

## FEBRUARY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER

- S 2/5 9:45 a.m. Worship**
- T 2/7 5:30 p.m. Tech and Check**  
**6:30 p.m. Worship Design**  
**5:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus**  
**5:45-6:15 Faithfully Fit Class**  
**6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study**
- W 2/8 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"**  
 Bible Study  
**3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice**  
**3:20 p.m. Kingdom Kids Afterschool**  
**4:15 p.m. Choir Practice**  
**5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper**  
**6:00 p.m. Youth**
- SA 2/11 11:30-1 p.m. Tae Kwon Do**
- S 2/12 9:45 a.m. Worship**
- M 2/13 1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study**
- T 2/14 5:30 p.m. Tech and Check**  
**6:30 p.m. Worship Design**  
**5:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus**  
**5:45-6:15 Faithfully Fit Class**  
**6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study**
- W 2/15 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"**  
 Bible Study  
**3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice**  
**3:20 p.m. Kingdom Kids Afterschool**  
**4:15 p.m. Choir Practice**  
**5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper**  
**6:00 p.m. Youth**
- SA 2/18 11:30-1 p.m. Tae Kwon Do**
- S 2/19 9:45 a.m. Worship**
- T 2/21 5:30 p.m. Tech and Check**  
**6:30 p.m. Worship Design**  
**5:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus**  
**5:45-6:15 Faithfully Fit Class**  
**6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study**
- W 2/22 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"**  
 Bible Study  
**3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice**  
**3:20 p.m. Kingdom Kids Afterschool**  
**4:15 p.m. Choir Practice**  
**5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper**  
**6:00 p.m. Youth**
- SA 2/25 11:30-1 p.m. Tae Kwon Do**
- S 2/26 9:45 a.m. Worship**
- T 2/28 5:30 p.m. Tech and Check**  
**6:30 p.m. Worship Design**  
**5:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus**  
**5:45-6:15 Faithfully Fit Class**  
**6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study**

### February Administrative Meetings

- Staff Parish Mtg.** – Mon. Feb 6 – 6:30 p.m.  
**Finance Mtg.** – Wed. Feb. 8 – 6:30 p.m.  
**Trustees Mtg.** – Wed. Feb. 15 – 6:30 p.m.  
**Ad Council Mtg.** – Thurs. Feb. 23 – 7:00 p.m.  
**Staff Mtg.** – Mon. Feb. 27 – 6:00 p.m.

***Winter Reminder:** We never cancel service on Sundays due to the weather. Please make your best judgement. If you can make it safely, we look forward to seeing you!*



## Wednesday Night Dinner Menu

February 8th, 2017

Special Surprise Dinner

**5:30 p.m.**

**Free-will offering Public Invited**

## Faithfully Fit Classes



**TUESDAYS AT  
NEW HOPE**

**5:45 – 6:15 P.M.**

Have fun improving your  
spiritual,  
physical and emotional  
health!

**Certified instructor Shawn Sredersas  
will be offering a free-will donation,  
Low-Impact "FUN in FITNESS" Class!**

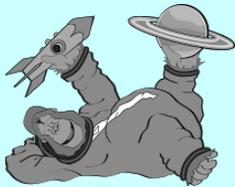
**Call 231-349-7359**

for more information



## SCHEDULE GALACTIC BLAST

Feb. 5 – AnnMarie Buchner  
Feb. 12 – Sue Reed  
Feb. 19 – AnnMarie Buchner  
Feb. 26 – AnnMarie Buchner



*Children's ministry is offered  
during Sunday's 9:45 a.m. worship*

### Second Saturday Munch Bunch

The Second Saturday Munch Bunch will meet for dinner at 5:00 pm on Saturday, February 11 at the Remus Tavern in their Green Room.

The Second Saturday Munch Bunch is open to everyone in the church and is a great way to get to know other people. We usually meet at a restaurant the second Saturday of each month for breakfast, lunch, or dinner. Come enjoy a great meal, conversation, and fellowship! There is no obligation to going every second Saturday—come when you are able to!

If you have never attended one of our outings, why not try us! There is a sign-up board located in the Narthex by the church office. Any questions, please call Laura Hall at 231-972-7000.

### Benevolence Joyful Noise Report

The January offering for Joyful Noise was \$239.50. We assisted in helping 5 families in the amount of \$941.91. Thank you for your generous support.

*In His Service, Nancy Karcher*

### ***God's Helping Hands is in need of items for their store.***

Items include winter clothing – men's, women's, children's and infants along with household items – dishes/bedding, pot and pans to name a few.

Donations are accepted on Tuesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon. God's Helping Hands is located on 8760 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Remus. Phone 989-967-8581. If Chippewa Hills School system is closed, so is God's Helping Hands.

