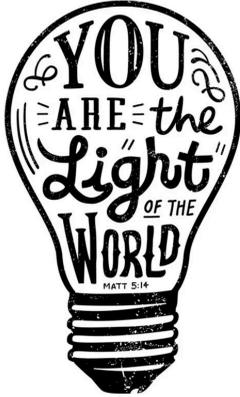


Welcome to New Hope!

February 8, 2026
Pine Creek Site 8:30a

5th Sunday of Epiphany
Sand Creek Site 10a



Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

***Green and Blue Hymnals are in pews.**

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

GATHERING

PRELUDE

REFLECTION

WELCOME

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

HYMN

APOSTOLIC GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Salt and Light

Gather Us In

David Anderson

Blue Hymnal #718

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT + Isaiah 58 1-9a [9b-12]

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.

PSALM 112 Light shines in the darkness for the upright. (Ps. 112:4)

NEW TESTAMENT + 1st Corinthians 2: 1-12 [13-16]

Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SONG *This Little Light of Mine*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

NOISY OFFERING/MISSION *February offerings support our sister synod in Malawi, Africa*

HYMN OF PRAISE *Alleluia, Raise the Gospel*

Please stand, as you are able

GOSPEL + Matthew 5: 13-20

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.

SERMON

Joyce Gilberts

HYMN

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

Green Hymnal #423

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

LORD'S PRAYER

MEAL

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

REFLECTION

Words of Institution

This is Communion

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

COMMUNION PRAYER

MINISTRY NEWS

BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

HYMN

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

Green Hymnal #538

SENDING

POSTLUDE

New Hope Announcements February 8, 2026

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

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	2/8
<i>Speaker: Joyce Gilberts</i>	
8:30a/PC Worship	
9:20a Fellowship at both sites <i>SC: Sophia Circle</i>	
10a/SC Worship	
MONDAY	2/9
8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting	
SC W/ELCA Offering received	
TUESDAY	2/10
7p/SC AA	
WEDNESDAY	2/11
6:30p/SC Confirmation	
FRIDAY	2/13
Office Closed	

SUNDAY *Transfiguration of Our Lord* **2/15**

Newsletter articles due

Speaker: Mark Gilberts

8:30a/PC Worship

9:20a Fellowship at both sites *SC: Men's Group*

10a/SC Worship

1-4p/SC Reserved for Eagle Scouts Ceremony

3p/SC Piano Lessons

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please update church office after 2 weeks

Mark Hanson, Addison Hughes, Jon Gilberts, Gary

Hanson, Arlys Hoveland, Wayne Christopherson

Barron Care/Rehab: Bev Miller, Rich Misselt

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.

FEBRUARY STEWARDSHIP

AIDS/Hospice Kits *(Global Health Missions)*

Clean Comforting Hope

1 regular size 48-52" bath towel

1 washcloth

1 new, unscented bath-size bar soap

1 toothbrush

1 "pick" comb

1 nail clipper with file

6 band-aids

1 jar (4oz or larger) Vaseline

1 pair (medium-size) heavy duty household gloves



Sign-up on the office door if you wish to help.

Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD

FEBRUARY

- Mon. Feb. 16** 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Tues. Feb. 17 **8a/SC site closed during the day**
Dunn County Police Canine Training
7p/SC AA Group
Wed. Feb. 18 *Ash Wednesday*
11:30a/SC Worship/noon lunch
6p/PC Confirmation serves supper 7p Worship
Sun. Feb. 22 reg. sch
Mon. Feb. 23 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Feb. 25 *Lent 2* 11:30a/SC & Noon lunch
Stay for "Game Day"
6:30p/SC Confirmation

MARCH

- Sun. Mar. 1** reg. sch
Mon. Mar. 2 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Mar. 4 *Lent 3* 11:30a/SC & Noon lunch
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
6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Mar. 15 reg. sch
Mon. Mar. 16 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Mar. 18 *Lent 5* 11:30a/SC & Noon lunch
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
Stay for "Game Day"
6:30p/SC Confirmation
Sun. Mar. 29 *Palm Sunday* reg. sch
Pancake Breakfast 8:15-9:50a SC by Men's Group
Mon. Mar. 30 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

APRIL

- Fri. Apr. 3/Good Friday** 7p/SC
Sun. Apr. 5/Easter reg. sch
Mon. Apr. 6 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

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!

Commemorations

The Martyrs of Japan, died 1597

Christianity was brought to Japan in the 16th century by Jesuit and Franciscan missionaries. The religion was suppressed, however, and in 1597 twenty-six missionaries and converts were crucified. Nevertheless, Christianity survived and later prospered.

Cyril, monk, died 869; Methodius, bishop, died 885; missionaries to the Slavs

Two brothers from Thessalonika, Greece, were monks sent to bring Christianity to the Slavic people. In the course of their work they created a written language, inventing the Cyrillic alphabet for it, and translated the Bible and the liturgy.

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

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgsG8Jl-RdcdnKSnFI48DyQ>

Listen via phone: 534-444-4300