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Faith Story

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Disciple's Faith Story

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Being Born Anew as
Disciple's Faith Story

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New Hope UMC TGIW Midweek Meetup Celebration Wednesday, May 8th, 6pm-7:30pm Church Parking Lot

Join us to celebrate a wonderful year of fellowship, fun and faith building. Grab a lawn chair and a friend for a fun evening with our church family, everyone is welcome!

We are excited to host kinetic entertainer, Laura Ernst, as our emcee and bonus performer for the evening!

If you are interested in showcasing your talent, please email Jackie Johnson - jackie@newhopedsm.org

Pastor Lilian and Kirk will be providing the meal of noodles, egg rolls, hot dogs, chips and dessert.

Everyone Is Welcome To Join Us!

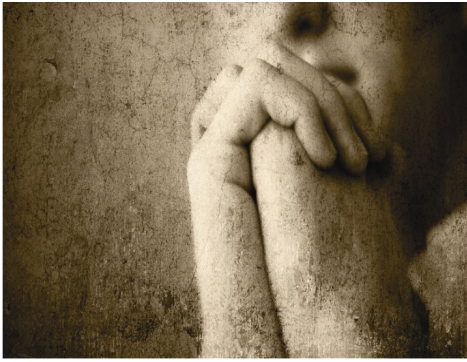
United Women in Faith - Fundraiser

On **May 12th**, there will be a variety of homemade pies for purchase. Buy your Mother's Day dessert! All proceeds will go to UWF's mission projects.

If you would like to donate homemade pies, *please deliver them to the church on Saturday, May 11th, 3-5pm.*

Questions? Call Sharon Smith 515-419-7082 or Glenna Ross 515-321-3010.





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 ~

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

Healing from Cancer:

David Ruleman, Johan Gallo, Julie Mericle, Marco Pranivong, Deb Henry, Terry Larson, Ralph Saunders, William Hults, Popoy Pacunayan

Healing from Physical Issues:

Jack Habick, Jean Wederquist, Joe Robinson, Kirk Dickey, Jim Bolstad, Jay Robinson, Evelyn Nold, FloAnn Wills, Carol Weigel, Freda Ruleman, Dick Cobb, Jim Mather, Keith Kulisky, Diana Bibler, Alexandria Cooley, Theresa Faber, Patricia Smith, Mike Aasheim-Osborne, Karen Hults, Donna Sue Fite, Marcus Coenen

Military: Devan Stanton, Hunter Schmidt, Joshua Ruleman, Rece Haugland, Jacob Gerlach, Brycen Gerlach, Michael Craighton, Clayton Hults, Zach McClain

Our Sympathy

Our Sympathy to Lori, Ashley & Derek Marsh and Kurt Huber on the passing of Lori's mother, Donna Fish.

Our Sympathy to the family and friends of Skylar Freeman. Skylar passed away on April 2, 2024. He is the grandson of Jane Wagner.

Our Sympathy to Keith & Julie Craighton on the passing of Keith's father, Lyle Craighton.

Thank you, Pastor Lilian!

Pastor Lilian is such an inspirational leader for our church, from the parking lot services, confirmation classes, bible studies, to the Diversity Group she promoted and the numerous activities our church has been blessed to sponsor. We all want to give her our **thanks and best wishes**. To that end, there are blank note cards and thank you cards in the old library for you to do just that! Fill free to sign a card (or more than one) and place it in the basket provided. We are such a blessed congregation!

P.S. Don't forget to include Kirk when expressing your appreciation:)



Welcome To Our Church Family!

Juniece McCuddin, 5509 NW Johnston Dr. Apt 201., Johnston 50131. 515-344-0664, hj72mccuddin@gmail.com. Juniece joins us by profession of faith. Juniece is a head cashier at Home Depot. She enjoys quilting, helping with kids activities and travel. Diane Densmore is her shepherd.

