSVP to Lynne in the church office at officenewhope@gmail.com or (828) 274-0191.

An Evening at Montreat:

"Words and Music: Poetry, Hymns, and the Holy"

Attention music lovers! On Tuesday evening, July 16, join us for a field trip to see Eric Wall, former Music Director at First Presbyterian Church, Asheville, lead an exploration of hymns and their lyrics at Montreat. This free event will take place from 7:00-8:15 PM. We'll meet at the church beforehand to carpool to Montreat together.

Burgers & Bingo!

On Friday evening, July 26, we'll be playing Bingo! The church will provide hamburgers to go with the fun. Please bring your favorite side or dessert to go with the hamburgers. Questions? Contact Woody at (828) 412-2495 or woody.ferrellnc@gmail.com.

Crafts With Nan & Jan

Join Nan & Jan for the second summer craft workshop Saturday, August 3 from 10:30 AM to 2 PM. Cost is \$10 for craft supplies. Please bring a lunch. Sign up by emailing Nan at nannetteriley87@gmail.com or call her at (828) 775-7444.

Lake Julian Picnic Dinner & Vespers

Our annual Lake Julian picnic will take place this year on Sunday, August 18, at 5 PM. The church will provide the main course and drinks. Please bring a side or dessert to share. Don't forget your lawn chair for our Vespers service following dinner by the lake!

An Evening of Music at the Arboretum

We'll close out the summer with a picnic dinner at the Arboretum on Thursday, September 5, from 5-8 PM. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy their live outdoor music. You can order a meal in advance at their Bistro, or simply bring your own picnic. We'll carpool with people who have Arboretum passes.

Worship bulletin announcements for Sunday, June 16 are due to Administrator Lynne Petty by noon on Wednesday, June 12.

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.

Session Members

Terri Carpenter (2025)
Woody Ferrell (2025)
Virginia Hebert (2024)
Susan Maveety (2024)
Barbara McLean (2026)
Andy Morse (2026)
Jean Moxley (2024)
Nan Riley (2026)
Nancy Spann (2025)
Kim Wells (Moderator)

Deacons

Bill Carpenter (2024)
Janet Ferrell (2025)
Tom Fife (2026)
Ann Moorefield (2024)
Cal Reid (2026)
Karen Ward (2025)

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New Hope

Presbyterian Church

"Including, Renewing, Serving"

3rd Sunday after Pentecost
June 9, 2024
11 o'clock



"Joy"



"By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things." (Galatians 5:22-23)