



New Hope United Methodist Church
 1205 North 45th Lincoln, NE 68503
Worship 11 am
In-person & On-line
"Transforming Lives and Community Through Jesus Christ"

March 22, 2026
Fifth Sunday of Lent
God of the Universe, Guide Our Steps

Prelude Dr Denis Plutalov
***Welcome the Light of Christ** "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" UMH 57 v. 1, 3, 4, 5
Welcome and Announcements
Congregational Breath Prayer (see inside page)
Call to Worship (see inside page) / **Opening Prayer**
***Passing of the Peace** *Let us welcome one another in the Spirit of Christ*
***Songs of Praise** "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy!" words UMH 121 / tune UMH 384
 "Take My Life and Let It Be" UMH 399
WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS TO GOD
Lighting the Prayer Candle
Morning Prayer Song "Sweet Hour of Prayer" UMH 496 v.1
Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer (see inside page) UMH 895
Giving Back to God (offering)
Offertory Dr Denis Plutalov
***Doxology** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95
WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD
New Testament Scripture Reading Matthew 23:23-28 NRSV 24-25 (NT)
Response: *One:* The Word of God for the people of God. **All:** **Thanks be to God.**
The Word in Song "On Eagle's Wings" UMH 143
Psalm Reading Psalm 130 NRSV 542 (OT)
Response: *One:* The Word of Life! **All:** **Thanks be to God!**
Gospel Reading John 8:2-11 NRSV 95 (NT)
Response: *One:* The Gospel of Jesus Christ. **All:** **Praise the Living Word.**
The Word in Song "On Eagle's Wings" UMH 143
Children's Message
Message "Justice, Mercy, Faithfulness" Pastor Helen Paus
Closing Prayer
WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD
***Sending Song** "Great is Thy Faithfulness" UMH 140
***Benediction**
Postlude Dr Denis Plutalov

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

*The Call to Worship, Songs and Prayers are also on the screen
 NRSV = new Bible, UMH = U M Hymnal, TFSW = The Faith We Sing, WS = Worship & Song
 AAHH = African American Heritage Hymnal*

TODAY'S EVENTS

Sunday March 22

- Fellowship Coffee Time 10:30 am Everyone is Welcome!
- Worship Service 11 am (Sanctuary) (Streaming live on YouTube and our website)
- "Fifth" Sunday Dinner noon Shepherd Hall Bring a dish to share and enjoy some fellowship
- Christ Central Worship Service 2 pm (Magee Parlor)

THIS WEEK

Monday March 23

- Girl Scouts 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall

Tuesday March 24

Wednesday March 25

- Bible Study 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall Studying the lectionary texts for the coming Sunday. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Thursday March 26

Friday March 27

Saturday March 28

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday March 29 Palm Sunday

Wednesday April 1 Set up The Garden in Magee Parlor – help is needed about 6:30 pm

Thursday April 2 Maundy Thursday Dinner Church 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall – celebrating the last supper Christ shared with his disciples with foods they would have eaten

Friday April 3 Good Friday Service 6:30 pm Sanctuary - honoring the passion story and death of Jesus

Sunday April 5 Easter Sunday Service 11 am Sanctuary – celebrating Jesus' resurrection

Sunday April 5 thru Sunday April 19 People City Mission Day *Without Shoes* collection of gently used shoes Again this year we will have a bin in the entry hall for your donations of shoes.

In Our Prayers & Thoughts

"Blessed be God, who bears our burdens day after day." Psalm 68:19

Primrose Battle	Etta Smith & Doug
David Briggs	Anita Van Cleave
Jan Bozeman	Juston Way
William Cooney	McKenzie Wissink
Nathan Curtis	Hillary
Brad & Michelle Foster & family	Angie
Eldon Harlow	Sue
Kathy Nelsen	Mike
Jessica Pankote	Hughes
Cliff Reynolds	Sandra

Please notify us if you or a family member wishes to be placed on the prayer list. Let us know if the prayer concern needs to be a continued one, otherwise names will be removed the first of the month.

These are the Birthdays and Anniversaries for the last part of March and the first part of April If we don't already have your celebrations, please let us know.

March Birthdays (partial)

16 Hazel Anderson
 27 Bryan Bingham
March Anniversaries
 16 Michael & Helen Paus
 21 Brenden & McKenzie Wissink

April Birthdays (partial)

4 Elizabeth Causey
 7 Theresa Graham
 8 Stephanie Patterson
April Anniversaries (partial)
 11 Dane & Cheryl Terhune

Congregational Breath Prayer:

Leader: Compassionate God, who is just, merciful and faithful,

People: give us the chance to follow your ways.

Call to Worship:

Leader: God welcomes those worn down by the world.

People: God welcomes the weary.

Leader: God welcomes the rule followers.

People: God welcomes the rule breakers.

Leader: We are all welcome in God's house.

People: Let us worship our merciful God. Amen.

Lord's Prayer:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sermon Notes:

***We wish to welcome you!
We are very happy to have you worshipping
with us today!***

***If you are looking for a church home, we hope that you
have found it among us. Please let us know if you would
like to become a member.***

- ❖ If you know someone in the hospital or recuperating at home, who needs a **pastoral visit or phone call**, please let the church office know at 402-466-5238.
- ❖ There are **children's activity bags** hanging in the back of the sanctuary if your child would like to use one during worship. We also have a play area in Magee Parlor (at the back of the sanctuary).
- ❖ There are **large print hymnals and Bibles** for your use on the table at the back of the sanctuary.
- ❖ If you would like to **give to New Hope electronically**, you may go to our website www.newhopeumclincolnne.org and use the secure TitheLy link to schedule a donation by ACH or credit card.
- ❖ If you have an **announcement for the bulletin**, call 402-466-5238 or e-mail newhopeumclincoln@gmail.com by Thursday morning please.

Outreach Ministries of New Hope UMC

The Closet at New Hope and Diaper Depot

*We have restructured The Closet (a new name is coming!)
and have decided to do several large give-aways
during the year.*

Our next event is:
Saturday, April 18 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am
in Shepherd Hall

Next Week's Scriptures

Palm Sunday

March 29

Palm Liturgy

Matthew 21:1-11

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29

Passion Liturgy

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalms 31:9-16

Philippians 2:5-11

Matthew 26:14-27 or 27:11-54

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Please call before you come as her

schedule is subject to change

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