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New Hope United Methodist Church

April
2023



VISIBLE & INVISIBLE

*Signs of One's
Humility*



APRIL 2 (Palm Sunday)
Humility and Death

APRIL 9 (EASTER)
Humility and Testimony

APRIL 16
Humility and Forgiveness

APRIL 23
Humility and Love

APRIL 30
Humility and Grace-filled
Living

HOLY WEEK

Worship Services

Palm Sunday: Sunday, April 2nd at all three services. please join the congregations in waving palm branches and sing our “Hosannas” to the Blessed One.

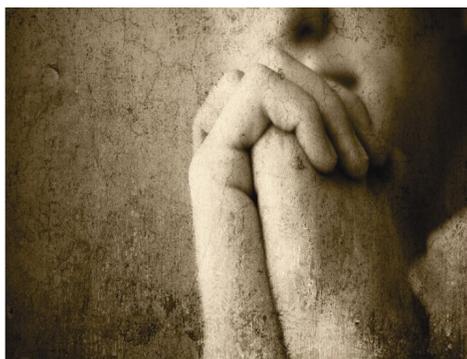
Prayer Stations will be set up in the Sanctuary or Courtyard (weather permitting) for Individual Contemplation and or Meditation from 12pm to 6:00pm on April 3rd through April 8th.

Holy Thursday/Maundy Thursday: April 6th, 6 p.m., followed by a potluck. The Service of the Lord’s Supper will include a Sharing of Faith story and a light “agape” shared supper of “finger foods”.

Good Friday: April 7th at 7:00 p.m. at Walnut Hills UMC, 12321 Hickman Rd, Urbandale. We will remember together the Passion Story and engage in a meditation at the cross with other United Methodist Churches in the metro district.

Glory Saturday: April 8th at 6:00 p.m. There will be a Soup Supper afterwards.

Easter Services: Sunday, April 9th. Christ is risen! Welcome, as we celebrate Jesus’ resurrection and our own resulting new life! Musicians have been enlisted for the 8:30 service. Our Chancel Choir will provide music for the 10:45 service. At the 9:30 Contemporary Service, our Praise Band will be there to help us celebrate the resurrection of our Lord.



Prayer Chain Request

If you have a prayer chain request, please call Mary Ann

Our Prayers for ~

(Please call the church office if you or your loved one want to be taken off the list.)

Healing from Cancer:

Tim Buckner, Evette Burton, David Ruleman, Skylar Freeman, Mary Textor, Johan Gallo, Johnny Johnson

Healing from Physical Issues:

Dick Piphoo, Marilyn Goodrich, Freda Ruleman, Dick Cobb, Donna Hopkins, Jim Mather, Rev. John Louk, Jon Gurnsey, Alexandria Cooley, Allison, Larry Hulse, Karen Novotny, Jack Habick, Dwayne Ellis, Theresa Faber, Jennifer, Phillip DeMarco

Those Who Are in Rehabilitation and Nursing Care:

Jan Davisson, Gayle Easton, Bev O'Brien, Vicki Ealy, Bob Krause

Military: Devan Stanton, Hunter Schmidt, Joshua Ruleman, Rece Haugland, Jacob Gerlach, Brycen Gerlach

Church directory update

Dick and Charlene Cobb have a new email address:
cobbrichard00@gmail.com

Birth

Congratulations to McKayla and Tyler Nearmyer on the birth of their son, Reagan Allen Nearmyer. Reagan was born on March 27th, weighed 8lbs 11oz and was 20 inches long. He joins big brother, Theodore, at home.

Baptism

Congratulations to Evelyn Mary Margaret Lane who was baptized on March 19th. Evelyn is the daughter of Zac and Sarah Lane.

Our Sympathy

Our Sympathy to Sharon Smith on the passing of her sister, Sue Larson.

Our Sympathy to Jack & Janet Habick on the passing of Jack's daughter, Mary Vannoy.

Our Sympathy to Althea Holcomb on the passing of her mother, Belva Hollingsworth.

Our Sympathy to Keel & Dani Clemmens and family on the passing of Keel's father, Jerry Clemmens.

Thank You

Thank you, New Hoppers!

I am continuing to improve and I truly believe in the power of your prayers, your love and God's love. The back pain persists.

When I entered the hospital, it was touch and go for several days. They tell me I was near death at least twice and had two transfusions.

