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New Hope United Methodist Church

December 2021

DECEMBER AT NEW HOPE UMC



NEW HOPE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8:30am · 9:30am · 10:45am
Indoor & Parking Lot

THE Lord God of Israel

DEC. 5TH
The Lord our God is our Salvation!

DEC. 12TH
The Lord our God is our Strength and Power!

DEC. 19TH
The Lord our God is our Joy and Blessing!

DEC. 24TH
The Lord our God is greatly praised!
5:30, 7:30 and 10:00 pm

DEC. 26TH
The word of Christ dwelling richly in each of us!
10 am - One Worship Service

Come Home for Christmas



Christmas Cookie Walk ~ Sunday, December 12th, 9am - 10:45am

Share some Christmas cheer by donating home-baked cookies, bars and candy to the New Hope Cookie Walk!

Sign up on the forms in the Fellowship Hall to let us know you will donate. If you use peanut butter or nuts, please clearly indicate it when delivering your cookies to the church. Examples of home-baked items to consider donating are: sugar cutout & decorated Christmas cookies, gingersnaps, chocolate chip, chocolate, oatmeal, lemon, candy cane, Oreo balls, dipped pretzel rods, etc. We also invite you to make bars (pre-cut) and candy such as caramels, fudge, and toffee. These are only suggestions and we know you will have many, many more yummy ideas!! **Deliver** the home-baked goods to the church on either Friday, Dec. 10th, 2pm-4:30pm or Saturday, Dec. 11th, 11am - 1pm.

Purchase. On Sunday, Dec. 12, 9am-10:45am, everyone is welcome to participate in the Christmas Cookie Walk! Place cookies in a provided Styrofoam box. The whole box full for \$10 as long as the lid can close. It's that easy for some Christmas cheer for you or to give as a gift! Sr. BLAST is organizing this event and all proceeds will go toward their summer mission trip. Questions or to volunteer to help with the event, contact Pam Frey 515-490-8440 yayafrey@gmail.com



Santa's Attic ~ We are continuing to collect new and gently used gift donations through December 5th. Donations can be brought to the Children's Ministry Office now - December 5th and placed on the round table. If you have donations, please bring them to the Children's Ministry office and place them on the round table. On December 8th, our children will get an opportunity to do some "Christmas shopping" for their family members. We especially need great gifts for dads and grandpas! Children will need to bring up to \$5 to use to purchase gifts. The money collected will be donated to a charity chosen by the children.



Christmas Music

~ Sunday, December 12th, the Children's Ministry will be featured at the 9:30 and 10:45 services.

~ Sunday, December 19th, Christmas Celebration featuring our music programs at all three services.



Candlelight Christmas Eve Services ~ Friday, December 24th

~ **5:30 p.m.** – Family oriented Christmas Eve service, in the Family Life Center, will have fun elements for children and families.

~ **7:30 p.m.** – Our Christmas Eve service will feature our musicians.

~ **10:00 p.m.** – Christmas carols, special music and the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be a part of our late night service.



Sunday, December 26th, 10am ~ One Worship Service in the Family Life Center.

Guest Preacher: Barb Mather



**May the spirit of Christmas bring you peace,
The gladness of Christmas give you hope,
The warmth of Christmas grant you love.
Merry Christmas!
New Hope UMC Staff**



Prayer Chain Request

If you have a prayer chain request, please call Mary Ann Rice at 515-664-0222 email at marice2460@gmail.com or the church office at 278-2097.

