

THE RESPONSIVE READER

OCTOBER 2018

PASTOR'S PAGE

To you,

Here at New Hope UMC we have recently completed our Steak Supper Fundraiser. This is an annual fundraiser that includes fixing up some cubed steak, rice and gravy, cole slaw, and a roll. This might not sound like much but the effort to get all the meals prepared is a mighty one to say the least. The many volunteers that helped with this fundraiser were able to prepare hundreds of meals for people to purchase. The funds that were raised were given to the building expansion fund.

In our youth group, we have been asking each other, "Where did you see God at work this week?" My answer for that question is that I saw God at work in all of those willing volunteers that helped with the fundraiser. Despite the wind and the rain from Hurricane Florence, many people stepped up to make this fundraiser a success. While preparing the food, there was much time for fellowship and sharing. The many people that came out to purchase supper were blessed by more than just the food. Many smiling faces met them at the door and expressed their gratitude for those willing to come out during the storm.

It's more than just a steak supper; it's about offering a time of coming together with the common purpose of showing love towards one another. We are stronger together than we ever are on our own. God shows up, even within the storms that we go through. We never go alone, God is with us!

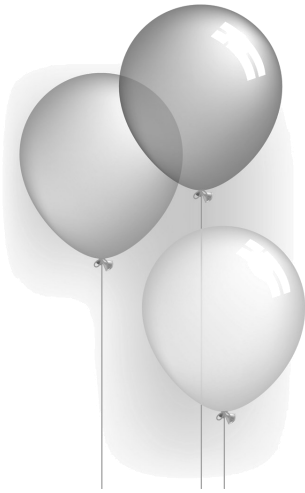
Pastor Cameron



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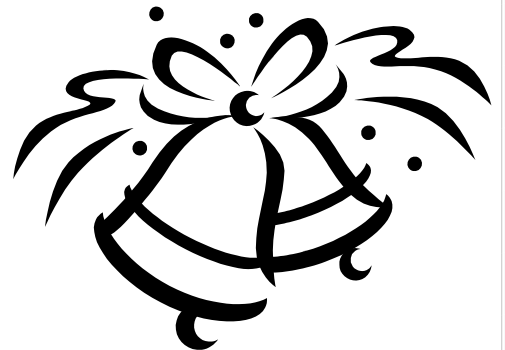
BIRTHDAY WISHES



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|----|----------------|----|-------------------|
| 1 | Kursten Long | 23 | Barry Graham |
| 2 | Graham LaCons | 26 | Roger Graham |
| 4 | J.B. Wicker | | Jordan Suber |
| | Susan Canton | | Chloe Simmons |
| 8 | Elise Holley | 28 | Lynn Livingston |
| | Sandra Surerus | 29 | Aliene Livingston |
| 11 | Hannah Donkle | 30 | Doug Graham |
| 22 | Jude Pitts | | |

ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Chris & Kristen LaCons
- 25 Aaron & Shannon Livingston
Eric & Lindsey Huffstetler
- 27 Mike & Aliene Livingston



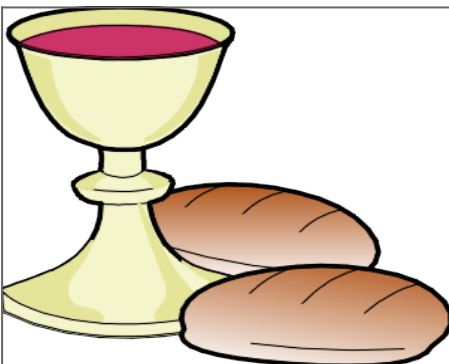
FLOWERS

7 Ella Margaret and Benji Rawls in memory of Sammy Rawls and Kenny Rawls

14 James and Judy Long

21 Evan and Rebecca Pitts in honor of Jude William and Silas Boyd Pitts

28 David and Stephanie Graham



COMMUNION STEWARDS

Erik and Natalie Lewis

USHERS

7 Terry Rawls / Lee Bedenbaugh

14 Michael Davis / Kurt Long

21 Danny Stone / Larry Longshore

28 Lee Bedenbaugh / Aaron Livingston

GREETERS

7 Billy & Brenda Waites

14 Ann-Marie Carlisle & Jennifer Brunson

21 Danny & Jenny Stone

28 Terry & Marilyn Rawls

ACOLYTES

7 Kursten Long

14 Emily Hawkins

21 Kursten Long

28 Emily Hawkins

YARD MAINTENANCE:

