

December 4, 2022

WELCOME!

Live Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Welcome

New Hampton Community Church

*To check-in and let us know you are joining us,
text 'Check' to (603)744-8252*

Rev. Scott Mitchell, Pastor

"Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now God has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation" Colossians 1:21-22

Welcome

"Angels, from the Realm of Glory" # 259 v. 1,2 & 5

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" #244

Prayer

"Welcome to Our World"

"Peace is at the Heart of Christmas" The Hope of Christmas - Part 2

Pastor Scott Mitchell

"Communion Hymn for Christmas" # 287

Communion

"How Great is Our God"

Dedication: Isaiah 7:14 "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call His name Immanuel.."

Life Group Schedule - Join us!

Sunday morning— 8:30 to 9:30*

Discussing: A Study of Prophecy

Monday night – 6:30 to 8:00

Discussing: 1st/2nd Kings

Tuesday morning – 9:30

Discussing: The Heart of Christmas

Tuesday night— 7:00 to 8:00

Discussing: Proverbs

Tuesday night – 6:30 to 8:00*

Discussing: Galatians

Thursday night— 7:00 to 8:00

Discussing: Isaiah 61- "Instead"

Thursday night— 7:00 to 8:00

Discussing: Proverbs

Friday night—5:30 to 7:00*

Discussing: Book of John

Friday night— 6:30 Movie Night*

Movie Night: See back page *= Meeting in person

Not all groups meet at NHCC, please see Mike Billings for more information.

Newcomers are always welcome!

Welcome to Worship!

Relax, allow the next few minutes refresh and renew you as we experience God's presence together. May the comfort and care of the Holy Spirit inspire your steps in following Jesus. Join us for refreshments & connection on the lower level Gathering Room following this morning's worship.

Upcoming Dates

Dec 24th 7:30 pm Candlelight Service

Dec 25th 10 am Christmas Day Service

Do you Have Questions?

We believe Church should be the place to explore questions about God, Faith and Life. If you would like to have a conversation, or know more about NHCC, contact Pastor Scott Mitchell; in-person, e-mail, or fill out 'connection card' in the chair back and place it in the "Tithes & offerings" box in the entryway. *He looks forward to conversation with you!*

- If you would like to know more about our Children, Teen groups, Contact Pat Stone.
- If you would like to know about the variety of Adult Life Groups, Contact Mike Billings.

Tithes and Offerings

For your convenience, Tithes and Offerings box is located in the entry. Thanks for giving generously. *Together God is using us to bless many!*

Find us on Social Media



TODAY: December 4, 2022 | First Sunday of Advent

Welcome! We hope you are able to

Our Lady of Grace Chapel invites you to an afternoon of Christmas Caroling on December 4th noon.

Add to your calendar: Christmas Eve service—December 24th, 7:30 pm



Scan with your smartphone's camera to Check-in

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“Peace is at the Heart of Christmas”



“The Heart of Christmas” Week 2

“When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him” Matthew 2: 10-11

Micah 5:5 **“And he (Jesus) shall be their peace.”**

John 14:27 (Jesus) **“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid”**

Romans 5:1 **“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Ephesians 2:14 **“For he himself (Jesus) is our peace,”**

❖ **Christmas Peace ; Jesus’ peace is _____**

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

¹³Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, ¹⁴“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests Luke 2:8-14

❖ The _____ of God, is for _____

¹⁹For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

²¹Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. ²²But now he has reconciled you by Christ’s physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation” Colossians 1:19-22

❖ **Jesus is the bridge of _____ to _____**

❖ **Peace is experienced in the _____ ;
not the _____ of _____**

**When you pass through the waters,
I will be with you;
and when you pass through the rivers,
they will not sweep over you.
When you walk through the fire,
you will not be burned;
the flames will not set you ablaze.
³For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior”** Isaiah 43:2-3

**“Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.”**
Matthew 5:9

Questions to Ponder, talk about with Life Group, Family and Friends

- What kinds of things tend to rob peace from people’s lives?
- How is the presence of God and the presence of peace related?
- Why is Christ’s sacrifice necessary to reconcile us to God? To ourselves? To others?
- What is one practical way to live life as a peacemaker?