Our Prayers for ~

Healing from Cancer: Roberta Cave, Steve Cate, Gayle Easton, Fred Foreman, David Ruleman, Daniel Ruleman, Skylar Freeman, JoAnn Pugh, Rob MacDougal, Josephine Demarco, Brian Upper, Kathy Biermann, Mary Textor, Paula Grapp, Dan Needham

Healing from Physical Issues: Betty Holwegner, Earl Lewis, Brittany Hogue, Renee Haugland, Carolyn Burrough, Sharon Symonds, Jan Davisson, Norma Sutton, Freda Ruleman, Judy Nemmers, Joey Bolstad, Nancy Foreman, Dick Piphoo, Greg Ross, Pam Wilson, Meredith Sheffield, Martha Howland, Linda Lay, Mindy Schildroth, Shirley Steig, Elizabeth McNeal, Anthony Ruleman, Dick Biermann, Sheila Hartung, Theresa Faber, Jeff Louk, Desiree Spring

Those Who Are in Rehabilitation and Nursing Care: K. Howland, Gary Williamson, Glenda Millard, Ann Krause, Kinney & Jim Carnahan

Military: Michael Craighton, Todd McGinnity, Devan Stanton, Hunter Schmidt.

Our Partners in Ministry:

The United Methodist Church; Bishop Laurie Haller and the Iowa Annual Conference; Missionary Doctor Emmanuel Mefor in Zimbabwe; African Immigrants & Refugees Transition services (AIRTS); Women at the Well; Bidwell Riverside; Central Iowa Shelter and Services; DMARC's Food Bank; Meals from the Heartland; Johnston Partnership; Urbandale Partnership

Pastor Lilian's vacation

Pastor Lilian and Kirk will be leaving December 25th to travel to the Philippines to visit her mother and relatives. Please keep them in your prayers for safe travels. They will return January 21, 2022.

Guest preachers are scheduled for the Sundays Pastor Lilian will be absent. If you are in need of pastoral care while Pastor Lilian is vacation, please contact the church office at 515-278-2097.

Welcome to Our New Members!



Phil and Vicki Ealy will be joining the New Hope UMC membership on December 5th. They come by transfer from First UMC in Washington, IA. They attend our 8:30 worship service. Please welcome Phil and Vicki to our church!

Phil & Vicki Ealy
6217 Waterford Ct.
Johnston, IA 50131
319-541-6249
philealy@yahoo.com

Thank You

We would like to thank our New Hope family, Pastor Lilian, the prayer chain, and the Care team for all the prayers, cards, and the lovely meal following my recent surgery and recovery. New Hope is the best, and we are truly blessed to be a part of this awesome family.

Carolyn and John Burrough

Our Sympathy

Our Sympathy to Joan Clary and family on the passing of her husband, Lynn Clary. Lynn passed away on September 24, 2021 and was a member of New Hope UMC. Services were held on October 2nd at McLarens Resthaven in West Des Moines. Lynn and Joan had celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary in May of 2021.

Our Sympathy to Arlene Dabill & Bruce Bernard and family on the passing of Arlene's brother, Jesse Dabill.

Our Sympathy to Ron & Linda Cooley and family on the passing of Linda's brother, Roy Seabring.

Our Sympathy to Don and Gleen Coates on the passing of Gleen's mother, Joyce McClannahan, on November 10th.

Our Sympathy to Sally Lindstrom on the passing of her sister Jane Stevenson.

Birth

Congratulations to Brent and Taylor (Martz) Strauch on the birth of their son, Parker Paul Strauch. Parker was born on October 31, 2021. He weighed 7lbs. 10oz. and was 21" long. Brian and Suzie Martz are the proud grandparents.



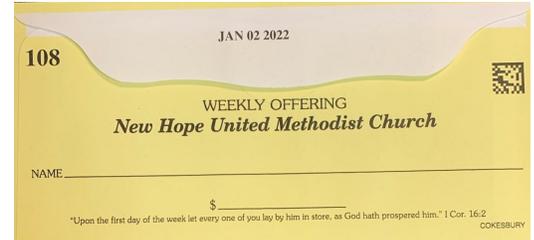
Year-End Reminder

All giving to the church for recording on your 2021 statements should be received **no later than December 31, 2021** to be posted to the individual giving records for the year 2021. Thank you!

2022 Offering Envelopes

Your 2022 Offering Envelopes will be available by December 19th.

