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New Hope United Methodist Church

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The health and safety of our church members is always first and foremost.

New Hope is carefully monitoring the COVID-19 situation and will proceed with your best interest in mind.

Administrative Council met via teleconference on March 26th and voted to **cancel all church in-person activities through April 12th.**

This includes canceling the following:

- April 4th Community Easter Party
- April 5th Palm Sunday worship services (*see note below*)
- April 6th-11th Holy Week 7am and 5:30pm gatherings
- April 9th Maundy Thursday service
- April 10th Good Friday service
- Easter Lilies
- April 12th Easter Sunday worship services (*see note below*)
- All meetings and gatherings that were scheduled

The church leadership team will re-evaluate sometime during the week of April 6th.



The Good News is that we will come together for:



April 5th, Palm Sunday at 10 a.m.

We invite you to come gather in the church parking lot, stay in your car, pick up a palm branch, hang it out your window, and then we will (parade) drive around the neighborhood for a mile or two and then come back to our parking lot – still staying inside cars for a closing prayer.

and

April 12th, Easter Sunday at 10 a.m.

We will invite you to come gather in the church parking lot and stay in your car. Individuals who are crafty may hang “Happy Easter” signs and decorations on their car and we will drive around Johnston for a mile or two and then come back to our parking lot – still staying inside cars for a closing prayer.



Please join us!!



“If we are not planted in Christ, we’ll be uprooted in crisis.”
—Unknown

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

Jan Davisson; Anita Gaul; Dorothy Montgomery; Celeste Nelson; Freda Ruleman; Brenda McConahay; Desiree Spring; Sharon Hanson; Alexandra Cooley; Bishop Laurie Haller; District Superintendent, Rev. Heecheon Jeon; Dr. Emmanuel Mefor, missionary.

Prayers for the following military personnel: Kelsey Bartley; Jason Homard; Adam Larson; Joshua Larson; Todd McGinnity; Tyler McGinnity; Devan Stanton; and our national and world leaders, our military and their families.



If you are home bound, in a nursing home, or feeling alone and have not been visited by our Care Team or Pastor Lilian, please let us know because we would love to visit you. Please contact the church office at 278-2097, nhfamily@newhopedsm.org

Sympathy

Our Sympathy to Pastor Lilian & Kirk and family on the passing of Lilian’s brother, Louie Gallo.

Our Sympathy to Diane, Jeffrey & J.D. Williams on the passing of Diane’s mother, Joan Clay.

Our Sympathy to Earl & Sharon Lewis and family on the passing of Earl’s sister, Glenna Carver.

Our Sympathy to the family of Barbara Conrad on her passing. Barbara was a New Hope member and participated in the Chancel Choir with her daughters, Kathy Crees and Julie McClain.



Thank You

I want to give a heartfelt ‘thank you’ to Steve Sutton. Our pedestals were looking pretty sad but with Steve’s expert touch they are beautiful once again!
Pam Frey

I would like to thank you for all your cards, gifts and thoughtful expressions of caring for the passing of my sister, Glenna. She was seven years older; always my “big” sister. We were always close growing up and socially. We always lived close, both in Iowa and Texas and worked many years together at Lennox. In her last number years she was affected and totally disabled by dementia and Alzheimer’s. I know that her passing is a blessing and that she is in a better place in God’s Kingdom.
Many thanks,
Earl Lewis

Birth

Congratulations to Seth & Lindsey McClellan. (Lindsey is the daughter of Tim & Brenda McCulley.) Seth & Lindsey had a baby girl born on Thursday, March 5th. Mia Ryan McClellan weighed 6lbs 2ounces and 19 inches long.

Pastor Letters

During the COVID-19 crisis, have you been receiving Pastor Lilian’s daily inspirational letters through email?