Kristin Coffelt, 7990 NW 63rd Ct., Johnston 50131. 515-314-4777, kristincoffelt@gmail.com. Kristin joins by transfer from Indianola First UMC. Kristin is a Realtor/Broker. She and her husband, Paul, have two daughters, Adalyn and Macyn. Kristin enjoys golf, gardening and travel. Billy Nuzum is her shepherd.

Melinda Parker, 4802 Lower Beaver Rd, Des Moines 50310. 515-402-6024, melindaparker52@gmail.com. Melinda joins by transfer from Indianola First UMC. She is employed at Dogpatch Urban Gardens. Melinda enjoys her grandchildren, sports watching and gardening. Billy Nuzum is her shepherd.

Birth ~ Congratulations to Blake & Nicole Wilson on the birth of their daughter, Ainsley Marie Wilson. Ainsley was born on April 9, 2024. She weighed 8lbs 5oz and is 21" long. She joins big brother, Grady, at home. Proud grandparents are Paul & Pam Weisskopf.

Baptism ~ Congratulations to Sophie Noelle Sandquist who was baptized on April 21st. Sophie is the daughter of Tyler & Emma Sandquist.

Thank You

My family would like to thank all who have been praying for my grandson, Skylar, since his first seizure on March 17, 2021. And also for the cards, calls and visits since his passing. Special thanks to Pastor Lilian for her visit and comforting words.
Jane Wagner & family

We appreciate the art work of David Sutton for our Stations of the Cross during Holy Week. Those of us who went through the stations helped us have a space for contemplation and meditation on the days Jesus carried the cross to Calvary. Thank you, David.

New Hope United Methodist Church,
As we celebrate National Volunteer month we wanted to say a **Big Thank You** to your congregation for all they do to support Central Iowa Shelter & Services team and our guests!
We appreciate you! Alie Muller-Heit



Graduate Recognition ~ May 5th @ 10 AM

Graduate Recognition will be on Sunday, May 5th, 10 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 *May 1st*.

High School Graduates:

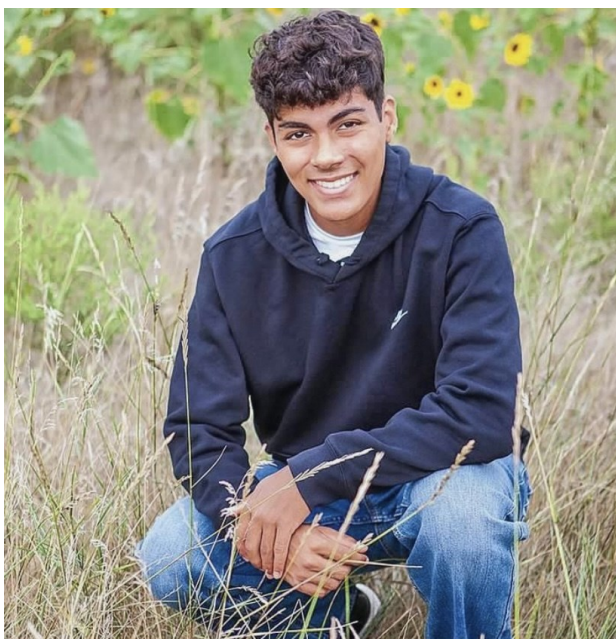
GRADUATE'S NAME:
PARENTS NAMES:
HIGH SCHOOL:
PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL:

College/Graduate School Graduates:

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

John Kirkpatrick, son of Dan & Mona Kirkpatrick, invites you to his graduation party!

Sydney Parker, vocalist with our Praise Team, invites you to her graduation party!



JOHN M. KIRKPATRICK

2024 Johnston High School

5-26-2024 2-5pm New Hope UMC 4525 Beaver Ave, DSM, IA 50310
Text RSVP to 515-494-3061



Veteran's Helping Veterans

We will be having a Veterans breakfast at **8:30am on Saturday, May 18th.**

This is open to all veterans, their spouses and supporters.

