

Welcome to New Hope!

March 22, 2026
Pine Creek Site 8:30a

Lent 5
Sand Creek Site 10a



In today's gospel Jesus reveals his power over death by raising Lazarus from the dead. The prophet Ezekiel prophesies God breathing new life into dry bones. To those in exile or living in the shadows of death, these stories proclaim God's promise of resurrection. In baptism we die with Christ that we might also be raised with him to new life. At the Easter Vigil we will welcome the newly baptized as we remember God's unfailing promise in our baptism.

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

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

GATHERING

PRELUDE

HYMN

What Wondrous Love is This

David Anderson

Green Hymnal #385

WELCOME

INVOCATION

CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS

APOSTOLIC GREETING

KYRIE

Lord Have Mercy

Cranberry Hymnal pg 203

HYMN OF PRAISE

Cranberry Hymnal pg 204

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT + Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Ezekiel's vision of the valley of dry bones is a promise that Israel as a nation, though dead in exile, will live again in their land through God's life-giving spirit. Three times Israel is assured that through this vision they will know that "I am the Lord." A reading from the prophet, Ezekiel.

PSALM 130 *I wait for you, O Lord; in your word is my hope. (Ps. 130:5)*

NEW TESTAMENT + Romans 8: 6-11

For Paul, Christian spirituality entails living in the reality of the Holy Spirit. The driving force behind our actions and values is not our sinful desire for self-satisfaction but the very Spirit by which God raised Jesus from the dead and will also raise us from the dead. A reading from Paul's letter to the church in Rome.

REFLECTION

Lazarus and Mary

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

- *Please stand, as you are able*

HYMN

God's Word is Our Great Heritage

Green Hymnal #239

GOSPEL + **John 11: 1-45**

Jesus is moved to sorrow when his friend Lazarus falls ill and dies. Then, in a dramatic scene, he calls his friend out of the tomb and restores him to life.

SERMON

Pr. Michael Sparby

HYMN

Christ is the Life

Green Hymnal #391

REFLECTION

Seeing Jesus

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

Hymn of Heaven

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

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Cranberry Hymnal #886

SENDING

POSTLUDE

New Hope Announcements March 22, 2026

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

THIS WEEK

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

MONDAY 3/23
11a-1p/SC Gary Davis Visitation—1p Service
NO Comforters Quilting

7p/SC Church Council

TUESDAY 3/24
7p/SC AA

WEDNESDAY *Lent* 3/25
11:30a/SC Worship/Lunch & GAMES
6:30p/SC Confirmation

SUNDAY *Palm Sunday* 3/29
8-9:50a/SC Men's Group Pancake Breakfast

8:30a/PC Worship
9:20a Fellowship at both sites SC: *Men's Group*
10a/SC Worship
+SC Choir practice after worship
3p/SC Piano Lessons

Gary Davis Memorial Service

Monday, March 23rd

New Hope Lutheran: Sand Creek site

11a-1p Visitation 1p Service

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

**“GOOD FRIDAY” READERS
NEEDED**

April 3rd: 7p/Sand Creek Site
Sign up on the office door

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.

THRIVENT CHOICE REMINDER

Direct “2025” Dollars by March 31st

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/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 ?*

Easter Flower Order Extended Deadline
Sunday, March 29th

(Due to no services 3/15 blizzard)

\$15/Each

Lily or Yellow Mum

LOOKING AHEAD

MARCH

Mon. Mar. 30 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Synod Assembly: Sat. April 25th

Bethany Lutheran in Rice Lake

To represent New Hope with Carol Anderson & Ben Nielsen, contact the church office by March 30th for registration. There is one more opening as Pr. Sparby will not be attending due to PC Graveside service.

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***

PC Memorial Day observed

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

9a Our Saviors

Red Cedar Bridge

9:30a Zion

Sun. May 31 reg. sch *Speaker: Mark Gilberts*

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

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.*

New Hope Men's Group Breakfast

8a Sat., May 2nd / Sand Creek Town Hall

Sand Creek Thrift Sales

Friday, May 1st & Saturday, May 2nd

Space available for your sale at Sand Creek Arts
(Old School). Or if you'd like to add your info to
the list, contact a SCART board member or Kay
Dahlka (715-658-1669).

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

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

Listen via phone: 534-444-4300