

JULY AT NEW HOPE UMC

THE SURPRISING SAVIOR

July 1
"Healing Surprise"

July 18
"Hometown Surprise"

July 15
"Herod's Surprise"

July 22
Guest Preacher: Pastor Lee Schott
Women at the Well

July 29
"Feeding Surprise"



Vacation Bible School!

Kids! 3 yrs - entering 5th grade!!
Sun., July 15 - Thurs., July 19
5:30pm Supper
6-8pm VBS Activities

Hero Central Vacation Bible School! Discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God!

Registration form is online at:

http://www.newhopedsm.org/pdf/VBS_2018.pdf

Or, fill out the registration form found at the VBS table in the hallway and attach your check. Registration: \$10 per child or \$25 for a family of 3 or more. Sign up today!!

The VBS food donation list is at the Children's Ministry table. Please stop by and sign up to donate items.

Empty toilet paper and paper towel rolls are needed for a craft. Please place them in the green tub in the Fellowship Hall.



Mission Project: Iowa League of Heroes provides a platform for local heroes to step into unique positions and become agents of change for children and families in our communities. They donate their time to children's hospitals and charities and bring happiness and excitement to kids of all ages through very real encounters with very real heroes.

<https://www.facebook.com/IowaLeagueOfHeroes/>

Please donate **loose change** during VBS. Restaurant gift cards will be purchased with the donations and given to the families that Iowa League of Heroes visit.

Vacation Bible School

Adults!

We will offer an adult class during Vacation Bible School this year. Adults may join us for the meal at 5:30pm or just join the class from 6pm to 7:30 pm in the Ruby Chapel. The class will not be a Bible study, but will be a series of video presentations called "**Embrace Aging**," developed locally through the Calvin Community Foundation.

Pastor Jon is on the Calvin Community Advisory Board, which gave input on the program. He will facilitate the presentation and lead the discussions. "Embrace Aging" is valuable for all adults who are or will deal with aging parents, as well as those of us dealing with aging ourselves (which will eventually be all of us).

Topics include:

- Healthy Aging and Brain Wellness, featuring Dr. Robert Bender
- Managing Chronic Diseases, with Dr. Yogesh Shah
- Caregiving, with Charles Wurth
- Economic Security, with David Stregge
- Aging and the Law, with Denise Hill

Please contact Pastor Jon if you have any questions and plan to join us during VBS July 15-19.



membership news

Prayer Chain Request

If you have a prayer chain request, please call Jan Davisson at 251-4894 or the church office at 278-2097.

Prayer Concern

Bob Reaney; Courtney LePera; Bob Nuzum; Pam Frey; Joan Clay; Desiree Spring; Barb Teachout; Linn Redding; Bishop Laurie Haller; District Superintendent, Rev. Heecheon Jeon; District Field Outreach Minister, Naomi Sea Young Wittstruck; Dr. Emmanuel Mefor, missionary.

Prayers for the following military personnel: Kelsey Bartley; Dawn Bernal; Jason Homard; Cory Larson; Adam Larson; Joshua Larson; Mike McGhee; Todd McGinnity; Tyler McGinnity; Matthew Plourde; Anthony Plourde; Devan Stanton; Jared Stanton; and our national and world leaders, our military and their families.

Thank You

Thank you everyone for all the hugs and kind words as Keel and I celebrated our last couple of Sundays at New Hope. Thank you also for the generous gift from the congregation. I've been so blessed to be able to be a part of the New Hope family and to be able to use something I enjoy so much to minister to our congregation. I've been lucky to volunteer over the years with so many caring members and talented musicians and will miss you all. I'll come back to visit as often as I can!

Hugs,
Dani

Sympathy

Our Sympathy to Kirk Dickey and family on the passing of his father-in-law, Dale Williams, father of the late Jann Williams.

Our Sympathy to the family of Milton Florence. Funeral service was held May 27 in Las Vegas, NV.

Thank You

On a very hot Saturday, June 9, we had several stout individuals brave the heat and humidity to clear the retaining pond by the parsonage, remove the piles of debris left from grounds clean-up, paint the standards on the parking lot markers, and continue beautification work on the northeast retaining wall and landscape beds. The Trustess extend their sincere gratitude to those who contributed their time to the continuing stewardship of our church home: Jerry Kielsmeier, Linda Kielsmeier, Dick Piphoo, Gene Shepard, John Burrough, Dale Monthei, Roger Moore, Bob Harter, Dave Followwill, John Rains, and Spencer Sutton. Jody Rains prepared lunch, and Andy Sutton assisted with serving.

