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**March 2022** 

# MARCH AT NEW HOPE UMC



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Mar. 6th

PLACING AN OFFERING OF "FIRST FRUIT" TO WHERE GOD IS

Mar. 13th

PLACING AN OFFERING OF AN UNRELENTING FAITH IN CHRIST

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PLACING AN OFFERING OF A BROKEN AND CONTRITE HEART BEFORE GOD

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PLACING AN OFFERING OF AN ENDURING RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST

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PLACING AN OFFERING OF A NEW SELF



### Ash Wednesday ~ Wednesday, March 2nd

#### Come for a Pancake Supper at 6:00 pm.

Free-Will Offering. Prepared and Served by Sr. High BLAST. Help Sr. High BLAST in raising money for their summer mission trip.

#### Stay for worship at 7:00 pm

Childcare will be provided for children ages 4 and lower.

Join us this Ash Wednesday for food, fellowship, and prayer.



## **Leading Now and Into the Future**

Led by the Vision (<a href="https://www.iaumc.org/leading-now-vision">https://www.iaumc.org/leading-now-vision</a>) as articulated by the Bishop and Appointive Cabinet, Pastor Lilian started the conversation here at New Hope UMC last February 21<sup>st</sup> with twenty-seven New Hope UMC members in attendance. We are asking every member of this congregation to attend these conversations. Of course, the ideal is to have you all come to the four scheduled and Pastor-led conversations.

Even though you missed the first one, please take time to come to the next three – **February 27<sup>th</sup>**, **March 21<sup>st</sup> and March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. and ends at 7:45.** The Vision articulated by Bishop and Appointive Cabinet is available in printed form upon request. The February 21<sup>st</sup> Power Point prepared by our Pastor is available in printed form upon request.

Here is an outline of the steps we are taking as part of our response to the Vision:

STEP 1 - Decide on how we respond as a congregation – Are we going to support same sex marriage being held at our spaces and conducted by our Pastor? 1.a – Four Conversations are facilitated by our Pastor so that everyone has the opportunity to hear and to be heard. 1.b – A Task Force is put together to create a draft of what New Hope UMC wants to publicly articulate as our missional affirmation in regard to same sex marriage. 1.c – Conversations will be facilitated by the Task Force at various groups, committees and Boards so that all people are given a time to examine our expressed affirmation in written form. 1.d – Schedule and hold an All Church Conference to decide by a prayerfully-discerned vote of confidence on our missional affirmation in relation same sex marriage.

STEP 2 – Hopefully, by the time we have completed STEP 1, the General Conference convened, voted and the birthing of new bodies have started. New Hope UMC will decide where to best align what we decided as our congregational missional affirmation in relation to same sex marriage. This will be, of course, finalized at an All Church Conference. Hopefully, to complete STEP 1 will make STEP 2 a shorter process.

May the Spirit be with us along the way.

Pastor Lilian



#### 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: Betty Holwegner, Jody Rains, Roberta Cave, Steve Cate, JoAnn Decker, Fred Foreman, Evette Burton, David Ruleman, Skylar Freeman, JoAnn Pugh, Josephine Demarco, Brian Upper, Kathy Biermann, Mary Textor, Paula Grapp, Kay M. Kay Healing from Physical Issues: Cheryl Cross, Jim Harvey, Karen Christensen, Esther Dabill, Ron Cooley, Jo Foote, Freda Ruleman, Sharon Symonds, Norma Sutton, Nancy Foreman, Dick Pipho, Jack Habick, Galyn Cross, Pam Wilson, Elizabeth McNeal, Anthony Ruleman, Theresa Faber, Jeff Louk, Desiree Spring, Jennifer

Those Who Are in Rehabilitation and Nursing Care: Glenda Millard, Ann Krause, Kinney & Jim Carnahan, Sheila Hartung, Dick Biermann, Gayle Easton Military: Michael Craighton, Todd McGinnity, Devan Stanton, Hunter Schmidt, Joshua Ruleman.

