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Live Broadcasts

All Current Streams:
· www.nhccftl.org/streams
Sunday Morning Worship (10:00 am)
· www.nhccftl.org/sunam
The AfterChurch (11:45 am)
· www.nhccftl.org/after
Wed. Night Bible Study (6:30 pm)
· www.nhccftl.org/acts
Stream Library
· www.nhccftl.org/streamed

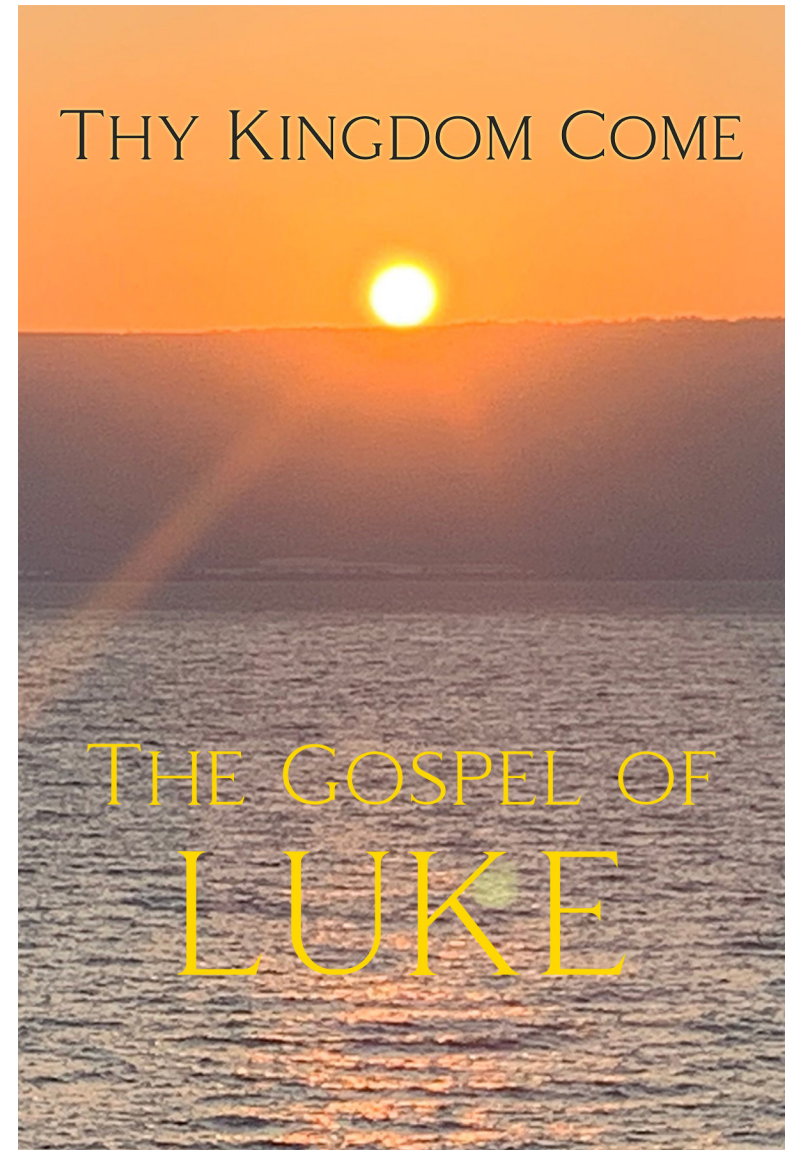


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Worship Service
September 18, 2022
10:00 a.m.

