

LENTEN WORSHIP SCHEDULE: Wednesday worship March 13th & March 20th at *North New Hope*. Potluck Supper at 5pm and worship 6pm. March 13th “To Serve”, March 20th “To Strive”. Confirmation Class at NNH 7pm to 8pm March 13. No Confirmation class March 20th & 27th.

OFFERING: Offerings of \$29 @Faith & \$36 @N New Hope *per family per week* makes our ministry possible.

WORSHIP HELP NEEDED AT NORTH NEW HOPE & FAITH: On bulletin boards at both churches. Sign up to help. Lector, Worship teams, Coffee hosts, Flowers. *We need your help and your talents. Please consider a Sunday you can help!*

NORTH NEW HOPE SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS: Noisy Offering last Sunday of each Month. Please be generous as this supports our Sunday School. Hosting an Easter Egg Hunt again 3/31/2024 after Easter Sunday Worship.

PASTOR’S BIBLE STUDY: Online Bible Study Wednesday’s 3:30pm Contact Pastor for link.

FAITH COFFEE HOUR: Could you host a coffee hour? Bring treats (homemade or bought!), make coffee, and clean up. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board. Sign up w/friend or relative.

GREETING CARDS IN NARTHEX AT FAITH: Greeting cards at Faith (by water cooler). *Free will donation*

JOINT YOUTH GROUP: Youth Group meets every other Sunday night in the Fireside Room at Faith Church at 7:00 pm. Contact Naomi, naomi.peuse@gmail.com or call (515) 554-3216.

COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS AT NNH: Please join us for the "Coffee & Conversations" gatherings which will be on the 2nd Sunday of each month 9:30am (topics to be determined).

COFFEE & CONVERSATION AT FAITH: Our first Coffee & Conversation went very well! Watch bulletins for the next monthly chat about our future & ministries. Coffee, conversation & treats. After worship on Sundays once a month.

SPRING CLEANING AT FAITH AFTER WORSHIP TODAY! 3/10/2024: We need everyone's help to spruce the church up for Easter. Snacks will be provided, and we plan to be done by lunch time at the latest.

NNH EASTER LILIES: Sign-up sheet for Easter lilies is on table by the bulletin board. The price is \$8.00. Deadline March 24. Give payment to Krys/Sandy or place in offering with your name and “lilies” on envelope. Pick up after Easter worship.

ROSHOLT PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED: Baked beans, Canned vegetables or fruits, boxed meals (like Hamburger Helper), Rice, Potatoes (canned or fresh), Crackers, Jello/pudding, Cereal, Pancake mix & syrup, Cake mixes, Soup, Tuna, Canned meats, Peanut butter/Jelly, Jiffy mix, Mac & Cheese. Bring to the church or the pantry (1st & 3rd Mondays of the month.)

OLD FASHION SUNDAY DINNER MARCH 17, 2024: St Patrick’s Day dinner. Corned Beef & Cabbage, roast Pork, potato, vegetable, beverage, & dessert. Serving 11am to 1pm. Sign-up sheets for helpers & desserts in Narthex.

AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF PORTAGE COUNTY: ADRC Nutrition Program for seniors aged 60 and older. ADRC dining site in Rosholt, Nelson/Kaminski American Legion Hall, 290 E Grand Ave. Noon lunch served on the 2nd & 4th *Thursdays* of every month. Call Lisa, 715-347-4856, to RSVP. \$5 is suggest donation for meal.

ELIGIBLE PORTAGE COUNTY RESIDENTS FREE HELP COMPLETING TAXES: AARP Tax Assistance Program, with the Aging & Disability Resource Center and Portage County Public Library, offers free tax preparation services for seniors, individuals with low to moderate income, & adults with disabilities. Check eligibility & schedule appointments by dialing United Way 211 or (800)922-5590 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ROSHOLT LIONS CLUB ROSES FOR SPRING:\$16 per dozen selling now until March 28th, delivering April 19th & 20th.

BEVENT LIONS CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Sunday 4/7/2024 8am to Noon St Ladislaus Parish Basement.