#### **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

In the midst of winter's chill, as we grow impatient for spring, fill us with your warmth and new life, dear Lord.





Sundays at 8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Masks are recommended, not required. For our church family members that are not comfortable with indoor worship, we continue to offer the Sunday morning Parking Lot Radio

Feed and also the Pre-Recorded Worship Services that are emailed to you on Sunday mornings and also can be found on the church Facebook page.

#### **Directory Update:**

Jim & Lynn Louk 3524 Grand Avenue #G202 Des Moines, IA 50312 515-271-6990

#### Thank You:

To my wonderful New Hope Family,

Thank you for the many prayers for my family members. Your healing prayers continue to work and are appreciated.

Also, thank you for celebrating my 101st birthday with me with cards, phone calls and visits. I have the big card that was signed by you on my table where I can see it every day. I am so blessed by you all!

I'm praising God and loving life!

Fred Ruleman

### **Our Sympathy**

Our Sympathy to Dean Peterson and family on the passing of his wife, Judy Peterson.

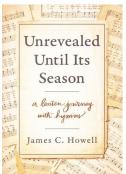
Our Sympathy to Marilyn Osborn and her brother, Merritt Harpole and his family on the death of his wife, Teddie.



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

If you have not been receiving these emails, please contact Nancy Monthei in the church office at 515-278-2097 or nhfamily@newhopedsm.org.

ALSO, we appreciate receiving your updated contact information. Thank you!



A Lenten Reading/Devotional that Pastor Lilian is personally reading is titled,

# "Unrevealed Until Its Season - a Lenten Journey with hymns" by James C. Howell.

We have limited copies of this devotional that can be purchased for \$13.50 from Pastor Lilian for your own personal devotion during Lent.

Please contact the church office, 515-278-2097 or nhfamily@newhopedsm.org to purchase your copy.



**Veterans Helping Veterans** will be having a **8:30am breakfast on Saturday, March 5th.** The breakfasts are open to all veterans, their spouses, and supporters. If you have any questions, please contact Billy Nuzum at bbnewz54@gmail.com

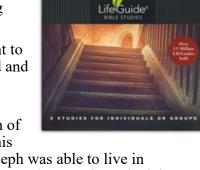
<u>Joseph, How God Builds Character Bible Study:</u> There are two options for this <u>9-week bible study</u> at church.

- **1. Daytime bible study beginning on Monday, March 7th, 1 p.m.**, led by Armenta Buckingham and Linda Kielsmeier.
- 2. Evening bible study beginning on Wednesday, March 23rd at 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. Please come at 6 p.m. for supper with our Children and Youth. Armenta Buckingham, Linda Kielsmeier and Pastor Lilian are enlisting co-teachers.

**Please sign up** for the Bible Study at New Hope's Welcome Window. We want to make sure you receive your Joseph Study Guide ahead of time so you can read and answer the questions for the first lesson. The study guide will cost you \$7.75. Of course, all men, women and teens are invited to attend the bible study!!

This Bible Study is about Joseph from the book of Genesis, the most loved son of Jacob. Joseph faced hard times--more than once. He was sold into slavery by his

brothers. He spent years imprisoned because of a false accusation. And yet Joseph was able to live in forgiveness and hope, and God did great things in his life every step of the way. Author, Paul Borthwick, invites you to explore Joseph's story as a way toward discovering how God's dream might be fulfilled in and through you. *Please join us either on Mondays or Wednesdays!* 



PAUL BORTHWICK

JOSEPH

How God Builds Character

The CAT Priority Groups will have a potluck and planning meeting on Thursday, March 31 at 6pm. Even if you have not previously participated, it is not too late to be a part of these fun and important groups. Share your ideas for growing our church in its various forms of ministry.

Come hungry and bring your favorite potluck dish to share! There will be plenty of food, good conversation, and planning for the future growth of New Hope.

