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 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)  
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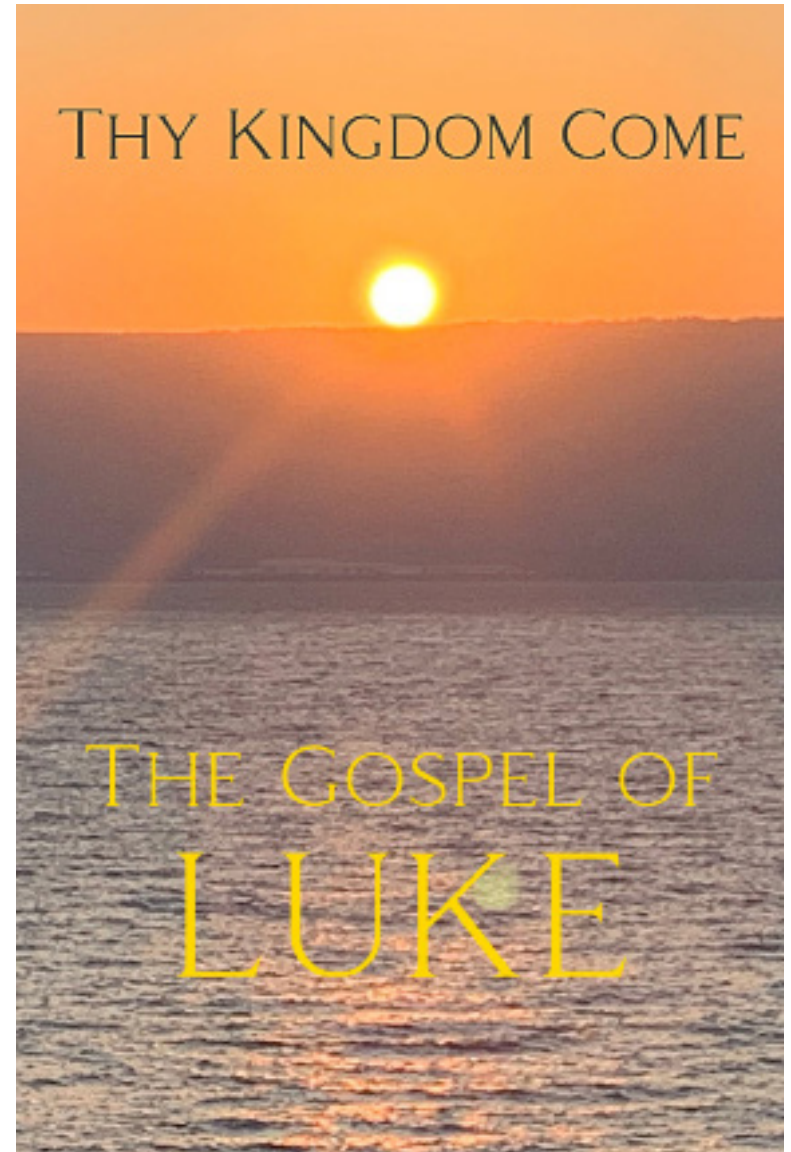


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**Worship Service**  
May 24, 2026

**Announcements**

**Call To Worship:** "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

**Welcome And Invocation To Worship**

**Moment In The Word:** Jer. 17:5-8      Elder: Rick Orsini

**Singing Together:**

"Battle Hymn of the Republic"  
"God of Our Fathers"  
"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

**Responsive Reading:** Psa. 34:1-8  
**Prayer For The Gathering**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Doxology**

**Friendship Time**

**Offertory & Special Music:** "America, the Beautiful"  
*\*\*Dismissal of Children's Church*

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 24:36-43

**Message:** "Seeing With The Eyes of the Soul"

**Prayer For Understanding**

**Response Song:** "Something for Thee"

**Benediction**

**Choral Benediction:** "We Worship and Adore You"

**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  
Bobbie Sayre  
Donna Weyd  
Bruce Eyer  
Frank Hackett  
Kaye Williams

**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
Bill Slager	May 19
Preston Rogers	May 20
Lynn Calhoun	May 22
Clayton Andrews	May 28

**Anniversaries**

Richard & Denise Prohaska	May 12
Preston & Naomi Rogers	May 17
Rick & Anita Orsini	May 18
Henry & Kim Becker	May 24
Andrew & Jackie Swanson	May 30
Will & Jessica Aviles	May 31

**This Week..**

24	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	AfterChurch	11:45 a.m.
27	Jam Club	
	Youth Group	6:30 p.m.
	Adult Bible Study-	
	"The Acts of the Apostles"	

We Thank Those Who Serve Today	
Sound Booth	Bob Timmer Anita Orsini
Ushers	Steve Shoemaker Bill Slager
Greeter	Frank Medina
Treats	Pat Pinkston & Stefani Kauffman
Nursery	Mitou Lucien

*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)

Pastor Kirby and Kaye wish to thank everyone for their love, prayers, and support we have received over the last 6 weeks. Your cards, gifts, visits and meals have been such a blessing of encouragement to us. We thank God for you.