ST MICHAEL’S JUNCTION CITY GRILLED PORK CHOP DINNER 3/17/2024: 10:30am -1pm, \$13 Serving 2 grilled pork chops, baked potato, green bean casserole, salad, bread & desserts

DEADLINE FOR APRIL NEWSLETTER March 21, 2024 at 2pm

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Prayers for Healing-	
<i>Please remember those who are ill or otherwise</i>	
<i>in need of prayer, especially:</i>	
FAITH:	
Kory Ambroziak, Delores Anderson, Don Becker, Alice Boe,	
Nancy Brenic, Cheryl Brooks, Karen Ellsworth, Julie Firkus,	
Bob & Jackie Gehm, Josephine Habeck, Arnie Karpinski,	
Clara Mae Knutson, Mary Kurszewski, Dawn & Paul LeNoble,	
Kathy Midthum, Kate O’Connor, John Olstad, Maggie Patton,	
Jordin Rekowski, Jami Santini, Betsy Suehring, Roger Swenson,	
Al Tesch, and Trish Wrycza	
NORTH NEW HOPE:	
Lorraine Clark, Bernice Krogwold, and Loretta Stull.	
<i>Please call or email the Church Office to add someone to the prayer list.</i>	

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Preparation for Worship – As Nicodemus did (John 3), I bring all my questions to you, Jesus. Thank you for welcoming me — and my quandaries — always.

Words of Welcome – “God so loved the world that he gave his only Son” (John 3:16). May you sense that divine love through this time of worship. Welcome.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.
Holy God, fountain of living water, source of mercy, tender and mighty, you are clothed with majesty and splendor. Your steadfast love fills the earth. **Your steadfast love fills the earth.**

Your love flows through water, satisfying the thirst of all living things, sustaining life in this community, nourishing and delighting us. We bless you for these gifts of water: Your steadfast love fills the earth.
Your steadfast love fills the earth.

Your love flows through water, a sign of your saving power: Noah and the animals survive the flood, Hagar discovers your well. The Israelites escape through the sea, and they drink from your gushing rock. Naaman washes his leprosy away, and the Samaritan woman will never be thirsty again. Your steadfast love fills the earth. **Your steadfast love fills the earth.**

Your love flows through the water of baptism joined to your life-giving Word: your well of mercy and cleansing flood, your sea of deliverance from death into life, your healing river washing sin away, your living water springing up to eternal life. Your steadfast love fills the earth.
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Shower us with your Holy Spirit. Fill us with your love. Clothe us and all your people with grace. Embolden us to do justice. Bless us to love mercy. Guide us to walk humbly with you, whom we thank and praise, through Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

GATHERING SONG *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High* **(Red Hymnal #857)**
GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

KYRIE *Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved* **(Red Hymnal #602)**

Leader O God, Father in heaven, have mercy upon us.
All **Your heart, O God, is grieved, we know, by ev'ry evil, ev'ry woe; upon your cross-forsaken Son our death is laid, our peace is won.**

Leader O Son of God, redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us.
All **Your arms extend, O Christ, to save from sting of death and grasp of grave; your scar before the Father move his heart to mercy at such love.**

Leader O God, Holy Spirit, have mercy upon us.
All **O lavish Giver, come to aid the children that your word has made. Now make us grow an help us pray; bring joy and comfort, come to stay.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Numbers 21:4-9

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 40:1-8

¹I waited patiently upon the LORD, who stooped to me and heard my cry.
²**The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.**
³The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and they shall trust the LORD.
⁴**Happy are they who put their trust in the LORD! They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.**
⁵Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.
⁶**Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.**
⁷And so I said, "Here I am; I come. In the scroll of the book it is written of me:
⁸**"I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep within me."**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:1-10

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Return to the Lord **(Red Hymnal p.216)**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The holy gospel according to John **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ**

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?
¹¹Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.
¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.
¹⁷Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lift High the Cross

Rev Michael Peuse
(Red Hymnal #660)

CREED:

(Red Hymnal p.104)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God’s promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need....

.... **INTERCESSORY PRAYER RESPONSE:** *Jesus, Remember Me (Taizé)***(Red Hymnal #616)**

.... Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.** *Jesus, Remember Me (Taizé)* **(Red Hymnal #616)**

OFFERING:

Create in Me a Clean Heart

(Red Hymnal #186)

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD:

Let us pray. Praise and thanks to you, holy God....

....For your Word of life, O God, **We give you thanks and praise.**

.... to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **Amen.**

LORD’S PRAYER

(Red Hymnal p.221)

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Beloved, we are God’s own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and ✚ give you peace.**Amen.**

SENDING SONG

For by Grace You Have Been Saved

(Red Hymnal #598)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread. **Thanks be to God.**