Volunteers for Fall yard clean up day —
Saturday, October 13th @ 9am

“Backpack Ministry” ——— October need: Lance crackers

Matthew 25:37

Remember the **Pomaria Community Food Bank when doing your grocery shopping.
The food pantry is in GREAT need of canned goods.

UPCOMING EVENTS.....

Blessing of the Animals.... This special service will be held on Thursday, October 4th @ 6pm in front of the church. Bring your dog, cat, goat, horse etc... for an afternoon of fun!

Turkey Stew is now on sale!!! \$7 a quart — pick up at the Bazaar on 10/20 — 9am til noon

Turkey Stew Donations Items needed gallons of mustard, gallons of worchestershire sauce, vinegar, Texas Pete. If you'd be willing to donate anything please let Elaine know by October 14th.

Cooking of the Turkey Stew.... Friday, October 19th beginning around 1 — All help from 5pm until Will be greatly needed and appreciated!!

Fall BazaarThe annual Fall Bazaar will be held on Saturday, 10/20, 9am-noon. Items needed: wreaths, any craft items, crochet, ceramics, woodworks, canned goods, baked goods, frozen casseroles, etc... All craft items need to be in the fellowship hall on Friday evening by 8pm. Baked goods and frozen casseroles can be brought Friday evening or Saturday morning by 8:30am. Please price all items.

Fall Family Festival / Trunk or Treating This annual event will be held on Sunday, October 28th, @ 5pm. There will be trunk or treating for the kids, hamburgers, fun and games for everyone! Mark your calendars now and plan on attending. More details soon.

***Please check the bulletin for any committee meetings that may not be posted on the calendar in preparation for charge conference.

MEN'S CLUB

- The men's club meet on Sunday, 10/7 @ 8am in the fellowship hall. All men of the congregation are invited to attend.

UMYF

- Youth meetings are held each Sunday afternoon @ 5:30pm in the fellowship hall. All youth grades 5-12 are invited to attend and bring a friend.

SOC GROUP

The SOC Group will meet on Sunday, 10/14, @ 7pm in the fellowship hall. Melanie Wyatt will have the program on "Bible Journaling". **Everyone is asked to bring their Bibles to the meeting.** All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

- Women's Prayer Breakfast — is held the Thursday after the third Sunday each month at 8:00am. This month it will be held on **10/25**. This is open to all women of the church. Come and bring a friend for fellowship to start your day!

KIDS IN CHRIST

- Kids in Christ will meet on Sunday, October 14th @ 4:30pm in the fellowship hall.

"GO" GROUP

The "GO" Group is planning a trip to the mountains on Thursday, 10/11. Lunch will be dutch treat and there will be stops for apples/pumpkins. Look for more details to come soon!

WORDS OF WISDOM.....

NEVER MIND TRYING TO REMEMBER THE NAMES OF THE SEVEN DWARFS OR THE EIGHT REINDEER. JUST REMEMBER THE 10 COMMANDMENTS.

New Hope Administrative Council Meeting

September 2, 2018

Present: Gary Graham, Cameron Levi, Larry Longshore, Robert Davis, Melanie Wyatt, Zalia Hawkins, Trey Simmons, Elaine Bedenbaugh, Lee Bedenbaugh

Gary called the meeting to order and Rev. Levi opened with prayer.

Minutes from the last meeting were presented and approved.

Committee Reports

Treasurer -

Operating fund - budgeted	\$7,200	Expansion fund -	\$208,935.26
	received		\$6,519.15
	expended		\$3,922.91

PPRC - The committee recently met and discussed the pastoral salary for next year. The recommendation has been sent to the Finance Committee.

