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· [www.nhccftl.org/streams](http://www.nhccftl.org/streams)  
Sunday Morning Worship (10:00 am)  
· [www.nhccftl.org/sunam](http://www.nhccftl.org/sunam)  
The AfterChurch (12:00 pm)  
· [www.nhccftl.org/after](http://www.nhccftl.org/after)  
Wed. Night Bible Study (6:30 pm)  
· [www.nhccftl.org/acts](http://www.nhccftl.org/acts)  
Stream Library  
· [www.nhccftl.org/streamed](http://www.nhccftl.org/streamed)

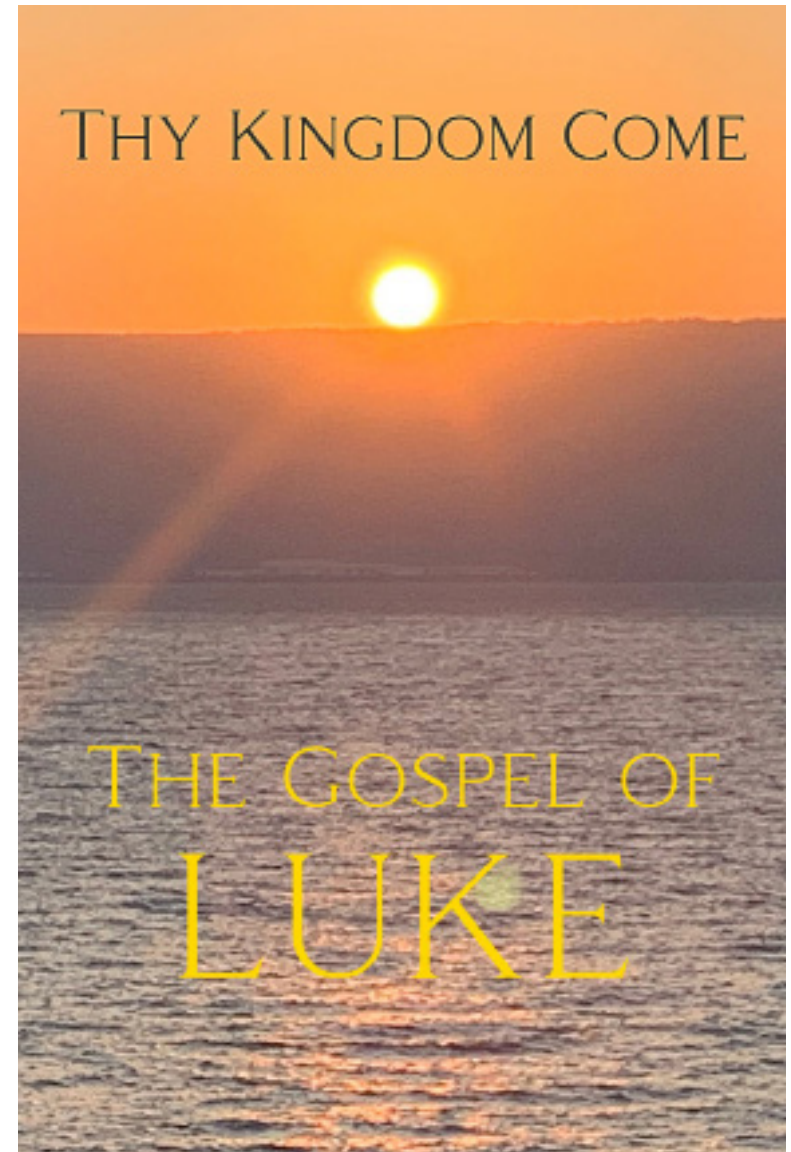


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## Worship Service May 4, 2025

### Announcements

**Call To Worship:** "Love Lifted Me"

**Welcome And Invocation To Worship**

**Moment In The Word:** Deut. 13:1-3      Deacon Frank Medina

**Singing Together:**

"His Glory and My Good"  
"Here I am to Worship"  
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

**Responsive Reading:** Psa. 119:25-40

**Prayer For The Gathering**  
**The Lord's Prayer**

**Doxology**

**Moment for Ministry**      Janet Sessa

**Friendship Time**

**Offertory & Special Music:** "Jesus Died My Soul to Save"

*\*\* Dismissal of Children's Church*

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 21:7-9

**Prayer For Illumination**

**Message:** "The Danger of False Christs"

**Prayer For Understanding**

**Response Song:** "There Is a Redeemer"  
**Benediction**

**Choral Benediction:** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

## Discipleship Opportunities

### The AfterChurch

Immediately after the Service  
On campus & streamed\*

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

### Wednesday Night Bible Study

On campus and streamed at  
6:30 p.m.

