**New Hope**

**United Methodist Church**

***March 14, 2021 UMCOR Sunday***

We are New Hope United Methodist Church, a Community of Faith that exists for the Glory of God to reach out and welcome people, serve others and equip them with a faith that works in everyday life.

**PRELUDE**

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES & RINGING OF BELLS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, GREETINGS, AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS – Worship Leader**

**(\*INVITES CONGREGATION TO STAND)**

**\*Call to Worship (by liturgist only):**

We gather this day from a week filled with needs and demands. We come to find rest and renewal of our spirits. Open your hearts in love to hear the voice of God. We want to quietly rest in God’s presence, free from the clamor of the world. This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

**\*Opening Hymn** **(track 2) 310, Blue Hymnal**

***“He Lives” (all verses)***

**Invitation to Confess our Brokenness**

O God, we lead busy lives. Just coming to church on Sunday mornings often seems like a sacrifice. There’s so much to do, so much to worry about: our responsibilities; our relationships; our family plans; our volunteer commitments; our efforts to make it in this world. When we forget who we are, transform our priorities so that we make space in our lives to be quiet and listen to you.

**[continue to pray in silence]**

**Assurance of Forgiveness and Grace (by pastor):** The Psalmist declares that those who speak the truth from their heart will abide in God’s sanctuary. God hears the difficult truths we have named aloud and in the silence of our hearts. Now let the wonderful gift of God’s forgiveness flow through you. May the abundance of God’s mercy and grace set you free to serve God with love.

**Hymn (track 1) 378, Blue Hymnal**

***“Amazing Grace” (verses 1, 2, 6 and 1)***

**Gospel Lesson** **Luke 10:38-42 (NT p. 67)**

**Hymn (track 4) insert**

***“Love Lifted Me”***

**Sermon Pastor Ric**

“What, Exactly***, is*** the One Needed Thing?”

**Hymn (track 9) 496, Blue Hymnal**

***“Sweet Hour Of Prayer” (verses 1 & 2)***

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer**

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN

**Invitation to the Offering**

We give our offering hopefully: hoping that God can use these gifts, hoping that these gifts can further God’s kingdom, hoping that our offering will help God’s kingdom come to a world that needs justice and transformation.

**\*Doxology 95, Blue Hymnal**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**\*Offertory prayer (by pastor)**

Holy God,we are the Receivers, receivers of love receivers of grace receivers of Jesus. We are the Givers, following God’s call, following Jesus, following our hearts. We give these offerings for the work of your kingdom, with gratefulness. Amen.

**\*Closing Hymn (track 11) insert**

***“Wherever He Leads I’ll Go”***

**\*Benediction**

The love of the faithful Creator,

the peace of the wounded Healer,

the joy of the challenging Spirit,

the hope of the Three in One,

surround and encourage you today and always.

Go in peace.

***Thank you for worshipping with us today!***

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**W7797 Center Road, Glenbeulah, WI 53023-1508**

**Worship at 9:30 am – March 14, 2021**



**Pastor: Ric Olson** **pastor@gbnewhopeumc.org** **(920) 980-8302**

***If you are in need of pastoral care, please call the pastor, or call the New Hope Church Office at 920-526-3372.***

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