I have made much use of the New Hope Quilters prayer shawl. Thank you, Nancy Monthei, for lunch from Shang Yuen and to Paulette and Larry Wood for the wonderful roast beef dinner. Would you believe that there was enough food for ten meals? And a special thank you to Charlotte Schultz for the delicious breakfast casserole she brought to Charlene while I was in the hospital. The meals were a great help—especially since I am usually the cook in our family.

Then I borrowed a wheelchair from the church until I could get along with a walker.

Thank you for allowing me to share God's love with the hospital staff nurses that were working over Christmas.

Pastor Dick Cobb (Retired)

The family of Marilyn Rapp would like to thank you for your continued support of our dear Mother. She enjoys all the cards she receives from you and your kind words. Her health stays strong as her thought process diminishes. We trust in God's divine plan for her until He calls her home. Again Thank you!

Blessings,

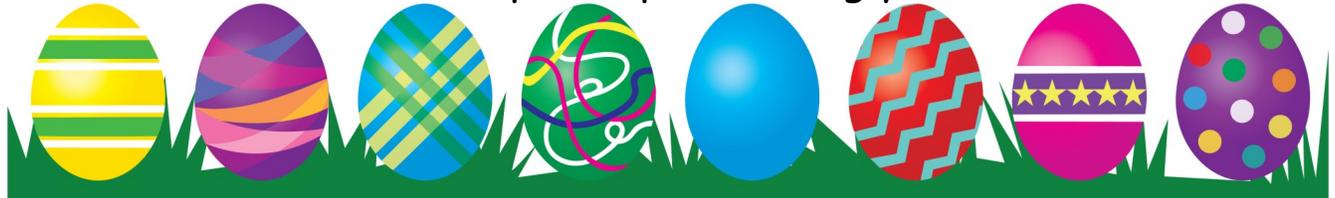
The family of Marilyn Rapp

Thank you to all for the wonderful, uplifting prayers for my sister, Sue. She finally got her total healing. I am so thankful for my New Hope Family Prayer Warriors. You all are amazing.

Sharon Smith

Hop on over to
New Hope UMC, 4525 Beaver Ave., Des Moines
for a Community **Easter Egg Hunt**
Saturday, April 1st at 2pm(sharp)

Easter Bunny photos
Tons of eggs, and egg hunt
areas will be separated and **ages 0–12 yrs**
are welcome to participate. Bring your friends!



Men's Breakfast Saturday, April 1st, 8:30am

All men of the church are invited to the breakfast gathering at church.
Hosts are: John Rains, David Montgomery and Pastor Lilian & Kirk.
Please join them for great food and fellowship.

New Hope Committee for Growth ~ April 2nd @ Noon

Plan to meet at Noon (pizza lunch will be included) on Sunday, April 2nd
in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome from all worship services for
discussions on how best we may enhance our worship services.



The Board of Trustees invites you to help with the “Spring Campus Clean Up Day” Saturday, April 8th, 9:00a.m. until finished (Lunch will be provided).

Tasks will be cleaning up flower beds (landscape areas), trimming bushes (spirea),
removing old mulch from some locations, spreading new mulch where we can,
landscape around the parsonage included, cutting up a fallen tree, picking up sticks
in front and side yards.



Items needed will be - lawn rakes (not garden rakes), gloves, dress appropriate for the weather, pruning shears,
electric or gas powered hedge trimmer, leaf blower, chain saw.

Please plan to assist with cleaning up our church campus! Next day is Easter, so we want the campus to look
outstanding! If there are any questions, please call, text or email John Rains.

Thank you in advance for your time and effort!

Board of Trustees

Sunday School Updates ~

Join us in Sunday School on Easter Sunday for an Easter celebration!

We will be doing an Easter lesson AND having a Sunday School Easter egg hunt.



Sunday School classes continue to be held during the 9:30 service using the Celebrate Wonder curriculum. Session 6 of Sunday School starts on April 2nd and will conclude on April 30th. This session is being taught by Jackie with one time helpers throughout the month. Children begin service with their families and exit to Sunday School after the Children's Message. Sunday School is open to PreK-7th grade students on a weekly or drop-in basis.

Our Sunday School unit during April will be focused on Holy Week and the time leading up to and after that in the life of Jesus. It will surround John 20:18, "I've seen the Lord." The faith word for the unit we will be starting is **HOLY WEEK**.

