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**January 21, 2017 Stewardship
Presence**

9:45 a.m. – 100 11:15 a.m. - 12

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**January 28, 2018 – Fourth Sunday after the
Epiphany**

O God, whose Word endures forever, your voice causes astounding things to happen. We can only revere you when we experience your benevolent power. Thank you for raising up faithful messengers and sending your Son Jesus to draw us close to you. Give us the ability to listen and obey you. Direct our efforts to fulfill your will in our lives and as part of this congregation. May our offerings, gifts, and service bring joy to people here in our neighborhood and around the world. We pray through the Word incarnate, Christ, our Lord. Amen. (*Deuteronomy 18:15-20*)

February Administrative Meetings

Staff Parish – NO MEETING
Finance – February 13 – 6:30 p.m.
Ad Council – February 15 – 7:00 p.m.
Staff Meeting – February 19 – 6:00 p.m.
Trustees – February 28 – 6:30 p.m.

**JANUARY MINISTRY
OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER**

- S 1/28** 9:45 a.m. **Worship**
11:15 a.m. **“Uncommon Worship”**
1-4 p.m. **Exploring Leadership Class**
- T 1/30** 5:30 p.m. Men’s Emmaus
6:30 p.m. Men’s Bible Study
5:30 p.m. Faithfully Fit Class
- W 1/31** 10:00 a.m. **“Covering the Book”**
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
3:20 p.m. Kingdom Kids
4:00 p.m. Choir Practice
5:30 p.m. Wed. Night Supper
6:00 p.m. Youth

**FEBRUARY MINISTRY
OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER**

- S 2/4** 9:45 a.m. **Worship**
11:15 a.m. **“Uncommon Worship”**
- T 2/6** 5:30 p.m. Men’s Emmaus
6:30 p.m. Men’s Bible Study
5:30 p.m. Faithfully Fit Class
- W 2/7** 10:00 a.m. **“Covering the Book”**
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
3:20 p.m. Kingdom Kids
4:00 p.m. Choir Practice
5:30 p.m. Wed. Night Supper
6:00 p.m. Youth
- S 2/11** 9:45 a.m. **Worship**
11:15 a.m. **“Uncommon Worship”**
- T 2/13** 5:30 p.m. Men’s Emmaus
6:30 p.m. Men’s Bible Study
5:30 p.m. Faithfully Fit Class
- W 2/14** 10:00 a.m. **“Covering the Book”**
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
3:20 p.m. Kingdom Kids
4:00 p.m. Choir Practice
5:30 p.m. Wed. Night Supper
6:00 p.m. Youth
7:00 p.m. **Ash Wednesday Service**



**BEGINNING MONDAY
FEBRUARY 5, 2018
THE OFFICE HOURS AT NEW HOPE
WILL BE
MONDAY – FRIDAY 9 A.M. TO NOON**



Wednesday Night Dinner

5:30 p.m.

Spaghetti and Meat Balls

Garlic Toast

Tossed Salad

Dessert and Beverage

Public Invited --- Free-Will Offering

The church is being lit

**In loving honor of
Buck and Evon Taylor**

Love,

Curt and Courtney Williams and the kids

**In loving honor of my daughter's and
Son-in-law's birthdays this month.**

*God's Blessings Forever,
Olga Wargo*

**LIGHT
THE
CHURCH**



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

Second Saturday Munch Bunch

The Second Saturday Munch Bunch will meet for dinner on Saturday, February 10 at 5:00 pm at the Remus Tavern in Remus.

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.

HEY NEW HOPE....

IT'S TIME TO FINALIZE THE PAST YEAR

As the new year is now upon us it is time to finalize the past.

The finance team would like to have all small accounts; check books, savings accounts and any other money account, which uses the church name to turn in their 2017 receipts and statements for review. Items can be dropped off to the office to be placed in the Finance Secretaries mailbox for security by January 31, 2018. Records will be given back to the account holders within two weeks of dropping off if not sooner.

The process will be done by the finance team or a representative which they chose from an approved list of individuals among the church.

We want to make sure that we comply with all of the rules for conference, protect confidentiality and get things done in a timely manner.

If you have not been contacted directly via phone or email please contact Annette Coles (231) 912-0893, or Paul Richards (231) 972-0572 to make arrangements for your account to be reviewed and drop off to the church.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and assistance in making this an easy process.
Annette Coles



from your pastor's point of view...1-28-18

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Dear Church Family and Friends,

I mentioned last Sunday that there won't be any bathroom scales in heaven and it got a good chuckle. It is January right? We all struggle to get our bodies to do what they're supposed to do, and once in a while, even when we think we're doing things right, SURPRISE! It can be frustrating. We don't have our new heavenly bodies yet.

John Wesley once wrote, "This earthly body is slow and heavy in all its motions, listless and soon tired with action. But our heavenly bodies shall be as fire; as active and as nimble as our thoughts are."

So, for now, we work with what we have, and try our best to make them the "temples" that they should be. Thankfully, we do so with God's bodacious Grace, faultless Truth, and tremendous Love,

The book we're using: "Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven" by Dr. David Jeremiah can be purchased for a donation by calling 1-877-998-0222 [www.davidjeremiah.org/site/monthly/0617_FYE.aspx]

"Our Future Resurrection Bodies" (I Corinthians 15:42-44, 51-57)
"The Truth About Heaven" series
(*"Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven" pages 83-110*)

Intro – Our time here is short....compared to eternity.
So, when we get our new bodies, it all changes.

Certainty #1: Our New Bodies will be Indestructible

I Corinthians 15:42 – "...The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable;" – also Romans 6:8-9

Certainty #2: Our New Bodies will be Identifiable

I Corinthians 15:43a – "it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory" – also I John 3:2

Certainty #3: Our New Bodies will be Incredible

I Corinthians 15:43b – "it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power" – see also John 20:19

Certainty #4: Our New Bodies will be Infinite

I Corinthians 15:44-45 – "it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body..."

Bottom Line & Application

I Corinthians 15:54-55

"And why should it not be as much in the power of God to raise incorruptible, glorious, lively, spiritual bodies out of the ruins of those vile, corruptible one, as first to make matter out of nothing? To God all things are possible."

Matthew Henry (p. 110)

UPCOMING MESSAGES – 9:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

"The Truth About Heaven" series through March 11

- Feb. 4 - "Heaven's Eternal Rewards" (Matthew 5:11-12, Revelation 22:12)
- Feb. 11 - "New Jerusalem – Capital of Heaven" (Revelation 21:1-5, 22:17)
- Feb. 14 - (Ash Wednesday) "Meeting the King" (Revelation 4:1-2, 5:6-14)
- Feb. 18 - "God's Promise of New Heaven & New Earth" (Revelation 21:1-5)
- Feb. 25 - "A Thousand Years of What? – Millennium" (Revelation 20:1-7)

Pastor Greg (or our speaker) is handy after the service if you'd like to say hi, ask questions, check-in, or just share comments. They are normally at the front of the worship space so that a conversation is easier. Stop and say hi.