Announcements

Call To Worship

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Welcome And Invocation To Worship

Moment In The Word: Isa. 6:8-10 Elder Freddy Montilla

Singing Together:

"The Risen Christ (O Breath of God)"
"Near to the Heart of God"
"To Thee We Ascribe Glory"

Responsive Reading: Psa. 16:1-11

Prayer For The Gathering
The Lord's Prayer

Doxology

Friendship Time

Offertory and Special Music: "I Can't Even Walk (Without You Holding My Hand)"

** Dismissal of Children's Church

Scripture Reading: Luke 8:8-10

Prayer For Illumination

Message: "Perils of the Obdurate Heart"

Prayer For Understanding

Response Song: "His Name Is Life"

Benediction

Choral Benediction: "Bless God"

Discipleship Opportunities

The AfterChurch

Immediately after the Service
On campus & streamed

*Seeking Deeper Illumination...
from God's Word.*

Youth AfterChurch (formerly
Children's Sunday School), meets in
the old Choir Room until 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Bible Study
Postponed indefinitely.

Wednesday Night Youth Group
*On campus from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
6th - 12th grade*

J.A.M. Club
*On campus from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
K - 5th grade*

Saturday Bible Studies
(2nd & 4th Saturdays)
* Men's Breakfast - 7:30 a.m.
* Women's Bible Study - 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Women's Ministries Prayer Team
3rd Saturday of each month.
9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
Women praying for women.

* *Check the back page for streaming links!*

We Thank Those Who Serve Today

Sound Booth	Bob Timmer Anita Orsini
Ushers	Steve Shoemaker Bill Slager
Greeter	Frank Medina
Treats	Lynn Calhoun & Linda Mateychick
Nursery	Mitou Lucien

Prayer Needs

Edie Husinga & family
Louis Gander
Grace Karim
Ashley Williams
Donna Weyd
Bobbie Sayre
Dee Miller
Paul & Anna DaCosta
Alva Leo

Prayer Chain: prayer@nhccftl.org

Birthdays

Dawn Duplak	September 10
Ena Ramraj	September 10
Ashley Williams	September 10
Isaiah Bonness	September 12
Joshua Andrews	September 15
Simone Barrett	September 16
Ja Ochin Pierre	September 18
Candy Cawley	September 30

Anniversaries

None for September

This Week...

18 Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.
The AfterChurch: 11:45 a.m.
Wednesday Night Discipleship
(*Postponed for the summer.*)

24 Men's Breakfast at 7:30 a.m.
Women's Bible Study
"The 10 Commandments"
at 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Announcements

Welcome to NewHope Community Church!

Offerings –

- Today's tithes will support the ministries of New Hope Community Church.
- Today's Special Offering is for: Major Building Repairs.
- Next Sunday, our special offering will be for: the ARK Fund

Giving Opportunities –

- Offering Boxes are located at the back of the church. Please drop your offerings as you exit or enter the Sanctuary.
- Online Giving can be made at www.nhccftl.org/give

Tithes and Offerings –

9/11 General: \$10,261
9/11 Special: \$ 310

Special Offering Schedule –

9/18 Major Building Repairs
9/25 Ark Fund
10/2 Technology Fund
10/9 Benevolence Fund
10/16 Parent Outreach Fund
10/23 NHCS Scholarship Fund
10/30 Haiti Thrift Store Fund

The Fall Arts and Crafts Fair: will be held Saturday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We are looking for crafters, artists, bakers and volunteers to help make this year's Fair the best ever. All proceeds are for our ARK (At Risk Kids) fund. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Many thanks to our 2022–2023 grading volunteers! Your first packets are ready for pickup today in the lobby and must be returned by Wednesday night each week.

Youth AfterChurch will begin this Sunday (formerly Children's Sunday School). All children are welcome! We will meet immediately after the service in the old choir room until 1:00 p.m.

We would like to establish the west wing seating area as a fragrance free zone on Sundays to accommodate those who are allergic and sensitive to scents. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby for anyone who has an objection. They will be contacted to discuss. Implementation would begin next Sunday.

Men's Breakfast: The men will gather Saturday, September 24, at 7:30 in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast, followed by Bible Study and discussion. All men are invited..