**Jam Club and Youth Group:** will be cancelled for the summer after the Wednesday, May 27 session; They will resume in the fall.

**The Women's Bible Study:** of "Behold your God" is cancelled until August 22nd.

**Crafting Workshop:** We are having a craft-making time at 10:00 a.m., on May 30 to make crafts for the Craft Fair. The cost for materials is \$5, and you will donate your craft! Please join us for a fun time of artistry and fellowship. A sign-up sheet is in the lobby.

**You're Invited to Attend the NHCS Graduations:**

Kindergarten Graduation  
Friday, May 29 at 7:00 p.m.

8th Grade Graduation  
Saturday, May 30, 7:00 p.m.

Luke 24:36. As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!"

Luke 24:37. But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit.

Luke 24:38. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?"

Luke 24:39. See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have."

Luke 24:40. And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

Luke 24:41. And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?"

Luke 24:42. They gave him a piece of broiled fish,

Luke 24:43. and he took it and ate before them.

**Synopsis: "Seeing With The Eyes of the Soul"**

As we begin to study the third and final encounter of Luke's Resurrection narrative, Jesus suddenly and supernaturally appears in the room where the apostles and other disciples are gathered. The disciples' reaction and the conversation that follows reveal the anomaly of their faith. In other words, they believed-- but then again, they didn't believe. We will probe deeply into the inner-conflict Jesus addresses between what their senses clearly see, hear and touch and what the mind under the influence of a fallen heart believes to be true. Our discussion will center around a theme we have been tracing all through Luke's Crucifixion and Resurrection narratives-- the distinction between a faith that is grounded in the "eyes of the flesh" and a faith that is grounded in the authority, promises and principles of the Word of God. We have referred to this as the "eyes of faith", but in this lesson we will refine that designation and learn to "see through the eyes of our redeemed soul"!

**Special Fund Schedule:**

5/24 Legal Defense Fund

**Nursery:**

Infants to 3 yrs  
Children's Church:  
Ages 4-5th grade  
*Dismissed at Special Music.*

**Save the Date!**

This year's VBS  
"A Last Hope Found".  
July 6-10 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
A volunteer sign-up is in  
the lobby.

# “Seeing With The Eyes of the Soul” - Luke 24:36-43 (ESV)

- I. Introduction, Mark 9:24.
- II. Exposition of the text, Luke 24:36-43.
  - A. Context
    - 1. The Crucifixion narrative.
    - 2. The encounter at the Empty Tomb, Luke 24:6-7.
    - 3. The encounter on the Road to Emmaus, Luke 24:21,25.
    - 4. Returning to Jerusalem.
  - B. Luke’s third Resurrection encounter.
    - 1. Jesus appears to the disciples, vs. 36.
      - a. Controlling the flow of the narrative, Luke 24:13,29,33,36.
      - b. The presence of the Resurrected body.
        - i. The lack of fanfare.
        - ii. Continuity and incontinuity.
      - c. Jesus’ address of peace.
        - i. The messianic promise of peace, Isa. 9:6; Luke 1:78-79, 2:14,29,30; John 14:27, 16:33.
        - ii. The peace of “right-standing” before God.
    - 2. The startled reaction of the disciples, vs. 37.
      - a. There was unbelief in the room, Mark 16:12-13; Matt. 28:17.
      - b. There was a “qualified” belief in the room.
    - 3. Addressing the nature of faith, vs. 38.
      - a. Looking at the words.
        - i. Astonished and frightened, Mark 6:49-50; Luke 1:12.
        - ii. The problem of reasoned doubts.
        - iii. The “inner self”, Luke 24:25; Jer. 17:9-10; Mark 7:21-23.
      - b. Processing the words.
        - i. Expanding on the inner conflict.
        - ii. What this reveals about true faith.
    - 4. Satisfying the eyes of the flesh, vs. 39-40,41b-44.
      - a. Jesus’ glorified body, vs. 39-40.
        - i. An appeal to the senses, vs. 39a, 40, Acts 12:7; John 20:27.
        - ii. An appeal to reason, vs. 39b.
      - b. An object lesson, vs. 41b-44.