*If you did not indicate on your 2022 pledge sheet that you want offering envelopes and would like to have them, please contact the church office by **December 12, 515-278-2097.***



2022 Altar Flower Calendar

For the Traditional Services (8:30 & 10:45), if you would like to have flowers on the altar in celebration of a birthday, anniversary, graduation, or in honor or in memory of a loved one, please sign up on the flower calendar which is located across from church office. *The flowers are \$35.00 per Sunday and you may take your flowers home after the 10:45 service.*

Congregational Assessment Tool Update

Volunteers for the CAT Priorities met on Monday, November 15th to begin the important work of planning programs to help grow our church. Wow! So many dedicated and positive people met for this task! It is clear that God is hard at work at New Hope!

Last summer, several Task Force members met to brainstorm ideas for each of the priorities. And on November 15th, participants were asked to choose from the most important ideas, the easiest to implement, and the most innovative and unique within each of the priorities. Ideas were then narrowed down, and groups will begin to develop Ministry Action Plans for programs they feel can be moved forward.

Some CAT programs that are already in place:

- Did you notice the "Burma Shave" style signage on our lighted sign asking for singers to *in-choir within?* Get it?
- Or how about the Visitor Welcome Bags ushers and greeters are handing out to visitors?



Finally, the New Hope Shepherding Program is going to be up and running again very soon. New Hope Shepherds are members who "shepherd" attendees who wish to become members. ***Interested in this program? Attend the meeting on January 10th at 6:30 PM at the church. You can be a shepherd!***

Thank you to all who participated in the survey, helped with the Task Force, and are now hard at work on these vitally important endeavors! Contact Bruce Bernard or Linda Yaske if you wish to be a part of this committee!

Bruce: dabill49@aol.com

Linda: linda.yaske@gmail.com





What a Great Fall Clean-Up Day!

Thank you to the 19 New Hope members who braved the colder weather and worked together on Fall Clean-Up Day on November 13th at New Hope and the parsonage. Leaves were raked, weeds were pulled, trees and bushes were trimmed, and our Fall pots are now decorated for winter. At noon we were treated by Jody Rains and Pastor Lilian with a delicious lunch and pie.

While we were working outside, I saw workers in all areas of our campus, many hands **do** make light work. At lunch I looked around at the 3 full tables of New Hoppers sharing a meal and felt blessed that we could experience this wonderful fellowship. I remembered how this wasn't possible during our Covid pandemic.

Thank you again for your wonderful work and fellowship.

You are the best!
Linda Kielsmeier

Operation Christmas Child ~ Thank You

Submitted by Jr. and Sr. BLAST from Jeanne Haydon at Douglas Ave Presbyterian, where our PreK-12th grade youth participated in the Operation Christmas Child packaging project.



Thank you all for helping US! Your group was so lovely and your students were just delightful! It was particularly impressive that the older students came, including the ones who drove themselves. They truly came of their own volition. You as parents and leaders can be very proud of all of them.

I hope your church continues to thrive as you follow Jesus into your next chapter! See you next year.

Jeanne

Immediate Need For Care Team Meal Cooks

Our New Hope Care team provides delicious home cooked meals for parishioners who are returning home from the hospital after surgery or care and for new mothers bringing home a new baby. The meal is prepared by cooks from our congregation who are willing to prepare the food and deliver it to the family. Paulette Wood, our meal coordinator, calls the family and determines the food preferences and any food allergies and then calls upon the cooks on the list to do the preparation and delivery. Usually two cooks work together to provide the delicious hot meal. Paulette does a great job of organizing the meals to make sure our parishioners are taken care of.

We want to continue this program of Love and Care for our parishioners who are need of some tender loving care. We have a list of cooks but we have lost some from the list due to illness, change of locations and other changes in their lives. Therefore, in order to continue this New Hope Service of Love we need to **recruit some new members to add to the cook list.**

Please prayerfully consider agreeing to help in this area of the church service to others.

Please call Clarice Rubek at 515 965-8897 or email rrubek@aol.com if you find it in your heart to volunteer for this wonderful work of our church.

Thank you in advance.
Clarice Rubek





Mission Statement: Connecting kids to God and others.

