

YUM at NEW HOPE UNITED CHURCH

**A Christian Community growing together in
Faith, Service and Love.**



October 20, 2024

New Hope United Church

Sunday, October 20, 2024
 Twenty Second After Pentecost
 Proper 24

Bold print indicates a congregational response.

*** indicates when the congregation is standing, if they are able.**

We Gather as God's People

Gathering Meditation

(We invite you to silently meditate prior to the service.)

**Prelude: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" (C. Scot)
 Michelle Hunt**

Passing the peace of the Christ

Grace and peace from God our Father, the Saviour Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit be with you!

And also with you.

Words of Welcome/Life and Work of Our Church

The Lighting of the Christ Candle

Music for the Lighting of the Candle

Call to Worship

***Opening Hymn: "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" (#262 VU)**

**1 A mighty fortress is our God,
 a bulwark never failing;
 our helper sure amid the flood
 of mortal ills prevailing:
 for still our ancient foe
 doth seek to work us woe;**

**with power and malice great,
and armed with cruel hate,
on earth he has no equal.**

**2 Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing,
were not the right man on our side,
the man of God's own choosing:
dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his name,
from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.**

**3 And though this world, with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed
the truth to triumph through us:
the prince of darkness grim,
we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure,
for lo! his doom is sure,
one little word shall fell him.**

**4 That word above all earthly powers,
no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours
through Christ, who with us sideth:
let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also;
the body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still,
God's kingdom is for ever.**

Opening Prayer

**Sung Response: "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"
(#240 - v.1)
Praise, my soul, the God of heaven,**

**glad of heart your carols raise;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who, like me, should sing God's praise.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Praise the Maker all your days!**

Words of Assurance

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and accepted.
Thanks be to God!

Sung Response: "Jesus, You Fill Our Hearts" (#101 MV)
**Jesus, you fill our hearts with your love,
our minds with your peace,
and our lives with your joy.**

***Affirmation of Faith: A New Creed**

**We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us. We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

Ministry of Music: "It's a Miracle" (W. Gaither)

We Listen for the Word of God

For the Young at Heart

Response "Dance With the Spirit" (#156 MV)

**Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',
walk with the Spirit through-out the long day.
Work and hope for the new life abornin',
lis-ten to the Spirit to show you the way.**

Prayer for Illumination:

O God, your Word gives us counsel for our understanding. Enable us to receive it today, in the name of your son, our Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:46-52 -The Healing of Blind Bartimaeus

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"⁴⁸ Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"⁴⁹ Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you."⁵⁰ So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus.⁵¹ Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again."⁵² Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Response:

This is the Word of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sung Response: "River Running in You and Me"

(#156 MV - twice)

**River running in you and me, Spirit of life, deep mystery,
dancing down to the holy sea,
River run deep, River run free.**

**Reflection: "Knowing What You Want"
Rev. Padre Andrew K. Lee**

Music for Silent Reflection

We Respond to God's Word

The Offering of our Gifts and Ourselves

Invitation

***Offertory: "For the Fruit of All Creation" (#227 VU)**

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.

For the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.

**For the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,**

future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

***Offertory Prayer**

Gracious God, we offer you these gifts.

**Multiply them so that they might help
build your kingdom on earth**

**and be of service to the body of Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Prayer of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*sung*): (#959 VU)

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins, as we forgive
those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil,
for the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

We Go Forth to Love as Christians in the Word

***Closing Hymn: "Come, O Fount of every blessing" (#559 VU)**

- 1 Come, O Fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing your grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing
call for songs of endless praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount; I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unfailing love.**

- 2 Here I pause in my sojourning,
giving thanks for having come,
come to trust, at every turning,
God will guide me safely home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God,
came to rescue me from danger,
precious presence, precious blood.**

- 3 O, to grace how great a debt
or daily I am drawn anew!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to you.
Prone to wander, I can feel it,
wander from the love I've known:
here's my heart, O, take and seal it,
seal it for your very own.**

Blessing and Sending Forth

***Choral Blessing: "O Lord My God" VU 238 v.1**

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!**

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Postlude

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Announcements

Visitation

Rev. Andrew is available to members who want pastoral visitation at your house, at the church or to meet at another place such as a coffee shop. Please contact Rev. Andrew at 416-999-5615 to arrange a time and place.

King Township Food Bank Fundraiser

Mark your calendar for Thursday, October 24th, 6-9 p.m. for KT Food Bank's Aloha Hawaii Sip & Savour Fundraiser. Visit KTFB.ca for more information and tickets

York Pines Book Club

The next meeting will be **Monday October 28th**, from 10 to 11 am, in the York Pines United's fellowship room, and online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84719559634?pwd=MJDDUw2BpAO57CXcWU6pqv4ZMDsKSw.1> (or if by phone only call at either 647-558-0588 or 647-374-4685). Book: **"Revenge of the Tipping Point" by Malcolm Gladwell.** (Sequel to his book "The Tipping Point".)
Facilitator – Ted Anderson

All Saints Sunday

New Hope will recognize All Saints Day on Sunday on Nov. 3rd.
Congregation members are encouraged to bring pictures of their families who now are in the arms of Jesus.

Offering

Collection plates can be found on the table in the entranceway or at the back of the Sanctuary. Please consider joining PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance) mailing a cheque to the church or setting up an e-transfer.

Worship Schedule

Date	Oct. 27	Nov. 3	Nov. 10	Nov. 17
Preacher	Catherine Hions	Rev. Andrew Lee	Rev. Bruce Roffey	Rev. Andrew Lee
Church Year	Twenty-third After Pentecost	Twenty-fourth After Pentecost	Twenty-fifth After Pentecost	Twenty-sixth After Pentecost
Liturgical Colour	Green	Green/White-Gold	Green	Green
YUM/UCC Calendar	Reformation Sunday	All Saints Sunday	Remembrance Sunday	

Mission and Service Stories

An Abundance of Blessings in a Time of Need



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With your generous support, many Canadian seniors who might otherwise face empty plates this season are able to enjoy nutritious meals and maintain their dignity throughout the year.

The Food Security for Elders program relies on your support to provide grocery cards to Indigenous Elders in the Morley First Nation and Lethbridge, AB area, where access to healthy food is limited. Without your support, these seniors face the harsh reality of choosing between essential needs and nourishing meals. They need your help to ensure their tables are filled with the food they deserve.

In a time of rising grocery prices and economic challenges, your kindness ensures that our most vulnerable neighbours are not left to struggle with food insecurity. Your gifts help transform their experience from one of worry and scarcity to one of comfort and nourishment. With your support, Elders can enjoy healthier meals and maintain their well-being.

Your generosity through [Mission and Service](#) gives more than just food; it offers hope and a sense of community. As we continue through our seasons of gratitude, we extend our heartfelt thanks to you for making such a significant impact. Thank you.