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

From New Hope's Children's & Youth Ministries Coordinator: Jackie Johnson

jackie@newhopedsm.org * (515)710-3239.



Sunday School classes continue to be held during the 10am service through **May 19th**. Children start in 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.

During the month of May we will be focusing on **special projects/lessons** in our Sunday School classes.

Our final Sunday School class of the school year will be held on Sunday, May 19th. This will be a celebratory day for a wonderful year of learning together!



Thank you to each of our volunteer teachers and helpers in the Children's Ministry programs during the 2023/2024 school year! We are so blessed to have adults that have a heart for Children's Ministry and a willingness to say yes when they are called on to assist! New Hope is blessed with wonderful people with servant's hearts! We will be hosting a volunteer appreciation breakfast for all of our youth program volunteers in June as a small token of our gratitude for each one of you. Please stay tuned for further details.



After Sunday School wraps up for the year and throughout the summer, children are welcome to join Jackie at the kid's table in the back of the FLC for quiet activities during service.



Join us as we dive into friendship with God this summer at New Hope!

July 14 - July 17

5:30-6pm Dinner

6-8pm VBS Program for PreK-8th Graders

Don't delay, add VBS to your summer plans today!

If you aren't sure if you already registered, just email Jackie and she will find out for you.

Participants Register Here: <https://forms.gle/ukcBEAv92dtMMsJGA>

We need A LOT of volunteers to have a successful VBS!

We would love for you to join us for a week of fun and faith building.

There are a variety of ways you can help: in the kitchen, shepherding kids to and from activities, leading a station, decorating, etc...

Volunteers Register Here: <https://forms.gle/QT9VwXGJUUitaVHn6>

We can't wait to **SEA** you there!

It has been a great year of TGIW Midweek Meetup and it is hard to believe it is almost finished! April was full of lots of fun. We started the month with our joint service project, making t-shirt bags for Many Hands Thrift Market and birthday cake kits for the Johnston Partnership! April 10th, all of our TGIW groups headed outside to enjoy the beautiful evening with activities on the lawn. April 17th, we created a variety of projects to honor our moms and focused on gratefulness. April 24th, we found ourselves back outside to focus on Earth Day and the environment and how that relates to us as followers of Jesus.



Read all about our *Marvelous May...*

5/1- All group service project, Amanda the Panda at 1821 Grand Ave. in West Des Moines. We will be on site volunteering from 6:45-7:45pm so please plan to drop off at New Hope as close to 6 as you can to allow us all time to eat dinner and get on the road. We will be back at New Hope by about **8:10pm** for pickup.

5/8- TGIW Midweek Meetup Celebration, 6pm-7:30pm. This is our final Wednesday night program of the school year! Join us to celebrate a wonderful year of fellowship, fun and faith building. Grab a lawn chair and a friend and join us for a fun evening with our church family, everyone is welcome! We are excited to host kinetic entertainer, Laura Ernst, as our emcee and bonus performer for the evening!

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

Wednesday Night Menu:

5/1- Bag dinner - cold sandwiches, chips and a cookie

5/8- Noodles, Egg Rolls, Hot Dogs/Chips and Dessert

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.



The meal volunteers for May are -

Glenna Ross, DeVonne Douglas, and Cadence Kasper

Pastor Lilian and Kirk Seagren

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 TGIW Midweek Meetup crew made 24 birthday cake kits for the Johnston Partnership as part of their April service project.

The kids each decorated a bag with birthday wishes and filled the bag with a cake pan, cake mix, frosting, can of sprite, recipe card, birthday plates, napkins, balloons, candles, a handmade card and a noise maker.





The New Hope Nursery is looking for help starting May 1st!

If you enjoy working with kids 4 and under and would like to spend 2 to 3 Sundays per month during the 10am service in the nursery getting paid to play as a second adult, please reach out to Jackie Johnson via email: jackie@newhopedsm.org for more information or to submit a completed application.