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

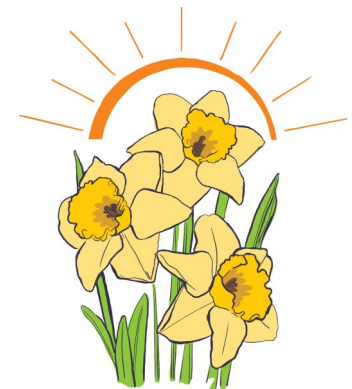
Church Treasurers

After five years, Jenn Higdon has decided to step down from the Treasurer position. Jenn, along with her husband Chris, have been a major asset to our Finance & Stewardship committee, with keeping the financials in line. We can’t thank them enough for all they have done.

Going forward, two volunteers will be the co-Treasurers. They are Robin Harlow, past Finance chair, and Pam Sloss, retiree and recently located back “home.”

With the COVID-19, it has been difficult to hand over the Treasurer duties to Robin and Pam. Training will be done as soon as it is possible.

Please join us in thanking Jenn & Chris Higdon and welcoming Robin Harlow and Pam Sloss as the new co-treasurers.





**Unfortunately, the April 4th
EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZA community event has
been CANCELLED.**

Thank you to everyone that had signed up to volunteer or donate eggs, we appreciate you!

If you would like back the eggs that you donated, please email Pam (yayafrey@gmail.com) or Jackie (jackiejohnson81@aol.com) by **no later than APRIL 5th.**

We will be delivering the remaining eggs to the Johnston Partnership to pass out with Easter food boxes for families in need. Please join the Bridges Committee in **praying** for our community in this uncertain time.



Hand of Luke, April 14th: This is our monthly ministry of a meal for the Central Iowa Shelter and Services.

Due to COVID-19, we will be ordering pizza from the downtown Hy-Vee for our April 14th Hand of Luke meal. We will be collecting monetary donations instead of food donations.

Please consider donating the amount you would have spent on a food donation.

You can either mail a check designated to HOL to the address below or do an online donation (no log in necessary) through our New Hope website: <https://www.newhopedsm.org/>

On the red bar, going across the page, click on **Gifts**

Please enter your amount on the **Hand of Luke line.**

If you have any questions on how to make an online donation, please contact Nancy Monthei at nhfamily@newhopedsm.org.

Your donation by April 10 will be appreciated. Thank you for your support during these difficult times.



Attention New Hoppers:

We have made the difficult decision to **postpone the 2020 Rummage Sale (scheduled for the week of May 3rd) because we do not want to put our church or our community at risk.**

We know that you are likely organizing and Spring cleaning at home (since you are spending A LOT of time there these days) and we need a **BIG** favor from you. **PLEASE** hold onto any gently used items you are prepared to part with for the rescheduled sale!

Our community will need access to affordable, well cared for items more than ever before. The church will also be in need of the funds raised from the wonderful donations we receive. Did you know that half of the proceeds go directly to missions and the remaining profits are divided between specific projects within the church? If there ever was a good reason to put up with a little ***"clutter for a cause"***, this would be it!

Please stay tuned for further updates, including the new dates.

When the new dates are announced, please help us get the word out to the community!

We also invite you to prayerfully consider how you might help this year.

Some of our previously committed volunteers will be unable to assist due to the date change, but maybe the new dates will work for you! We will need A LOT of help - there are hundreds of volunteer duties, a good fit can be found for everyone!

Please feel free to contact me any time with questions, comments or concerns: Home: (515)257-4045, Cell: (515)710-3239, Email: jackiejohnson81@aol.com

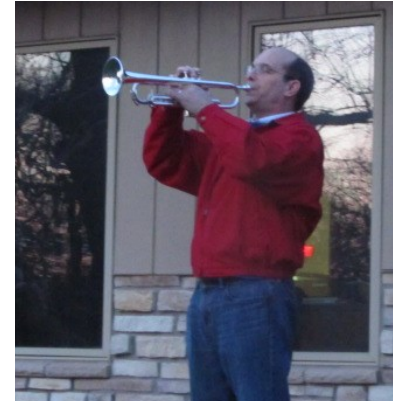


NEW HOPE: A Caring Church

I have been a member of New Hope for more than 30 years. My wife, Jo Renee, has been coming for more than 45 years, as this was their family church. We have lots of memories from all New Hope has to offer and has given to us.