Vision Statement: Connecting lessons about God through real life experiences.

Sunday School for PreK thru 7th grade at 9:40 a.m.

We are using “Journey with the Parables of Jesus” as our curriculum with two classrooms. One for Pre-K through 2nd Grade. The second classroom will be 3rd Grade through 7th Grade.

Here is the schedule through the end of the year and into 2022.

Dec. 5: Sunday School, 9:40 a.m.

Dec. 12: Sunday School, 9:40 a.m.

Dec. 19: Sunday School, 9:40 a.m., One classroom

Dec. 26: NO Sunday School

Jan. 2: NO Sunday School

Jan. 9: Sunday School, 9:40 a.m.

S.W.A.G. (Saved With Amazing Grace): PreK - 5th grade.

We will continue with our travel guides like we did with Psalm 23. We will do either a Travel Guide to the Parables or a Travel Guide to the Beatitudes.

Wednesdays: 6:00-6:30 Meal Served
6:30-6:45 Children and Youth Opening Meeting
6:45-7:45 Groups Meet (SWAG, Jr. BLAST, Sr. BLAST)
7:45-8:00 Children and Youth Closing Meeting

Here's the schedule for December:

12/1 - regular schedule

12/8 - Santa's Attic, 6:30-8pm *Our Jr. BLAST youth will be helping the younger children in the church with shopping and wrapping gifts for their families! They will also have a chance to do some shopping of their own. You may bring up to \$5 cash to purchase gift items.

12/15 - regular schedule

12/22 - No gathering, Christmas Break

12/29 - No gathering, Christmas Break



Children/Youth and their families are welcome to join us weekly for the Wednesday night meals!

December 1 - Breakfast for Dinner

December 8 - Casseroles and Cookies

December 15 - Soups and Sandwiches

December 22 and 29- No Wednesday night programs, Merry Christmas!

A free will donation is collected each week to help cover the cost of the meal ingredients. A suggested donation amount is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

Our weekly meals are prepared and served by volunteer cooks.

Thank you to everyone that volunteered to cook during the month of December!

BLAST: Believing, Learning, Assisting, Serving, Teens

Jr. BLAST (6th-8th grade) Leaders: Jackie Johnson & Jenn Higdon

The month of November went quickly for our Jr. BLAST group, as it always does!

We started the month with a lesson on giving thanks, visited a neighboring church with our other youth ministry groups to package Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts, and finished up with our thanksgiving themed fall family night celebration and service project.



We are looking forward to a December to remember!

12/1 - Jr. BLAST Activities, 6:30-8pm

12/8 - Santa's Attic, 6:30-8pm *Our Jr. BLAST youth will be helping the younger children in the church with shopping and wrapping gifts for their families! They will also have a chance to do some shopping of their own.

You may bring up to \$5 cash to purchase gift items.

12/15 - Jr. BLAST Activities, 6:30-8pm **This was originally scheduled as our Christmas Party, but we will be working with the kids to reschedule the party.**

12/22 - No meeting, Christmas Break

12/29 - No meeting, Christmas Break

If you have been thinking about attending on a Wednesday to check things out, please do!

All of our meetings are independent of one another and you are welcome to join as frequently or infrequently as family schedules allow.

A refresher of our Wednesday night schedule for anyone that may need it ~

6-6:30pm - Dinner

6:30-6:45pm- Large Group Gathering

6:45-7:45pm- Jr. BLAST Breakout Time

7:45-8pm- Large Group Closing

Sr. BLAST (9th-12th grade) BLAST@NewHopeDSM.org

Leaders: Chris Higdon (*Supervising Adult*), Pam Frey (*Supervising Adult*), Chris Spring (*Volunteering Adult*), Brianna Johnson (*Volunteering Adult*), and Amanda Soards (*Volunteering Adult*).

How can the calendar year be almost over already? This year has flown by quickly.



