

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting/Announcements/Passing the Peace – Glory Tharp, Certified Lay Minister

Call to Worship - Glenn Wilson

Leader: We have welcomed the Christ child and declared the glory of God's salvation that comes to live among us.

And yet, still, we wait.

People: We watch and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

Leader: We prepare to welcome a new year, thankful for how God has brought us through the past year and anxious

to discover what the new year might bring.

People: We watch and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

Leader: We join generations of Simeons and Annas who learned and taught us how to listen, notice, and discern

divine love at work in the world.

People: We watch and work for God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

Leader: Come, let us worship God, whose love endures from generation to generation, guiding us from one year to the next.

People: Come, let us worship as we live in anticipation of God's kingdom on earth as it is heaven. Amen.

Prayer- Glenn Wilson

Brothers and sisters, let us open our ears to the old story. Let us make it new again. Lord, it was not yesterday that your care for us began, but it was, as you say, "In the beginning." In the beginning you spoke and the story started and your love for us all began, and now your love takes us into a new year. In your great love, we pray for all humankind. Breathe new life into our lives. Come, open our ears so that we can hear your word of peace to ready our hearts so that we can feel your word of tenderness. Let us always be open to the awesome Word of God, especially at the threshold of the new year. Amen

Songs of Worship – *Praise Team*

Children's Message - Ginny Calehuff

The children and youth are invited to Sunday School in the Mission Building.

Hymn – #234 O Come all Ye Faithful vs 1,3,6

Prayer – Pastor Rose Manning

Lord's Prayer

People: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sermon: Christmas Gift - Bishop Tom Berlin

Offering / Special Music

Offertory Prayer - Glory Tharp, Certified Lay Minister

Hymn - # 219 What Child is This

Benediction

Disciple's Path Begins Sunday, January 11, 11:15 am

A Disciple's Path is an engaging approach to discipleship from a Wesleyan perspective. Join our Lay Minister Glory Tharp and Pastor Rose Manning in the Founder's Room following Sunday worship. Lunch is provided. Childcare is available with registration. Any questions contact Glory at Glory@newhorizonumc.com.

Prayers

Dotnie Smith, Helen Welsh and Korey Jackson at Mem'l West ICU, Alice Ebanks at Glades West Rehab, Richard Ebanks Hospice, Pat Allen, John and Joanne Baker, Alvin Barnett, Jeannie and Kevin Buckley, Wayne Byers, Ginny & Bernie Calehuff, Myra Christensen, Susie & Dr. Bob Dickinson, Marlene Ebanks, Stephen Evans, Linda Fales, Elizabeth Farrie, Luella Gentles, Claudia Glover, Patty Hodge, Mike Lewis, Faye Lindo, Lili Mazuriek, Jamie Pascucci, Gail Petrosa, Pumpkin Charlie, David Reardon, Barbara Reed, Ginnie Stonebraker, Lucy Stevens, TJ Summers, Sue Sweat, Shirley Tegzes, Lucille Wattles, Helen Welsh, Alda Williams, Pastor Tammie's daughter Ty and grandson Wayne, Heaven's Gate UMC and Church on the Solid Rock UMC Cuba; the United Methodist Church, Residing Hope Foster Care, our learning center, church, pastors and staff, our troops, our country, Jamaica, Haiti, Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, and first responders.

Upper Room Devotionals

The Upper Room for January/February is available in the lobby. Donations appreciated.

Presence and Gifts

We give thanks to everyone who joined us in person and online and thank you for your ministries and missions gifts of \$42,555. Operating needed each week is \$12,380. **Online Giving** go to www.newhorizonumc.com.

Click on Give tab and choose the fund. All 2025 gifts must be in by December 30. We thank you for your continued faithfulness.

2026 Giving Envelopes Available in the Lobby

If you have pledged and requested giving envelopes, please pick them up as you leave worship. If you don't see your envelopes or would like to use envelopes, please make a note on the list with your name and note weekly or monthly giving envelopes. It's not too late to make your 2026 pledges to the work of God.

Close the Gap Fund Drive

We are asking for year-end financial help. We had an outstanding insurance liability in the amount of \$28,570, but thanks to your generosity and the matching gift from the UMM we now need \$11,000. Please consider contributing to this required part of our budget so that we can close the year without this liability passing into 2026. Mark your check as NH Insurance. We realize this is a tough time of year for everyone, but any amount you can contribute will add up to paying off this debt.

SERVANTS NEEDED: Do You have a Heart to Serve?

Will you consider volunteering to serve on either the Financial Planning Committee (Determine Financial Goals)

or the Maintenance Committee (Obtaining job estimates and determining facility needs)?

If interested, please contact Ginny Calehuff, Leadership Team Chairperson at 754-210-4074 or at vcalehug@gmail.com. You can also contact any New Horizon Leadership Team Member--Glory Tharp;

Angela Ashley; Karen Brook; Venus Evans; Kingsley Gordon; Joe Kenney; Michael Pascucci; or Heather Rose.

- Contacts for the Following Subcommittees are:
 - o Welcoming Committee: Venus Evans, Chair
 - o Hospitality Committee: Ginny Calehuff, Chair
 - o <u>Safety and Security Committee:</u> Glory Tharp, Certified Lay Minister

Youth Rock the Universe January 23-25 — Deposit due Friday, January 2

Christian performance weekend at Universal Studios. \$75 deposit due January 2nd.

Contact christine@newhorizonumc.com to register and pay the deposit.

Beyond 50 Games Day Each Friday, 10:00 am

All are invited to join us in the Mission Building for games day. Bring your favorite or come play some of ours. We meet each Friday. Any questions contact Chris Harris christineharris4132@gmail.com.

Joy Circle Thursday, January 8, 10:00 am

All women are invited to **Joy Circle 10:00 am** in the Mission Building. Our purpose is to know God and be his hands and feet. We are all part of God's story. We will kick off 2025 with a White Elephant Gift exchange. Please bring a gift (something you've been gifted that you can't use) without your name attached for a fun gift exchange. Hope to see you.

New Horizon is a mission minded church. During the year we have many outreach giving opportunities local, national and international. We ask you to prayerfully consider which projects God is calling you to support.

We thank you for all that you do to help others.

Our Complete Calendar is on our Website – www.newhorizonumc.com/calendar
Office Hours Monday-Thursday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
WiFi in the Sanctuary, name: NHUMC password: blessyou