

Welcome to New Hope!

March 15, 2026
Pine Creek Site 8:30a

Lent 4
Sand Creek Site 10a



Baptism is sometimes called enlightenment. The gospel for this Sunday is the story of the man born blind healed by Christ. "I was blind, now I see," declares the man. In baptism God opens our eyes to see the truth of who we are: God's beloved children. As David was anointed king of Israel, in baptism God anoints our head with oil, and calls us to bear witness to the light of Christ in our daily lives.

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

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

GATHERING

PRELUDE
WELCOME
INVOCATION
CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

David Anderson

HYMN
APOSTOLIC GREETING
KYRIE
HYMN OF PRAISE
PRAYER OF THE DAY

God, Whose Almighty Word

Green Hymnal #400

Lord Have Mercy

Cranberry Hymnal pg 203
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WORD

OLD TESTAMENT + 1st Samuel 16: 1-13

Samuel anointed David even though he was the 8th oldest son of Jesse and did not match his brothers in height or other physical characteristics. With the anointing came endowment with the Spirit of the Lord, designating David as the Lord's chosen successor to Saul. A reading from the 9th book of the Bible.

PSALM 23

NEW TESTAMENT + Ephesians 5: 8-14

Because we now live in the divine light which is Jesus Christ, we conduct our lives in ways that reflect the light of Christ, so that our activity is truly pleasing to God. A reading from Paul's letter to the church at Ephesus.

RELECTION *Blind Man*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

NOISY OFFERING/MISSION *March offerings support our Camperships to Luther Park*

HYMN *Day by Day*

• *Please stand, as you are able*

GOSPEL + John 9: 1-41

SERMON *Pr. Michael Sparby*

REFLECTION *Blind Man Sees*

HYMN *Amazing Grace*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

LORD'S PRAYER

MEAL

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

HYMN *Come to the Table of Mercy* Cranberry Hymnal #481

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LAMB OF GOD Cranberry Hymnal pg 208

REFLECTION *Be Thou Vision*

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

SENDING

COMMUNION BLESSING/PRAYER

MINISTRY NEWS

BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

HYMN *As the Winger Days Grow Longer*

SENDING

POSTLUDE

New Hope Announcements March 15, 2026

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

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 3/15
Newsletter articles due
8:30a/PC Worship
9:20a Fellowship at both sites
SC: Robyn Lee 'Beds 4 Kids'
10a/SC Worship
+SC Choir practice after worship
3p/SC Piano Lessons
MONDAY 3/16
8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
TUESDAY 3/17
7p/SC AA
WEDNESDAY 3/18
11:30a/SC Lenten Worship/Lunch
6:30p/SC Confirmation
THURSDAY 3/19
9:30a/SC Sophia Circle
SATURDAY 3/21
8-11a/SC Quilting "National Quilting Day"
8a-1p Walking Together(Bethany Luth/Rice Lake)
SUNDAY 3/22
New Hope Camp Scholarship Applications Due
8:30a/PC Worship
9:20a Fellowship at both sites *SC: Eve Circle*
10a/SC Worship
+SC Choir practice after worship
3p/SC Piano Lessons

Comforters Quilting: ALL Welcome!

"National Quilting Day"

Saturday, March 21st: 8-11a/SC

Those who sleep under a quilt are under a blanket of love. These gifts make life brighter, softer, and more comfortable for our neighbors around the world struggling with chronic poverty, illness, natural disaster and conflict. THANK YOU! NO quilting Mon., Mar. 23rd (funeral)

Men's Group Pancake Breakfast

Palm Sunday, March 29th

8-9:50a at our Sand Creek site

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please update church office after 2 weeks

Karen Hegna, Gene Knutson, Arlys Hoveland, Wayne Christopherson
Barron Care/Rehab: Bev Miller, Richard Misselt
Monroe Manor/Barron: Astrid & Boydean Sannes, Gary Hanson
Military: Capt. David E. Dahl, Jacob Messinger, Jarita Roux
State Dept./Ethiopia: Amy Smith

Community Care

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

Sympathy to the family of Gary Davis

Memorial Funeral Service: Monday, March 23rd

New Hope Lutheran Sand Creek site

11a-1p Visitation 1p Service

Sign up on the office door to provide desserts and/or help serve.

"GOOD FRIDAY" READERS NEEDED

April 3rd: 7p/Sand Creek Site

Sign up on the office door

Lenten Stewardship: Personal Care Kits

Caring for our neighbors with Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits (goal of 100) partnered with Thrivent Financial.

Weekly Collection Schedule

March 1 2 (4 oz) Bath-size Soap
March 8 Light-weight Bath Towel
March 15 Adult-size Toothbrushes
March 22 Sturdy Medium or Large-tooth Combs
March 29 Sturdy Nail Clippers
April 5 Easter Celebration with Thrivent
\$2.65 Shipping includes toothpaste by LWR

**See Lana Anderson with ?*

LOOKING AHEAD

MARCH

Mon. Mar. 23 **NO** Comforters Quilting
11a-1p/SC Gary Davis Visitation 1p Service

7p/SC Church Council

Wed. Mar. 25 *Lent 6 11:30a/SC: Noon lunch/games*
6:30p/SC Confirmation

Sun. Mar. 29 *Palm Sunday* reg. sch
Pancake Breakfast 8:15-9:50a SC by Men's Group
+SC Choir practice after worship

Mon. Mar. 30 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Synod Assembly Registration Due (Apr. 25)

APRIL

Fri. Apr. 3 7p/SC **Good Friday Worship**

Sun. Apr. 5 reg. sch **Easter**

Mon. Apr. 6 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Sun. Apr. 12 reg. sch *Speaker: Carol Anderson*

Mon. Apr. 13 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Sun. Apr. 19 reg. sch

Mon. Apr. 20 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Sat. Apr. 25 *PC Graveside Service: Janell Wegan*
Northwest Synod Assembly

Sun. Apr. 26 reg. sch/*Guest: Eric Klein, Luther Park*

Mon. Apr. 27 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

MAY

Sat. May 2 Men's Group Pancake Breakfast
at Sand Creek Town Hall

Sun. May 3 reg. sch *Speaker: Joyce Gilberts*

Mon. Apr. 20 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Sat. May 9 4p/SC Piano Recital

Sun. May 10 reg. sch

Sun. May 17 reg. sch *Confirmation Sunday/SC*

Sun. May 24 reg. sch *Graduate Recognition*

Mon. May 25 *PC Memorial Day observed*
Memorial Day Cemetery services/SC

9a Our Saviors
Red Cedar Bridge

9:30a Zion

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!

February Stewardship

AIDS/Hospice Kits: *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 (med.-size) heavy duty household gloves

Walking Together

8a—4p Sat., Mar. 21st/ Bethany Lutheran

(Rice Lake) \$25/Participant

Details/registration at Northwest Synod of WI

<https://nwswi.org/walking-together-event>

FINAL registration is Tuesday, March 17th

Bloomer/New Auburn Food Pantry Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction

8a, Sat., Mar. 28th/Bloomer Sr. Center

*Accepting donations for silent auction. Contact
Jessica Hanson, Director or Janet Allison, Treas.*

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

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

Listen via phone: 534-444-4300