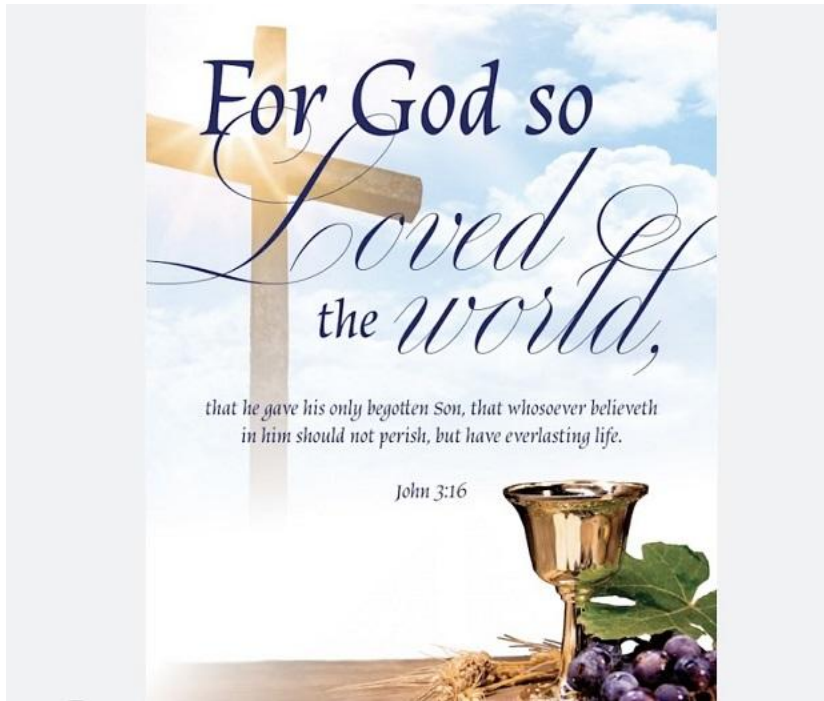




We believe that Jesus calls us to be His faithful disciples by welcoming all people, serving others and sharing generously.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

14th Sunday after Pentecost

August 30th, 2026

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

One: This is the day the Lord has made!

All: Let us rejoice, and be glad in it!

PRELUDE

"He Leadeth Me"

No. 499

Please prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

WE PREPARE

CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: In this holy place, in this moment,

ALL: We feel the presence of God.

ONE: In our words, in our song.

ALL: We sing the beauty of God

ONE: In each person, in each soul,

ALL: We see the face of God.

ONE: So, in wonder and in gratitude,

ALL: We give God our thanks and praise!

*HYMN

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

No. 35

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ONE: For the right roads we avoided traveling, and the kind words we refused to share;

ALL: God, by your grace, forgive us.

ONE: For the hidden hurts we have held too tightly, and the promises which we never kept;

ALL: God, by your grace, forgive us.

ONE: For the careless use of our time and money and the poor excuses we should never have made...

ALL: God, by your grace, forgive us.

ONE: For all we should be and all we can amend,

ALL: God in your love, renew us.

ONE: For all you have in store for us and all you may demand of us,

ALL: God in your love, prepare us.

ONE: For the life of this world and the love of its people,

ALL: God in your love, commit us.

(Silence for Personal Confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

... In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

As God offers us the peace of Christ, let us now offer the peace to one another: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

And also with you!

Please share the peace with those around you.

***OUR RESPONSE**

"In His Time"

In His time, in His time, He makes all things beautiful, in His time.
Lord please show me ev'ry day, As You're teaching me Your way,
That You do just what You say, In Your time.

In Your time, in Your time, You make all things beautiful
In Your time. Lord, my life to You I bring,
May each song I have to sing, Be to You a lovely thing, in Your time.

Lord please show me ev'ry day, As You're teaching me Your way,
That You do just what You say, In Your time.

WE LISTEN

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Dr. Robert Evans

FIRST READING

Micah 6: 6-8 p. 850

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Have Decided To Follow Jesus"

No. 344 (W&R)

SECOND READING

John 3:16-21; Mark 1:16-20, 2:13-14 p 910

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON**"Thoughts on Conversion"****Rev. Dr. Robert Evans****WE RESPOND*****HYMN****"Come, Ye Sinner's, Poor And Needy"****No. 415*****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From A Brief Statement of Faith -Presbyterian Church, USA)**

In life and death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:preaching good news to the poor, and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed - Blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, forgiving sinners and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

...Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, they 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.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Where He Leads Me”

Blandy/Norris

***DOXOLOGY**

No. 606

***PRAYE OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN**

“Jesus Calls Us”

No. 720

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

“I Love To Tell The Story”

No. 462

*Please rise, in body or in spirit.

If you need childcare, please see an usher.

THE LIFE OF NEW HOPE CHURCH

If you are visiting with us and would like more information about New Hope Presbyterian Church, or are interested in membership, please speak to the minister.

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Tom Strohl, Liturgist

Dean Newkirk, Music Director