Dear New Hope Family,
We want to express our deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for the prayers, the cards, the care and well wishes you extended to us over the death of my father Ikenga Item.

Thanks to your prayers, every thing went well. Friends and family who travelled from far and wide to join in the celebration of Ikenga Item's life, attended all the events, and returned safely to their homes. Our family is blessed and are grateful to be a part of the New Hope Family. Thank you!
Sincerely,
Chinyere Ukabiala

Directory Update

Armenta Buckingham's updated email: armentabu@gmail.com

Keel and Dani Clemmens
Address after July 13th will be:
24557 119th St
Anamosa, IA 52205

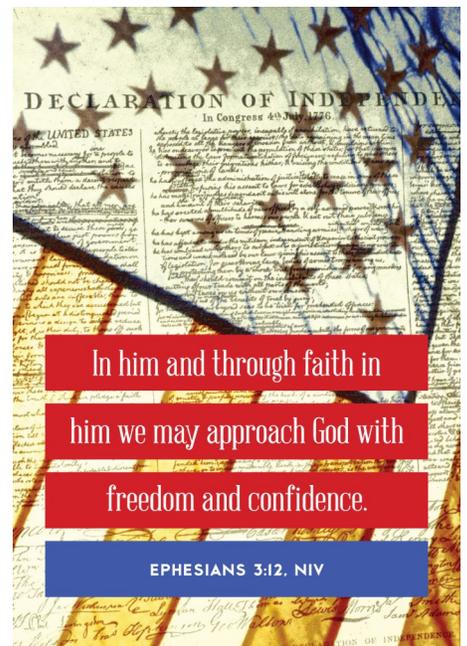
Sharon Smith has a new phone #: 515-419-7082

Church Communications

Stay connected with New Hope UMC!!

CONTACT information Weekly announcements and the monthly newsletters are sent out to everyone via email.

If you have not been receiving these emails, please contact Nancy Monthei in the church office at 278-2097 or nhfamily@newhopedsm.org. ALSO, we appreciate receiving your updated contact information. Thanks!





Join us in celebration of Joan Clay, founding member of New Hope UMC.

Sunday, July 8, Noon
in the Fellowship Hall

A reception to honor Joan for all she has done throughout the years for New Hope UMC. Joan will be moving out of state with her family toward the end of July. She will be missed by many but we are happy for her and her family.



My Grown Up, God and Me!

Please join us for a child/adult combination devotional time on Thursday mornings from 9:30-11am.

The first half an hour we will focus on a bible based story/activity time for the kiddos and their grown ups!

From 10-11am we will do a devotion and discussion time for the grown ups while the kids play.

All ages of child/grown up combos are welcome, but please note that the activities will be most suited for preschool aged children.



Family Swim Night!

August 5th – 6pm to 8pm: Family Swim Night at Northwest Pool (4915 Madison Ave, Des Moines). Admission is free, so bring the whole family to have an end of summer pool party.

If you have any questions, please email Charity Johnson at cjohnson@newhopedsm.org



Confirmation Class Dessert/Information

Thursday, August 16 @ 6:30 p.m.

Attention 8th graders and families!

Are you starting 8th grade this fall?

Do you have a child/grandchild/niece/nephew/cousin/sibling/neighbor who is starting 8th grade? Are you interested in... Confirmation?

Then plan on attending our special Confirmation Dessert/Information Meeting on

Thursday, August 16, at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

This informational meeting is for 8th graders interested in Confirmation, and their parents/families. We'll take a brief look at the Confirmation year schedule, as well as discuss what one can expect in Confirmation. *Please bring your family schedule.* An ice cream dessert will be served.

If you have any questions or are unable to attend that evening, please contact Pastor Gaul at 278-2097 or nhfamily@newhopedsm.org.



Summer Children's Worship, during the 9:30 service, is off to a wonderful start. Thank you to all of the children who have attended. The children are enjoying the video series "What is a Christian?" based on the Book of 1 John.

In July, Children's Worship will be offered on July 1, 8, and 29. There will NOT be Children's Worship on July 15 and 22. Please join us as we continue to know, grow and show the love of Jesus Christ.

