

Order for the Public Worship of God

Pastor: Rev. Vernon Burrow; Music Director/Pianist: Ben Spicer;
Liturgist: Robert Haynes

Feb 7, 2010 **Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany** 10:00 a.m.

The Prelude and Call to Worship

Welcome and Announcements (please sign the green attendance pad at your pew)

Lighting of the Candles **Acolytes**
(the two altar candles represent the two natures of Christ: divine and human)

*Praise Medley

“Jesus, Name Above All Names” (page 112 in the hymnal)
“His Name Is Wonderful” (page 101 in the hymnal)
“You Are My All in All” (not in hymn book, words on screen)
“Spirit of the Living God” (page 247 in the hymnal)
“Sweet, Sweet Spirit” (page 252 in the hymnal)

*The Invocation

*The Profession of Faith (in unison) “The Apostles’ Creed” **#716**

*Gloria Patri (Children may come forward as we sing) **#623**

A Special Time for Our Children

*Hymn “Jesus Saves” **#306**

The Epistle 1 Cor. 13 **Evelyn Price**

The Prayers of the People (At a time during the prayer the pastor will ask you to call out the names of people for whom you would like us to pray, and the congregation will respond with “Hear our prayer, O Lord.”)

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

Our Father who art in heaven; hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory Sentence “Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops.” (Proverbs 3:9 NIV)

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology **#625**

Special Music

The Gospel Lesson *Luke 15:1-10*

Message “The One and the Ninety and Nine” **Pastor**

*Hymn of Invitation “Softly and Tenderly” **#326**

Holy Communion (Elders serving today: DJ Jones, Mary Thompson, Danielle Luipersbeck and Bobby Thompson)

A Time for Commitment and Re-commitment

*The Blessing

*The Benediction in Song (Sing the following to tune #1, The Ode to Joy)
May the Lord and God of mercy
Grant you peace upon your way,
Take with you a special blessing
Promised in His house today.
Make of you a strong example
Of the truth that sets us free
And to all who know your presence
May your life a blessing be.

*Extinguishing the Candles **Acolytes**

*Postlude

Enter to Worship

Leave to Serve

**All who are able please stand to honor God. (Feel free to stand or keep seated according to your own comfort needs.)*

Members in Ministry...

...Today:

Acolytes: Ashtyn Dancy and Dillon King

Offering: DJ Jones, Bobby Thompson, Jimmy Reynolds, and Greg Gibson

Lock-Up: Jimmy and Elizabeth Reynolds

Media: Rick White

...Next Sunday:

Acolytes: Kolby Greer and Adiana Rudge

Offering: Ray Jones, Raymond Bay, Scott Greer, and Gary Dancy

Lock-Up: Evelyn Price

Media: Johnny Crowder

Lectionary

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Isaiah 6:1-13; Psalm 138;

1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11.

Our Prayer Requests

"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous person availeth much." - James 5:16 (For additions to or deletions from this list, or to place information in this bulletin, please call 449-7020 or email the church at info@newhopecpchurch.com)

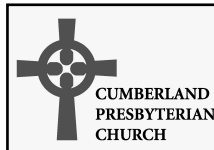
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| -The Lost | -Mike Luipersbeck |
| -Jessica Wright | -Lynn Shrum (Dana's mother) |
| -Hiram & Venelee Smith
(homebound) | -Byron Burchett |
| -Anne Johnson | -Dawn Rudge (back pain) |
| -Frances Ballard (Anna King's
sister) | -David Penuel |
| -Wayne Horton | -Burt Moss |
| -Mary Dickson | -Jeff Granstaff |
| -Lori Agee | -Deborah Lynn Scott |
| -Dora Crawford (homebound) | -Michael Lane (needs kidney
AND heart transplant) |
| -Carolyn Jackson | -Patricia Faith Bledsoe |
| -Those in the military | -Cheyenne White |
| -Harry Anderson | -BJ Elledge (stroke) |
| -Vivian Smrtic | -Jerry Ethridge (kidney transplant) |
| -Rhonda Bush's mother | -Gary King |
| -Dewayne Horton | -Thelma Osterhoss (Gene
Dyke's mother) |
| -Myrtle Reese | -Margaret Frazier |
| -Donnie Bentley | |

