

Welcome to New Hope!

December 21, 2025

Advent 4

Sand Creek Christmas Pageant



Welcome

CHRISTMAS—One Letter at a Time

Song

Christmas

“C”

CHRIST CHILD Today in a town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord.

-Luke 2: 11

Song

O Come All Ye Faithful

“H”

HERALD ANGELS Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared...praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace.”

-Luke 2: 13-14

Song

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

“R”

REDEEMER He gave Himself for us to redeem us.

-Titus 2: 14

Song

What Child is This?

“I”

ISRAEL You, Bethlehem...out of you will come a ruler over Israel.

-Micah 5: 2

Song

O Little Town of Bethlehem

“S”	STAR We saw His star when it rose and have come to worship Him.	-Matthew 2: 2
Song	O Holy Night	
“T”	THREE WISE MEN They bowed down and worshiped Him and opened their treasures.	
		-Matthew 2: 11
Song	We Three Kings of Orient Are	
“M”	MANGER She wrapped Him in cloths and laid Him in a manger.	-Luke 2: 7
Song	Away in a Manger	
“A”	ALL The angel said, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.”	-Luke 2: 10
Song	Joy to the World	
“S”	SHEPHERDS ... An angel of the Lord appeared to them...	-Luke 2: 8-9
Song	Silent Night	
Song	Christmas	

We don't just spell CHRISTMAS... we live it. We share it. We carry it into the world.

Merry Christmas!

Ministry News

Pastor Michael Sparby

Offerings received in boxes at the doors

Lord's Prayer

Benediction / Sending

Please join us in the fellowship hall after the service for refreshments!

New Hope Announcements December 21, 2025

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

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY *Advent 4*

12/21

8:30a PC Christmas Pageant Worship
9:20a Fellowship/both sites *SC Host: Men's Group*
10a SC Christmas Pageant Worship
SC Choir rehearsal immediately after worship
3p/SC Piano Lessons

MONDAY

12/22

NO Comforters Quilting

TUESDAY

12/23

7p/SC AA

WEDNESDAY

12/24

5p/SC Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

SUNDAY *Christmas 1*

12/28

8:30a PC Worship
9:20a Fellowship/both sites *SC Host: Eve Circle*
10a SC Worship
Baptism: Michael Riley Messinger

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please update church office after 2 weeks

Marlene (*Judy Buffington's sister*), Alice Motzer,
Sharon Hegna, Wayne Christopherson, Arlys
Hoveland, Heather Irwin

Barron Hospital: Bev Miller

Home Care: Astrid Sannes

Colfax Sr. Living (Hospice): Dorrene Knutson

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.*

Transition Task Force Update

Per Pr. Michael's request, council created the **Transition Task Force** (*Carol Anderson, Mark Gilberts, Joyce Gilberts, Linda Bilodeau, Dawn Knutson, Robbie Jo Ellefson*) to reflect and share proposals with the council and congregation regarding our future staffing.

The task force brought its first report, with recommendations, to church council December 15. After discussion, motion passed to accept Pr. Michael's request to move from 3/4 time to 1/2 time. With these hours his main duties will center around Worship and Administration. He will continue to teach Confirmation and address needs in other areas as they arise.

The Visitation team already began transitioning, with Joyce Gilberts leading; she will continue to cover most visitation. Pr. Michael's presence in worship over the course of the year will remain much the same as it has been since accepting our call in 2018. In-office hours will usually be Sundays, and Monday and Tuesday early mornings. As always, additional appointments can be scheduled.

Church Council and the Transition Task Force always appreciate hearing from you! Please share your thoughts, concerns, and felt needs with them over the coming weeks and months.



Candlelight Worship Service
5p at our Sand Creek Site

NO Christmas Day Services

LOOK AHEAD

DECEMBER

Wed. Dec. 24 *5p/SC Christmas Eve Worship*

Sun. Dec. 28 reg. sch *Lessons + Carols*
10a/SC Baptism: Michael Riley Messinger

JANUARY 2026

Sun. Jan. 4 reg. sch *Speaker: David Wendlandt*
Christian Hope in the Midst of Life's Losses

Mon. Jan. 5 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Wed. Jan. 7 6:30p/SC Confirmation

Sun. Jan. 11 reg. sch *Baptism of Our Lord*

Mon. Jan. 12 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Wed. Jan. 14 6:30p/SC Confirmation

Sun. Jan. 18 reg. sch

Mon. Jan. 19 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Sun. Jan. 25 **1** service 10a/Pine Creek site
9:20a Coffee Fellowship/PC
Annual Meeting after worship

FEBRUARY

Sun. Feb. 1 reg sch

Speaker: Carol Anderson

Mon. Feb. 2 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Wed. Feb. 4 6:30p/SC Confirmation

Sun. Feb. 8 reg. sch

Speaker: Joyce Gilberts

Mon. Feb. 9 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Wed. Feb. 11 6:30p/SC Confirmation

Sun. Feb. 15 reg. sch

Speaker: Mark Gilberts Assist: Joyce Gilberts

Mon. Feb. 16 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting

Wed. Feb. 18 *Ash Wednesday*

11:30a/SC Worship/noon lunch

6p/PC Confirmation serves supper

7p/PC Ash Wednesday Worship

"2026" Offering Envelopes available in the narthex. Offerings received at

*Pine Creek site offering plate (8:30a worship)

*Sand Creek site offering boxes (10a worship)

*Website: www.newhopespc.org

*Post mail: Po Bx 85, Sand Creek, WI 54765

Your financial support to New Hope is greatly appreciated! Let's end the year well; thank you!

Year-end gifts must be in the office, or postmarked no later than December 31 to be recorded as 2025 contributions.



Sunday, January 11th

11a at our Sand Creek site with light lunch

\$25/person (Red Cross Certification)

Sign-up on the office door.

Payment collected day of payable to: New Hope

Memo: CPR

??s: Contact Joyce Gilberts or church office

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

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

Listen via phone: 534-444-4300