Church Landscaping

Looking for individuals, families or small groups to adopt a section of our landscape (gardens) surrounding the church.

The church surrounding our entrances can be divided into bite size elements. Are you willing to maintain one of them? Guidance will be provided including type of plants present (are they a weed, perennial or shrub?), when to deadhead and when to prune. Watering of planters and the gardens will be covered separately. Only a couple hours a month required if several individuals or small groups pitched in.

There are 6 small (very manageable) sections of gardens near the building. Within the courtyard there are 3 sections, each of them separated by the brick pathways (north by the hall windows, central includes the crabapple tree and south is partially framed by the curved drive and the office windows). At the east main entrance we have 2 distinct sections, one north of the main doors and the other south of the main doors. Further north framing the entrance of our educational wing is another section that is primarily shrubs with a few perennials (includes the A/C).

Our visitors often comment on the beauty of our church entry. Please join in maintaining them. To volunteer your service contact the church office, 278-2097, or Ruth Doxon, 253-9115.

In order to achieve beautiful flowers



you need to do weeding!



2017 Harvest Dinner & Auction

Save the Date for the **2018 Harvest Dinner & Auction** scheduled for Sunday, October 21, 2018.

Volunteers are needed to organize the event!

Please attend a **planning meeting on Monday, July 9, 6:30pm in the Ruby Chapel.**

Please donate your time and service to this wonderful fundraiser for your church. Questions? please contact the church office, 278-2097.



The **2018 Beaverdale Parade will be on Saturday, September 15**

Volunteers are needed to ride/walk in the parade for New Hope UMC. Mike Wakeman will have his tractor & wagon for people to ride on.

The parade starts at 10 am, goes south on 48th Street to Franklin, east on Franklin to Beaver, then north on Beaver.

Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall! This a great way to invite the church neighborhood to our friendly & welcoming church!



Time to Think About Christmas!

Does the warm weather have you ready for Christmas? *Garlands of Gifts*, our annual craft and vendor show, is on Saturday, November 10th this year and we are taking registrations!

Members pay \$40 for a spot with 2 chairs and non-members pay an additional \$5. Tables and electricity are available on a first come first served basis for an additional fee.

This is a great way for us to get to know each other and for the community to get to know us! Registration forms are available at the church or you can email garlandsofgifts@gmail.com. Feel free to email or call Deb Henry with any questions: mssci@aol.com or 515-577-1129.

We hope to see you there!!!

Blood Pressure Check

BP checks will resume in September.

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, July 14 at 7:30 a.m. at New Hope.

Women's Fellowship

The July lunch gathering will be on Thurs., July 19, 11:30am at Castaways
Questions? Contact Susan Clark at 964-5119 or Sharon Smith at 419-7082

Veterans Helping Veterans

Our next breakfast is Saturday, July 21 at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall. All veterans, their spouses and supporters are invited to attend at no cost. Questions, please contact Billy Nuzum at bbnewz54@gmail.com

Bidwell-Riverside Center

Members of our congregation will be volunteering at Bidwell Riverside on Thursday, July 12, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Both men and women are urged to come. Four persons have already signed up, but they can use eight to thirteen volunteers to sort donations, stock shelves, guide clients through the food pantry "grocery store" and run the clothing counter. Those who want to carpool meet at the church at 12:30 on the day we are going.



If you would like to go on July 12, please contact Lynn Louk (515-276-7900) or

jimlynnlouk@mac.com) so she can notify Bidwell how many will be there.

Care Ministry Team

The Care Ministry meets quarterly. Next meeting is on Thurs., July 12 at 10am in the Fellowship Hall. This team ministers to congregation members who have had new babies, have been in the hospital, have been ill or are dealing with grief. This team meets on a quarterly basis. If you would like to join the Care Ministry team, please contact Clarice Rubek or Mary Ann Rice.

New Hope Needlers

The Needlers meet the third Friday of the month in the 3rd grade classroom from 9:00 - 3:00, with a break for lunch at Panera. We sew lap quilts for the Care Team, Little Dresses, Little Britches, and Days for Girls feminine hygiene kits for various missions. Projects only need basic sewing skills, but you don't need to be a seamstress to join us. We often have non-sewing jobs to do. The next get-together is Friday, July 20. Questions? Contact Jody Rains, 278-8282



Adult Discussion Group

Join us at New Hope on Sundays at 9:30am in the Ruby Chapel. Group discussions are based from "The Wired Word" that weaves current events into the Bible study.