To access the application please go to:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cBLHwqTIIppRIuQJYQ_adqu4EQJuvqTW/view?usp=sharing

Prior to employment, a background check will be completed.

BLAST Ministry ~ Believing, Learning, Assisting, Serving, Teens

Jr. BLAST ~ 6th-8th graders and Sr. BLAST ~ 9th-12th graders

Leaders: Chris Higdon, Pam Frey and McKayla Nearmyer (BLAST@NewHopeDSM.org)



July 8-12

<https://sgu.camp/>

As we are getting closer to Summer... Don't forget to get registered for Summer Games University!

This year we are encouraging all youth; both Senior BLAST and Junior BLAST kids to sign up for Summer Games University (<https://sgu.camp/>). Summer Games University is a one-week camp experience on campus at Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa. This year's camp is from **July 8-12, 2024!**

Additionally, BLAST is paying the full registration fees for this camp this year. Given we are doing this in lieu of a Summer Mission Trip. Please send your camp registration receipt to Nancy (nancy@NewHopeDSM.org) and she get you reimbursed for the camp registration fees.

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

May 1st @ 6pm ~ 1st Wednesday Service Project

May 8th @ 6pm ~ Final Night of BLAST Celebration

July 8th - 12th ~ Summer Games University

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

“Spring Campus Clean Up Day” ~ Thank You!

Thank you to all who helped with Spring Cleanup, April 6, 2024. The fellowship of working together and sharing a meal together made for a great day of Christian togetherness.

The landscaped areas were cleaned up and mulched, the retaining pond area and septic tank areas were cleared of debris. Some dead trees were removed from the tree line by the parsonage. Thanks to John Rains for the use of his tractor and loader. It makes hauling the debris to the dumpster much less labor intense.

Those that participated were Sue Soards, Brad and Brynna Johnson, Billy Nuzum, Jack and Janet Habick, Jim Bolstad, David Montgomery, John Rains, Tim McCulley, Susan and Mark Baldwin, Doug Fairchild, Joe Traylor, Don Gurnsey, Gary and Nan Stubbs

Lunch was provided by Pastor Lillian and Nan Stubbs. Dessert was provided by John Dickerson Red Velvet Cupcakes, Apple Pie and Banana Cream Pie.

If I missed anyone in the thank you, I apologize. The Board of Trustees greatly appreciate all that made our Cleanup Day a success!

NHUMC Trustee Nan Stubbs



Different Colors One People



DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

The 2nd event Celebrating Our Diversity at NHUMC was a success!

Music featured classical Spanish guitar, Filipino karaoke, a Liberian praise band, Rwandan dancing and singing “How Great Thou Art”! The Lord’s Prayer was said in seven languages.

Food and drink was served representing cultures from Liberia, the Philippines, Laos, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Iran, Mexico, and Rwanda. CultureALL and Iowa Artforce set up tables. Friends left with an opportunity to send us their recipes from their own culture and heritage.

The Family Life Center featured eleven country flags and poster boards with learning opportunities. Kids enjoyed the opportunity to learn about each country and write it in their passports. Most of all, there was ample time for sharing in fellowship.

We look forward to continuing our celebration of diversity. If you have something you’d like to suggest for the next event, please email the team leaders, Bruce Benard and Linda Yaske, or better yet, join the team!





Just over 80 days until Rummage Sale donation day!
Roughly 1, 944 hours...or 116,640 minutes

We are so excited to welcome back our veteran volunteers and would also love to have some new hands on deck this year!
The sale is a huge undertaking, and it requires hundreds of volunteer hours over the course of a week.
Whether you have an hour to spare or want to put in a full 40-hour work week, we appreciate the gift of your time and talents!

Not only is this sale one of the biggest fundraisers in our church, but it is also an amazing opportunity for community outreach!

