# Welcome to New Hope Church

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



We'd love to get to know you. Fill out the New Here form.









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**NEED PRAYER?** 

**NEWS & GIVING REPORT** 

## **Charting a Bold Course Message Series**

September 11–October 9. This fall, we'll explore the bold new course God has called for New Hope Church to follow. What does it mean to connect, give, serve, multiply and unite together as a church, to the world and with the One charting our course? Watch at newhopechurchmn.org/messages.

# **Fall Ministry Kickoff**

Sunday, September 11, 8:30am–1pm. *Charting a Bold Course*. An all-church event with food, games, a ministry fair and outdoor baptisms. Come early . . . stay late. Visit newhopechurchmn.org/kickoff.

# **Disability Prize Donations**

Collection Dates: September 4–11. Donate new gifts for Bingo nights. Drop off at reception lobby. Visit newhopechurchmn.org/disabilities for donation ideas.

# **Volunteer Training**

Wednesday, September 14, 6:15–7:45pm, Family Center. Learn about volunteer opportunities and receive training geared toward specific areas. Treats provided. Register at newhopechurchmn.org/events by September 9.

## **Great Commission Church Class**

Sundays, September 18 & 25, 10:30am, Sandberg Chapel. Explore what becoming a Great Commission church would mean for New Hope Church and for you individually.

# **Life Groups Connection Event**

Sunday, September 18, 5pm, Family Center. Come to dinner and find a group that fits for you—convenient schedules, locations and formats. No childcare available. Register by September 11 at newhopechurchmn.org/lifegroups.

Get the most current information at

newhopechurchmn.org







# **GRATITUDE** Colossians 2:7

## **CONNECT**

1. Share around the group what are you most thankful for from this past week. Give God praise for each one.

## **GOING DEEPER**

2.	ead Colossians 2:6–7. Why does Paul need to exhort us to abound in thanksgiving? What happens to our soul	ls if
	e neglect giving thanks?	

- 3. What keeps us from being thankful?
- 4. When we're sad or in pain, how can we still abound in thankfulness? Or to say it differently, what can we always be thankful for, even when everything in life hurts?
- 5. How does gratitude link us to God? Which aspects of God's character can we see more clearly the more we abound in thanksgiving?
- 6. How can "abounding in thanksgiving" enable us to live richer and more satisfying lives?

## **ACTION**

- 7. In your group, give thanks for each other, specifically. Focus on each person present and specify what you are grateful for in that person. Before you move onto the next person, pray and give God praise and thanks for sending this person to your group.
- 8. How does "abounding in thanksgiving" embody the gospel? How does a life full of gratitude demonstrate the gospel to the world around us?