

# *Welcome to New Hope!*

**Sunday, March 10, 2024**

**Pine Creek Site 8:30a**

**4th Sunday in Lent**

**Sand Creek Site 10a**



*The fourth of the Old Testament promises providing a baptismal lens this Lent is the promise God makes to Moses: those who look on the bronze serpent will live. In today's gospel Jesus says he will be lifted up on the cross like the serpent, so that those who look to him in faith will live. When we receive the sign of the cross in baptism, that cross becomes the sign we can look to in faith for healing, for restored relationship to God, for hope when we are dying.*

**\*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  
WELCOME**

*David Anderson*

**HYMN**

*Just As I Am*

Green Hymnal #296

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**KYRIE/Lord Have Mercy**

Cranberry Hymnal pg. 203

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

Cranberry Hymnal pg. 204

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

## **WORD**

**OLD TESTAMENT + Numbers 21:4-9**

*Though God provides food and water for the Israelites in the wilderness, they whine and grumble. They forget about the salvation they experienced in the exodus. God punishes them for their sin, but when they repent God also provides a means of healing: a bronze serpent lifted up on a pole.*

**PSALM 107:1-3, 17-22**

*You deliver your people from their distress.*

**NEW TESTAMENT + Ephesians 2:1-10**

*While we were dead in our sinfulness, God acted to make us alive as a gift of grace in Christ Jesus. We are saved not by what we do but by grace through faith. Thus our good works are really a reflection of God's grace at work in our lives.*

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**NOISY OFFERING** *March offerings go to 5 Local Food Pantries*

• *Please stand for a reading from the life of Jesus Christ*

**HYMN OF PRAISE**    *Give to Our God Immortal Praise*

Green Hymnal #520

**GOSPEL + John 3:14-21**

*To explain the salvation of God to the religious leader, Nicodemus, Jesus refers to the scripture passage quoted in today's first reading. Just as those who looked upon the bronze serpent were healed, so people will be saved when they behold Christ lifted up on the cross.*

**SERMON**

*Pastor Michael Sparby*

**HYMN**

*There in God's Garden*

Blue Hymnal #668

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

## **MEAL**

**SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE**

**\*OFFERINGS** *received in plates at the doors.. Thank you!*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**REFLECTION**    *Amazing Love*

## **SENDING**

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

**COMMUNION PRAYER**

**MINISTRY NEWS**

**BLESSING**

**THREE-FOLD AMEN**

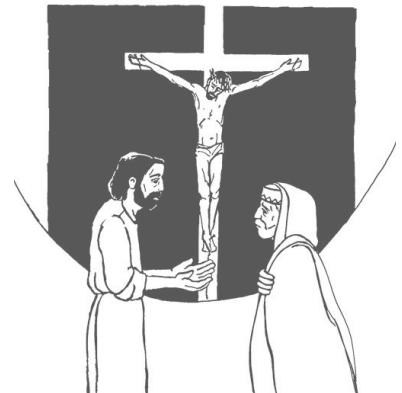
**HYMN**

*As the Sun With Longer Journey*

Tune: Angels from the Realms of Glory

**SENDING**

**POSTLUDE**



# New Hope Announcements - March 10, 2024

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

## This Week

**SUNDAY** 4th Sunday in Lent 3/10  
8:30a Worship/PC  
9:20a Fellowship/both sites SC Host: Sophia Circle  
9:30a PC WELCA  
**\*CHOIR PRACTICE immediately after worship**  
**MONDAY** 3/11  
8:30a Comforters Quilting/SC  
**TUESDAY** 3/12  
Pastor Chapel in Bloomer  
10a Dove & 10:40a Meadowbrook  
7p AA/SC  
**WEDNESDAY** Lent Week 5 3/13  
11:30a SC worship with noon Soup/Bread Lunch  
6:30p/SC Confirmation  
**FRIDAY** Newsletter articles due 3/15  
**SATURDAY** 3/16  
2-4p/SC **Games & Ice Cream**  
**SUNDAY** 5th Sunday in Lent 3/17  
8:30a Worship/PC  
8:30a Baptism: Blaire Georgette Lindstedt  
9:20a Fellowship/both sites SC Host: Sophia Circle  
**\*CHOIR PRACTICE immediately after worship**  
3p/SC New Auburn Community Choir

## **March: Neighbors in Need (LWR)**

Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits help those in disasters.

**Items needed:** dark, light-weight, bath towels, 4oz. bars of soap, toothbrushes, sturdy combs. Project completion celebration is 9:20am Easter Sunday, Mar. 31st at our Sand Creek site hosted by Lana Anderson and sponsored by Thrivent.