### 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

### Ladies' Prayer Meeting

Third Saturday of each month.  
9:00 a.m. in the Library.  
*Women praying for women*

*\* Check the back page for streaming links!*

## Prayer Needs

Sherry Shoemaker  
Bobbie Sayre  
Dana Hopwood  
Donna Weyd  
Paul and Anna DaCosta

**Prayer Chain:** [prayer@nhccftl.org](mailto:prayer@nhccftl.org)

### Birthdays

Sydnee Comer	May 3
Martine Alcius	May 8
Brandy Andrews	May 12
Moreen Bennett	May 19
William Slager	May 19
Preston Rogers	May 20
Lynn Calhoun	May 22
Clayton Andrews	May 28

### Anniversaries

Preston & Naomi Rogers	May 17
Rick & Anita Orsini	May 18
Paul & Anna DaCosta	May 21
Henry & Kim Becker	May 24
Will & Jessica Aviles	May 31

## This Week...

4	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	AfterChurch	11:45 a.m.
	EvenFall Worship Service	6:30 p.m.
7	JAM Club	
	Youth Group	6:30 p.m..
	Adult Bible Study – The Acts of the Apostles	
10	Men's Breakfast	7:30 a.m.

### We Thank Those Who Serve Today

Sound Booth	Bob Timmer Anita Orsini
Ushers	Steve Shoemaker Bill Slager
Greeter	Frank Medina
Treats	Pat Pinkston & Jeannie Tanis
Nursery	Matilde Tolmos

**Offerings –**

- Today's tithes will support the ministries of New Hope Community Church.
- Today's Special Offering is for: the ARK fund.
- Next Sunday, our special offering will be for the Benevolence 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](http://www.nhccftl.org/give)

**Tithes and Offerings –**

4/27 General: \$ 4,715.01  
4/27 Special: \$ 1953.00

**Special Funds Schedule –**

5/4     ARK Fund  
5/11    Benevolence  
5/18    NHCC Missions  
5/25    Sanctuary

**Children's Corner –**

Nursery – Infants – 3 yrs  
Children's Church – for ages 4 to 5th grade; dismissed at Special Music.

**Please – no food or drink  
in the sanctuary.....**

**Special Announcement:** We are sad to announce that one of our dearest missionaries, Winabelle Gitter, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, April 30. More information can be found at: <https://www.mkdfuneralhome.com>.

**EvenFall:** Please join us in the Sanctuary tonight at 6:30 for our EvenFall Worship Service.

**A Volunteer is Needed:** to be a standby nursery worker only when needed. Please email [ms\\_janet@nhccftl.org](mailto:ms_janet@nhccftl.org) if interested.

**Prayer for Unsaved Loved Ones:** The next gathering will be Monday, May 12, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. If interested please email: [ms\\_janet@nhccftl.org](mailto:ms_janet@nhccftl.org)

**Ladies' Prayer Ministry:** will be meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 17th.

**Save the Date:** There will be a Craft Fair introductory meeting for all who are involved in the craft fair on May 24 at 9:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

**This year's VBS:** "Building on the Rock" will be the week of June 16–20. Volunteers, please sign-up on the sheets in the narthex. Children should be registered online at our website at [www.nhccftl.org/VBS](http://www.nhccftl.org/VBS)

Luke 21:7. And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?"

Luke 21:8. And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them.

Luke 21:9. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once."