Connect with the things our Sunday School class is talking about: **Allow yourself to WONDER....**Read John 12:12-19 and wonder how you would respond if you saw Jesus. **Allow yourself to DO....**Set an intention for more connection with God and your community. Is there something keeping you from connection? Be open to God's desires for you. **Pray...** Dear God, we turn to you as hard parts of our shared stories feel heavy. Amen.

Our final Sunday School class will be on Sunday, May 21.

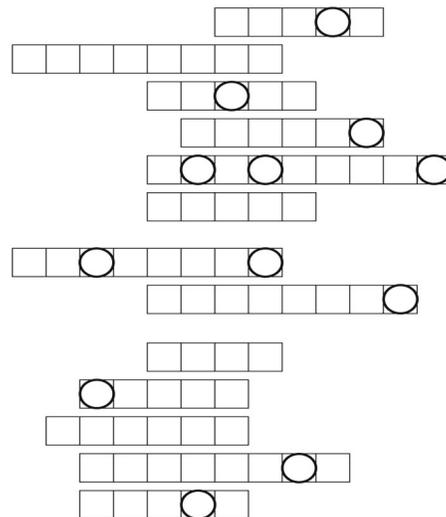
We are evaluating if it would be beneficial to families for us to offer Children's Worship this summer and if so, during which service. If you have children at home (whether or not they currently attend) and have a moment to fill out the survey we would greatly appreciate your input:

<https://forms.gle/KG6GgpzDkFm78Jbt8>

After completing this Easter crossword, unscramble the circled letters to discover a special word:

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1. What Jesus was wrapped in
2. The site of Jesus' crucifixion
3. One of the rulers who questioned Jesus
4. He washed his hands of Jesus
5. Followers of Jesus
6. He denied Christ
7. A large hill
8. The feast celebrating escape from Egypt
9. Jesus' mother
10. A Jewish teacher
11. The doubting disciple
12. Jesus was mistaken for this
13. One of Peter's other names



Answers: 1. cloth, 2. Golgotha, 3. Herod, 4. Pilate, 5. disciples, 6. Peter, 7. mountain, 8. Passover, 9. Mary, 10. rabbi, 11. Thomas, 12. gardener, 13. Simon, resurrection

TGIW Midweek Meetup Update ~

March flew by in a flash for our TGIW Midweek Meetup group! We started our month with a service project for our friends at Many Hands for Haiti. They came to us at New Hope and allowed us to process donations here that will be sold in their thrift stores. In under an hour, we were able to get through 100% of the donations they brought! The following week we learned about the night visitor. In the middle of March, we had a week off for Spring Break! During our final two meetings, we did lessons on the Father's house and the most important things.



We are excited for a movie and pizza party on April 19 during our TGIW time! Join us right at 6pm so we can get the movie started. We are having pizza for dinner and freshly popped popcorn for our snack!

Read all about our AMAZING April...

Wednesday Night Schedule:

6:00-6:30pm- Dinner

6:30-7:30pm – Breakout Times (PreK-5th, Jr. and Sr. BLAST)

7:30-8pm- Puppets *3rd Grade and up

Looking Ahead:

4/5- All group service project, baby shower to benefit The Lighthouse

4/12- Lesson, Jesus has risen

4/19- Movie, popcorn, and pizza party! – 6-7:30pm ***Please arrive by 6pm as we will start our movie then***

4/26- Lesson, Into a cloud



Meal Menu:

4/5- Homemade mac and cheese and hot dogs

4/12-

4/19- Pizza Party

4/26- Breakfast

A free-will donation is collected weekly to help offset the cost of the weekly meals. A suggested giving amount is \$5 per person or \$20 per family, but there is no set fee.

Thank you to our volunteers who prepare and serve the weekly meals during TGIW Midweek Meetup!

We appreciate the gift of your time and talents!

The meal volunteers for April are – Chris/Jenn Higdon and Pam Frey, Patty Nearmyer and McKayla Nearmyer, and Bob/Sue Soards.

Join Us For An Out Of This World

VBS Experience!
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New Hope Vacation Bible School

July 9—July 12

5:30-6pm Meal

6-8pm Program



Register here: <https://forms.gle/wok4BxV3B84d49ud7>

Volunteers needed! Consider signing on for a STELLAR mission to shine the light of Jesus today!

Contact Jackie Johnson jackie@newhopedsm.org
[\(515\)710-3239](tel:5157103239) to accept your mission today!