Bruce Bernard: <u>dabill49@aol.com</u> Linda Yaske: <u>linda.yaske@gmail.com</u>





## Join us!

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



### Friday Bible Study

We will meet on **March 11th and 25th at 1:00 p.m.** at the church. Questions? Please contact Jim at jimlouk@icloud.com

#### **New Hope Needlers**

The Needlers sewing group meets the 3rd Friday of the month,

# March 18th, from 9:00 am, 3:00 pm in the north classroom.

We enjoy lunch at Panera in Johnston (optional).

Bring your sewing machine, scissors, thread and pin cushion to make Little Dresses (kits provided) and components for Days for Girls feminine hygiene kits.

There are always non-sewing jobs to be done, such as cutting lengths of ribbon, threading the ribbon into the drawstring bags, matching colorful fabric pieces for shields, and scissor cutting fabric. Please join us in our missions.

Questions may be directed to Jody Rains, 515-278-8282 or Diane Densmore, 515-270-1974.

#### **Care Ministry Team**

The Care Ministry meets quarterly. Next meeting is on Thurs., May 12th 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.

Women's Fellowship will not meet in January. The next gathering will be on Thursday, March 17th at 9:30 a.m. at church. All of the women of the church are invited. Questions? Please contact Susan Clark at 515-964-5119 or suespruce@aol.com

#### **Blood Pressure Check**

Will resume on March 6th, 9:30a-11a 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

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Stroke Club of Iowa

3rd Tuesday of the month (February - October) at 7 p.m. (not currently meeting)



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.

# **East Entrance Addition ~ Update**

The East Entrance Addition has received tremendously positive comments, especially referencing the usefulness, the appearance and how it complements the overall church building.

As of January 31, 2022, \$73,497.66 was donated. All of your donations, regardless the amount, was and is, greatly appreciated!

The actual cost of the addition and other improvements was \$134,304.00, leaving approximately \$68,095.17 on the long term loan. We appreciate all of you who have made monthly pledges to this project until fully paid.



Current loan balance as of 1/31/22 is \$62,361.02 as an additional principal payment was made using donated funds of \$5.451.21.

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

### Love that welcomes all

Actor Tom Hanks once said, "There's no substitute for a great love who says, 'No matter what's wrong with you, you're welcome at this table." Although I don't know that quote's context, those words could well describe Jesus and Holy Communion, as well as God's unconditional love.

For when Jesus first invited his followers, "Take and eat; this is my body. Take and drink; this is my blood," he didn't exclude Judas, who would betray him, or Peter, who would deny him, or any of the others, who would abandon him as he was arrested and executed.

Indeed, no matter what's wrong with us — what sins we've committed, what flaws we try to hide — Jesus welcomes us to the communion table. And he'll welcome us to the great heavenly banquet at the end of time. For the great love of God declares, "You're all welcome at my table."

—Heidi Hyland Mann





Mission Statement: Connecting kids to God and others.

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

# <u>Sunday School for PreK thru 7<sup>th</sup> grade at 9:40 a.m.</u> Due to Spring Break, there will be no Sunday School on March 13th and the 20th.

We are using "Kids' Travel Guide to the Fruit of the Spirit" as our curriculum with two classrooms. One for Pre-K through 2nd Grade. The second classroom will be 3rd Grade through 7th Grade.

Thank God It's Wednesday Due to Ash Wednesday, there will be no TGIW on March 2nd. Due to Spring Break, there will be no TGIW on March 16th.

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

## S.W.A.G. (Saved With Amazing Grace): PreK - 5<sup>th</sup> grade.



We have been traveling with the Beatitudes and about to the end of our journey. For the remainder of the school year, we will pick up two Old Testament stories and two New Testament stories.

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

March 9: Hotdogs/Chili Dogs/Fries by Bob & Sue Soards

March 23: Pulled pork Sandwiches and Corn casserole by Nancy & Dale Monthei

**March 30:** Filipino Noodles by Pastor Lilian and Kirk

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.

Thank you to everyone that has volunteered to prepare the March meals!