Women's Bible Study: of "The 10 Commandments" will be held in the Fellowship Hall, on September 24, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

A Coffee and Canvas Event: will be held on Saturday, October 1, at 10 a.m. There is a supplies fee of \$5 per participant. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

The Ladies Christmas Tea: will be held Saturday, December 3rd. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex for "table hostesses." If you would like to know what responsibilities a hostess or hostesses have, please contact Jessica Aviles at javiles@nhcsftl.org.

Scripture Reference: Luke 8:8–10 (ESV)

Luke 8:8. And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold." As he said these things, he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

Luke 8:9. And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant,

Luke 8:10. he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that 'seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.'

Synopsis: Perils of the Obdurate Heart

In what seems like an interlude between the parable of the sower and its interpretation, Jesus instructs his disciples on the nature of revelation. His revelation is selective, speaking through parables to reveal the truth to some while obscuring it from others. He divides the world into two groups, those who will listen and accept His message and those who will not. But even though He clearly establishes God's sovereignty in choosing those who will "know" the mysteries of the Kingdom of God, this does not soften His warning to those with hardened hearts who reject it. We will grapple with the profound principles embedded in this short passage, concerning the parallel Scriptural teaching on God's sovereignty and human responsibility. Ultimately we will recognize the peril of the obdurate heart which becomes so hardened it can neither see nor hear God's clear revelation. But rather than question God's fairness in His election we will praise Him for the mercy that changes hardened hearts into believing, redeemed souls-- cultivated by the Holy Spirit to receive the glorious "seed" of the Gospel.

Perils of the Obdurate Heart - Luke 8:8-10

I. Introduction

II. Exposition of the text, Luke 8:8b-10.

A. Context

1. The Seeds of the Kingdom.
2. The parable from the perspective of the sower.
3. A living parable, Luke 8:1, 4:43.
4. The obdurate Jews, Luke 5:21.

B. The dangers and mechanics of a heart hardened to God's revelation.

1. The warning of the perils of obduracy, vs. 8b.
 - a. An important message, Luke 23:46.
 - b. Emphasis on the words.
 - i. Resounding in the past.
 - ii. Resonating in the present.
 - c. The final word.
2. The confusion, vs. 9.
3. Selective revelation, vs. 10.
 - a. A clear distinction.
 - i. A specific group of believers, Mark 4:10.
 - ii. A very broad group of non-believers.
 - b. A gift of grace.
 - c. The gift of knowing the "mysteries".
 - i. The gift of knowledge, John 3:16.
 - ii. The mysteries of the Kingdom of God.
 - 1) Defining "secrets".
 - 2) Unveiling the "secrets of the Kingdom".
 - 3) What prophets and angels long to see, Luke 10:24, 1Pet. 1:10-12.
 - d. Parables with dual intentions.
 - i. The liberal scattering of seed.
 - ii. The requirement of illumination, Acts 8:30-31, John 14:25-26.
 - e. Selective revelation.
 - i. The idea of purpose.
 - ii. The exclusivity of revelation, Isa. 6:9-10.
 - iii. The clear statement of human responsibility.
 - 1) No problem with their faculties.
 - 2) No lack of revelation.
 - 3) Yet their understanding is veiled.

III. Application

A. Grappling with selective revelation.

1. Scripture's answer, Rom. 9:14,20.
2. Modern Evangelicalism's point of view, Psa. 14:2-3, Rom. 9:15,16.

B. Grappling with divine sovereignty and human responsibility.

1. The clear teaching of Scripture, Rom. 9:19, Isa. 29:16, Acts 2:23.
2. Hard hearts made harder.
 - a. Matthew's perspective, Matt. 13:13, John 3:19.
 - b. Luke's perspective, Luke 8:10, Rom. 1:18,26.
 - c. The bottom line.

C. Counting our blessings.

IV. Conclusion

Notes

Worship Songs

September 18, 2022

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not; Thy compassions, they fail not.
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
(Refrain)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!
(Refrain)

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Moment in the Word: Isa. 6:8-10

Is. 6:8. And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

Is. 6:9. And he said, "Go, and say to this people: "Keep on hearing, but do not understand; keep on seeing, but do not perceive."