Support Groups

Al-Anon

Every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Ruby Chapel.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Every Tuesday at Noon in the Ruby Chapel.

Stroke Club of Iowa

3rd Tuesday of the month (February - October) at 7 p.m.



Thank you to everyone that attended the Family Picnic on June 24 at Jester Park! Lots of great food, fellowship & fun!!



Sr. BLAST (8th-12th grade) Leaders: Chris Higdon, McKayla Johnson, and Pam Frey
BLAST@NewHopeDSM.org

We had an amazing week in Houston, Texas!!! Our youth mission trip team was truly blessed to have the opportunity to help rebuild Vann's house; which was ruined during Hurricane Harvey. Vann and his family immigrated to the United States in the late 1970's; due to the Cambodian Genocides that were taking place in his home country; which were being carried out by the Khmer Rouge regime. Since immigrating to the United States; Vann and other Cambodians have created a small agriculture village south of Houston, Texas; that grows fresh produce that is sold to many people in Southside of Houston.

However, the people living in this Cambodian neighborhood have had it hard these past 9 months. Their homes were destroyed during the hurricane and then they found a contractor to build them new homes; however the contractor started the builds, but fled the city about two months ago with their money. This left them a shell of a home that is not waterproof or in a condition to be moved into. Additionally, they don't have the money to hire another contractor and they don't have the means to go after the one that left them.



This is where our youth group came into the story. Our team went to Houston with TeamEffort, which partnered with Texas Builders without Borders. This summer, the goal for TeamEffort is to complete 7 homes that were started by the contractor for the people living in this Cambodian neighborhood. Our team was assigned to work on Vann's home for the week; where they worked all week on getting the siding on the house.

We are inviting the congregation to come celebrate our Mission trip on August 26th as the youth will be sharing the specifics of our mission trip and how they saw God working through them this week. Please mark it on your calendar now.

Here are the some upcoming Youth events for the next few months:

Aug. 26th ~ Houston Celebration Lunch at New Hope

Sept. 8th ~ Iowa VS Iowa State Service Project and Game

More information about the above events will be sent out in email and posted on Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/SeniorHighBlast>).

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JULY MISSION NEWS



MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND PACKAGING: New Hope UMC is gearing up for our 8th annual on-site Meals from the Heartland packaging event on August 12!

We will package 28,000 meals.

Meals from the Heartland is a non-profit organization that has packaged more than 100 million meals to feed starving people around the world and across Iowa since 2008. Isaiah 58:10 says, “Feed the hungry and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness and the darkness around you will shine as bright as noon.”

This is a great opportunity to get your family involved in doing God’s work! Invite extended family too, as well as friends and neighbors. You can all package together and have fun doing it!

- Four Stations with 8-10 people each. There will be sign-up sheets on the Mission table at the rear of Fellowship Hall. We encourage signing up early so your family can all volunteer together at one station. You can sit down if needed, and children as young as 4 can help. It is a fun and rewarding event that many families look forward to.
- Three Sessions:
 - 8:30 am with a short worship service and packaging from 9:00-10:00
 - 9:30 am short worship and packaging from 10:00-11:00
 - 10:45 am short worship and packaging from 11:15-12:15

Donations: Any amount is welcome! If you would like to donate a box of 216 meals, the amount is \$45. A total of \$5,600 is necessary to fund the food for 28,000 meals that we will package. **If you would like to give to this great project, write your check with Meals on the memo line and place it in the offering plate.**

JOHNSTON HEALTHY LIVING PARTNERSHIP: Each Friday, throughout July, the Mission Team will be providing as many as 150 small meals to children. We make sandwiches, buy other items, bag them and deliver them to 2 sites. *If you would like to help in this project, please contact Sharon Smith: 515-419-7082.*

Stay tuned for our **HEIFER INTERNATIONAL** project in Patrick Koyenkya ‘s home village in Uganda. We will be working with Heifer personnel to provide chickens for their church and village. We will begin our fundraising for that project in October in order to have \$5,000 raised by the end of the year. If you would like to give to this project anytime between now and January 1st, put your check in the offering plate with Heifer in the memo line.