We make connections with our shoppers, many of whom return every year!

We provide low-cost high-quality items during our sale and with the rising cost of everything, the sale is more needed than ever before!

It is never too early to share our sale information with your friends and family!

Sunday, July 21- Donation Day – Donations will be accepted from the conclusion of service – 7pm
July 22-24- Sorting/Pricing/Sale Organizing Days (You may also bring in your donations Monday from 9a-1pm)

SHOPPING HOURS:

July 25 ~ Noon-6pm

July 26 ~ 9-6pm

July 27 ~ 9-Noon

Some areas of greatest need are:

Cashiers for Thursday - We need 4 teams of checkers/sackers (8 people) to work Thursday, particularly in the first 3 hours of our Sale (from 12-3pm).**Cashiers will be handling money and need to be comfortable making change.**

Area Leaders- Our sale is LARGE, and it is extremely helpful to have one point person to be the leader for each sale area. Please let Jackie know if you will be a returning area leader or would like to sign up for the first time this year to oversee an area!

Saturday Clean Up - If you aren't available during the week but would like to contribute, PLEASE consider volunteering to help us box up all of the leftovers to be donated. This takes A LOT of time and by the end of the week our usual team is tired. Assistance with this would be greatly appreciated!

If you want to volunteer for any of these roles or find out more information, please let Jackie know. She can be reached via email-jackiejohnson81@aol.com/phone-(515)710-3239.

Since we are hosting the sale in the summer, it would be great to get some of our New Hope young people help as their schedules allow! This counts for silver cord and BSA service hours!

Would you be willing to spend just a few of those 116,640 minutes considering how you might be able to help our church with this outreach/fundraising effort?

Please fill out the volunteer form at: <https://forms.gle/Sqh8bger97wNsuLS9>

Thank you so much for your consideration!
Jackie Johnson

Blood Pressure Check

No checks in May.
June 2nd, 8:45 am - 11am in the Narthex.

ADULT Sunday School

Join us!

10:00 a.m. in the Ruby Chapel using “Wired Word” curriculum.

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.

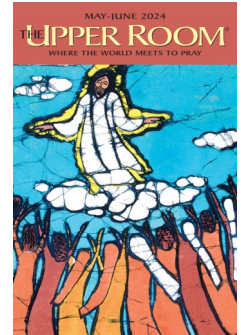
Stroke Club of Iowa

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/>

Upper Room

New Hope UMC has available to you the Upper Room Daily Devotional Guide.

The May/June issue is in the Communication Center. You may leave a donation in the box by the Upper Room guides.



Men’s Fellowship will meet on **Saturday, May 4th at 8:30 a.m.** at church. All men are invited!!



Care Ministry Team

The Care Ministry meets quarterly. Next meeting is on **Thurs., July 11th 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.

We are women who gather to strengthen our faith by supporting each other and by learning about local charitable and community organizations. We fundraise to support those who help others. Join us to hear informative programs, to develop friendship with other women in our church and to join in giving to others.



United Women in Faith

Our next meeting is May 16th at 9:30 a.m. May speaker will be from the Foundation for the Blind.

On the **first Sunday of each month**, in the church hallway, when you see our globe, please stop and drop in some change. You will be helping the United Women in Faith group and the missions they support. Thank you.

Questions? Please call Karen Skovgard at 515-979-3640

New Hope Needlers

The Needlers will not meet in May. Our next sewing day will be **Friday, June 21.** In the meantime, enjoy pictures of our April sewing day with new helpers, Laelyn Bowser who folded underwear for Days for Girls kits and threaded elastic in a pair of Little Britches and Juniece McCuddin who will be helping with lap quilts.

Questions: Contact Diane Densmore, 515-270-1974 or Jody Rains, 515-238-4051.



May 2024 MISSION NEWS

Marilyn Osborn, Chair of Mission Committee



Two-Year Anniversary for Free Little Food Pantry!