Our five children (Erika, Adam, Brian, Julie and Christopher) were all confirmed at New Hope. When Chris was born, Reverend Bob was excited because he was the 100th child at New Hope! Erika was married here by Reverend Neil. I've had the pleasure of playing my trumpet with our excellent organists and pianists (Ruth, Cindy, Karen, & Brenda), as well Christmas carols in a quintet with our four oldest kids on French horn, trumpet, trombone and tuba - affectionately known as the Hartung Horns!

Oh, how things have changed over the years!



The New Hope church family has grown and our building has changed a lot and in many ways. When we joined New Hope in the 1980's, the sanctuary was in the current Fellowship Hall. Then we added the beautiful "new" sanctuary, and later followed with the Family Life Center. Over the past 30+ years we grew from one Sunday service to three services. We also gave birth to a new church, the Johnston River of Life. Our ministries have grown tremendously, both internally and externally. And as in all churches, we have had new ministers, choir directors, office staff, and more. But one thing has remained constant: the people here have always been warm and welcoming. That has not changed.

Once again I am on the church Finance Committee, after a 25 year hiatus. In the early 90's we were excited when our fundraisers reached \$300! Now, the spring sale and the fall auction each raise about \$10,000. It takes a lot of work and a lot of people to make these events successful, and they bring many people to our church. There are numerous other activities that take place in our building, some of which Pastor Lilian has noted in her inspiring daily emails, as well as outside our walls through outreach efforts of many people.

So there are lots of ways which we can all contribute to New Hope and its missions. Your time, your talents and your treasures are received with great appreciation. Even with the recent challenges that are changing the world, we have opportunities to continue to do the work of the Lord through New Hope. Collectively, New Hope does many things for many people, and we can celebrate it all.

Please consider your own contributions to New Hope. Your donations of dollars, hours, and skills, and the impact that they have, cannot be underestimated. Some of you remember my father-in-law, Ray Pugh, who said in every motivational speech he gave, "The more you give, the more you live!" For sure, this is true. Your gifts will be blessed, and you will be blessed, too.

Kirk M. Hartung

P.S.: While we cannot share face to face in Sunday services, Wednesday programs and practices, committee meetings, and other church activities, it is joyful to have so many of us gather around our electronic devices to maintain our spiritual communities. Of course, we have the ability for digital giving in many forms, by reaching out to others, checking in, communicating, and sharing.

Also, you can make your monetary gifts by going to our website at <https://www.newhopedsm.org/>. Click on GIFTS and then click on the "Create Your Online Profile". Then follow the instructions from there.

For those members that are uncomfortable with doing this themselves online, Nancy, nhfamily@newhopedsm.org and Robin (515-419-3367) can work with you to get your account setup. Please feel free to contact them. As always, you have the option to have your gifts sent via the Post Office. For those more adventurous types, you can simply drop your offering envelope in the outside slot under the overhang of Nancy's Office window.

Please take tremendous joy that these options will allow New Hope to continue serving our spiritual community and those that are in need in these difficult times. We will adapt our programs and services to meet the current challenges.

Your thoughts and prayers are appreciated, as always. Thank you.

First Fridays With The Kids!

We will be cancelling our April 3rd First Friday event in light of the current social distancing recommendations. At this time we still plan to hold our May gathering, but will update as the date approaches.

Our March gathering was all about SPRING! We planted sunflower seeds and talked about how seeds grow, just like our faith in God grows! We investigated different kinds of seeds to see what characteristics they had. Then we made seed art with lots of different seeds - our art turned out beautiful, just like the church is made beautiful with the many different people that come together to form the whole! At the end of our time together we enjoyed dirt cups for a snack. Want to make your own? All you need is a chocolate pudding cup, crushed up Oreo cookies and gummy worms. Yum!