#### **Ukulele Lessons for All!**

Annalyn Vida of Des Moines has agreed to come and teach all of us to play the ukulele every 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month. Next gathering will be on **April 6th at 6:45 p.m** (no gathering in March).

Every age group is welcomed to join our Wednesday S.W.A.G. group (Pre-K through 5<sup>Th</sup> 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!

# BLAST: Believing, Learning, Assisting, Serving, Teens

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

We enjoyed a fantastic February in Jr. BLAST!

First of all, **THANK YOU** to everyone in the congregation that made a donation to our Souper Bowl collection! New Hope really came through in the second half of the game and we ended up with a great amount of donations to deliver when we volunteer at the Urbandale pantry in a few weeks!

For our first meeting of the month, we sharpened our sewing skills while creating stuffed sock animals and played Trivia as we worked. The following week, we learned about the greatest love of all - *The Love of God* and put the finishing touches on our projects. We even spent one meeting playing Bible Outburst with our Sr. BLAST friends.... they beat us this time! Can you name 10 mother/son pairs in the Bible? We tried hard but weren't able to come up with the 10 on the list

3/2- Ash Wednesday, No Meeting

3/9-Urbandale Food Pantry Service Project, 6:15pm-7:45pm \*We will leave New Hope at 6:15 and return to church for pick up at 7:45pm. If you are eating dinner, please be at church right at 6pm.

3/16-Spring Break, No Meeting

3/23-Jr. BLAST Activities, 6:30-7:30pm

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Meals will continue to be served from 6-6:30pm on Wednesday evenings. Masks are recommended, but not required for the month of March.

**Sr. BLAST (9th-12th grade)** (<u>BLAST@NewHopeDSM.org</u>): Chris Higdon (Supervising Adult), Pam Frey (Supervising Adult), Chris Spring (Volunteering Adult), Brianna Johnson (Volunteering Adult), and Amanda Soards (Volunteering Adult).

How can it be March already? With spring coming, so does our annual Ash Wednesday Pancake feed event. We have rented the larger pancake grill for this event!

For the month of March, Senior BLAST will continue to study the Book of James during our Wednesday night meetings.

Stay tuned... Next month we will be announcing our Mission Trip destination and which week!

Who is ready to eat pancakes? Don't forget that we are serving "all you can eat" pancakes on Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30pm.
This is before the New Hope's Ash Wednesday service.

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

Mar. 2nd @ 6:30pm ~ Ash Wednesday Pancake Feed

Mar. 9th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for BLAST Discussion

Not Meeting March 19th (Spring Break)

Mar. 23rd @ 6pm ~ Thank God for BLAST Discussion

Mar. 30thh (a) 6pm ~ Thank God for BLAST Discussion

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

Apr. 13th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for BLAST Discussion

Apr. 20th (a) 6pm ~ Thank God for BLAST Discussion

Apr. 27th @ 6pm ~ Thank God for BLAST Discussion



March 2<sup>nd</sup>

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



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 March will be ham and hash brown casseroles, fruit cocktail, and breakfast breads. Volunteers are needed to cook, transport and serve the meal, and donate loaves of breakfast bread (without nuts or peanut butter, please). If you are interested in this opportunity, you may sign up using the following link: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044DACA722A4FE3-holmonday">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044DACA722A4FE3-holmonday</a>

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

# MARCH MISSION NEWS Marilyn Osborn, Chair of Mission Committee

Your support of the Rummage Sale and the Harvest Dinner at New Hope makes it possible to have funds available to send monthly donations to the following:

Bidwell Riverside, Women at the Well, African Immigrant and Refugee Transition Services (AIRTS), Missionary Dr. Mefor, Urbandale Food Pantry, Johnston Partnership and DMARC Food Bank.

### YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS



## **UMCOR – One Great Hour of Sharing**

The fourth Sunday of Lent – March 27, 2022 – is designated by the United Methodist Church as "One Great Hour of Sharing". This special offering is used for a variety of relief programs and funds are administered by the United Methodist Committee on Relief

(UMCOR). This offering is to share the goodness of life to those in need throughout the world.