Jr. BLAST ~ 6th-8th graders

In the absence of leaders dedicated to our Jr. BLAST group, our Sr. BLAST group has welcomed Jr. BLAST into their gatherings for almost an entire year of TGIW programming! THANK YOU to Chris Higdon and Pam Frey for their flexibility and to the Sr. BLAST youth for being understanding of this change.

That said, we are looking for leaders that would specifically oversee the Jr. BLAST age group on Wednesday nights for the upcoming year, beginning in September of 2023.

If you are interested in serving our Church in this way, please reach out to Jackie

at jackie@newhopedsm.org for more information.

Just a reminder that ALL 6th-8th Graders in the church (and their friends) are welcome to join us at New Hope weekly on Wednesday evenings during the school year for fun and fellowship! A meal is served from 6-6:30pm and there are weekly activities from 6:30-7:30pm.

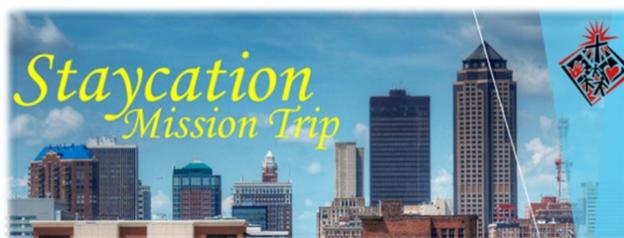
Sr. BLAST ~ 9th - 12th graders (BLAST@NewHopeDSM.org):

Chris Higdon, Pam Frey, McKayla Nearmyer, Brianna Johnson, Arianna Bernal and Amanda Soards

We will be doing our Staycation starting on Monday, June 12th and ending with Hand of Luke event on Wednesday, June 14th.

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

- Apr. 5th @ 6pm ~ 1st Wednesday Service Project
- Apr. 12th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for BLAST Discussion
- Apr. 19th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for BLAST Discussion
- Apr. 26th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for BLAST Discussion
- May 3rd @ 6pm ~ 1st Wednesday Service Project
- May 10th @ 6pm ~ Final Night Celebration



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



TGIW Midweek Meetup is hosting a baby shower Wednesday, April 5th to honor The Lighthouse!

The Lighthouse is a place where homeless families (ages 16 -24) and their children can live at the Lighthouse duplexes for up to 24 months. While in the program, these youth receive a safe living environment, and also assistance in life and parenting skill building. A portion of their salary goes to savings that they receive when they gain self-sufficiency and move into permanent housing.

Our church is collaborating with this organization to bless their residents by collecting various donations to benefit the residents.

We would love for the congregation to help us bless them with many of these supplies!

We would appreciate all donations to be placed on the table under the Youth Ministries bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall by **Wednesday, April 5th**.

Below is the list of most needed items:

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| Diapers of all sizes | Towels & Blankets- for both baby & mom | Pacifiers |
| Forehead thermometers | Bottles | Baby Formula |
| Baby Nail Clippers | Wipes | Baby learning toys |
| Baby aspirators | Car seats or strollers | Hy-Vee gift cards |
| Baby clothing | Kleenex | |



Chair Yoga Stretch

Every Monday and Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., join us for Chair Yoga Stretch (no fee).

This is a gentle yoga that is done while you are seated on a chair. It's a 30 minute session. The instructors are from Youtube videos.

Please meet in the orange classroom in the Family Life Center. *This is for anyone and any age.*

~ No classes during the week of April 10th. ~

Questions? Please contact Glenna Ross at 515-321-3010.



Friendship Sunday ~ April 30th 10 a.m. Worship and 11 a.m. Potluck

Join us for one worship service at **10 a.m.** in the Neil Cross Family Life Center.

Lunch to follow at **11 a.m.** Pulled Pork will be provided.

Please bring a side dish or a dessert to share.

Everyone is encouraged to sit with people you do not know ~ get to know your church family! There will be a drawings for centerpieces on the tables.

Volunteers are needed to help set up the potluck and also to clean up. Please contact Glenna Ross at 515-321-3010 to let her know you will help!

SAVE THE DATE

**NEW HOPE UMC
TGIW MIDWEEK MEETUP
PRESENTS
TALENT SHOW
AND FOOD TRUCK**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10
6-7:30PM
CHURCH LOT

JOIN US FOR A FAMILY FUN NIGHT AS WE
CELEBRATE THE END OF OUR TGIW PROGRAMS
FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR!