Since we won't be gathering together this month we invite our families to try this activity from the March 2018 edition of *Share Faith* magazine:

In the Tomb, Out of the Tomb

Supplies: masking or painters' tape

Place a long piece of tape on the floor to divide the playing area. Designate the right side of the line as "in the tomb" and the other side of the tape as "out of the tomb." Stand on the "out of the tomb" side, and have the child face you while standing in the "in the tomb" side of the line. When you call out either "in the tomb" or "out of the tomb," the child should jump to the side you have called. Make it extra challenging by picking up the pace, and calling out the same side several times before switching. You can also make it tricky by pointing to one side while calling out the other.

**Give your child a turn as the caller! *Involve the entire family for more fun!*

After the game, take time to talk about the meaning of Easter as a family and why it is celebrated.

For further extension of the concept for kids try making *Resurrection Rolls* as a family.

Resurrection Rolls Recipe

Ingredients:

- 1 can refrigerated crescent roll dough
- 8 large marshmallows
- Melted butter
- Cinnamon
- Sugar

Directions:

1. Give each child one triangle shaped section of crescent roll. This represents the tomb.
2. Each child takes one marshmallow which represents the body of Christ.
3. Dip the marshmallow in the butter and roll in cinnamon and sugar mixture. This represents the oils and spices the body was anointed with upon burial.
4. Lay the marshmallow on the dough and carefully wrap it around the marshmallow.
5. Make sure all seams are pinched together well. (Otherwise the marshmallow will "ooze" out of the seams)
6. Bake according to package directions.
7. Cool.
8. Break open the tomb and the body of Christ is no longer there!
9. Celebrate God's love!

Source: <https://www.dltk-kids.com/>

Questions or for more information? Please contact Jackie Johnson at (515)710-3239 or jackiejohnson81@aol.com



Mom's Group

We will not meet in person April 17th due to continued social distancing recommendations.

We invite you to spend the time we are usually together calling another mom to check in and catch up.

Questions or for more information? Please contact Jackie Johnson at (515)710-3239 or jackiejohnson81@aol.com



Johnston Partnership by Chris Higdon

The Johnston Partnership (www.johnstonpartnership.org) is still operating their DMARC Food Pantry operations through this challenging time; with a few modifications to the process. For the time being, clients will fill out a paper order form and volunteers and staff will pull and fill orders. Clients are not allowed in the building to ensure social distancing practices are in place.

School, Family, & Community
Working Together in Johnston

Additionally, the Johnston Partnership is administering a Benevolence Fund; which was established in January with the help of local churches, including New Hope United Methodist Church. This fund is open to those who live within the Johnston School District, and it does require a short

application/interview process. This fund is available to assist people in financial need areas such as rental assistance, utility assistance or other emergency financial needs. Please reach out to the Johnston Partnership at andrea@johnstonpartnership.org or call at 515-868-1357 to learn more about the Benevolence Fund.

Finally, the Johnston Partnership is still in need of food and personal items donations and volunteers are always welcome during their operating hours (*Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays 9am-1pm.*).

Graduate Recognition

Graduate Recognition will be on **Sunday, May 17th 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 complete the below information and drop this form off at the church office or mail it to New Hope UMC, 4525 Beaver Ave., Des Moines, IA 50310. ***Please fill out and send in NO LATER than Sunday, April 26th.***

High School Graduates:

NAME: _____ SCHOOL: _____

PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL: _____

College/Graduate School Graduates:

NAME: _____ SCHOOL: _____

DEGREE(S): _____

FUTURE PLANS: _____

Please tick one of the following boxes to let us know which service we can hope to expect you at:

May 17, 8:30 worship [] 9:30 worship [] 10:45 worship [] Sorry, I won't be present []

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.

Blood Pressure Check

Cancelled for April.

Men's Breakfast

Cancelled for April.

Women's Fellowship

Postponed until further notice.

Questions? contact Susan Clark at 964-5119.

Bidwell-Riverside Center



Members of our congregation volunteer at Bidwell Riverside on the second Thursday of each month,

1-4pm. **Postponed until further notice.**

Questions? contact Lynn Louk (276-7900).

Care Ministry Team

The Care Ministry meets quarterly. Next meeting is on **Thurs., June 18th 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.

