# Welcome to New Hope Church

A Christ-centered community for all peoples, moving toward Jesus and taking others with us.



We'd love to get to know you. Fill out the New Here form.









**GIVE ONLINE** 

**NEED PRAYER?** 

**NEWS & GIVING REPORT** 

#### **New Here Meet & Greet**

3rd Sundays (April 16), 10–10:30am, Conference Room. New Here? We'd love to get to know you! Meet staff, elders and Pastor Matthew and help us get to know you.

## **Identity Message Series**

April 16–May 7. Our culture is currently struggling with the topic of human sexuality and identity. In this four-week series, we'll unpack what God's Word says about this topic and cast vision for a hope-filled way forward. Watch at newhopechurchmn.org/messages.

#### **Identity Elective**

Sundays, April 16–30, 10:30am, Sandberg Chapel. Anchored in biblical teaching, we'll learn and celebrate God's purpose for human sexuality, gender and flourishing. Co-hosted by Next Gen. Open to ages middle school to adult. Register at newhopechurchmn.org/events.

### **Disability Ministry Donation Drive**

April 2–16. Donate new or gently used gifts for Bingo nights. Drop off at collection box near the reception desk. Visit newhopechurchmn.org/disabilities for donation ideas.

#### **Women's Connect Night**

Thursday, April 20, 6:30–8pm, Sandberg Chapel. Build new and deeper connections with other women at NHC through encouraging teaching (video-based), snacks and intentional conversation. Register at newhopechurchmn.org/women.

#### Men's Breakfast

Saturday, April 22, 8:30am, Family Center. Connect with other men over a hearty breakfast and fellowship. Celebrate the life change men are experiencing. Cost: \$10. Register by April 13 at newhopechurchmn.org/men.

Get the most current information at

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Why Are You Weeping?

John 20:13

## **CONNECT**

1. How do you process feelings of despair or loss?

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- 3. John 20:12–13 offers perspective on why Mary is weeping. Could there be still other reasons?
- 4. The two angels on either side of where Jesus' body had lain reminds us of the cherubim "on the two ends of the mercy seat" in Exodus 25:18. Compare Exodus 25:10–22 and Hebrews 9:1–14. How does the scene in the tomb and Jesus' work as Savior and Lord fulfill the intent of what is read in Exodus?
- 5. Read John 20:14–15. Why is Jesus' question of Mary so important?
- 6. In John 20:17 Jesus tells Mary not to cling to Him. Why did He say that? See John 14:26 for more insight.

## **ACTION**

- 7. How can you use Jesus' question in John 20:15 to encourage someone who has lost hope?
- 8. Read John 20. How might you use this passage to share the gospel? With whom will you do so?