Since 1940, UMCOR has served as the humanitarian agency of The United Methodist Church, providing disaster response and relief to areas impacted by natural and man-made disasters around the world. Through your financial support on March 27, YOU are serving within a vital network of interactive relationships as UMCOR responds to increasingly-frequent and destructive storms--sharing 100% of donated funds with those in need! Look for the UMCOR offering envelope in your March 27 bulletin!



**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.



lord, when was it that we saw you hun and did not take care of you? (Matthew 25 let NRSV)

**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.

### The next meeting of the Mission Committee will be held in April.

We welcome you to join the committee and are looking for a co-chairperson. The date and time will be announced later. Hopefully, later this year we will be able to return to helping at Bidwell Riverside and working with Meals from the Heartland. We are also looking for other Mission projects.



## **CAMPERSHIPS**

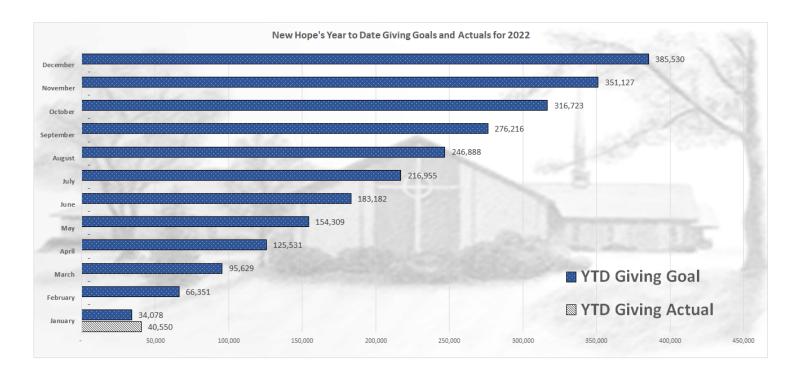
Make sure you get your child registered for camp this summer!

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 <a href="mailto:nancy@newhopedsm.org">nancy@newhopedsm.org</a> to give her the same information.





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

To setup online giving go to <a href="www.newhopedsm.org">www.newhopedsm.org</a> 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.

# **Painting** was one of the projects that happened at New Hope in February.

Thank you to Jerry & Linda Kielsmeier, David Montgomery, Chris Boyles, Chris & Jenn Higdon, Jim & Joey Bolstad and anyone else that is helping with the painting project! "The hallway walls definitely needed some TLC, and once the project is done, it will look fabulous." noted Linda. A beautiful shade of **Beachside Drive** color by Behr is giving the Education hallway walls a refreshing look! "Kids are our future. Let's give them a good Sunday School welcoming in the Education area!" Linda said enthusiastically.









# **Calling All Volunteers!!!**

Please be thinking about how you can volunteer this summer for the church Rummage Sale, July  $24^{th} - 30^{th}!$ 

We have a dedicated team of amazing volunteers, and we often joke that the rummage sale is a well-oiled machine, but please know that there is ALWAYS a place for new helping hands!

We have a specific need for area leaders to oversee **home decor**, **men's clothing** and the **children's area** for this year.

If you are interested, please email Jackie Johnson at jackie johnson 81@aol.com

Is an area too much for you to take on? We understand! Don't worry, we need lots of general volunteers too.

#### Mark your calendars for donation day Sunday, July 24!

Please stay tuned to the March Link for our sale times for this year.

Do you have questions? Jackie would love to hear from you! She can be reached at (515)710-3239 or jackiejohnson81@aol.com.