May 2022, the New Hope congregation began to supply the Free Little Food Pantry off Meredith Drive with 20 food items every Monday. It is two years later and the New Hope congregation has done an amazing job of supporting this mission and have increased the number of food items to **50** every Monday. **THANK YOU!**

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. *Please no opened boxes or expired items.* Sign up for a Monday to deliver the 50 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

In Pastor Lilian's Easter letter, she reminded us that New Hope United Methodist Church's mission statement is **"Following Christ, inspiring minds, loving hearts, serving hands and impacting communities"** and included a list of 2023 Faith by Numbers:

Total food items to Food Banks and Pantry – 2,560

Total Grains from Grain Bin – 400 lbs.

Total Mission Monies given to local missions - \$16,878

Total work hours given to local mission – 600 hours

Total number of children that attended Church Camp - 8



Camperships ~ Make sure you get your child registered for camp this summer! Last year New Hope had eight young people going to camp.

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.

Monthly checks ~ Your donations to New Hope also make it possible to send checks throughout 2024 to African Immigrant and Refugee Transition Services (AIRTS), Families Forward, DMARC Food Pantry, Women at the Well, Johnston Partnership, Missionary Dr. Mefor, and Urbandale Food Pantry.

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, go to <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, Families Forward and the Urbandale Food Pantry, on a rotation schedule.

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS



Hand of Luke, Tuesday, May 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 May will be ham and vegetable casserole, sliced peaches, dinner rolls, and snickerdoodle cookies.

Volunteers are needed to prepare the meal, transport the food to the shelter, serve at the shelter, and donate cookies (no peanut butter or nuts, please). 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/30E044DACA722A4FE3-49226826-holtuesday>

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

Sleeping Mats/Loom

New Hope's United Women in Faith recently had the opportunity to have a speaker come from Midwest Missions located in Jefferson.

Among the many opportunities for missions, the one that really stood out to a few of us was the Sleeping Mat she brought. The mat is made from shopping bags and it is water proof. We purchased a loom so that everyone could contribute their time to weave the mat, cut bags, flatten bags, fold bags to make the mat, or simply donate your shopping bags.

The mats are distributed by Midwest Missions all over the world including Iowa.

We encourage everyone to help with this project. Anyone can learn to weave, you can weave anytime for as long as you like.

Questions? Contact Glenna Ross at glenna625@hotmail.com or 515-321-3010.



Ukulele Club ~ Join us and make a joyful noise!!

May 13th, 6:30 - 7:30 pm at New Hope UMC.

Bring a ukulele. All levels welcome!

Questions? contact Sandy Johnson at sandy.johnson500@gmail.com or 515-210-5061.



Chair Yoga & Fitness ~ Every Monday and Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

This is a gentle yoga & fitness that is done while you are seated on a chair. It's a 30-45 minute session. The instructors are from Youtube videos.

Please meet in the Fellowship Hall. No fee! *This is for anyone and any age. Bring your friends!*



Crafters meet in the Ruby Chapel on **Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm.**

This is an informal group so crafters can come and go. We invite knitters, crocheters, cross stitchers, hand quilters, and all other to join us for fellowship and craft time.

Questions? Contact Le Howland at 515-418-0998

This year New Hope was fortunate to have a table at the 19th Annual Governor's Conference on LGBTQ Youth.

Kids stopped by to talk about New Hope and loved the stickers and "Jesus loves me" wristbands.

It was a great opportunity for New Hope members Carol Harter and Kandra Dickerson to provide a positive church interaction with kids who often feel excluded from the church.

The conference was held on April 5th and is the largest LGBTQ youth conference in the Midwest.





Dr. Wendy Zadeh started her credentialing process for set aside ministry in June of 2023 that included completing her Master of Divinity in December, examination and approval with our Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee (SPPRC), approval of Charge Conference and examinations and approval of the Riverview Park District Committee on Ministry.

