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Sunday Morning Worship (10:00 am)  
· [www.nhccftl.org/sunam](http://www.nhccftl.org/sunam)  
The AfterChurch (11:45 am)  
· [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)  
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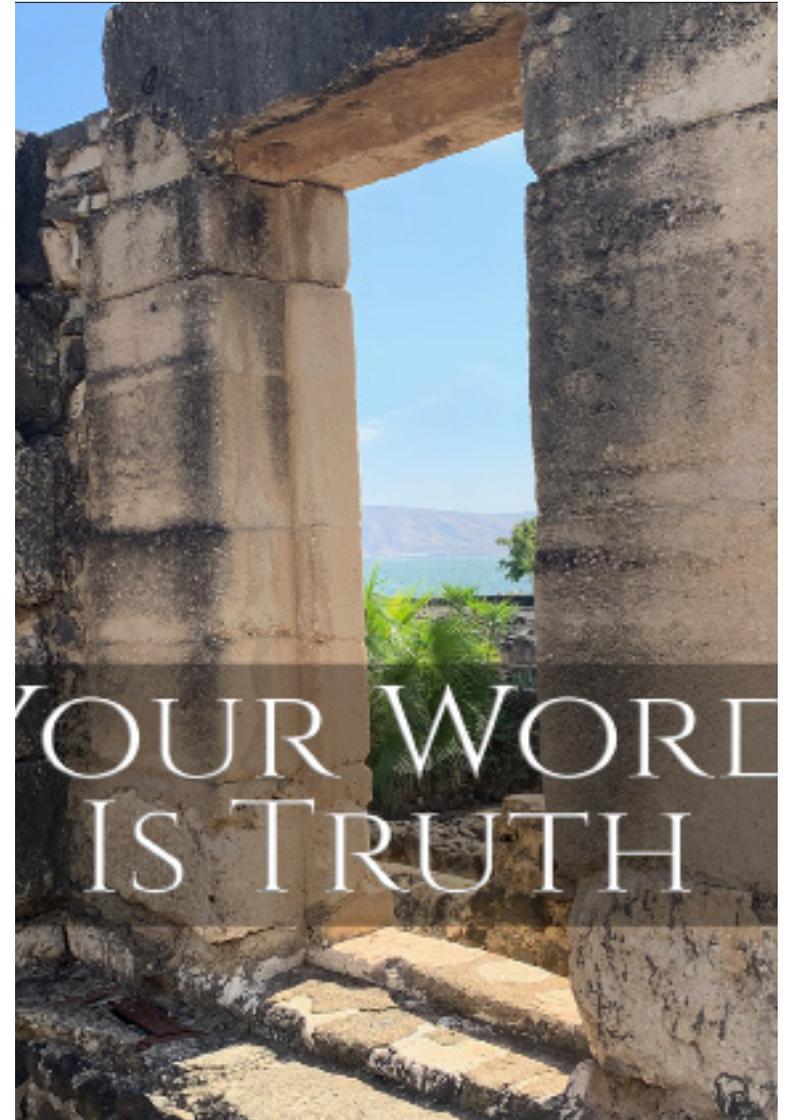


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**Worship Service**  
March 22, 2026

**Announcements**

**Call To Worship:** "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

**Welcome And Invocation To Worship**

**Moment In The Word:** Rom. 5:6-11     Elder Rick Orsini

**Singing Together:**

'Wonderful, Merciful Savior"  
"This Is How We Know"  
"Amazing Love (You Are My King)"

**Responsive Reading:** Col. 1:15-22

**Prayer For The Gathering**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Doxology**

**Friendship Time**

**Offertory & Special Music:** "Lead Me to the Cross"  
*\*\*Dismissal of Children's Church*

**Scripture Reading:** 2Cor 5:18-21

**Message:** "Ambassadors of Reconciliation"

**Prayer For Understanding**

**Response Song:** "O How He Loves You and Me"

**Benediction**

**Choral Benediction:** "This Is How We Know"

**Discipleship Opportunities**

**The AfterChurch**

Immediately after the Service  
On campus & streamed\*  
*Seeking Deeper Illumination...  
from God's Word.*

