

Welcome to New Hope!

January 11, 2026 Baptism of Our Lord

Pine Creek Site 8:30a

Sand Creek Site 10a



In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus is revealed as the beloved Son of God. Through this great epiphany, Jesus fulfills all righteousness and becomes the servant of God who will bring forth justice and be a light to the nations. In the waters of baptism we too are washed by the Word, anointed by the Spirit, and named God's beloved children. Our baptismal mission is to proclaim good news to all who are oppressed or in need of God's healing.

*Green and Blue Hymnals are in pews.

Cranberry Hymnals at our Sand Creek site are in shelf near office door.

GATHERING

PRELUDE REFLECTION *Grace that Won't Let Go*

WELCOME

BAPTISM LITANY

HYMN

Shall We Gather at the River

APOSTOLIC GREETING

KYRIE

HYMN OF PRAISE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We Are Marching

Blue Hymnal #650

WORD

REFLECTION *This is the Bible*

OLD TESTAMENT **Isaiah 42:1-9**

God's servant is endowed with God's spirit in order to bring justice to the nations. The servant will not exercise authority boisterously or with violence, nor will weariness ever prevent the fulfilling of the servant's task. God's old promises have been fulfilled; the servant's new assignment is to bring light to the nations.

PSALM 29 *The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. (Ps. 29:3)*

NEW TESTAMENT **Acts 10:34-43**

Peter crosses the sharp religious boundary separating Jews from Gentiles and proclaims the good news of God's inclusive forgiveness in Jesus' name to Cornelius, a Roman centurion. As a result of Peter's preaching, Cornelius and his family become the first Gentiles to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

NOISY OFFERING/MISSION *January offerings will support our missionary, Rev. Dr. Carolyn Schneider, serving in Guyana, South America*

REFLECTION

Sacrament of Baptism

ALLELUIA

Alleluia! Raise the Gospel

- Please stand, as you are able, for a reading from the life of Jesus Christ.

HYMN *Take My Life, That I May Be*

Green Hymnal #406

GOSPEL

Matthew 3:13-17

Before Jesus begins his ministry, he's baptized by John, touched by the Spirit, and identified publicly as God's child.

- Please be seated.,

SERMON

Pr. Michael Sparby

HYMN

Thy Holy Wings

Blue Hymnal #741

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

LORD'S PRAYER

MEAL

- Please stand, as you are able.

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LAMB OF GOD

REFLECTION

What a Beautiful Name

OFFERINGS received in plates at Pine Creek site and boxes near the doors at Sand Creek site.

SENDING

- Please stand, as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER

MINISTRY NEWS

BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

HYMN

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Green Hymnal #439

SENDING

POSTLUDE

New Hope Announcements January 11, 2026

Thank you for worshipping with us! You are welcome here if searching for a spiritual home!

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	<i>Baptism of Our Lord</i>	1/11
8:30a	PC Worship	
9:20a	Fellowship/both sites	<i>SC Host: Sophia Circle</i>
10a	SC Worship	
11a	SC CPR Class	
3p	SC Piano Lessons	
MONDAY		1/12
8:30a	SC Comforters Quilting	
TUESDAY		1/13
7p	SC AA	
WEDNESDAY		1/14
6p	SC Eve Circle Hostess:	<i>Lou Ann Gilberts</i>
6:30p	SC Confirmation	
THURSDAY		1/15
9:30a	SC Sophia Circle	
	Newsletter articles due	
SATURDAY		1/17
	<i>Celebration of Life for Dorrrene Knutson</i>	
	<i>Olson Funeral Home in Menomonie</i>	
11a—1:30p	Visitation / 1:30p Service	
SUNDAY		1/18
8:30a	PC Worship	
9:20a	Fellowship/both sites	<i>SC Host: Men's Group</i>
10a	SC Worship	
3p	SC Piano Lessons	



ANNUAL REPORTS DUE ASAP

Annual Meeting: Sunday, Jan. 25th
at our Pine Creek Site
9:20a Coffee Fellowship
ONE Worship Service—10a
Annual Meeting immediately follows