Is. 6:10. Make the heart of this people dull, and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed."

The Risen Christ (O Breath of God)

O Breath of God come fill this place;
Revive our hearts to know Your grace.
And from our slumber make us rise,
That we may know the Risen Christ.

O Word of God so clear and true;
Renew our minds to trust in You.
And give to us the Bread of Life,
That we may know the Risen Christ.

O love of God so unrestrained,
Refresh our souls in Jesus' name.
Let us reflect Your sacrifice,
That we may know the Risen Christ.

May God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit make us one.
In holiness let us unite,
That we may know the Risen Christ.

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Near to the Heart of God

There is a place of quiet rest,
Near to the heart of God;
A place where sin cannot molest,
Near to the heart of God.

Refrain

O Jesus, blest Redeemer,
Sent from the heart of God,
Hold us, who wait before Thee,
Near to the heart of God.

There is a place of comfort sweet,
Near to the heart of God;
A place where we our Savior meet,
Near to the heart of God.

(Refrain)

There is a place of full release,
Near to the heart of God;
A place where all is joy and peace,
Near to the heart of God.

(Refrain)

To Thee We Ascribe Glory

To Thee we ascribe glory.
To Thee we ascribe honor.
To Thee we ascribe power and majesty.
Holy is the Lord.
(Repeat)

Scripture Reading: Psa. 16:1-11

[Pastor:] Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

[Congregation:] I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

[Pastor:] As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

[Congregation:] The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.

[Pastor:] The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

[Congregation:] The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

[Pastor:] I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

[Congregation:] I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

[Pastor:] Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

[Congregation:] For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.

[All:] You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

I Can't Even Walk (Without You Holding My Hand}

I thought number one would surely be me.
I thought I could be what I wanted to be.
I thought I could build on life's sinking sand,
but now I can't even walk,
without you holding my hand

I thought I could do a lot on my own.
I thought I could make it all day long.
I thought of myself as a mighty big man,
but Lord I can't even walk,
without you holding my hand.

O Lord, I can't even walk,
without you holding my hand;
the mountains too high, and the valleys too wide;
down on my knees, that's where I learned to stand.
O Lord, I can't even walk,
without you holding my hand.

O Lord, I can't even walk,
without you holding my hand.

His Name Is Life

His name is Master, Savior, Lion of Judah,
Blessed Prince of Peace;
Shepherd, Fortress, Rock of Salvation;
Lamb of God is He.
Son of David, King of the Ages, Eternal Life;
Holy Lord of Glory – His name is Life.

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Bless God

Bless God for all He's done!
Bless God for Christ, His Son!
Let us magnify Him for He's holy, holy!

One voice in unity,
One voice of praise to Thee,
With hearts of love and worship we will sing,
"Bless God!"

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Fifth Day Morning: The Giver

CREATOR, UPHOLDER AND PROPRIETOR OF ALL THINGS,

We cannot escape from thy presence
and control,
nor do we desire to do so.
Our privilege is to be under the agency
of thy omnipotence,
righteousness, wisdom, patience, mercy and grace;
For thou art Love with more than parental affection.
We admire thy goodness,
stand in awe of thy power,
abase ourselves before thy purity.
It is the discovery of thy goodness alone that
can banish our fear
allure us into thy presence,
help us to bewail and confess our sins.
We review our past guilt
and are conscious of present unworthiness.
We bless thee that thy steadfast love and attributes
are essential to our happiness and hope;
Thou hast witnessed to us thy grace and mercy
in the bounties of nature,
in the fullness of thy providence,
in the revelations of Scripture, in the gift of thy Son,
in the proclamation of the gospel.
Make us willing to be saved in thy own way,
perceiving nothing in ourselves but all in Jesus.
Help us not only to receive him but to
walk in him, depend upon him,
commune with him,
follow him as dear children,
imperfect, but still pressing forward,
not complaining of labour, but valuing rest,
not murmuring under trials, but thankful for our state.
And by so doing let us silence the ignorance of foolish men.

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