In December we will be hosting the New Hope Cookie Walk on Sunday, December 12th for all services. We need everyone's help in providing donating home-baked cookies, bars and candy for the event. Please sign up on the form in the Fellowship Hall to let us know you will donate. The more cookies that we have, the more fun for everyone! We will also need help on Sunday, December 12th to help restocking the cookies as people purchase them.

Here are some of the upcoming youth events for the next couple of months:

Dec. 1st @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST** Discussion

Dec. 8th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST** Discussion

Dec. 12th ~ New Hope Cookie Walk

Dec. 15th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST** Discussion

Not Meeting Dec. 22nd and Dec. 29th (Christmas Break)

Jan. 5th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST** Discussion

Jan. 9th ~ BLAST Christmas Party at Higdon's House

Jan. 12th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST** Discussion

Jan. 16th @ 8pm ~ BLAST Annual Lock-In Event

Jan. 19th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST** Discussion

Jan. 22nd @ 1pm ~ Winter Jam at Wells Fargo

Jan. 26th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST** Discussion

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

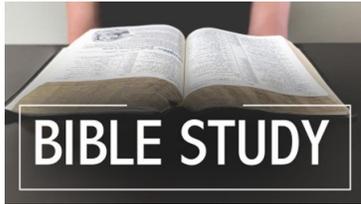
ADULT Sunday School

We have two time slots for Adult Sunday School:
9:30 a.m. in the Ruby Chapel using “Wired Up” curriculum.

and

10:45 a.m. in the Ruby Chapel using “The Beatitudes” by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine, professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies.

No class on December 26th and January 2nd.

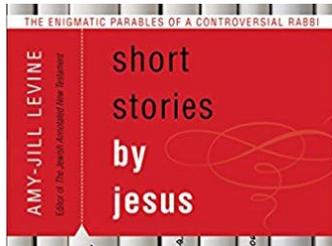


Friday Bible Study ~ December 10th, 1pm

We will meet on Friday, December 10th, at the church. We will begin at 1:00 p.m. and conclude around 2:15 p.m. Our discussion focus will be around “I will not be afraid for thou art with me. Psalm 23:4”

Please wear masks, and we will be spaced adequately. No food will be served..

Questions? Please contact Jim at jimlouk@icloud.com



Evening Bible Study ~ December 9th & 16th, 7pm

Facilitated by Pastor Lilian and using Dr. Amy-Jill Levine’s materials, “Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi.” This is an “in-person” every

2nd and 3rd Thursdays of each month at 7PM through December 16th. Questions? Please contact Pastor Lilian at Lilian@newhopedsm.org or call the church office at 515-278-2097 as our location changes: December 9th at Heidi and Bill Janecke’s home and December 16th at the church.



Women’s Fellowship will meet on **Thursday, December 16th at 9 AM**. All of the women of the church are invited. We have decided to serve only coffee, tea, and water. Questions? Please contact Susan Clark at 515-964-5119 or suespruce@aol.com



Veterans Helping Veterans will be having a **8:30am breakfast on Saturday, December 18th**. The breakfasts are open to all veterans, their spouses, and supporters. If you have any questions, please contact Billy Nuzum at bbnewz54@gmail.com

Ukulele Lessons for All!

Annalyn Vida of Des Moines has agreed to come and teach all of us to play the ukulele every 1st Wednesday of each month. Next gathering will be on **December 1st at 6:45 p.m.**

Every age group is welcomed to join our Wednesday S.W.A.G. group (Pre-K through 5th Grade). Kris Wakeman and Pastor Lilian hope to have this lesson a “multi-generational” activity.

Of course, you will have to bring your ukulele with you because Pastor only has a few to be used by the S.W.A.G. Ukuleles are sold at Reiman Music on Douglas.

