

Welcome to New Hope!

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Epiphany 2

Pine Creek Site 8:30a

Sand Creek Site 10a



All the baptized have a calling in God's world. God calls not just pastors and deacons but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn't important; it's where—or rather whom—we come to. Jesus refers to Jacob, who had a vision in a place he called "the house of God, and . . . the gate of heaven" (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.

***Green & Blue Hymnals are in pews if prefer reading music
Cranberry Hymnals at our Sand Creek site are in the shelf near office door.**

GATHERING

**PRELUDE
REFLECTION
WELCOME**

What is a Disciple?

**HYMN
INVOCATION
PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Here I Am, Lord

Blue Hymnal #752

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT + 1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]

At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the Lord comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel's prophetic ministry.

REFLECTION PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18 *You have searched me out and known me. (Ps. 139:1)*

NEW TESTAMENT + 1st Corinthians 6:12-20

Paul helps the Corinthians understand that God has claimed the entirety of their lives through the death of Christ. Hence Christian relationships and conduct, including areas of human sexuality, are to reflect the reality that we belong to Christ and that the Holy Spirit lives within us

CHILDREN'S TIME

NOISY OFFERING *January offerings will go toward our 2024 Luther Park Camperships*

- *Please stand for a reading fro the life of Jesus Christ*

HYMN OF PRAISE *Day by Day / Godspell*

GOSPEL + John 1:43-51

In John's gospel, Jesus' ministry begins with the call of disciples, who then bring others to Jesus. Philip's friend Nathanael moves from skepticism to faith when he accepts the invitation to "Come and see."

SERMON

Pastor Michael Sparby

HYMN

Will You Come and Follow Me Cranberry Hymnal #798

APOSTLES CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION / LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

OFFERINGS *received in plates near the doors. Thank you!*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

REFLECTION

Precious Jesus

SENDING

COMMUNION BLESSING

COMMUNION PRAYER

MINISTRY NEWS

HYMN

Take My Life and Let it Be

Green Hymnal #406

SENDING

POSTLUDE

New Hope Announcements - January 14, 2024

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

This Week

SUNDAY	1/14
8:30a Pine Creek Worship	
9:20a Fellowship/both sites	
SC Host: Sophia Circle	
10a Sand Creek Worship	
MONDAY <i>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</i>	1/15
8:30a Comforters Quilting/SC	
Newsletter articles due	
TUESDAY	1/16
7p AA/SC	
WEDNESDAY	1/17
6:30p Confirmation/PC	
SUNDAY	1/21

***1** service 10a at our Pine Creek Site*
***9:20a** Coffee Hour **10:50a** Annual Meeting*

Annual Reports will be available in the church office and online by Wed., Jan. 17

Will you serve?

To be elected at our Annual Meeting January
21st Contact the office asap
Luther Park Annual Meeting / need 2
February 3rd 10a
Synod Assembly June 7-8th
at UW Eau Claire Davies Center / **need 2**

**New Hope Comforters
is in need of fabric and sheets**

Hats/Mittens Collection
for students at area schools

In Our Prayers

Please update church office after 2 weeks
Gary Hanson, Astrid Sannes, Jenie Davis
Jeff Fladten, Lynette Emanuel, Celie Bembnister,
Lu Weir
Barron Care/Rehab: Bev Miller
Bloomer Dove: Pat Goodremote
Bloomer Meadowbrook: Inez Schrader
Colfax Health/Rehab: Colleen Schwegman,
Dorrene Knutson
Eau Claire Dove/Orchard Hills: Lillian Wendlandt
Heritage Court/Eau Claire: Jean Larson
Rice Lake Marshfield Hospital: Marye Hanson
Military: Capt. David E. Dahl, Garrett Dillon

Community Care: *For a pastoral visit or call,
contact church office, Pr. Michael or Joyce Gilberts.
To join our visiting team, please contact Pr. Michael.*

*Thank you for your noisy offering received at our
Prairie Farm/Ridgeland Food Pantry. We greatly
appreciate your giving!*
-Margie Wiseman, Director 1/8/24

Lenten Soup & Bread Luncheons

Will you help?

Each Wednesday during Lent, beginning Ash
Wednesday, February 14th, a simple soup & bread
luncheon will be served at noon, following 11:30a
worship service. Will you provide a soup, bread, or
dessert one Wednesday? Sign up on the office door.
Thank you!

Sand Creek site communion assistants

If interested to serve, please contact the office.

Mayo Clinic Health System

FREE

StrongBodies Strength-Training Class

12p—1p Tuesdays & Thursdays

January 9th—March 28th

Sand Creek Arts Center (Old School)

E93311 County Rd I, Sand Creek

Increase strength, muscle mass, bone density with progressive resistance training, balance and flexibility exercises. Registration not required.

SAVE THE DATE!

Adult Bingo/Game Night: Fri., Feb. 9

6-8p at our Sand Creek site (Snacks provided)

COMMEMORATIONS

• ***Pachomius, renewer of the church, died 346***
Born in Egypt, Pachomius became a Christian while a soldier. He became a hermit (solitary monk) and organized others into a religious community. His rule for monasteries influenced later ones in both the Eastern and Western churches.

LOOKING AHEAD

JANUARY 2024

Wed. Jan 24 6:30p Confirmation/PC

Sun. Jan. 28 reg. sch

SC Baptism/Allison June Link (vs Feb. 4th)

Wed. Jan. 31 5-8p/SC Parent's Night Out
6:30p Confirmation/PC

FEBRUARY

Sun. Feb. 4 reg. sch.

Wed. Feb. 7 6:30p Confirmation/PC

Fri. Feb 9 6-8p Adult Game/Bingo at SC

Sun. Feb. 11 reg. sch. ***Transfiguration Sunday***

Wed. Feb. 14 ***Ash Wednesday*** 11:30a SC & 7p PC
6:30p Confirmation/PC

Sun. Feb. 18 reg. sch. Lent 1

Wed. Feb. 21 ***Lent Wednesday 2*** – SC-11:30a
6:30p Confirmation/PC

Wed. Feb. 25 reg. sch. Lent 2

Wed. Feb. 28 ***Lent Wednesday 3*** – SC-11:30a

MARCH

Sun. Mar. 3 reg. sch. Lent 3

Wed. Mar. 6 ***Lent Wednesday 4*** – SC-11:30a
6:30p Confirmation/PC

Sun. Mar. 10 reg. sch. Lent 4

Tues. Mar. 12 Pastor Chapel in Bloomer
10a Dove & 10:40a Meadowbrook

Wed. Mar. 13 ***Lent Wednesday 5*** – SC-11:30a
6:30p Confirmation/PC

Sun. Mar. 17 reg. sch. Lent 5

Wed. Mar. 20 ***Lent Wednesday 6*** – SC-11:30a
6:30p Confirmation/PC

Sun. Mar. 24 reg. sch. ***Palm Sunday***
Men's Group Pancake Breakfast SC

Wed. Mar. 27 5-8p/SC Parent's Night Out

Fri. Mar. 29 7p Worship ***Good Friday***

Sun. Mar. 31 reg. sch. ***Easter Sunday***