HAND OF LUKE—ministry of a meal for Central Iowa Shelter and Services

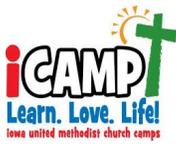
If you would like to contribute to our ministry of a meal for Saturday, July 14, please sign up on the Hand of Luke sheet in the Fellowship Hall, to donate food, cook, and/or serve.

Oklahoma Mission Trip, June 10-15, 2018

Physical work done by the team was a lot of drywalling, painting and skirting a mobile home. But the blessings really abounded as the team connected with members at the assigned housing at St. Paul’s UMC in Duncan, OK, as well as with most of the homeowners of the projects worked on. St. Paul’s went out of their way to provide for the team in many ways from meals, to coffee delivered each morning, bottles of water and well-stocked refrigerators. Upon attempting to donate to them for their facility expenses, the money was returned. Part of the money was then used to help one of the homeowners and the remainder has been deposited into the JROL missions account for future use in assisting others.



Front row: John Hartford, Wayne Clark, Linda Lynch
Second: Matt Thornton, Denise Hartford, Karen Campbell, Nancy Clabaugh, Kirk Whitteley, Clark Howland
Third: Tim Kline, Dave Beason, Sarah Boss, Dan Routson, Scott Lerdal

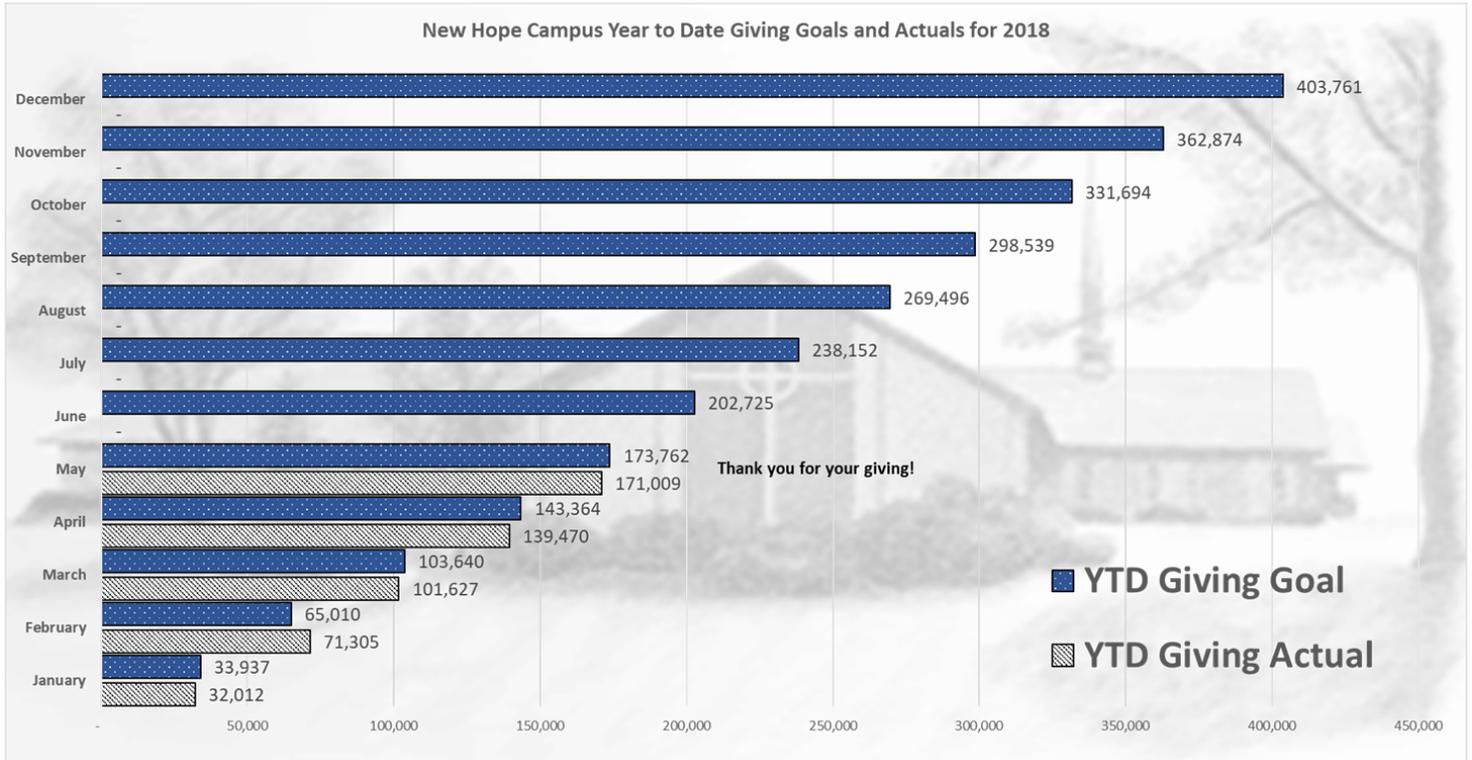


Camp Scholarships

The camp booklets are out! Send your kids to camp for a wonderful, fun filled, and spiritual experience. Missions will continue to support 1/2 of the cost and if the cost is still too great, the UMC Conference also gives scholarships to help.

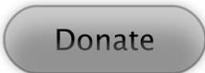
Select the camp, call the camp Registrar and tell them about New Hope paying 1/2 the amount. Then call Nancy at church to report: the student, the camp, the date, and the amount .

If you need help in securing a Conference scholarship, please contact Sharon Smith: 515-419-7082, wick-etsblooms@aol.com.



**New Hope Sunday morning
Worship attendance**

	8:30	9:30	10:45	Total
May 27	55	77	75	207
June 3	33	101	75	209
June 10	18	57	84	159
June 17	34	65	80	179
June 24	24	85	60	169



Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving

New Hope wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your offering.

To setup online Giving go to www.newhopedsm.org OR www.johnstonriveroflife.org and click on the donate button. This will direct you securely to set up an automatic donation plan, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation or view your online donation history. Changes can be made confidentially at any time. If you decide to give electronically, please feel free to pick up a card that says “I give electronically” to put in the offering plate if you would like to participate in the offertory.