Veterans Helping Veterans

April's gathering has been cancelled.

If you have any questions, please contact Billy Nuzum at bbnewz54@gmail.com

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.

Friday Afternoon Bible Study

Postponed until further notice.

Questions, please contact James Louk,

jimlynnlouk@mac.com

New Hope Needlers

Postponed until further notice.

Questions? Contact Jody Rains, 278-8282



Confirmation Class for 8th Graders

April gatherings and Confirmation Sunday have been rescheduled for May as follows:

May 10th, 4:30pm gathering with students

May 24th, 4:30pm gathering with students

May 31st, Confirmation Sunday

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Lilian at 641-757-2334 or Lilian@newhopedsm.org.



The Confirmation students helped serve at the Ash Wednesday service.

Children's Ministries

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

Children's Ministries Mission Statement: "Connecting kids to God and others."

Christian Learning Time (CLT) Vision Statement: Connecting lessons about God through Bible experiences.

Christian Learning Time will resume in April when church does.



Saved By Amazing Grace (S.W.A.G.)

Vision Statement: Connecting lessons about God through real life experiences

STEM ACTIVITIES (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)

S.W.A.G will resume later in April please watch your email for an update.

VBS 2020 July 13 -16



Our VBS Team (Andy Sutton, Elaine Sheer, McKayla Johnson, Celeste Nelson and Charity Johnson) is excited to get plans set for the event and we hope that you will join us on this journey. We will have volunteer roles for all ages and abilities. There will be sign ups in the fellowship hall so be ready to start building.

BLAST - Believing, Learning, Assisting, Serving, Teens

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

We were fortunate to be able to meet twice in March before Spring Break and social distancing.

Our first meeting was an outing to the local Meals From The Heartland facility where we learned a little about their mission and worked for two hours to package meals for those in need! It is amazing how the group really got into a groove and was packaging efficiently once we got the hang of it! Our second meeting was spent in fellowship (and competition) with Sr. BLAST as we faced off against their group in Easter trivia. The questions were quite challenging and well balanced between Biblical knowledge and general Easter trivia. Who would have guessed that over 700 million peeps are sold each year?!

Our in-person meeting schedule will be shortened in April as well. At this time we plan to get back to our regular weekly meetings on April 15. However, we will constantly be monitoring the pandemic and will update our schedule if school cancellations are extended.

4/1- **CANCELLED**, will host optional ZOOM meeting for interested youth. Watch email for invitation to join the meeting.

4/8- **CANCELLED**, will host optional ZOOM meeting for interested youth. Watch email for invitation to join the meeting.

4/15- BLAST Activities, 6:15-7pm **This is an update from our original plan for an outing to the Urbandale pool.

4/22- BLAST Activities, 6:15-7pm

4/29- BLAST Activities, 6:15-7pm



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

What a crazy past three weeks it has been!!! We are really missing spending time on Wednesday nights with the kids. At this point; all in-person gatherings have been cancelled at New Hope until April 13th. So... We are going digital with Senior BLAST; we are going to try to meet with the kids virtually using ZOOM meeting tools!!!

We are going to be meeting from 7:30pm to 8:30pm on Wednesday, April 1st and April 8th. We will be sending out the information on how to connect to these meetings soon. We will also be sending out discussion questions to help aid in the conversation on the phone.

It is also unfortunate that we will be canceling our ChildServe event in April; given we don't want to expose the ChildServe children to anything from the outside. We will look to see if we can schedule a meeting with ChildServe in early May; given April was our last scheduled meeting with the ChildServe kids.

At this point; we are tentatively planning to return to normal in-person meeting on Wednesday, April 15th and will resume normal schedule of activities thereafter. However, this could change as we learn more about how COVID-19 affects returning to school and when New Hope allows in-person meetings to occur.

However, before all this craziness started; Senior BLAST was able to join up with Junior BLAST to complete a service project to help pack nutritious meals with Meals from the Heartland. It was a fun event that allowed the two groups to come together for a fun outing.