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SHOWCASING YOUR TALENT,
PLEASE EMAIL JACKIE - JACKIE@NEWHOPEDSM.ORG



OFF THE GRIDDLE FOOD TRUCK WILL BE
SERVING FROM 6-7PM
FIND THEIR MENU ON FACEBOOK:
OFFTHEGRIDDLEIA
\$5 OF EACH MEAL COST WILL BE COVERED

Blood Pressure Check
Next check is on **April 2nd,**
9:30am-11am in the Narthex.

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 (April - September) at 7 p.m.
Questions? Contact Sue Toale Knapp, 515-255-0366, stktek1@gmail.com.
Online support group:
<http://www.strokenetwork.org/>



Care Ministry Team

The Care Ministry meets quarterly. Next meeting is on **Thurs., June 8th at 10am in the Fellowship Hall.**

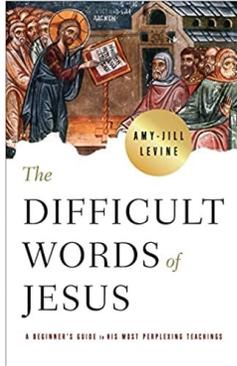
This team ministers to congregation members who have had new babies, have been in the hospital, have been ill or are dealing with grief. This team meets on a quarterly basis.

If you would like to join the Care Ministry team, please contact Clarice Rubek or Mary Ann Rice.

ADULT Sunday School

Join us!

9:30 a.m. in the Ruby Chapel using "Wired Word" curriculum.



Bible Study ~ "Parables of Jesus"

Our 3rd Thursday 7:00 p.m. Bible Study at Banny's home. There will be no meeting in December. We will meet on **April 20th** with Dr. Levine's "Difficult Words of Jesus". Please contact Pastor Lilian of plan to attend, Lilian@newhopedsm.org.

New Hope Needlers

The Needlers will meet on Friday, April 21, 9 am - 3 pm in the north classroom. Lunch at Panera.

Bring your sewing machine, tools and thread to sew a lap quilt of your choosing for the NHUMC Care Team.

We will have kits available to sew both Little Dresses and Little Britches.

There are two sewing machines available at church if yours is not portable. We also welcome non-seamstresses to join us for non-sewing jobs.



United
Women
in Faith

We would like to **thank all** who have contributed to our Globe Bank, on the first Sunday of the month. Our Globe will be out again **Sunday, April 2nd.**

Our next Meeting will be April 20th at 9:30 am. John Rains will be our speaker.

Sunday May 14th - Pie Sale's return. Come buy a Pie. Sponsored by United Women of Faith. All donations of pies, for the sale will be welcomed.

Thursday, May 18th, we meet at 9:30 am. Brenda McConahay will be our speaker.

All women are invited!

Susan Clark, 515-964-5119, suespruce@aol.com.

MISSION NEWS ~ Marilyn Osborn, Chair of Mission Committee

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS



MIDWEST MISSION: New Hope has participated in the Iowa Conference of the United Methodist Church for many years at “Ingathering” held every November. The Ingathering team has a partnership with Midwest Mission. They are an UMCOR Cooperating depot and partner with many other nonprofits. They regularly ship three or four containers of humanitarian relief each month, domestically and internationally. They are in Pawnee, IL

Midwest Mission has just recently opened a location in Jefferson, Iowa. This past week, two mission events were held at the new facility. Look for upcoming opportunities for New Hope to participate in holding mission events in Jefferson. This week volunteers worked on weaving sleeping mats out of plastic bags using a loom, and on making Personal Dignity Kits.

Free Little Food Pantry – Remember to bring non-perishable food items each Sunday to put on our pantry shelf for delivery to the Free Little Food Pantry located in our Meredith Drive community. Sign up for a Monday to deliver the 30 food items you chose from our pantry shelf. There is a sign-up sheet on the pantry shelf. If you have questions, please contact Jolene Harlow: 515-490-8813 or email at rdharlow@earthlink.net



Camperships

Make sure you get your child registered for camp this summer!

Missions will cover ½ or up to \$200 for each registration.

We want as many as possible to attend our United Methodist camp at Wesley Woods where they will experience nature and Christ in new ways.