Trustees - Many projects have been completed including: pressure washing church and fellowship hall, installing crawl space vents in sanctuary, replacing HVAC filters, repairing seesaw, and organizing kitchen and downstairs rooms in church. Also, Seal-Maxx will fill and seal the cracks in the parking lot. Other items being looked into are broken window panes, smoke detectors, and steeple leak. Next meeting will be Sunday 10/14 at 3pm.

Parsonage - Next meeting Sunday 9/9 at 5pm.

Finance - Plans to meet before the end of September to prepare for Charge conference. Larry asked that any budget request for next year be given to him as soon as possible so they can be included in next year's budget.

Building - Met to discuss fundraising. Having fried steak supper on September 15

Worship - Preparing for Homecoming service on September 23rd and Blessing of Animals on Thursday October 4th at 6pm

Education - Next meeting on Thursday September 13th at 7pm

Fellowship and service groups

Go group – Next meeting Thursday 9/6 at noon.

SOC – Next meeting Sunday 9/9 at 7pm.

Men's club – Partnering with fundraising committee for steak supper and bake sale on Saturday 9/15.

UMW - Next prayer breakfast will be Thursday 9/20 at 8am

Middle Agers – Planning mountain trip 9/22. Let Jenny Lynn know by 9/8 if you plan to go.

Youth – Met 9/2 at 5:30 and 4 youth attended, 3 from New Hope and 1 from Mt. Pleasant. Cameron and Gary are asking for volunteers to assist with the youth. If you are able to help in any way please let them know.

Pastor's Report

Rev. Levi wanted everyone to know that even though he is back in school, he is available by phone at any time. Do not hesitate to call when you need him.

Old Business

Christian Copyright License International- the license has been purchased which means the church is covered to use copyrighted material

Upstairs classroom use - Trey is exploring the feasibility of using the area for parents and small children during worship

New Business

Charge conference has been changed to Saturday October 27th at 11 am at New Hope

Trey reported the Trustees are working on updating the cemetery policy and will present it to the council at a later date

Adjourn

AuTumn Blessings

Autumn brings to the soul relief,
as hot Summer days slip to an end
God sent the season for weary hearts
to restore, repair, and mend.

Unlike the Autumn trees,
that shed their changing leaves
God sent the season for failing hearts
to adhere, embrace, and cleave.

Just as with the Autumn winds,
there comes a new refreshing rain
God sent the season for fraying hearts
to increase, grow, and gain.

The Autumn sun is slow to climb
and dips much earlier into the night
God sent the season for sleepy hearts
to rise, shine, and unwind in His light.

God gave to us the Autumn season,
so we could have a respite and rest
for it is the season for our beset souls
to see how much we are blessed!

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1	2 Worship Comm. Mtg @ 7pm	3	4 Blessing of the animals @ 6pm	5	6
7 Men 8am Youth 5:30pm Council Mtg 7pm	8	9 Education Committee Mtg. @ 7pm	10 Nomina- tions Mtg. @ 7pm	11 “GO” group mountain trip	12	13
14 Trustees @ 3p KIC 4:30p Youth 5:30p SOC 7p	15	16	17 Family Ministries Mtg. @ 7pm	18	19 Cooking of the Turkey Stew	20 Fall Bazaar 9am—noon
21 Youth 5:30p	22	23	24	25 Wom- en’s Prayer Breakfast @ 8am	26	27 Charge Conference @ 11 am
28	29	30	31			

Happenings at New Hope

- ◆ 10/4 — Blessing of the Animals @ 6pm
- ◆ 10/19 — Cooking of the Turkey Stew
- ◆ 10/20 — Fall Bazaar 9am-noon
- ◆ 10/27 — Charge Conference @ 11am
- ◆ 10/28 — Fall Festival @ 5pm

***** Check inside for organizations and committees meeting times and dates.**



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