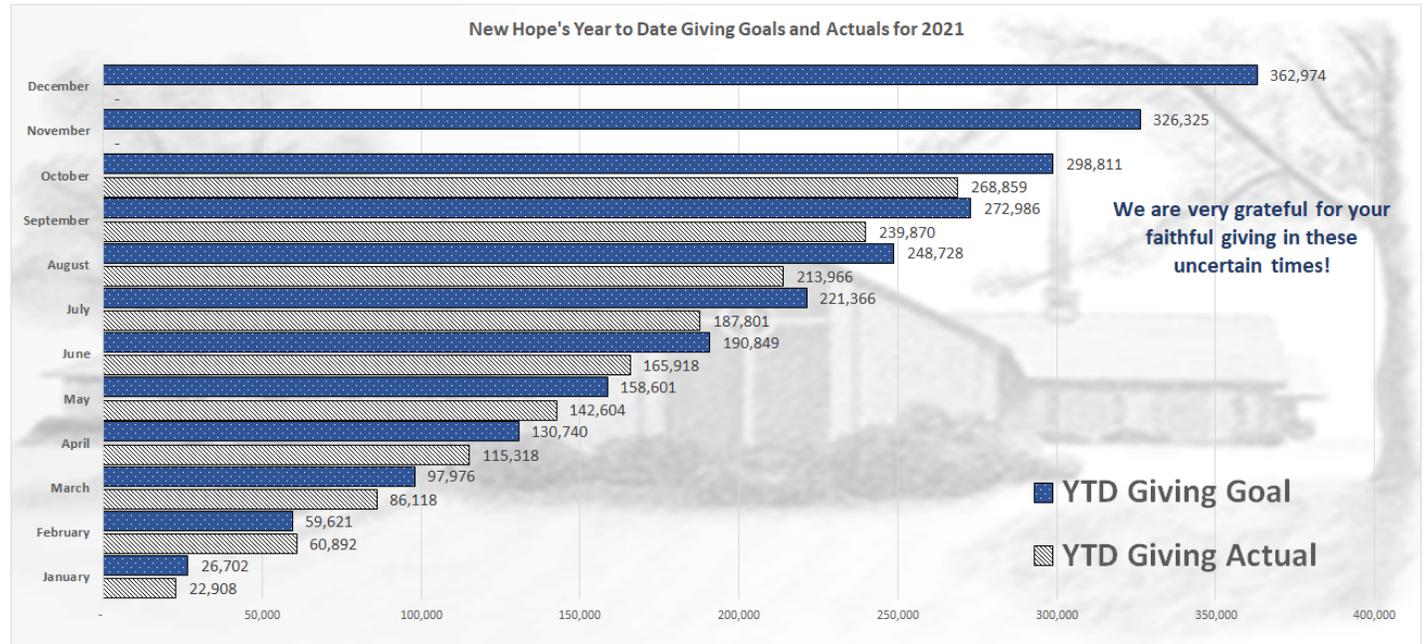
Bring your Family and learn something you can do together and have fun!



Thanksgiving Fall Family Night ~ Thank you!

Thank you to Jackie Johnson and Pam Frey for preparing the turkeys and ham for the Thanksgiving Fall Family Night on November 17th! Everyone that attended brought a delicious shared dish and lots of amazing desserts. After the dinner, the kids enjoyed some "minute to win it" games. We are thankful for our Wednesday night children leaders and youth leaders, the children & youth that attend and the parents and church members that support the programs!

Also, thank you to everyone that donated items for the personal care collection to benefit the Johnston Partnership! We were able to donate enough items to serve over 35 families. Our donation arrived just in time, the personal care shelves were almost bare at the pantry!



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

To setup online giving go to www.newhopedsn.org and click on the **Gifts** tab. This will direct you securely to set up an automatic donation.

Please contact the church office for additional information.

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.

Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat ~ Thank you!!

Thank you for *everyone* that decorated their trunk, dressed up in costume, volunteered to help, and attended the fun Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 31st!

Our church campus was a beautiful backdrop with all the amazing fall colors.

We handed out close to 200 hot dogs and treat bags.

We asked the attendees to vote for their favorite decorated trunk and the winners were the Kielsmeiers!



Again, thank you to everyone that participated. It was a wonderful event where we reached out to many people in the community, as well as our own church members!

We hope many others will decorate their trunks next year!