Here are some tentative upcoming Youth events for the remainder of the year:

Apr. 1st @ 7:30pm ~ Virtual Thank God for BLAST Discussion

Apr. 8th @ 7:30pm ~ Virtual Thank God for BLAST Discussion

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

Apr. 22nd @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST** Discussion

Apr. 26th ~ BLAST Breakfast

Apr. 29th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST** Discussion

May 6th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for **BLAST**

May 13th ~ Not Meeting. Meeting on May 14th instead

May 14th ~ Hand of Luke Meal

May 20th @ 6pm ~ End of the Year Party

May 31st ~ Sloppy Joe Lunch at New Hope

June 14th ~ Depart for Leech Lake

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



Shop Christmas on Saturday, July 11th at our new outdoor arts and crafts fair on the New Hope grounds, to support the missions of the church.

This fair will replace the November Garlands of Gifts Arts and Crafts event.

More details to be shared soon!

Questions? Contact Sharon Smith at 515-419-7082 or wicketsblooms@aol.com.

Postponed!

God's Girlfriends ~ Anchored in Christ!

The June 13th, 2020 event has been postponed to next year on **June 19, 2021**

Please add this date to your calendar!

Join us for inspirational speakers, fun and delicious food!

More details coming soon!



Harvest Auction ~ October 11th

Plan now on new items that you will donate to the October 11th Harvest Auction.

Silent Auction items and Live Auction items are needed.

Themed baskets, event tickets, dinners, home décor are just a few ideas.

Have fun being creative!

Questions? Contact Glenna Ross glenna625@hotmail.com) or Nancy Monthei (nancy@newhopedsm.org).

Daffodil hope

In Lisa Genova's novel *Love Anthony*, Olivia lives on Nantucket Island, where winter is long but daffodils bloom even while it's still cold. In one scene, she watches the flowers "shivering in the wind, impossibly bright and fragile and brave against the cold grayness."

Struggling with deep grief, Olivia finds hope in the bright yellow blooms after a long, bleak winter. She embraces the daffodil as a sign that summer will come again — and that "life will return to her as well."

In Christ, God gives us hope that sometimes appears vibrant against the grayness of earthly life. We cling to it because we've seen the promise made good before — winter yielding to summer, a new beginning granted — and we trust that new life will return to us, as well.

— The Newsletter Newsletter

The Daffodils are blooming at New Hope UMC!



