

# Welcome to New Hope Church

A Christ-centered community for all peoples, moving toward Jesus and taking others with us.

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SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO MAIN CAMPUS  
BY AUGUST 8

**VOLUNTEER**  
REGISTER AT  
[NEWHOPECHURCHMN.ORG/COMMUNITYPICNIC](http://newhopechurchmn.org/communitypicnic)

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 14**



## SUMMER FAMILY NIGHTS

2ND & 4TH SUNDAYS // JUNE–AUGUST // 3:30–5PM

[newhopechurchmn.org/families](http://newhopechurchmn.org/families)



## BAPTISM CLASS

SUNDAY • AUGUST 29 • 10:30AM  
[NEWHOPECHURCHMN.ORG/BAPTISM](http://newhopechurchmn.org/baptism)

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NEWS & GIVING REPORT

### Summer Family Nights

2nd & 4th Sundays (August 8), 3:30–5pm, Main Campus. For the whole church family to have fun and make memories. Theme coincides with the parables series with an Olympic twist. No registration. Visit [newhopechurchmn.org/families](http://newhopechurchmn.org/families).

### Community Picnic—Volunteer + Donate

Help kids in our community by donating new school supplies. Drop off donations at the Main Campus by August 8. Sign up to volunteer at the picnic. Visit [newhopechurchmn.org/communitypicnic](http://newhopechurchmn.org/communitypicnic).

### Heritage Hymn Sing

Wednesday, August 11, 2–3pm, Worship Center or livestream. An old-fashioned hymn sing. Meals-to-Go (\$6/meal) available 3–3:30pm. Reserve meals at 763-971-5137 by noon Monday, August 9. Visit [newhopechurchmn.org/seniors](http://newhopechurchmn.org/seniors).

### Fireside Coffee Shop Grand Re-opening

Sunday, August 15, 8:30–10:30am. Handcrafted beverages available for purchase.

### Alzheimer's Seminar

Thursday, August 19, 6:30–8pm, online. Topic: *Dementia Conversations*. Providing tips addressing common issues that are difficult to discuss. Register at [newhopechurchmn.org/care](http://newhopechurchmn.org/care).

### Life Groups Facilitator Training

Sunday, August 22, 10:30am, Sandberg Chapel. Interested in facilitating and fostering community? This one-hour training is for those interested in learning about being a facilitator.

### Baptism Class

Sunday, August 29, 10:30am. For those wanting to be baptized. No pre-registration necessary. Contact Tiffany Miller at 763-536-3235 or [tmiller@newhopechurchmn.org](mailto:tmiller@newhopechurchmn.org).

Get the most current information at  
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# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

AUGUST 8, 2021

## OUR HERO REDEEMS Psalm 103:4

### Ice-breaker

1. Thinking about good books or cinema, share one or two exhilarating rescue stories. What makes them special to you?

### Going Deeper

2. Carefully read Jonah 2:2–6 and Psalm 142. Note that these two men are in the throes of despair—in the proverbial pit of despair. What is your “pit” story?
3. When you find yourself in the pit of despair, how do you react? Do you employ earthly methods to reach for the top? Do you cry out to the God of glory for help? What influences which direction you go?
4. The text of Psalm 103:4 talks about our lives being rescued from the pit. What is it about our lives that should matter to us because it clearly matters to God? Why might we downplay or dismiss that?
5. Read Isaiah 53:4–6. Considering the price that Jesus paid to redeem us from the pit, how does that shape how you see the value of your own life? What does that price say about your value?
6. Read Colossians 1:12–14. If to redeem something is to purchase or buy, what does this text tell us we are redeemed from? Importantly, what does the passage tell us we are being redeemed for or to?

### Action

7. What steps can you take with Jesus today to walk in the freedom bought for us by His blood?
8. According to Colossians 1:12–14, we share an inheritance with God’s people, we become beloved kingdom citizens and we enjoy forgiveness for sins. How are we using these glorious gifts within the world around us?