**New Hope**

**United Methodist Church**

***September 5, 2021 Labor Day Weekend***

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/Blessing of Backpacks:**

ONE: Calling all children of the Living God: the gospel is good news for every age and every stage.

**ALL: Let us worship together, the young and the old.**

ONE: The good news is proclaimed in God’s words, and also with crayons, silly songs, snacks, and rest time.

**ALL: Let us worship together, every generation.**

ONE: After months of learning behind screens

or separated by dividers and physical space,

**ALL: Let us worship together, with our family of faith.**

ONE: We may still feel uncertain, seeing so many faces again, but we come together seeking God’s peace in this beautiful community.

**ALL: Let us worship together, united in Christ.**

**\*Opening Hymn (track 1)** **#369, Blue Hymnal**

*“Blessed Assurance” (v. 1 & 2)*

**Opening Prayer (in unison):** As we gather here in your name, O Christ, you are already among us. Keep us open to your presence in us and around us that we may grow closer to you. Amen.

**Hymn 454, Blue Hymnal**

*“Open My Eyes, That I May See”*

**Scripture**  Mark 7: 24-37 (NT p. 40)

**Sermon** *“Giving Our Best”* ***Pastor Ric***

**Hymn** *“All Who Hunger”* **#2126, Black Hymnal**

**We Share the Lord’s Supper**

**Invitation Blessing the Bread and Cup**

**Sharing the Bread and Cup**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)**

God of abundance and mercy, we give joyful thanks for your eternal love and healing presence in our celebration of bread and the cup. Bless us, your people, the body of Christ that we may attend faithfully to our call to be your servants, with each other and throughout the world. Amen.

**Hymn (track 9) 526, Blue Hymnal**

*“What A Friend We Have In Jesus” (v. 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**

God gives to us continually. In each breath, we receive God’s spirit. Responding to God’s generosity, let us give to God in thanksgiving. Let us receive our offering.

**\*Doxology #84, Blue Hymnal** “Thank You, Lord”(2x)

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison**): We dedicate to you, generous God, our lives. Receive these offerings as a sign of our gratitude and commitment. Amen.

**\*Closing Hymn #664, Blue Hymnal**

*“Sent Forth by God’s Blessings”*

**\*Benediction**

In living for others, we find life. In loving others, we find the love of God. In seeking justice, we find and create peace. In finding Jesus, we find the example of how we are to live. Go, loving Jesus, loving your neighbor as yourself, and live into the way of Christ. Amen.

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

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

**Worship at 10:30 am – September 5, 2021**

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**Pastor: Ric Olson** [**pastor@gbnewhopeumc.org**](about:blank) **(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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***Attendance on 8/29: 11 Offering: $ 85.00***

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