# **March 2022**

# 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 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel 6:30p, SPRC Mtg.	ASH Wednesday 6p, Pancake Supper 7p, Worship	6:30pm, Worship Committee via Zoom	4 Church Office Closed	5 8:30a, Veterans Breakfast at church
6 1st Sunday in Lent Holy Communion Sunday School: 9:30: Adults 9:40: Children/Youth 9:30-10:45, Blood Pressure	7 1:00p, Bible Study 6:30-8:00p, Girl Scouts (Linda Cooley)	8 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel	9 PreK – 12th grade! 6:00-6:30pm Meal 6:30-7:30pm, SWAG, Jr. BLAST, Sr. BLAST 6p, Chancel Choir practice 7:15p, Praise Band practice	10	11 1:00p, Friday Bible Study at church	12
13 2nd Sunday in Lent Sunday School: 9:30: Adults No Children/Youth Sunday School due to Spring Break	14 1:00p, Bible Study 3:30p, Hand of Luke	15 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel 6:30p, Finance Mtg	16 No Children/Youth programs due to spring break 6p, Chancel Choir practice 7:15p, Praise Band practice	17 9:30a, Women's Fellowship at church	18 9a-3p, Needlers at church	19
20 3rd Sunday in Lent Sunday School: 9:30: Adults No Children/Youth Sunday School due to Spring Break	21 1:00p, Bible Study 6:30-8:00p, Girl Scouts (Linda Cooley) 6:30p, Holy Conversation on Our Denominational Life, FLC	22 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel	23 PreK – 12th grade! 6:00-6:30pm Meal 6:30-7:30pm, SWAG, Jr. BLAST, Sr. BLAST 6:30p, Bible Study 6p, Chancel Choir practice 7:15p, Praise Band practice	24 9a-4p, lowa Conference Mtg, FHall, FLC 6:30p, Administrative Council	25 Deadline for April LINK  1:00p, Friday Bible Study at church	26
27 4th Sunday in Lent Sunday School: 9:30: Adults 9:40: Children/Youth	28 1:00p, Bible Study 6:30p, Holy Conversation on Our Denominational Life, FLC	29 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel	30 PreK – 12 <sup>th</sup> grade! 6:00-6:30pm Meal 6:30-7:30pm, SWAG, Jr. BLAST, Sr. BLAST 6:30p, Bible Study 6p, Chancel Choir practice 7:15p, Praise Band practice	31 6p, CAT Priority Mtg & Potluck		

\*UMCOR Sunday, March 27: Your generous gift supports the United Methodist Committee on Relief's (UMCOR) administrative costs so that all designated gifts will go to the program of the giver's choice. Your contribution ensures UMCOR's response in times of crisis.



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

- 1 Keith Craighton, Deanne Rowland,
- 2 Laura Cross
- 3 Ashlyn Meyer, Dane Jacobson
- 4 Kevin Upah, Kristin Welter, Emma Lemke
- 5 Rex Haugland, Patricia Wadsworth
- 6 Vicki O'Brien, Tami Wise, Janet Herrold
- 8 Pam Johnson, Robert Krause
- 9 Beth Merrill, Henry Roff
- 10 Darlene Gier
- 11 Diane Densmore, Andrew Higdon
- 12 Betty Holwegner
- 14 Norma Pecinovsky, Shari Mongar
- 15 Brianna Johnson
- 16 Charlotte Schultz, Aaron Homard, Steve Dann

- 17 Rick Gier, Mark Baldwin, Becky Baker, Taylyn Berry
- 18 Nina Moses, Laelyn Bowser
- 19 Marjorie Carnahan, Tyler Nearmyer, Myles Redies, Jocelyn O'Brien, Preshia Paulding
- 21 Matthew Henry, Mason Jacques
- 22 Amanda Herring
- 23 Richard Cobb, Chad Meyer, Hannah Short
- 25 Sharon Symonds, Caleb Neu
- 26 Shellev Larsen
- 27 Cathy Cate, Levi Sheer, David Followwill, Al Foote
- 28 Natalie VanderLinden, Margaret Miller
- 29 Noah Kerndt
- 30 Don Ummel, Brody Egger



- 1: Elmer & Theresa Flickinger
- 5: Larry & Patrice Webber
- 8: Joshua & Celeste Nelson
- 9: Kirk & Lilian Seagren
- 11: Damon & Tracy DeBates
- 25: Stephen & Cathy Cate

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.



WORSHIP 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.

#### 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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the LINK mailing list.

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