Hand of Luke ~ Tuesday, December 14th

This is our monthly ministry of preparing a meal for the Central Iowa Shelter and Services.

Patrice Webber and Arlene Dabill lead this ministry. We are continuing to utilize your monetary donations to purchase the majority of the food for the monthly meal. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

Pastor Lilian is cooking the meal in December. She would like donations of Christmas sugar cookies for dessert. Volunteers are also needed to transport and serve the meal.

If you are interested in this opportunity, you may sign up using the following link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044DACA722A4FE3-hand5>

You may also contact Arlene Dabill at dabill49@aol.com or (515) 321-2059 to volunteer.

DECEMBER MISSION NEWS

Co chairs: Cheryl Moore & Marilyn Osborn

For the month of December: **Bidwell Riverside Center ~ Toy Pantry**



Each year, Bidwell Riverside Center hosts a Holiday Toy Pantry event to give away gifts to families in need. Last year, with help from people like you, Bidwell provided gifts to over 1,400 children.

Between now and December 12th, please consider bringing the following items for the Toy Pantry. There will be a basket on the Mission Table in the Fellowship Hall for your donations:

- * Unwrapped toys and gifts for children ages 0 - 17
- * Stocking stuffers
- * Hats and gloves
- * Quilts and blankets

* Stuff animals - new or clean and gently used

For additional opportunities at Bidwell, visit their website: bidwellriverside.org

Monthly checks continue to be sent to: Bidwell Riverside, Women at the Well, African Immigrant and Refugee Transition Services (AIRTS), missionary Dr. Emmanuel Mefor, Des Moines Area Religious Council (DMARC), Johnston Partnership and Urbandale Food Pantry.

Iowa Ingathering 2021 Huge Success: The weekend of November 6th, combined efforts garnered donations totaling \$483,778.37! The Birthing Kits donated by New Hope UMC were delivered to Greenfield, IA. The total from Greenfield area was \$117,940. Greenfield was one of the 5 collection centers in Iowa. Lives around the world and around the corner are being touched by your generosity.

Fill the Red Barrel: Contributing to the red barrel is as easy as buying a few extra cans of food while you shop and bringing them to church with you. All food and personal care items collected by the Red Barrel Program goes to the DMARC Food Pantry Network. For a list of most needed items, please click on: <https://www.dmarcunited.org>. If you would rather give a monetary donation, please make your check out to New Hope UMC and include "Food Pantry" in the memo line and place your check with the offering.

Grain Bin: When the Grain Bin is full, the donations will be given to Johnston Partnership, Bidwell Riverside and the Urbandale Food Pantry, on a rotation schedule.

Thank you for your giving heart!



Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and did not take care of you?

(Matthew 25:44 NRSV)