**Men's Group Pancake Breakfast**  
**8a -9:50a Palm Sunday, March 24th**  
**at our Sand Creek Site**

## In Our Prayers

*Please update church office after 2 weeks*

Sandy Anderson, Paul Gilberts, Astrid Sannes, Jenie Davis

**Barron Care/Rehab:** Bev Miller

**Bloomer Dove:** Pat Goodremote, Colleen Schwegman

**Bloomer Meadowbrook:** Marye Hanson

**Colfax Health/Rehab:** Inez Schrader, Dorrene Knutson

**Eau Claire Dove/Orchard Hills:** Lillian Wendlandt

**Eau Claire Heritage Court:** Jean Larson

**Military:** Capt. David E. Dahl, Sgt. 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 Pastor.

**Sympathy** to Kristi, Seth, Jack, Sully Welle, and family at the death of Kristi's mother, Lu Weir. A Memorial Service is 4p, Sun., Mar. 17/Menomonie Alliance Church with visitation two hours prior.



*Inez Schrader*  
*Monday, March 11th*

## Will you help?

**Wed., March 13<sup>th</sup> Lenten Lunch** at our Sand Creek Site after 11:30a worship. Will you provide **dessert**? Contact office or sign-up on door.

**“Good Friday” Readers:** Several character readers needed and readers for the “*Seven Last Words*”. Sign up in the office.

## **New Auburn Choir “Behold the Lamb” 3p, Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> / Sand Creek site**

Will you help with hospitality, serving, sharing desserts (bars, cookies, etc)? Sign up in the office.

## **REMINDER: Thrivent Choice Dollars**

Direct to New Hope by March 31st. Thank you for your consideration!

## **All Worship services are Streamed**

View live or anytime on YouTube Link:

***New Hope on the Creeks***

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

**LISTEN live: 534-444-4300**

## **COMMEMORATIONS**

- Harriet Tubman, died 1913
- Sojourner Truth, died 1883

**Renewers of society: Tubman**, born into slavery, helped about 300 others escape slavery until the institution was abolished. **Truth** whose birth name is Isabella, was freed after slavery was abolished, and discerned a call to be a preacher. Taking name Sojourner Truth, she set out on an evangelistic journey, deeply moving people with her testimony.

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

**Mon. Mar. 18** 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting  
**Wed. Mar. 20** ***Week 6*** 11:30a SC w Soup/Bread lunch  
6:30p/SC Confirmation  
**Sun. Mar. 24** reg. sch. ***Palm Sunday***  
8-9:50a Men's Group **Pancake Breakfast/SC**  
**\*SC Choir practice immediately after 10a worship.**  
**Mon. Mar. 25** 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting  
**Wed. Mar. 27** 5-8p/SC *Parent's Night Out*  
**Fri. Mar. 29** 7p/SC Worship ***Good Friday***  
**Sun. Mar. 31** reg. sch. ***Easter Sunday***

### **APRIL**

**Mon. Apr. 1** 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting  
**Sun. April 7** reg. sch.  
**Mon. Apr. 8** 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting  
7p/PC Church Council  
**Wed. Apr. 10** 6:30p/SC Confirmation  
**Sun. Apr. 14** reg. sch.  
**Mon. Apr. 15** 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting  
**Wed. Apr. 17** 6:30p/SC Confirmation  
**Sun. Apr. 21** reg. sch.  
**Mon. Apr. 22** 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting  
**Wed. Apr. 24** 5-8p/SC *Parent's Night Out*  
**Sun. Apr. 28** reg. sch.  
**Mon. Apr. 23** 8:30a Comforters Quilting/SC  
**Tues. Apr. 30** Pastor Chapel/Bloomer  
10a Dove & 10:40a Meadowbrook

### **MAY**

**Wed. May 1** 6:30p/PC Confirmation  
**Sun. May 5** reg. sch. *Guest Speaker:*  
**Wed. May 1** 6:30p/PC 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation  
**Sun. May 12** reg. sch.  
**Wed. May 16** 6:30p/PC Confirm Rehearsal/Photo  
**Sun. May 19** reg. sch.  
*Confirmation/Pentecost Sunday*  
**Sun. May 26** reg. sch. ***Holy Trinity Sunday***  
***HS Graduate Recognition***

*Memorial Day Observed in PC worship*

### **Mon. May 27 Memorial Day**

9a Our Savior's Cemetery  
9:20a Red Cedar River Bridge Ceremony  
9:30a Zion Cemetery (with Myran & Spring Brook)  
**Tues. May 27** 8:30a Comforters Quilting/SC  
**Wed. May 29** 5-8p/SC *Parent's Night Out*