**Synopsis: "The Danger of False Christs**

As the end of Jesus' earthly ministry grows near, He turns His attention privately to His disciples and begins His last great eschatological discourse on End Things. When He is asked when the cataclysmic events surrounding the destruction of the Temple will take place, He does not respond directly to the question but rather warns His disciples not to be deceived by false christs. We will find this to be extremely significant as Jesus emphasizes that the greatest dangers the church will face will come from within. For the danger of false christs goes beyond false teaching and prophecy to the proclamation of a gospel that masquerades the truth, but cannot save anyone. We will realize that some false christs are obvious phonies while others are so subtle as to lead astray all but the most careful students of Scripture. After considering several examples, we will unmask the current focus on "experientialism" that is leading millions of people away from Scripture and the true Gospel. We will learn that the best way to identify false christs and false gospels is to be intimately acquainted with the true Christ and the true Gospel as they are presented to us in Scripture. Ultimately we will echo Jesus' simple but poignant warning-- "Do not go after them"!

## "The Danger of False Christs" – Luke 21:7-9 (ESV)

- I. Introduction, Rev. 6:2.
- II. Exposition of the text, Luke 21:7-9.
  - A. Context, Luke 13:35.
  - B. The devastating impact of false christs.
    - 1. The eschatological question, vs. 7.
      - a. Setting up the discourse on "End Things".
        - i. Determining the audience, Matt. 24:3; Mark 13:3.
        - ii. Determining the location, Mark 13:3.
        - iii. Obscuring a major threshold, John 12:36-37; Matt. 24:1.
      - b. The prelude to prophecy, vs. 7b.
        - i. The address.
        - ii. Defining "these things".
          - 1) "These things" in the "here and now", Luke 21:6.
          - 2) "These things" in the "not yet", Luke 21:12,27,28.
        - iii. The question of "when".
          - 1) A question unanswered, Matt. 24:36; Acts 1:6-7; Luke 12:35-37.
          - 2) The eschatological framework.
            - a) The destruction of Jerusalem, Luke 19:43-44, 21:20; Dan. 26.
            - b) The Final Judgment.
        - iv. The question concerning "signs".
          - 1) Defining a "sign".
          - 2) The sovereign work of God, Luke 21:25-26.
      - 2. Jesus' warning of false christs, vs. 8.
        - a. The warning to not be deceived.
          - i. The danger of spiritual deception.
          - ii. A tragic example.
          - iii. Misrepresenting and misinterpreting the signs.
        - b. A plethora of false christs.
          - i. Looking at the words.
            - 1) In the name of Christ, Luke 19:10.
            - 2) A claim of divinity.
          - ii. Looking at the offenders.
            - 1) Those who claim to be the Messiah, Acts 5:36, 21:38.
            - 2) Those who claim to be Jesus.
              - a) The arch heretic Simon Magus.
              - b) Some modern false christs.
            - 3) Those who claim to offer salvation.
          - c. The warning to stand firm.
      - 3. Identifying false christs, vs. 9.
        - a. The irony of end-time predictions, Matt. 24:36.
        - b. The natural activity of fallen humankind.
        - c. The end is not yet, 2Pet. 3:8.

- III. Application
- A. The secular false christs of the culture.
  - B. The false christ of Roman Catholicism.
  - C. The false christs of "experientialism".
- IV. Conclusion, John 14:16,26, 15:26, 16:13-15.

## Notes

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## Worship Songs

May 4, 2025

### Love Lifted Me

I was sinking deep in sin,  
Far from the peaceful shore,  
Very deeply stained within,  
Sinking to rise no more;  
But the Master of the sea,  
Heard my despairing cry,  
From the waters lifted me –  
Now safe am I.

Refrain  
Love lifted me!  
Love lifted me!  
When nothing else could help,  
Love lifted me!  
(Repeat)

All my heart to Him I give;  
Ever to Him I'll cling,  
In His blessed presence live,  
Ever His praises sing.  
Love so mighty and so true,  
Merits my soul's best songs;  
Faithful, loving service, too,  
To Him belongs.  
(Refrain)

Souls in danger, look above;  
Jesus completely saves;  
He will lift you by His love,  
Out of the angry waves.  
He's the Master of the sea,  
Billows His will obey;  
He your Savior wants to be –  
Be saved today.  
(Refrain)

### Moment in the Word: Deut. 13:1–3

Deut. 13:1. If a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises among you and gives you a sign or a wonder,

Deut. 13:2. and the sign or wonder that he tells you comes to pass, and if he says, 'Let us go after other gods,' which you have not known, 'and let us serve them,'

Deut. 13:3. you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams. For the Lord your God is testing you, to know whether you love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.