**Wednesday Night Bible Study**

On campus & 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 Ministry**

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  
Patty Kelly  
Bruce Eyer  
Jim Dailey  
Bobbie Sayre  
Donna Weyd  
Alva Leo  
Joey and Fran Russo

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

**Birthdays**

Matilde Tolmos	March 1
Norma McLane	March 4
Kim Becker	March 5
William Aviles	March 11
Richard Prohaska	March 12
Kirby Williams	March 14
Charles Calhoun	March 17
Steve Shoemaker	March 19
Egle Montilla	March 23
Isaac Timmer	March 28

**Anniversaries**

Carmen & John Adorno-Rebescher	March 14
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**This Week..**

22	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	AfterChurch	11:45 a.m.
25	JAM Club	
	Youth Group	6:30 p.m.
	Adult Bible Study	"The Acts of the Apostles"
28	Women's Bible Study - "Behold your God"	9:30 a.m.

**We Thank Those Who Serve Today**

Sound Booth	Bob Timmer Anita Orsini
Ushers	Steve Shoemaker Bill Slager
Greeter	Frank Medina
Treats	Rhonda McLane Cheryl Comer
Nursery	Matilde Tolmos

## Announcements Welcome to New Hope Community Church!

*Please - no food or drink  
in the Sanctuary...*

### Offerings -

- Today's tithes will support the ministries of New Hope Community Church.
- Today's Special Offering is for the Legal Defense 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 -

3/15: General: \$ 3,623  
3/15: Special: \$ 1,483

### Special Fund Schedule:

3/22: The Legal Defense Fund

### Nursery:

Infants to 3 yrs  
Children's Church:  
Ages 4-5th grade

*Dismissed at Special Music.*

### A Good Friday Communion

**Service:** will be held on April 3rd at 6:30 p.m.

**A Palm Sunday Brunch:** will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately after the worship service on March 29th. This will be a potluck meal of all cold foods. We have provided more details on the sign-up sheet in the lobby

**Women's Bible Study:** will continue discussion of "Behold your God," on Saturday, March 28th, at 9:30 a.m.

### Kentucky School Supplies

**Needed:** Support mission efforts to the kids in Kentucky! Our youth mission team is collecting the following items for the outreach in Kentucky this summer:

**March:** 2 Pocket Folders, Glue Sticks, Wooden Rulers, Pencil Pouches

**April:** 2 pocket vinyl folders

## Scripture Reference: 2Cor 5:18-21 (ESV)

2Cor. 5:18. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;

2Cor. 5:19. that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

2Cor. 5:20. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

2Cor. 5:21. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

### Synopsis - "Ambassadors of Reconciliation"

As our short series on who we are as the church of Jesus Christ continues, we will return to the fifth chapter of Paul's second letter to the Corinthians where Paul defends his ministry and apostolic authority; and at the same time continues to help us define who we are as a church. We will add two designations this morning. First, that we are the church of the reconciled-- reconciled to God through Christ. We will discuss in great detail what it means to be reconciled and the incredible process whereby a reprobate at enmity with God is granted intimate relationship with Him. And then, we will explore the amazing result of reconciliation when the very people who are reconciled become the ambassadors of reconciliation. We will find in this short passage a compressed version of the battle plan for the expansion of the Kingdom of God, and the preservation of the invisible church in all generations. We will celebrate God's glorious plan of reconciliation, whereby a group of reprobates are made righteous in order to be reconciled and restored and ultimately to have relationship with God-- and then sent into the darkest corners of this world as ambassadors of reconciliation.