Thought for the Week

Sheep Know the Master's Voice

In Southern Palestine, there are many caves, and several flocks of sheep might be herded into one of them to escape a storm, or to weather overnight. But in the morning, the shepherd doesn't have to look for brands or markings; he just steps away from the cave, moves away from the other shepherds, and calls to his flock. And they come right to him, because they know his voice. In Luke 15 Jesus tells the parable of the one sheep from the fold of one hundred who gets lost. Yet the shepherd leaves the ninety-nine to search for the one. You may be lost as the one sheep. Just listen for the Master's voice. He's calling for you today, and He will never forsake you.

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*The One and the
Ninety and Nine*

Welcome to Worship...

Welcome to New Hope Church, a place for New Beginnings! If you are visiting, you will find here a loving, spirit-filled church family. Here is some helpful information as you join us in worship today:

- All who worship here are equal in the sight of God, regardless of race, age, gender, physical disability or religious affiliation.
- Communion, when celebrated, is open to all who profess Christ as Lord and Savior, whether affiliated with this church or not. Children may partake of Communion as well, if parents approve.
- A nursery is available during the service; please see a greeter for directions. (This is for ages crib to 3 years.)
- Handicap-accessible restrooms are located off the narthex (foyer) and adjacent to the entrance lobby in the Fellowship Hall/Gym.
- Please remember to sign the attendance folder at your pew so we will have a record of your visit with us today.
- Thank you for remembering to silence your cell phone during the service.
- No food or beverages in the sanctuary, please.
- If you would like a DVD of a service or other special event please call the church at 449-7020.
- **If you arrived as a visitor we hope that you leave as a friend and worship with us often!**

Ministries Within Our Church

- Saturday, February 20 workshop** to be led by Barbara Dial and Jan Marshall from the Brethaven Church. Saturday 10:00 – 12:00. **Rotation Model** for Children's Sunday School Classes K-6th grade. Expanding our numbers in Sunday School and getting more children involved and more adults to teach is a very important part of expanding the ministry of our church. We would like for all teachers of children and youth, all parents of children and youth, all people who might be interested in helping with the teaching to attend.
- The last of three sessions in the **Inquirer's Series** will be Sunday, Feb. 21 at 6:00 PM. This session is led by Pastor Burrow and will include information about:
 1. The governance of the church locally and beyond
 2. The leadership by pastor and elders
 3. The purpose statement and what it means
 4. The culture of the church and its vision for the future
 It would be good to have the elders present to share your vision for the church. The nursery will be available for small children.
- February 28 will be "Membership Sunday"**. Those who are ready to unite with the church by profession of faith, restatement of faith, or transfer of membership may do so on that day.

- Wednesday Night Prayer Meetings at 6:30 – meets in the office annex.** Wednesday night gatherings are now called "New Hope Enrichment" and will focus on a Bible study led by the pastor. The next few Wednesdays will be a study of "The Parables of Jesus". We will have a 10 minute time of music and worship, a 10 minute time of prayer, and 40 minutes for the Bible Study. **Amanda Shoemake** has volunteered to keep a nursery on Wednesday nights so that parents of small children may attend the Bible Study and Prayer Sessions.
- Community Men's Breakfast and Bible Study** meets here at the church on **Tuesday mornings from 6:00 – 7:00**. This has great meaning to the men who attend and is also a way of helping some man who may not attend a church to feel more comfortable in this relaxed setting.
- Donations to the Food Pantry.** Below are some items that Carrie Shehane has suggested that would provide a long shelf life and a healthy meal for people: staples are a help - sugar, flour, oil, salt, pepper, Boxed Dinners – Rice-a-Roni, Hamburger Helper, macaroni & cheese, noodles - spaghetti and other, Taco fixings, Canned Meat - like tuna, chicken, or beef, Canned Soups, Canned Fruit & Vegetables, Dried Beans, Rice, Juice, Tea Bags, Coffee, Breakfast items like Cereal, Pop Tarts, Breakfast Bars, Oatmeal, Crackers. Place your donations in the box in the narthex. Thanks!