## His Glory and My Good

I have seen my Father's glory  
Revealed in Jesus Christ.  
And the more that I behold Him.  
The more He satisfies.  
When I gaze upon His beauty,  
When I see Him as I should  
Then my eyes are lifted upward  
For His glory and my good.

There is hope in every trial  
For I can trust the Lord.  
He will turn my heart towards Him  
And help me bear the thorn.  
So in faith I follow Jesus  
On the road not understood,  
For I know that He is working  
For His glory and my good.

To our God be the glory,  
To our God be praise.  
He alone, the name above all names.  
I will boast ever only in the Lord my God,  
For I know His glory is my good

See the open arms of Jesus  
Upon the cross that day.  
What they understood as weakness  
Deserves my every praise.  
For the charge that was against me,  
It was nailed into the wood.  
Yes I know that He has saved me  
For His glory and my good.

To our God be the glory,  
To our God be praise.  
He alone, the name above all names.  
I will boast ever only in the Lord my God,  
For I know His glory is my good.

Would I gladly be made nothing  
That Christ would be made more?  
Would I seek the only kingdom  
That far outweighs them all?  
I will stand before my Father  
Where the faithful saints have stood.  
And with joy my heart shall praise Him,  
For His glory and my good.

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To our God be the glory,  
To our God be praise.  
He alone, the name above all names.  
I will boast ever only in the Lord my God,  
For I know His glory is my good.  
(Repeat)

## Here I am to Worship

Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness,  
Opened my eyes, let me see;  
Beauty that made this heart adore You,  
Hope of a life spent with you.

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down;  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted,  
Glorious in heaven above.  
Humbly You came to the earth You created,  
All for love's sake became poor.

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down;  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross;  
And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.  
(Repeat)

So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down;  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.  
(Repeat)

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross;  
And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.  
{Repeat}

## 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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## Responsive Reading: Psalms 119:25-40

[Pastor:] My soul clings to the dust; give me life according to your word!

[Congregation:] When I told of my ways, you answered me; teach me your statutes!

[Pastor:] Make me understand the way of your precepts, and I will meditate on your wondrous works.

[Congregation:] My soul melts away for sorrow; strengthen me according to your word!

[Pastor:] Put false ways far from me and graciously teach me your law!

[Congregation:] I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I set your rules before me.

[Pastor:] I cling to your testimonies, O Lord; let me not be put to shame!

[Congregation:] I will run in the way of your commandments when you enlarge my heart!

[Pastor:] Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes; and I will keep it to the end.

[Congregation:] Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

[Pastor:] Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

[Congregation:] Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to selfish gain!

[Pastor:] Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things; and give me life in your ways.

[Congregation:] Confirm to your servant your promise, that you may be feared.

[Pastor:] Turn away the reproach that I dread, for your rules are good.

[All:] Behold, I long for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life!

## 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.

### Jesus Died My Soul to Save

I stand amazed at Your love for me  
that lonely night in Gethsemane.  
This sinner's heart can't help but thrill  
to hear You pray, "Father, not my will."

What depth of love, what reach of grace!  
Oh, how my grateful heart now aches  
to sing it louder, the refrain,  
"Jesus died, my soul to save."

Atonement full applied to me;  
the blood that spilled at Calvary  
has swallowed all my sin and shame,  
now reconciled in Jesus' name.

What depth of love, what reach of grace!  
Oh, how my grateful heart now aches  
to sing it louder, the refrain,  
"Jesus died, my soul to save."

Oh, such pleasure, oh, such pain;  
the Father's wrath and fury rain  
on Christ, whom saints and angels praise.  
Jesus died my soul to save.

Come you broken, bound by sin,  
and let your weary journey end.  
Come and lay your burdens down  
where mercy rules and peace abounds.

What depth of love, what reach of grace!  
Oh, how my grateful heart now aches  
to sing it louder, the refrain,  
"Jesus died, my soul to save."  
(Repeat)

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### There Is a Redeemer

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face,  
There I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

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### Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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!

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