# "Ambassadors of Reconciliation" – 2Cor 5:18–21 (ESV)

## I. Introduction

## II. Exposition of the text, 2Cor. 5:18–21.

### A. Context

### B. From Righteousness, to Reconciliation, to Restoration to Relationship!

1. A church of the reconciled, vs. 18–19.
  - a. The ministry of reconciliation, vs. 18.
    - i. God's proactive sovereignty in reconciliation.
      - 1) Defining "all this".
      - 2) The Source of "all this".
        - a) Recognizing the source.
        - b) Recognizing the sovereignty of God.
    - ii. God's work through Christ.
      - 1) Through Christ, Col. 1:15–18; John 1:3; Heb. 1:2.
      - 2) The process of reconciliation.
        - a) Noticing the pronouns.
        - b) Defining "reconciled".
          - (1) Looking at the grammar.
          - (2) Finding the right perspective, Gen. 3:15, 23.
        - c) How this reconciliation DOES NOT occur.
        - d) How the reconciliation DOES occur.
      - 3) A concept Jesus clearly taught, Luke 15:4–10.
    - iii. The ministry.
      - 1) Looking at the pronouns again.
      - 2) Defining "ministry".
      - 3) Putting the words together, Matt. 28:19–20.
      - 4) The gift of God.
  - b. The battle plan of the Kingdom, vs. 19.
    - i. Noting the grammar.
    - ii. Reconciliation in Christ.
      - 1) The explanation.
      - 2) A reconciliation "in Christ", John 10:38, 14:10, 11, 20.
      - 3) What Paul IS NOT saying, Rom. 1:8, 3:23; 2Cor. 5:10.
      - 4) What Paul IS saying.

- iii. Removing the impediment.
    - 1) The cause of the separation, Isa. 64:6.
    - 2) The point of separation, Matt. 22:37–38; Hab. 1:13.
    - 3) Closing the breach.
    - 4) The declaration of righteousness.
  - iv. The commission and the message.
2. The ambassadors, vs. 20.
    - a. Looking at some words.
      - i. What the "therefore" brings forward.
      - ii. Revisiting the pronouns.
      - iii. The meaning of "ambassadors".
      - iv. God's appeal.
      - v. The meaning of "implore", Luke 5:12.
      - vi. Revisiting "reconciled".
    - b. The work of the ambassadors.
      - i. The declaration of ambassadorship.
      - ii. Paul's urgent plea.
  3. The Gospel, vs. 21.
    - a. The path to relationship.
    - b. The urgency of reconciliation.

## III. Conclusion, 1Pet. 2:9.

## Notes

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Worship Songs  
March 22, 2026

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
Sing, O earth, His wonderful love proclaim!  
Hail Him! Hail Him! highest archangels in glory;  
Strength and honor give to His holy name!  
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard his children;  
In His arms He carries them all day long.

Refrain

Praise Him! Praise Him! tell of His excellent greatness;  
Praise Him! Praise Him! ever in joyful song!

Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer!  
For our sins He suffered, and bled, and died.  
He, our Rock, our Hope of eternal salvation -  
Hail Him! Hail Him! Jesus, the Crucified.  
Sound His praises! Jesus, who bore our sorrows;  
Love unbounded, wonderful, deep and strong!  
(Refrain)

Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer!  
Heav'nly portals loud with hosannas ring!  
Jesus, Savior, reigneth forever and ever.  
Crown Him! Crown Him! Prophet, and Priest, and King!  
Christ is coming, over the world victorious;  
Pow'r and glory unto the Lord belong!  
(Refrain)

Moment in the Word: Rom. 5:6-11

Rom. 5:6. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

Rom. 5:7. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—

Rom. 5:8. but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Rom. 5:9. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

Rom. 5:10. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

Rom. 5:11. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

## Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior,  
Precious Redeemer and Friend;  
Who would have thought that a Lamb  
Could rescue the souls of men—  
Oh You rescue the souls of men.

### Refrain

You are the One that we praise,  
You are the One we adore;  
You give the healing and grace  
Our hearts always hunger for—  
Oh our hearts always hunger for.

Counselor Comforter Keeper,  
Spirit we long to embrace;  
You offer hope when our hearts  
Have hopelessly lost the way—  
Oh we hopelessly lost the way  
(Refrain)

Almighty infinite Father,  
Faithfully loving Your own;  
Here in our weakness You find us  
Falling before Your throne—  
Oh we're falling before Your throne  
(Refrain)

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## This Is How We Know

This is how we know, this is how we know what love is;  
Just one look at Your cross,  
And this is where we see, this is where we see how love works.  
For You surrendered Your all,  
And this is how we know that You have loved us first;  
This is where we choose to love You in return.