*Thank you for your continued support!*

## BABY DIAPER



## BONANZA

As we begin a New Year, New Hope has an opportunity to help God's Helping Hands restock their shelves with diapers.

Newborn and size 2-3 are requested the most but will gratefully accept all sizes.

The Baby Diaper Bonanza promotion will run from February 5 through the 19<sup>th</sup>. A tote will be available in the Narthex for drop offs.

Let's help our neighbors struggling with the basic necessities of daily life.

*Yours in Christ, Nancy Karcher and  
Sharon Francis*



The Finance Committee invites you to take in an opportunity to help New Hope in a unique way. It's referred to as "Light the Church for a Week."

The cost of lighting New Hope is approximately \$85 per week. When you choose to "Light the Church for a Week, you would pay that amount and also honor a love one's memory, celebrate an important date – birthday, anniversary etc. which would be shared in the church bulletin.

To participate, please indicate on your giving envelope or check that it is for "Light the Church for a Week". *"Let Your Light Shine"*  
*Matthew 5:16*



As most of you know, New Hope has a wonderful library with a great selection of books and videos for all of us to check out and enjoy.

On occasion books are donated to the library and books are cycled so that a fresh selection is available.

If you have a few hours a month that you can donate to helping in our library, contact Goldie Martin at 231-972-8633.

## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE VOLUNTEERS / HOST COORDINATOR



We're looking for some volunteers who will assist the Red Cross team when they arrive for their blood drives here at New

Hope. As a host, we have some responsibilities that need to happen in order for it to be a successful drive. Drives happen about every 60 days.

Jon Slezak, our current host coordinator, will be unable to do it after May, and we'd like him to be able to train his replacement. The next drive will be on March 20, from 1-5:45 pm. If you're interested, please call Jon (231-404-1045) for more information and training or the church office 231-972-2838.

## NEW BIBLE STUDY AVAILABLE SMALL GROUP (24 Weeks)

Explore the New Testament from the Gospel of Matthew to the book of Revelation.

This study will involve 24 videos (approx. 30 minutes) and a discussion time. The New Testament is among the most significant writings that the world has ever known. Yet the New Testament is also among the most widely disputed and least clearly understood books in history.

Professor and best-selling author, Bart D. Ehrman has assembled this course as a historical introduction to the 27 books of the New Testament. The discussions will be led by Norvil Brown and others.

It is proposed to hold the study either on Saturday mornings from 10 to 11 a.m. or on Sunday mornings from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., beginning Saturday, March 4 or Sunday March 5.

Please call Norvil Brown and indicate your preference of meeting times. Phone 231-972-2918.

# from your pastor's point of view...

2-5-17

Dear New Hope Family & Friends,

This month we're going to look at one chapter; that's right, just one. For the next four weeks we're going to hear I Corinthians 13 from four different versions, so that we can fully understand the type of "love" that is described there. It's important to be reminded and for us to understand.

The Greek word for I Corinthian 13 love is called "agape" and it simply means perfect love. Not just brotherly love or that romantic sort of love, agape is perfectly faithful, eternally without end, moral by design, and strong in character. God gives it. We choose it. Then the Spirit helps us to be committed to it. It's a love that never fails, that is greater than faith or hope, and will remain for all eternity. It's that "tremendous" love I keep talking about! ☺

In His bodacious Grace, faultless Truth, and tremendous Love!

*Pastor Greg*

**Today's Message:** "Bankrupt Without Love"

I Corinthians 13 (The Message)

"Loving Agape Style" Series

**Intro** – What does "agape" love look like? Don't tune out!

**I** - Agape is used to describe the love that is of and from God, whose very nature is love itself. (I John 4:8)

**II** – Agape is required when deal with believers (John 13:34) or even our with our bitter enemies (Matthew 5:44)

**III** – Agape is necessary for us to understand God. Without agape, we are bankrupt even though we may know everything and own it all. (I Corinthians 13:1-3)

**Putting It Into Service:** Show God's love to someone this week whom you'd least want too. Write a note. Send an email. Call/text. And then see how God responds.

**Bottom Line:** Without "agape" love, we have nothing. With "agape" love, we have everything.

## UPCOMING MESSAGES

*"Loving Agape Style" (I Corinthians 13) series (February)*

Feb. 12 – "Never Failing Love" – I Corinthians 13 (New International Version)

Feb. 19 – "Mirrors and the Choicest Graces" – I Cor. 13 (Amplified Version)

Feb. 26 – "Loving 'Charity' Style" – I Corinthians 13 (King James Version)

*"I Am Second" series – [Looking for your testimonies, see me!]*

March 1 – Ash Wed., 7 pm – "We're Not First" - 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10



contact info - office: 231-972-2838 cell/text: 989-621-7782  
email: pastorgreg.ncd@gmail.com facebook: @pastorgregbuchner  
each week's messages are online at: [www.new-hope-church.org](http://www.new-hope-church.org)