serve

Sign up to help!
Look for the sign-up sheets at the entrance of the Narthex and the Family Life Center.

Sunday Volunteers

Greeters arrive at worship service fifteen minutes early to welcome worshippers.

Lectors read the scripture lessons for the day at the worship services.

Hosts bake or purchase 6 to 8 dozen cookies (no peanuts/nuts), and serve coffee and water after the 9:30 contemporary and 10:45 traditional worship services. After fellowship time the hosts wash, dry, and put away the cookie platters, rinse out and dry the coffee canisters, and take the trash out to the trash bin. When you sign up to host, a letter from New Hope will be mailed to you before you host with instructions on how to host.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions, please call Nancy Monthei, Office Admin at 278-2097.

Those who serve New Hope in July

8:30am Traditional Service	9:30am Contemporary Service	10:45am Traditional Service
<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
1	1	1
8	8	8
15	15	15
22	22	22
29	29	29
<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
1 Cathy Short	1 Pam Frey	1 Jon Verner
8	8 Allyson Sutton	8
15	15	15 Lynn Davisson
22	22	22 Barb Mather
29	29	29
<u>Traditional Service Callers</u>	<u>Hosts</u>	<u>Hosts</u>
3 Bob & Marlys Borcharding	1 Nick & Sherri Bogue	1 Andy Sutton
10 Norma Sutton	8 Nan Stubbs	8 Joan Clay reception
17 Bob & Marlys Borcharding	15 Glenna Ross	15
24 Norma Sutton	22 Paulette Wood	22 Paulette Wood
	29 Kinney Carnahan & Carole Dickey	29 Patty Nearmyer
<u>Office Volunteers</u>	<u>9:30 Computer Support</u>	<u>Money Counters</u>
1 Norma Sutton	1 Nancy Monthei	1 Clark Howland; Rick Homard, Glenna Ross
8 Pat Papenheim	8 Gary Stubbs	8 Randy Jansen, Patty Nearmyer, DeVonne Douglas
15 Marilyn Osborn	15 Rick Homard	15 Tami Wise, Larry Wood, Tracy Hoffman
22 Shirley Johnson	22 Kelly Mohrman	22 Glenna Ross, Tony & Tracy Hoffman
29 Marlys Borcharding	29 Pam Frey	29 Clark Howland; Rick Homard, Larry Wood
	<u>9:15 Welcome Center</u>	
	1	
	8 Jim & Lynn Louk	
	15	
	22	
	29 Jerry & Linda Kielsmeier	

Peace for today

May today there be peace within.

May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be.

May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith.