This month, **February 2010**, is "**Christian Caregiving**" month. Continue to pray for this ministry that is in the planning stages at New Hope and we know God will work with and through this wonderful program. Please see **Sandy Dancy** if you would like to help us "fan this flame."

Weekly Worship Opportunities

Tonight	5:00 PM	Youth Group meeting
	6:00 PM	NO Inquirer's Class tonight
Tuesday, Feb. 9	6:00 AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast
Wed., Feb. 10	6:30 PM	Mid-week New Hope Enrichment – nursery available
Sat. Feb. 11	10:00 AM	Children's Swimming at Jimmy Floyd (paid for by the church, just bring extra money for snacks)
Next Sunday, Feb. 14	9:00 AM	Christian Education
	10:00 AM	Worship Service
	5:00 PM	Youth Group Meeting
	6:00 PM	Valentine Dinner prepared by the men for the ladies



The vision of Stephen Ministry at New Hope Church is to equip members of the congregation to use their spiritual gifts in order to share the love of Christ by confidentially responding to people's needs for care.

Stephen Ministry is a caring ministry providing trained, confidential, one-to-one Christian care for people facing difficulty. Stephen Ministry is named after Stephen, the first deacon in the early church, commissioned by the apostles. The care is man-to-man or woman-to-woman and connects with people over 18 years old.

Stephen Ministers are committed Christians who:

- Express God's love through their lives to others;
- Receive 50 hours of initial training in important caring ministry skills and concepts;
- Have developed his/her gifts in order to extend a supporting hand;
- Visit another person regularly and dependably and offer Christian support and care;
- Are committed to preserving the confidential nature of the caring relationship;
- Receive continuing education and skill building throughout their years of service;

Stephen Ministers are not:

- Counselors or therapists
- Problem-solvers
- Individuals who run errands or help with chores
- Casual visitors

Stephen Ministry meets the needs of people. There are times when each of us needs the care of another person, a Christian friend, a Stephen Minister! The needs include, but are not limited to:

- Those hospitalized
- Those grieving a death or serious loss
- Those with a job crisis

- Those facing life transitions
- Those separated or divorced
- Those with disabilities and their families

Ask Yourself...

- *Is life more than you can handle alone right now?*
- *Is your health, your attitude, or your relationships suffering?*
- *Are you adjusting to a new job, change in marital status, a serious illness, the death of a loved one, or a recent move?*
- *Would you like to have someone in your life that really cares?*

Everyone goes through difficult times. Having someone to care, to listen, and to share God's love can help you get through the confusion, stress, or loneliness that you may be experiencing.

WHAT ARE THE NEEDS WITH WHICH STEPHEN MINISTRY CAN HELP?

- Illness
- Family frustrations and challenges
- Loneliness
- Chronic illness
- Families of the chronically ill
- Loss of a loved one
- Separation or divorce
- Being shut-in
- Having a newborn
- A low self-esteem
- Terminal illness
- Loss of a job
- Financial setbacks
- Struggling with faith in God
- Aging
- Facing life changes
- Retirement
- Miscarriage and Infertility

HOW CAN I REFER SOMEONE TO STEPHEN MINISTRY?

1. Identify someone who is hurting and in need of Christian care (you, a friend, or a relative).
2. You, a friend, a relative, or a pastor contacts Stephen Ministry about this need.
3. A Referral Coordinator will meet with this person to talk about Stephen Ministry.
4. With their permission, the Referral Coordinator will assign a Stephen Minister to meet on a regular basis with the care receiver.
5. The Stephen Minister provides distinctively Christian and strictly confidential care.

**Stephen Ministers are Caregivers ...
God is the CUREGIVER!**