Check on-line at: www.iaumc.org/camps. Choose the camp, then call the Registrar – 800-765-1651 – with the information, telling her that New Hope will pay ½ or up to \$200. Then, email Nancy at the church at nancy@newhopedsm.org to give her the

same information.

Iowa UM Camps: Summer Staff/Volunteers Needed ~ Know someone 18+ years old, interested in youth ministry? Summer-long paid positions providing fun, faith-filled experiences for youth and families. Wesley Woods UM Camp Contact: Mikaela Program@wesleywoodsiowa.org
www.wesleywoodsiowa.org

In 2023 monthly donations will be given to: Bidwell Riverside, Missionary Dr. Mefor, Urbandale Food Pantry, DMARC Food Bank, Women at the Well, African Immigrant and Refugee Transition Services (AIRTS), and Johnston Partnership.



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.



Hand of Luke ~ Friday, April 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!

The menu for April will be ham/rice/broccoli casserole, fruit cocktail, dinner rolls, and sugar or snickerdoodle cookies. Food will be prepared to serve 250 people.

Thanks to Cathy Beck-Cross and her students, who will be serving the meal this month.

Other volunteers are needed to cook the meal, transport the food, and donate sugar cookies or snickerdoodle cookies. Please bring cookies in containers that do not need to be returned.

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

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044daca722a4fe3-holfriday1#/>

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



CARE TEAM MINISTRY AND SERVICE PROJECT MINISTRY AT NEW HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CARE TEAM MINISTRY ~

1. In Charge of the Prayer Chains
2. Send cards to parishioners at times of illness and death
3. Sends cards to all shut-ins for birthdays and holidays.
4. Deliver personally quilts that the Needlers make to parishioners who are in the hospital for care or who are having surgery or for new Mothers.
5. When possible, we may visit a parishioner in the hospital. Covid did stop this for a couple of years.
6. We presently have 10 people from our church that are shut-ins and we have people on our team who care for these people on a personal level to keep them in touch with our church through visitation and notes.
7. We also provide home cooked meals for people who are just getting home from the hospital or for new mothers who are bringing a new baby home.
8. We also have two people that call upon people who have lost immediate family loved ones . These people also distribute the Stevens Ministry Grief booklets to the grieving families during the next year.

SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN PROJECT ~

We keep track of all the addresses of our service people and post the addresses for the church to view. Notes, cards and some gifts are sent to our men and women who are serving our country to keep them posted as to what is happening in our church life & to let them know we at this church care about them.

We have a great team of many hands working together and the quote below describes our sole purpose.

(A St. Teresa quote)

CHRIST HAS NO BODY ON EARTH BUT YOURS, NO HANDS, BUT YOURS, NO FEET BUT YOURS. YOURS ARE THE EYES THROUGH WHICH CHRIST'S COMPASSION FOR THE WORLD IS TO LOOK OUT OF; YOURS ARE THE FEET WITH WHICH HE IS TO GO ABOUT DOING GOOD; AND YOURS ARE THE HANDS WITH WHICH HE IS TO GO ABOUT DOING GOOD; AND YOURS ARE THE HANDS WITH WHICH HE IS TO BLESS US NOW.

East Entrance Addition ~ Financial Update

Donations of \$1,500 have been received in the month of March (as of 03/27/23) to pay down our principal balance.

We continue to make our monthly P&I payment to reduce our liability. As of March 27th, \$81,297.66 has been donated. This results in a current loan balance of \$50,317.42.