After completing her Pastoral Licensing School in June 2024, she begins her status as Licensed Local Pastor effective July 1, 2024. With the Approval of the District Committee on Ministry, Pastor Wendy will be moving to the examination of Provisional Membership by the Conference Board on Higher Education and Ordained Ministry. The goal of the process is to becoming an Ordained Elder in the denomination.

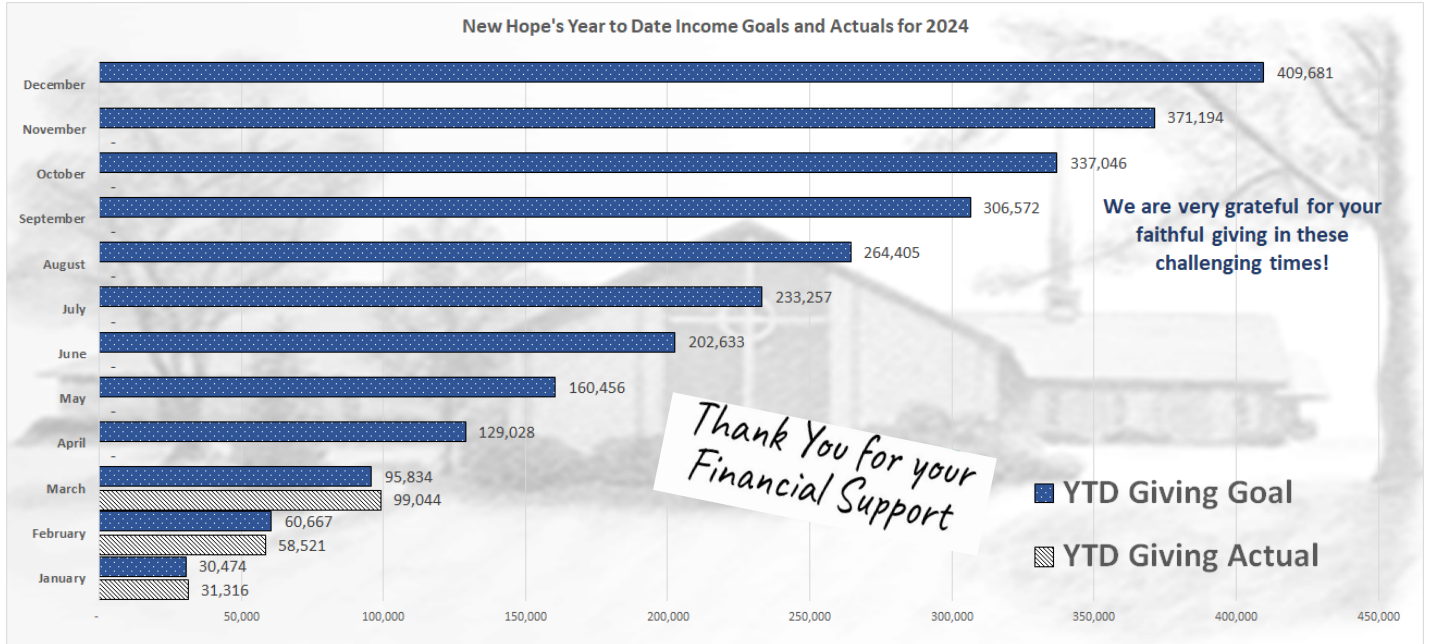
Congrats, Pastor Wendy!!

The East Entrance was designed and built: 1) to keep you safe and dry during inclement weather, 2) to enhance the east door as the primary entrance into the church building. Please consider using this beautiful addition for the safety and comfortability of your loved ones!



The loan balance currently is **\$34,019**.
Join us for our campaign ~ **"Can You Spare a Dollar?"**
Place your weekly \$1 in the container at each worship space.

Thank you!!! Board of Trustees




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.