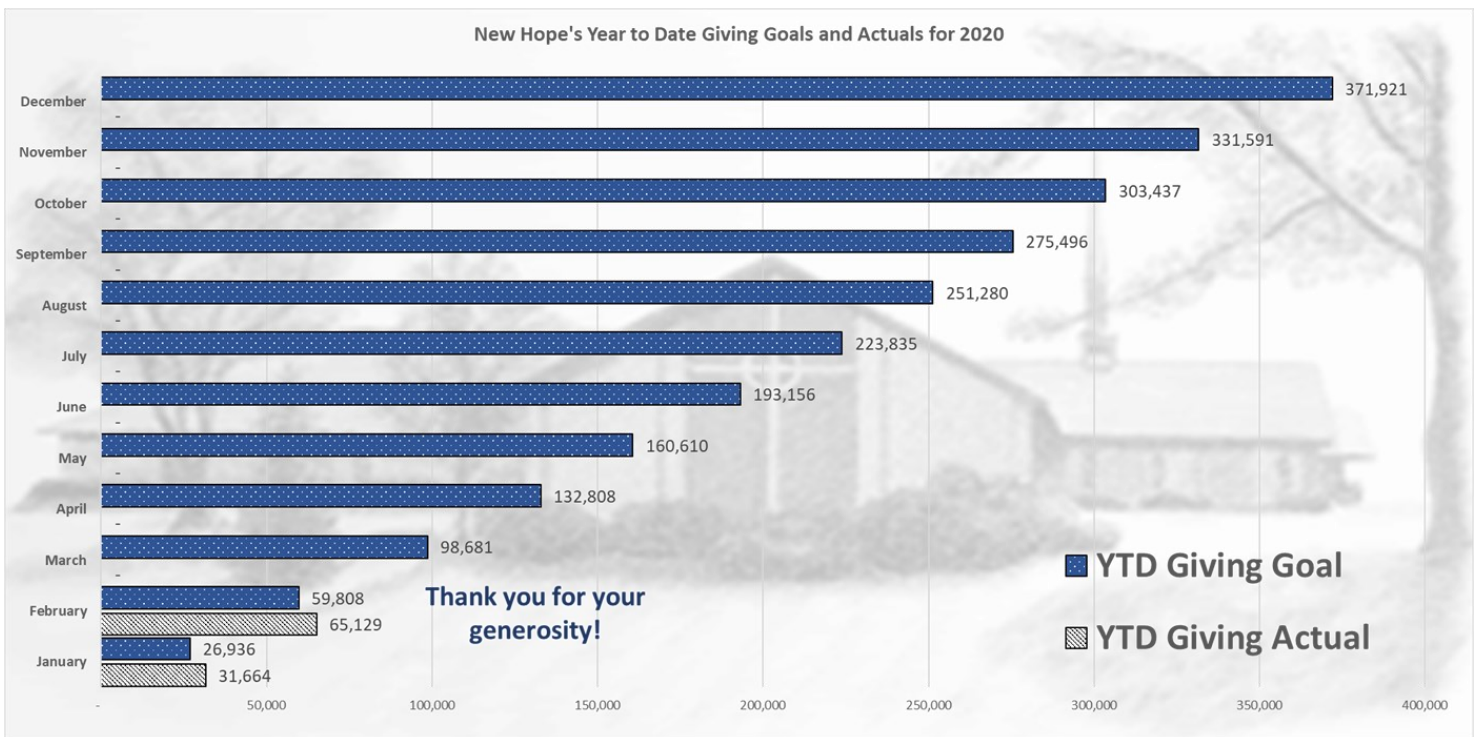
Endowment Endeavor

On May 23, 2019, the Charge Conference approved the Permanent Endowment Fund for New Hope. This new endowment fund will exist into perpetuity for the benefit and financial success of our church.

Since the establishment of the endowment, Iowa United Methodist Foundation has been selected as the financial advisor to invest very conservatively the initial \$60,000 from our members. Only the interest earned each year, after year will be used to support New Hope in many special aspects excluding the general account. The Endowment Fund can be funded through current gifts or through estate planning with naming in Wills/Trusts.

As further aspects are finalized, the Endowment Committee will be bringing more information to the congregation. **The Endowment Committee members are Jim Smith, Jim Louk, Dave O'Brien, Lisa VanDenBerg, Pastor Lillian Gallo Seagren, Tami Wise and you if you are interested in joining the committee.**

(We are looking to have more New Hope members joining to help pave New Hope's success without ending.) Please contact any of us if you have any questions or interested in joining.



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.

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

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

Hosts bake or purchase 6 to 8 dozen cookies and serve coffee and water after the 9:30 contemporary and 10:45 traditional worship services. You don't have to host alone...team up with someone or a group of people to host.

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.

If you can't be there to host on a Sunday but would love to bring in cookies that would be wonderful, too. Cookies can be put in the freezer to be used anytime.

Sign up on the sheets are in the kitchen. When you sign up to host, an email reminder will be sent to you.

If you have questions, please contact Pam Weisskopf at 515-289-1343.

Those who serve New Hope in April 2020. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office, nhfamily@newhopedsm.org. This will all depend on the church decision to have worship or not on April 19th & 26th. Please watch for an email update.

8:30am Traditional Service

Lectors

19
26

Office Volunteers

17 Pat Papenheim
24 Marilyn Osborn

9:30am Contemporary Service

Lectors

19
26

Hosts

19
26 Glenna Ross

9:30 Computer Support

19 Sherri Bogue
26 Doug Fairchild

10:45am Traditional Service

Lectors

19
26

Hosts

19
26 Linda Yaske

Money Counters

19 Randy Jansen, DeVonne Douglas; Althea Holcomb
26 Tami Wise, Jerry Kielsmeier, John Burrough



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 call Nancy, at the church office, 278-2097, or email at nancy@newhopedsm.org to give her the same information.