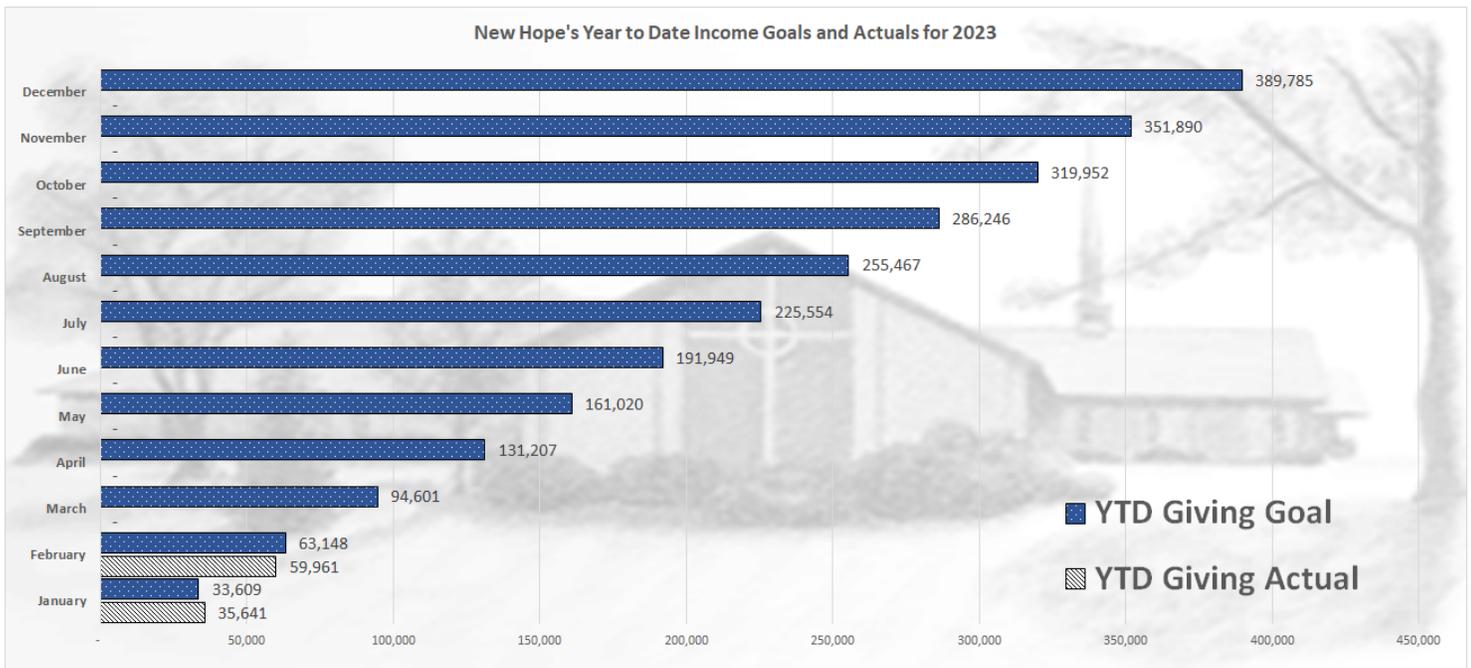
We appreciate all of you who have made monthly pledges to this project until fully paid. All of your donations, regardless the amount, was and is, greatly appreciated!

When donating to this project always write in the memo line of your check "East Entrance Addition". Thank you for your generosity and your involvement in our church!

John Rains
East Entrance Addition Task Force, Chair



*Thank You for your
Financial Support*



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.newhopedsm.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.



Graduate Recognition ~ May 21st @ 9:30 AM

Graduate Recognition will be on Sunday, May 21st, 9:30 AM, at New Hope UMC. We invite all graduates: high school, college, and higher degrees, to send us information to be included in the bulletins to celebrate your accomplishments with you.

Please send the below information to the church office, nhfamily@newhopedsm.org by **Friday, May 5th**.

High School Graduates:

GRADUATE'S NAME:
PARENTS NAMES:
HIGH SCHOOL:
PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL:

College/Graduate School Graduates:

GRADUATE'S NAME:
COLLEGE:
DEGREE(S):
FUTURE PLANS:



“Christmas in June”

Craft Show Presented by United Women in Faith
Saturday, June 10, 2023, 9am – 3pm

United Women in Faith (UWF) is sponsoring an arts and craft show in June. There will be many different artists at this event. UWF will have a holiday table as well.

Save your gently used Christmas or any holiday decorations to donate – more details on that later.

Are you interested in having a booth at this event to display your works of art? Please contact Glenna Ross glenna25@hotmail.com for more information and a registration form. REGISTER BEFORE APRIL 15, 2023. The funds from this event will go to supporting our UWF missions in our community.



Calling All Volunteers!!!

As you are planning your summer 2023, please be thinking about how you can help our Church by carving out some time in your busy schedule to help with our annual Rummage Sale the week of July 23rd!

We have a dedicated team of amazing volunteers, but there is ALWAYS a place for new helping hands! We are looking to solidify our area leaders by no later than May

1st this year! If you would like to join us for a whole week of fun and fellowship, leading an area is the job for you! Please reach out to Jackie to chat about areas that might be a good fit for your interests!

High school students,

Don't forget... you can volunteer with us for silver cord hours, and we would love to have your help!