May 2024

**Sunday morning services are:
9:00, 10:00 and 11:00**
Sunday School & Nursery at 10:00

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

			1 9:30 Chair Yoga 6:00p, Confirmation Class 6:30p, Crafters, R.Chapel TGIW ~ PreK-12th grade 6:00-7:30 Activities 7:30p, Puppets 6:00p, Chancel Choir 7:00p, Praise Band practice	2 6:30p, Worship Mtg	3	4 8:30a, Men's Breakfast at church
5 Holy Communion 9a, Noah Dillenburg baptism 10a, Graduate Recognition	6 9:30 Chair Yoga & Fitness 7p, Trustees Meeting	7 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel 6:30p, SPRC Mtg.	8 9:30 Chair Yoga 6pm, Last TGIW ~ Dinner and Talent Show 6:30p, Crafters, R.Chapel 6:00p, Chancel Choir 7:00p, Praise Band practice	9	10	11 10a-1p, F.Hall reserved (Pastor Lilian)
12  Pie Fundraiser 1p-4p Sanctuary & F.Hall reserved (Judy Nemmers)	13 9:30 Chair Yoga & Fitness 6:30p, Ukulele Club, F.Hall	14 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel 3:30p, Hand of Luke	15 9:30 Chair Yoga 6:00p, Confirmation Class 6:30p, Crafters, R.Chapel 7:00p, Praise Band practice	16 9:30a, United Women in Faith, Fellowship Hall	17	18 8:30a, Veterans Breakfast
19 Pentecost Sunday Last Sunday School 10a, Confirmation Sunday 1p-5p, F.Hall & FLC reserved (Christensens)	20 9:30 Chair Yoga & Fitness 4p, Steven & Beatrice Schutter's 10 yr. wedding renewal	21 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel 6:30p, Finance Mtg. 7:00p, Stroke Club (F.Hall)	22 9:30 Chair Yoga 6:30p, Crafters, R.Chapel 7:00p, Praise Band practice	23 June LINK deadline 6:30p, Administrative Council Mtg.	24 Church Office Closed	25 Noon - 4p, F.Hall reserved (Leydas)
26 1p-6p, F.Hall & FLC reserved (Kirkpatricks)	27 Church Office Closed Memorial Day 11a-4p, F.Hall reserved (Lily Larsen)	28 9:30a, Al-Anon, R.Chapel Noon, AA, R.Chapel	29 9:30 Chair Yoga 6:30p, Crafters, R.Chapel 7:00p, Praise Band practice	30	31	



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



- 1 Brook Larsen
- 3 FloAnn Wills
- 4 Maddy Pattschull, William Rock,
- 5 John Lichter, Jeanne Mukeshimana
- 6 Cathy Beck-Cross, Alex Williamson, Sally Lindstrom
- 8 Taylor Webber, Noah Neu
- 9 Pam Frey, Benjamin Leyda, Mollie Rooney
- 10 Beatrice Schutter
- 11 Spencer Wolfe
- 13 Marilyn Osborn
- 14 Andrew Wise

- 17 Tim Mc Culley, Ron Ringgenberg
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- 21 Grady Wilson
- 22 Linda Yaske
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- 25 Jody Wolfe
- 26 Joan Ringgenberg
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- 28 Sarah Sahlin, Kirsten Warner
- 29 Paul Weisskopf, John Walker, Allyson Mohrman
- 30 Caroline Christensen, Shirley Johnson, Montgomery Collet

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- 5 Gary & Nan Stubbs
- 6 Tim & Janet Carrigan
- 6 Nancy & Dale Monthei
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- 17 Lisa & Jack VanDenBurg
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- 19 Don & Ruth Doxon
- 19 Paul & Pam Weisskopf
- 20 Steven & Beatrice Schutter
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9:00 & 11:00: Traditional Services in the Sanctuary
10:00: Contemporary Service in the Neil Cross 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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