May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you.

May you be confident knowing you are a child of God.

Let this presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love.

It is there for each and every one of us.

—St. Therese of Lisieux (1873-1897)

July 2018

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday mornings

8:30

9:30

10:45

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

1 Holy Communion 9:30a, Children's Worship	2 7p, Trustees Mtg., R.Chapel	3 9:30a, Alanon Noon, AA	4 OFFICE CLOSED Independence Day 	5 9:30-11a, Child/Adult devotional time	6 Office Vol: Sue Blank	7
8 9:30a, Children's Worship 9:30a, Angus Rock baptism Noon, Joan Clay reception	9 6:30p, Harvest Dinner & Auction planning mtg., R.Chapel	10 9:30a, Alanon Noon, AA	11 7:45p, Praise Team practice	12 9:30-11a, Child/Adult devotional time 10:00a, Care Team Mtg., F.Hall 1-4p Bidwell Riverside volunteer work 6:30p, Finance Mtg., R.Chapel 7:00p, Worship Design Mtg.	13 Office Vol: Shirley Johnson Church office closed at 11:30a	14 7:30a, Men's Breakfast 3:30p, Hand of Luke
15 Food Pantry Sunday VBS 5:30-6p, Dinner 6-8p, Activities 6-8p, Adult VBS, R.Chapel	16 Noon, Bridges Mtg. VBS 5:30-6p, Dinner 6-8p, Activities 6-8p, Adult VBS, R.Chapel	17 9:30a, Alanon Noon, AA 7p, Stroke Club, Sanctuary VBS 5:30-6p, Dinner 6-8p, Activities 6-8p, Adult VBS, R.Chapel	18 VBS 5:30-6p, Dinner 6-8p, Activities 6-8p, Adult VBS, R.Chapel	19 9:30-11a, Child/Adult devotional time 11:30a, Women's Fellowship at Castaways VBS 5:30-6p, Dinner 6-8p, Activities 6-8p, Adult VBS, R.Chapel	20 Office Vol: Theresa Flickinger 9a-3p, Needlers	21 8:30a, Veterans Breakfast, F.Hall
22 Guest Preacher: Lee Schott, Women at the Well	23 <i>Pastor Jon on vacation</i> Deadline for August LINK	24 <i>Pastor Jon on vacation</i> 9:30a, Sr. Singers practice 9:30a, Alanon Noon, AA	25 <i>Pastor Jon on vacation</i> 7:45p, Praise Team practice	26 <i>Pastor Jon on vacation</i> 9:30-11a, Child/Adult devotional time 6:30p, Administrative Council Mtg., R.Chapel	27 <i>Pastor Jon on vacation</i> Office Vol: Gayle Easton	28
29 9:30a, Children's Worship	30	31 9:30a, Alanon Noon, AA	August 1 7:45p, Praise Team practice	August 2 9:30-11a, Child/Adult devotional time	August 3 Office Vol: Norma Sutton	August 4



"May God's many blessings, be yours the year through."



- 1 Ron Zoss
- 2 Sally Corcoran, Terry Dolberg,
- 3 Chinyere Ukabiala, Cindy Meyer,
Nicholas Bogue
- 4 Chad Strauss
- 5 Steven Alcorn, Kyden O'Neill
- 6 Forrest Mc Cleary, Bailey Dillenburg,
Dana Garside
- 8 Roger Moore, Marc Davis
- 9 Ryan Herrick, Beth Roff
- 10 Kathy Fairchild, Charlene Cobb,
- 11 Sawyer Merrill, Tom Schultz, Courtney
Berry
- 12 Jane Wagner, David Davis
- 13 Michelle Roquet, Lincoln Herrick
- 14 Cathy Homard, Mike Wakeman
- 15 Jody Rains, Rece Haugland

- 16 Cheryl Moore, Patty Nearmyer,
Chris Higdon
- 17 Ronan Rock
- 18 Brad Johnson
- 20 Kim Wills, Robin Harlow
- 21 Allen Davis, Jim Mather
- 22 John Burrough
- 23 Eldon Cross, Adam Jaschen, Gabrielle
Dean, Max Roquet, Hannah Siefken
- 24 David Baldwin, Tony Hoffman,
SaLynn Lemke
- 25 Jan Davisson, Elaine Lesch
- 26 Mackenzie Hewitt, Sarah Speck
- 27 Deb Henry, Brenda McConahay
- 29 Shayna Stubbs, Hannah Hoffman,
Sarah Jacques
- 31 Caleb Williamson