Please mark your calendars for donation day **Sunday, July 23!** Donations can be made from the conclusion of services-7pm.

Share our sale times with your friends and family!

July 27- Noon-6pm

July 28- 9-6pm

July 29- 9-Noon

If you have questions or to get involved, please contact Jackie Johnson. She can be reached at (515)710-3239 or jackiejohnson81@aol.com.

April 2023

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

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

						1 8:30a, Men's Breakfast at church 2p, Easter Egg Hunt
2 Palm Sunday Communion 9:30a, Sunday School 9:30a - 11a, Blood Pressure	3 9:30 Chair Yoga 6:30p, Girl Scouts (Linda Cooley) 7:00p, Trustees Mtg.	4 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel 6:30p, SPRC Meeting	5 9:30 Chair Yoga 6p, Confirmation Class TGIW ~ PreK-12th grade 6:00-6:30 Meal Served 6:30p Baby Shower 7:30p, Puppets 6:00p, Chancel Choir 7:00p, Praise Band practice	6 6:00p, Holy Thursday worship 7:00p, Worship Mtg at church	7 7:00p, Good Friday service at Walnut Hills UMC	8 9a to finish, Campus clean up 6:00p, Glory Saturday
9 Easter 9:30a, Sunday School	10 9a-3p (age 60+) Face to Face Emmaus	11 9a-3p (age 60+) Face to Face Emmaus 9:30a, Al-Anon, F.Hall Noon, AA, R.Chapel	12 TGIW ~ PreK-12th grade 6:00-6:30 Meal Served 6:30-7:30 Activities 7:30p, Puppets 6:00p, Chancel Choir 7:00p, Praise Band practice	13 9a-3p (age 60+) Face to Face Emmaus	14 9a-3p (age 60+) Face to Face Emmaus 3:30p, Hand of Luke	15
16 9:30a, Sunday School	17 9:30 Chair Yoga 6:30p, Girl Scouts (Linda Cooley)	18 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel 6:30p, Finance Mtg 7:00p, Stroke Club, F.Hall	19 9:30 Chair Yoga 6p, Confirmation Class TGIW ~ PreK-12th grade 6:00p, Movie & Pizza 7:30p, Puppets 6:00p, Chancel Choir 7:00p, Praise Band practice	20 9:30a, United Women in Faith 8:30a, Tour of Faith for Confirmation Class 7p, Bible Study at Banny's	21 9a-3p, Needlers at church	22 10a-Noon, F.Hall reserved (Sharon Smith)
23 9:30a, Sunday School	24 <i>Deadline for May LINK</i> 9:30 Chair Yoga	25 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel	26 9:30 Chair Yoga TGIW ~ PreK-12th grade 6:00-6:30 Meal Served 6:30-7:30 Activities 7:30p, Puppets 6:00p, Chancel Choir 7:00p, Praise Band practice	27 6:30p, Administrative Council Mtg.	28	29
30 10a One Worship followed by a potluck 1:30—5p, F.Hall & Sanctuary reserved (Jackie)						

Easter Sunday: Risen Lord, "thank you" seems insufficient for all you've showered on me. But today I offer my songs of grateful praise and a heart brimming with love.



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

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| 1 Tavian Carnahan | 15 Tom Beasley |
| 2 Kirk Dickey, Bob Harter, Marilyn Goodrich | 17 Peyton Henry |
| 3 Patrice Webber | 18 Audrey Cossa |
| 4 Shirley Frus, Caroline Miller | 20 Nan Stubbs |
| 7 Pat Papenheim, Lorelai Roff, Bob Soards | 22 Amarachi Ukabiala, Ashlynn Riley |
| 8 Kate Lichter | 23 Kathy Crees, Wade Breitsprecher |
| 9 Bhanu Moses | 24 Caleb Christensen |
| 11 Elaine Collet | 25 Julie McClain |
| 12 Tanner Rowland, Lynn Louk | 26 Natalie Nelson, Macy Berry |
| 13 Paul Herring, Carl Wallin | 28 Ellie Roquet, Charlotte Kealhofer |
| | 30 Mason Redies |



- 13: Tony & Tracy Hoffman
30: Dan & Mona Kirkpatrick

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Sunday Morning Worship Services

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

9:30: Contemporary Service in the Family Life Center

We continue to offer the Sunday morning Parking Lot Radio Feed and also the Pre-Recorded Worship Services that can be found on the church Facebook page.

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