Luther Park Bible Annual Meeting Saturday, February 7th/Ministry Center

9:30a Coffee 10a Meeting Lunch follows
If interested in representing "New Hope", please contact the church office as soon as able to process registration. Anyone may attend but only three can vote.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please update church office after 2 weeks

Gary Hanson, Jon Gilberts, Ken/Jan Gille, Sharon Hegna, Wayne Christopherson, Arlys Hoveland, Heather Irwin

Barron Care/Rehab: Bev Miller

Home Care: Astrid Sannes

Military: Capt. David E. Dahl, Jacob Messinger

Community Care

For a pastoral visit/call or to join our visiting team, contact the office, Pr. Michael or Joyce Gilberts.



TODAY, Sunday, January 11th

11a at our Sand Creek site

\$25/person (Red Cross Certification)

Checks payable to: New Hope Lutheran

Memo: CPR

Questions? Contact Joyce Gilberts

LOOK AHEAD

JANUARY 2026

Mon. Jan. 19 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Sun. Jan. 25 **ONE service 10a/Pine Creek site**
9:20a Coffee Fellowship/PC
Annual Meeting after worship

FEBRUARY

Sun. Feb. 1 reg sch *Speaker: Carol Anderson*
Mon. Feb. 2 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Feb. 4 6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sat. Feb. 7 **9:30a Luther Park Annual Meeting**
Sun. Feb. 8 reg. sch *Speaker: Joyce Gilberts*
Mon. Feb. 9 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Feb. 11 6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Feb. 15 reg. sch *Speaker: Mark Gilberts*
Mon. Feb. 16 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Feb. 18 **Ash Wednesday**
11:30a/SC Worship/noon lunch
6p/PC Confirmation serves supper **7p Worship**

MARCH

Sun. Mar. 1 reg. sch
Mon. Mar. 2 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Mar. 4 **Lent 3 11:30a/SC & Noon lunch**
Wed. Mar. 4 6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Mar. 8 reg. sch
Mon. Mar. 9 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Mar. 11 **Lent 4 11:30a/SC & Noon lunch**
Wed. Mar. 11 6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Mar. 15 reg. sch
Mon. Mar. 16 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Mar. 17 **Lent 5 11:30a/SC & Noon lunch**
Wed. Mar. 17 6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Mar. 22 reg. sch
Mon. Mar. 23 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Mar. 25 **Lent 6 11:30a/SC & Noon lunch**
Wed. Mar. 25 6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Mar. 29 **Palm Sunday** reg. sch
Mon. Mar. 30 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

APRIL

Fri. Apr. 3/Good Friday **7p/SC**
Sun. Apr. 5/Easter reg. sch

Offerings received at

*Pine Creek site offering plate (8:30a worship)
*Sand Creek site offering boxes (10a worship)
*Website: www.newhopescpc.org
*Post mail: Po Bx 85, Sand Creek, WI 54765

Your support is greatly appreciated!

Transition Task Force Update

Transition Task Force

Carol Anderson, Linda Bilodeau, Robbie Jo Ellefson, Joyce Gilberts, Mark Gilberts, and Dawn Knutson,

The task force brought its first report, with recommendations, to church council Dec. 15th. After discussion, motion passed to accept Pr. Michael's request to move from 3/4 time to 1/2 time. With these hours his main duties will center around Worship/Administration. He will continue to teach Confirmation and address other needs as they arise.

Visitation team has begun transitioning with Joyce Gilberts leading; she'll continue covering most visits. Pr. Michael's presence in worship over the course of the year will remain much the same as its been since accepting our call in 2018. In-office hours will usually be Sundays, and Monday/Tuesday early mornings. As always, additional appointments can be scheduled.

The Church Council and Transition Task Force appreciate hearing from you! Please share thoughts and concerns with them.

Streamed Worship: YouTube Link: *New Hope on the Creeks*

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgsG8Jl-RdcnKSnFI48DyQ>

Listen via phone: 534-444-4300