- 5. Disbelieving for joy, vs. 41a.
  - a. Looking at the words.
    - i. A strong statement of disbelief, Acts 28:23.
    - ii. The normal word for joy, Luke 24:52.
    - iii. In “awe” and “astonished”, Luke 24:12.
  - b. Processing the words.
  - c. Comparing the two “eyes”.
    - i. The weakness of the eyes of the flesh.
    - ii. The power of the eyes of the soul, Luke 26:6-7,27.

- III. Application
- IV. Conclusion

## Notes

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Worship Songs  
May 24, 2026

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, Ye soldiers of the cross;  
Lift high His royal banner, It must not suffer loss.  
From vict'ry unto vict'ry, His army shall He lead,  
Till every foe is vanquished And Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, The trumpet call obey;  
Forth to the mighty conflict, In this His glorious day.  
Ye that are men, now serve Him Against unnumbered foes;  
Let courage rise with danger And strength to strength oppose.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, Stand in His strength alone;  
The arm of flesh will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own.  
Put on the gospel armor, Each piece put on with prayer;  
Where duty calls or danger, Be never wanting there.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, The strife will not be long;  
This day the noise of battle, The next, the victor's song.  
To him who overcometh A crown of life shall be;  
He, with the King of Glory, Shall reign eternally.

Moment in the Word: Jer. 17:5-8

Jer. 17:5. Thus says the Lord: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the Lord.

Jer. 17:6. He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Jer. 17:7. Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.

Jer. 17:8. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit."

## Battle Hymn of the Republic

Mine eyes have seen the glory  
of the coming of the Lord,  
He is trampling out the vintage  
where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
He hath loosed the fateful lightning  
of His terrible, swift sword;  
His truth is marching on

### Refrain

Glory! glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory! glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory! glory! Hallelujah!  
His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watch-fires  
of a hundred circling camps;  
They have builded Him an altar  
in the evening dews and damps;  
I can read His righteous sentence  
by the dim and flaring lamps.  
His day is marching on.  
(Refrain)

He has sounded forth the trumpet  
that shall never call retreat,  
He is sifting out the hearts  
of men before His judgment seat;  
O be swift, my soul, to answer Him!  
be jubilant, my feet!  
Our God is marching on.  
(Refrain)

We can almost hear the trumpet sound,  
the Lord's return is near;  
There are still so many people lost,  
His message they must hear;  
Father, give us one more moment,  
one more day, just one more year—  
With God we're marching on.  
(Refrain)

## God of Our Fathers

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand,  
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band;  
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,  
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,  
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;  
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and Stay,  
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,  
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense;  
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,  
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way.  
Lead us from night to never-ending day;  
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine;  
And glory, laud and praise be ever Thine!

## Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Eternal Father, strong to save,  
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,  
Who bids the mighty ocean deep--  
Its own appointed limits keep:  
O hear us when we cry to Thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain  
O'er which our traffic runs amain  
By mountain pass or valley low;  
Wherever, Lord, our brethren go,  
Protect them by Thy guarding hand  
From every peril on the land.

O Spirit, whom the Father sent  
To spread abroad the firmament;  
O Wind of heaven, by Thy might  
Save all who dare the eagle's flight;  
And keep them by Thy watchful care  
From every peril in the air.

O Trinity of love and pow'r,  
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;  
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,  
Protect them whereso-e'er they go;  
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee  
Glad praise from air and land and sea.

## Responsive Reading: Psa. 34:1-8

[Pastor:] I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

[Congregation:] My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

[Pastor:] Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together!

[Congregation:] I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

[Pastor:] Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

[Congregation:] This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.

[Pastor:] The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

[All:] Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in 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.

## America, the Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies,  
For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties  
above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed  
His grace on thee, And crown  
thy good with brotherhood,  
from sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for pilgrim feet,  
Whose stern, impassioned stress  
A thoroughfare for freedom beat  
Across the wilderness!  
America! America! God mend  
thine every flaw, Confirm thy  
soul in self-control,  
Thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for heroes proved  
In liberating strife, Who more  
than self their country loved  
And mercy more than life!  
America! America! May God  
thy gold refine Till all success  
be nobleness, And every gain  
divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream,  
That sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam,  
Undimmed by human tears!  
America! America! God shed  
His grace on thee, And crown  
thy good with brotherhood,  
from sea to shining sea!

America!  
America!  
America!

## Something for Thee

All that I am and have, Thy gifts so free,  
Ever in joy or grief, My Lord, for Thee;  
And when Thy face I see, My ransomed  
soul shall be, Thro' all eternity,  
Something for Thee.

## We Worship and Adore You

We worship and adore You,  
Bowing down before You,  
Songs of praises singing,  
Hallelujah's ringing.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah! Amen.