For You so loved the world that You gave Your only Son,  
Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in return;  
For this life that You give, for this death that You have died,  
Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in reply, Lord.

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Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in return;  
For this life that You give, for this death that You have died,  
Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in reply, Lord.

Our love will be loud Our love will be strong,  
Our love shall be hands and feet That serve You in this world.  
So let us stay true, And let it endure;  
That You will be glorified, Worshiped and adored.

For You so loved the world that You gave Your only Son,  
Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in return;  
For this life that You give, for this death that You have died,  
Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in reply, Lord.

King Jesus, we love You, for we have been loved.  
King Jesus, we love You, for we have been loved.  
King Jesus, we love You, for we have been loved.  
King Jesus, we love You, for we have been loved.  
We have been loved.

For You so loved the world that You gave Your only Son,  
Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in return;  
For this life that You give, for this death that You have died,  
Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in reply, Lord.

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## Amazing Love (You Are My King)

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken.  
I'm accepted; You were condemned.  
I'm alive and well; Your Spirit is within me  
Because You died and rose again.

Amazing love; how can it be  
That You, my King, should die for me?  
Amazing love; I know it's true,  
And it's my joy to honor you. In all I do  
I honor You.

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I'm accepted; You were condemned.  
I'm alive and well; Your Spirit is within me  
Because You died and rose again.

Amazing love; how can it be  
That You, my King, should die for me?  
Amazing love; I know it's true,  
And it's my joy to honor you. In all I do  
I honor You.  
(repeat)

You are my King  
You are my King, Jesus  
You are my King, Jesus  
You are my King

Amazing love; how can it be  
That You, my King, should die for me?  
Amazing love; I know it's true,  
And it's my joy to honor you. In all I do  
I honor You.

You are my King  
You are my King, Jesus  
You are my King, Jesus  
You are my King

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## Responsive Reading: Col. 1:15-22

[Pastor:] He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

[Congregation:] For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

[Pastor:] And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

[Congregation:] And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.

[Pastor:] For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,

[Congregation:] and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

[Pastor:] And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,

[All:] he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,

## 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.

## Lead Me to the Cross

Savior, I come. Quiet my soul.  
Remember Redemption's hill,  
where Your blood was spilled for my ransom.  
Everything I once held dear,  
I count it all as loss.

Lead me to the cross  
where Your love poured out.  
Bring me to my knees, Lord,  
I lay me down,  
Rid me of myself, I belong to You.  
Oh, lead me, lead me to the cross.

You were as I, tempted and tried, human.  
The Word became flesh  
bore my sin in death.  
Now You're risen.  
Everything I once held dear,  
I count it all as loss.

Lead me to the cross  
where Your love poured out.  
Bring me to my knees, Lord,  
I lay me down,  
Rid me of myself, I belong to You.  
Oh, lead me.

To Your Heart.  
To Your Heart.  
Lead me to Your Heart.  
Lead me to Your Heart.

Lead me to the cross  
where Your love poured out.  
Bring me to my knees, Lord,  
I lay me down,  
Rid me of myself, I belong to You.  
Oh, lead me, lead me to the cross.

## O How He Loves You and Me

O how He loves you and me!  
O how He loves you and me!  
He gave His life;  
What more could He give?  
O how He loves you;  
O how He loves me;  
O how He loves you and me!

Jesus to Cal'ry did go;  
His love for sinners to show.  
What He did there bro't  
Hope from despair.  
O how He loves you;  
O how He loves me;  
O how He loves you and me!

O how He loves you;  
O how He loves me;  
O how He loves you and me!

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## This Is How We Know

For You so loved the world that You gave Your only Son,  
Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in return;  
For this life that You give, for this death that You have died,  
Love amazing, so divine, we will love You in reply, Lord.

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