

NEW HOPE LUTHERAN

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October - November - December Service Times:

8:30 a.m. at our Hollandale site & 10:30 a.m. at our Blanchardville site Sunday School 10:15am at our Blanchardville site

Sunday, October 26th, 2025 – Reformation Sunday Baptism of Emersyn Chandler - Blanchardville Site

INTRODUCTION & WELCOME

Please Stand

OPENING HYMN: #597 My Hope is Built on **Nothing Less**

Please Sit

Children's Sermon

All children are welcome to come up to the front for the children's message.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (p. 94-96, left column)

In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GREETING (page 184) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE (page 184)

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 32 It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. 33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

The word of our Lord...thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 46

- ¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- ²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,

and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

- ³ though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
- ⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;

God shall help it at the break of day.

- ⁶The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.
- ⁷The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 8 Come now, regard the works of the Lord, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;
- ⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world:

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ "Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

¹¹The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹ Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

The word of our Lord...thanks be to God.

Please Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (page 188) (sung)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Gospel: John 8:31-36

The holy gospel according to John ... **Glory to you, O Lord**.

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed." This is the Gospel of our Lord…**Praise to you O Christ.**

Please Sit

SERMON

Please Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY: #517 Lord, Keep us Steadfast in Your Word

APOSTLES CREED (p. 105) -- Hollandale

Please Sit -- Blanchardville

BAPTISM of Emersyn Chandler -- Blanchardville The Congregation is invited to follow along in the Red Hymnal; page 227

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: At the end of each prayer, Pastor will say "God of grace" the Congregation responds "**receive our prayer**"

PEACE: The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also, with you**.

Please Sit

OFFERING: Offering plates will be passed throughout the congregation. If you are someone who gives online or through automated giving, please feel free to use the pew card available to you.



Offering is an opportunity to actively respond to all God has given by freely giving to support his church through the ministries at New Hope Lutheran. Offerings can be made online at newhopelutheran.info, by scanning the above QR code, mailed, or placed in the security box outside of the church at the Blanchardville Site.

OFFERING HYMN: *ELW #186 Create in me a clean heart*

Please Stand

OFFERING PRAYER: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we

have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER – page 191

Please sit

INVITATION TO COMMUNION & COMMUNION

HYMN: Lamb of God p.191

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & BLESSING: The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, + bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Please Stand

SENDING HYMN: #513 Listen, God is Calling

Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Thank you to our Worship Assistants!

Greeters/Ushers: (B) Neal & Linda Klassy (H) Lisa Toay
Communion: (B) Linda Klassy (H) Vicki Chrostowski
Readers: (B) Jayne Kurschner (H) Lisa Toay

Acolytes: (B) (H) Elise Gilbertson

Musicians: Marlys Hittesdorf, Becky Johnson, Bev Lien & Cinda Hittesdorf

Keep in your Prayers: We remember our members & friends, the sick and the homebound, those recovering or grieving, especially Joe Jameson (friend of Bev Lien), Andy Haffele, Maggie Cernek (daughter of Sara & Matthew Cernek), Mary Gobrecht (mother of Kim Watrud), Doris Haldiman, Steve Eastman, Ruth Vamstad, Lynette Stansfield, Sue Anderson, Rick Fredrickson, Roger Strohm (Pastor Chris's Dad), Stuart Vamstad, Josalyn Riha, Katie Herbert (niece of Pastor Chris), Lisa Hartz (daughter of Elaine & Marv Engelke), Bev Lien, Dave Hermanson, Karen Beecher, Vicki Hughes, Roger Kittleson, Donna Arneson, Lyle Klosterman, Mary Carr, Doris Hermanson, Carl and Patty Schneider, Richard & Peggy Gilbertson, Carole Zweifel.

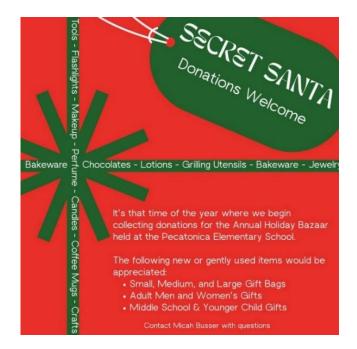
Congratulations to Emersyn Chandler who was Baptized today!

Parents: Brooks and Hannah Chandler Sponsors: Cayla & Nick Allen Blessings to Emersyn and her family on this special faith milestone!

Mark Your Calendar for the **Time Change**

Remember that Daylight Savings Time goes into effect next Sunday, November 2nd.

Set your clocks back one hour.



Saturday, December 13th! Shopping Tip: Here's the link/list if you want to virtual shop. **Bonus**: Purchases get shipped directly to the Blanchardville site: Amazon Secret Santa List.

There is no **confirmation class** on Wednesday, October 29th.

The Pecatonica Food Pantry will be open Saturday, November 1st from 9-10:30am at the Blanchardville site.

You may now **order Poinsettias for Christmas**. \$15.00 per 6" plant, white or red. There are forms and envelopes at each church or you can use this link to order on-line: <u>Poinsettia Order Form</u>. Deadline to order is Sunday, November 23rd.

The deadline for placing lefse orders is this Tuesday, November 4th.

ANNUAL LEFSE SALE

hosted by New Hope Lutheran

Place your orders by Tuesday November 4th by calling:

Jean Christen 608-574-1175 John Thronson at Hollandale Grocery 608-967-2115 Church Office @608-523-4239

Orders need to be picked up at the Hollandale Site of New Hope Lutheran 407 Main Street, Hollandale, WI at any of the following times:

Tues. Nov. 11th: 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm Wed. Nov. 12th & Thurs. Nov. 13th: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Fri. Nov. 14th: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 am

(any orders not picked up by 11:00 am Frida will be put in the freezer at church

COST IS \$8 FOR 3 LARGE ROUNDS



10% of the proceeds of this sale will be donated outwardly either locally; state or nation wide.

Sign up at the link below to volunteer or donate.

There are also sign-up sheets at each church.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050D48A8A829

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Contact Jean Christen with questions.

Please sign up on the sheets at each church if you'd like to volunteer to organize and/or bring treats and coffee, etc. for **Fellowship Time** after worship.

The **Fall Dinner & Auction** was another successful event thanks to your support. Whether you worked, donated, bid or ate we are thankful for you. It's always fun to bring together our New Hope community and the greater communities we serve to share a meal and some entertaining bidding.

Thanks again and see you next year!

Mission Central: The Mission Room is open Mondays from 1-3p.m. and again from 6-8 p.m. Feel free to come whenever and as often as you'd like to be a part of "God's Work/Our Hands".

Choir Practice: Wednesday, the 22nd at 7pm at the Blanchardville site.

Join Pastor Chris for **Bible Study** on Tuesday, October 28th from 8:00-9:00 am at the River Bend Café. Verses for this week (All Saints Sunday): First Reading: Daniel 7:1-13, 15-18, Psalm: Psalm 149, Second Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23, Gospel: Luke 6:20-31.(*This list has been updated from the one in the October newsletter.*)