- 5 Bob & Carol Harter
- 8 Lynn & Jan Davisson
- 8 Rick & Michelle Roquet
- 8 Matt & Erika Weih
- 8 Mark & Julie Sahlin
- 9 Mark & Megan Thomsen
- 15 Roger & Tammy Dann
- 16 Terry & Penny Dolberg
- 19 George & Armenta Buckingham
- 19 Jeff & Monica Balk
- 22 Jason & Elaine Sheer
- 23 Nate & Sarah Jacques
- 29 Joe & Judy Nemmers
- 29 Spencer & Andy Sutton

*If you see that your name is not listed,
please call the church office at 278-2097,
or email at nhfamily@newhopedsm.org, so
we can update our files.*

Our One Thing

About two years ago I shared how churches need to be open to what God is calling them to do. I used an illustration from the movie "City Slickers," starring Billy Crystal and Jack Palance. Billy's character, Mitch Robbins, is having a mid-life crisis, so to "find himself" he and two of his friends go to a dude ranch to help with a cattle drive. At the ranch they meet a crusty cowboy named Curly, a real tough guy played by Jack Palance. While on the cattle drive the following conversation takes place between Mitch and Curly:

Curly: "Do you know what the secret of life is?" Then Curly holds up one finger and says, "This."

Mitch: "Your finger?"

Curly: "One thing. Just one thing. You stick to that and the rest don't mean [nothin']."

Mitch: "But, what is the 'one thing?'"

Curly: "That's what you have to find out."

The same is true for churches. One thing is what churches need to find out. What is the one main thing, purpose, or mission God is calling them to do at this time?

Healthy Church Initiative

GROWING FRUITFUL CONGREGATIONS



Here at New Hope, we are in a time of transition as our Johnston River of Life outreach ministry has now chartered as an independent United Methodist Church. Being part of a new church start is a rare and tremendous privilege. We can say, "Well done good and faithful servant." But we can't stop there. What is the next "thing" we are called to do at New Hope.

Our District Superintendent, Heecheon Jeon, has invited us to participate in a program called "Healthy Church Initiative." Our Administrative Council approved participating in this program. We are seeking volunteers to be a part of the leadership team that will engage in this process. It will involve monthly meetings on Sunday afternoons from this August through March of 2019. Over that period of time there will be four books we will read and discuss at the meetings. We will meet with teams from up to four other United Methodist Churches in our area which are also going through this process.

At the end of the eight monthly meetings, we will be invited to share in our own individual consultation process here at New Hope to evaluate and develop individual "prescriptions" for our next big "thing!"

I have always been impressed by the mission work and outreach that New Hope has been doing: the Hands of Luke meal served monthly at the shelter, the Johnston partnership sharing and regular donations to DMARC, helping build Habitat houses, the annual trip Senior Blast mission trip, and numerous adult mission trips. **On August 12 we will have our annual packaging of 30,000 plus Meals from the Heartland at New Hope all on one Sunday morning--All hands on deck! We need your help!** There are others too, including mission work done through our mission team, our conference connectional giving, Women's and Men's Fellowship, prayer shawls, lap quilts, meals for people who have been laid up or welcomed new babies, and there are many more.

However, there's also more we can do. The Healthy Church Initiative will help us evaluate what we are doing and lead us to focus and center the mission and work of New Hope.

Let me know if you're interested in being part of the leadership team.

Blessings, Pastor Jon

July Theme-- The Surprising Savior

July 1	<u>Title:</u> "Healing Surprise"	<u>Script.:</u> Mark 5:21-43	Communion
July 8	<u>Title:</u> "Hometown Surprise"	<u>Script.:</u> Mark 6:1-13	
July 15	<u>Title:</u> "Herod's Surprise"	<u>Script.:</u> Mark 6:14-16	
July 22	Guest Preacher: Pastor Lee Schott, Women at the Well <u>Title:</u> "Slaying Giants"	<u>Script.:</u> 1 Samuel 17:32-49	
July 29	<u>Title:</u> "Feeding Surprise"	<u>Script.:</u> John 6:1-21	



Sunday Worship Services at New Hope

8:30am Traditional Service

9:30am Contemporary Service

10:45am Traditional Service

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