April 2020

WORSHIP SERVICES
Sunday mornings
Traditional Services: 8:30 & 10:45
Contemporary Service: 9:30

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	2	3	1	2 6:30p, Worship Design Mtg. via teleconference	3	4
5 10am, Palm Sunday parade 	6 7p, Trustees Mtg., via teleconference	7 6:00p, SPRC Mtg., via teleconference	8	9	10	11
12 10am, Easter parade 	13	14 9:30a, Alanon Noon, AA 3:30p, Hand of Luke	15 Thank God It's Wednesday (TGIW) 4yrs-12th grade 5:45p, Dinner 6:15p-7p, SWAG Activities 6:00p, Sr. BLAST 6:15p, Jr. BLAST 7:00p, Puppets 6:30p, Chancel Choir practice 7:45p, Praise Team practice	16 9:00a, Women's Fellowship 6:30p, Finance Mtg., R.Chapel	17 Office Vol: Pat Papenheim 9a-3p, Needlers	18 8:30a, Veterans Breakfast, F.Hall
19 10:45a CLT	20 Deadline for May LINK	21 9:30a, Alanon Noon, AA 7p, Stroke Club, F.Hall 7p, Venture Crew	22 Thank God It's Wednesday (TGIW) 4yrs-12th grade 5:45p, Dinner 6:15p-7p, SWAG Activities 6:15p, Jr. BLAST 6:00p, Sr. BLAST 7:00p, Puppets 6:30p, Chancel Choir practice 7:45p, Praise Team practice	23 6:30p, Administrative Council Mtg., R.Chapel	24 Office Vol: Marilyn Osborn	25
26 10:45a CLT Graduation info due	27 6:30p, Endowment Committee Mtg., R.Chapel	28 9:30a, Alanon Noon, AA	29 Thank God It's Wednesday (TGIW) 4yrs-12th grade 5:45p, Dinner 6:15p-7p, SWAG Activities 6:15p, Jr. BLAST 6:00p, Sr. BLAST 7:00p, Puppets 6:30p, Chancel Choir practice 7:45p, Praise Team practice	30	May 1 Office Vol: Sharon Symonds 10a-11a, First Friday with the Kids	May 2



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



5: Eddy & Karen Johnston
 13: Tony & Tracy Hoffman
 30: Dan & Mona Kirkpatrick

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| 1 Tavian Carnahan | 17 Bob Rankin, Susan Smith, |
| 2 Kirk Dickey, Bob Harter, | Peyton Henry, Jessica Spring |
| Marilyn Goodrich | 19 Nicole Gardner |
| 3 Patrice Webber | 20 Chase Alcorn, Nan Stubbs |
| 4 Shirley Frus, Caroline Miller | 21 JoAnn Decker |
| 5 Greg Baker | 22 Amarachi Ukabiala, Ashlynn Riley |
| 7 Pat Papenheim, Lorelai Roff, | 23 Kathy Crees, Wade Breitsprecher |
| Bob Soards | 24 Caleb Christensen |
| 8 Kate Lichter | 25 Julie McClain |
| 9 Bhanu Moses | 26 Natalie Nelson, Macy Berry |
| 10 Rachel Jackson | 28 Ellie Roquet, Meghan Kinnetz, |
| 11 Elaine Collet | 29 Joelyn Gerovac |
| 12 Tanner Rowland, Lynn Louk | 30 Mason Redies |
| 13 Paul Herring, Carl Wallin | |
| 15 Tom Beasley | |

New Hope Sunday morning Worship attendance				
	8:30	9:30	10:45	Total
March 1	30	70	65	165
March 8	31	53	66	150
March 15	16	40	37	93
March 22	no worship			
March 29	no worship			



Sunday Worship Services at New Hope

8:30am Traditional Service

9:30am Contemporary Service

10:45am Traditional Service

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