December 2021

**Sunday morning services are:
8:30, 9:30 and 10:45
Nursery at 9:30 & 10:45**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 PreK – 12 th grade! 6:00-6:30pm Meal 6:30pm, Group Opening 6:45a, Ukulele practice 6:45-7:45pm, Activities 7:45pm, Group Closing 6p, Chancel Choir practice 7:15p, Praise Band practice	2 6:30pm, Worship Committee via Zoom	3	4
5 2nd Sunday of Advent Communion Sunday School: 9:40: Children/Youth 9:30 & 10:45: Adults 12p-2:30p Confirmation Class	6 6:30-8:00p, Girl Scouts (Linda Cooley) 7p, Trustees Meeting	7 9:30a, Sr. Singers practice 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel 6:30p, SPRC Mtg.	8 PreK – 12 th grade! 6:00-6:30pm Meal 6:30pm, Group Opening 6:45-7:45pm, Santa's Attic Activities 7:45pm, Group Closing 6p, Chancel Choir practice 7:15p, Praise Band practice	9 7p, Bible Study at Bill & Heidi Janecke	10 1p-2:15p, Bible Study at church 2-4:30p, Cookie drop off	11 11a-1p, Cookie drop off
12 3rd Sunday of Advent Sunday School: 9:40: Children/Youth 9:30 & 10:45: Adults 9:30 & 10:45, Children's Ministry featured in worship 9a-10:45a, Cookie Walk	13	14 9:30a, Al-Anon, F.Hall Noon, AA, R.Chapel 3:30p, Hand of Luke 6:30p, Finance Mtg.	15 PreK – 12 th grade! 6:00-6:30pm Meal 6:30pm, Group Opening 6:45-7:45pm, Activities 7:45pm, Group Closing 6p, Chancel Choir practice 7:15p, Praise Band practice	16 9:00a, Women's Fellowship 6:30p, AD Council Mtg 7p, Bible Study at church	17 Venture Crew lock in	18 8:30a, Veteran's Breakfast
19 Sunday School: 9:40: Children/Youth 9:30 & 10:45: Adults Christmas celebration featuring our music programs	20 <i>Deadline for January LINK</i> 6:30-8:00p, Girl Scouts (Linda Cooley)	21 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel	22 No Children/Youth Wednesday activities 6p, Chancel Choir practice 7:15p, Praise Band practice	23	24 Church Office Closed Christmas Eve Services 5:30p, Family Life Center 7:30p, Sanctuary 10:00p, Sanctuary	25 Merry Christmas!!
26 No Children/Youth/Adult Sunday School 10am, One worship	27 Church Office Closed	28 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel	29 No Children/Youth Wednesday activities 6p, Chancel Choir practice 7:15p, Praise Band practice	30	31 New Year's Eve Church Office Closed	January 1 Happy New Year!

Please sign up to help with the worship services: Greeters, Lectors, and Ushers. Refreshments will be provided after the 9:30 and 10:45 services. Hosts are needed and a sign up sheet is in the kitchen. The church will continue to broadcast the services to the parking lot and the recorded service will continue.

SAVE the date! We will be clearing away our Christmas decorations on January 2nd after the 9:30 and 10:45 services. Please mark it on your calendars!



*“May God’s many blessings,
be yours the year through.”*

- 1 Dean Peterson, Bryant Siefken
- 2 Lisa VanDenBerg, Brandon Thompson
- 4 Charity Johnson, Leah Breitsprecher, Pascal Karekezi
- 5 Alec Beck-Cross
- 6 Jean Moffitt, Mike Warren, Gene Lesch, Lisa Rooney
- 9 Kaylee Stubbs, Lexi Dean, Max Gerleman,
- 12 Obi Ukabiala, Mary Grace Leyda
- 14 Nolan Monthei
- 15 Kevin Lewis, Cathy Short
- 16 Lindsey Robertson
- 17 Mary Ann Rice, Andy Sutton, Desiree Spring
- 18 Sheri Thompson, Sue Soards, Chris Boyles, Banny Umuhoza, Alexis Harlan, Susan Blank, Gaby Dimitri

- 19 Brady Jansen, Spencer Sutton
- 20 Teri Reierson, Larry Buske, Sarah Wiles
- 21 Matt Stringham, Adam Hartung, Zoe Wilson
- 22 Paulette Wood
- 23 Susan Baldwin
- 25 Renee Haugland, Jennifer Dellopoulos
- 26 Joan Clary
- 27 Kim Buske, Charlotte Roff
- 28 Ashley Marsh
- 29 Richard Kile, Ana Kirkpatrick, Gina Breitsprecher
- 30 Jeffrey Merrill
- 31 Quinn Merrill



- 18 Nicholas & Sherri Bogue
- 27 Wayne & Sandy Johnson
- 31 Courtney & Tricia Berry

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.



Sunday Morning Worship Services

8:30 & 10:45: Traditional Services in the Sanctuary

9:30: Contemporary Service in the Family Life Center

**Following Christ, inspiring minds, loving hearts,
serving hands and transforming communities.**

www.newhopedsm.org

Church Staff

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Lilian Gallo Seagren

Office Administrator: Nancy Monthei

Director of Music: Preshia Paulding

Nursery Attendant: Jackie Johnson, Kris Wakeman

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