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June 18, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Attendance: 36

9:45 a.m.

Attendance: 103

General: \$1,451.00

Building: \$200.00

Total: \$1,651.00

June 25, 2017—Third Sunday After Pentecost Generous God, you are the source of abundant life. You reveal a great mystery: those who lose their life for the sake of your Son will find it. When we are aware of loss, send your Holy Spirit to help us trust in your steadfast love. You are transforming our lives and this world as surely as you have transformed the cross by Christ's resurrection. Let our gifts bring vitality to the healing ministries of this community of faith. We ask this in the name of our risen Lord Jesus. Amen. *(Matthew 10:24-39)*

Your help is needed for Sundays – each service.

* We need volunteers for ushers for each service 8:00 and 9:45 a.m. and if you do one, you don't have to do them both.

* It's easy to learn to do

* A Sunday or two a month especially with 2 services until Labor Day, would greatly be appreciated.

*We would consider it an honor to have you be a part of our worship service.

*If your feeling lead by your heart and want to help, please contact John Durante or Ken Hixson.

Thank you for your consideration and possibly volunteering with us on Sundays.

Blessings, John Durante

June Administrative Meetings
Staff Mtg. – Mon. June 26 – 6 p.m.

**JUNE MINISTRY
OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER**

- S 6/25 8:00 a.m. Worship**
9:45 a.m. Worship
- M 6/26 1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study**
- T 6/27 9:30 a.m. Craft Day**
5:30 p.m. Tech and Check
6:30 p.m. Praise Too Practice
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 6/28 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"**
Bible Study



*Children's ministry is
offered
during Sunday's
9:45 a.m. worship
June 25 - Betty Stewart*

**VOLUNTEERS AND COOKIES ARE NEEDED
FOR COFFEE HOUR**
for the month of July and August.
Call Lois Sherwood at 989-465-7174
to find out how you can help.

JULY 2ND WORSHIP

ONLY ONE OUTSIDE SERVICE AT 9:45 AM

Hey all, to help celebrate Independence Weekend, we're inviting you to join us for our one service at 9:45 am. (The 8 am service will resume July 9.) That service will be outside weather permitting.

Our goal is to set up the stage just west of the rose garden, facing north, so seating will be available in the yard and on the deck. Chairs will be provided. We'll then join for a regular time of fellowship afterward. It's always been a great time of worship and fellowship!

SECOND SATURDAY MUNCH BUNCH

The Second Saturday Munch Bunch will meet for dinner on Saturday, July 8 at 5:00 pm at the Northern Trails Restaurant in Newaygo. Here are the directions to Northern Trails: Head south on US131 and take exit 118 for M-82 towards Newaygo/Howard City. Go right on M-82 for about 5 miles and you will see the restaurant on the left.

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.

This week the church is being lit
in memory of
"Dad" - Jim Miller
from Gail McKay



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



Crosses, Crosses, Everywhere!

What do you do when you are vacationing? Golf? Play Tennis? Sunbathe? Play Cards? Knit? Our own Mary Hollenbeck spends much of her winter in Florida making Crosses for Christ! Lots and lots of

Crosses for Christ!

This winter Mary sent 80 Crosses to a United Methodist Church in Nicara, Cuba. She has connected with the Mid City Spanish Church in Midland, Texas and has provided those folks with Crosses. The VFW in Inglewood, Florida now has 160 Crosses to share with their members and others, and the Jubilee Center in Inglewood, has 180. The Center joins with the Chamber of Commerce to send packages of essentials, and now Crosses for Christ, overseas to our military.

All of this, and she and others keep the draws filled with Crosses that go to the Veterans Honor Flights from Michigan.

Anyone who is interested is welcome to make Crosses. Supplies are provided by New Hope. Call Mary for details. ***Thank You, Mary Hollenbeck, for all you do for others, and for New Hope.***

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO...

Thank you to all who gave their time, talents, and energy to the New Hope annual yard sale project!

Every bit of donated assistance out of your already busy schedules contributed to the success of the project. You may think your input was small, but many hands, for whatever time, are what complete most successful events! So...whatever role you played, sorting, cleaning, pricing, pick-up, publicity, creating updates for the bulletin/printing fliers, answering phones or relaying messages... YOU were a valuable player!

Second, our thanks to the congregation and all of your neighbors and friends, for the generous donations of sale items! Of course, without the "goods" there would be no sale!!

Thanks to Pastor Greg for his assistance with the project and for allowing us to "reorganize" the church over the last week to meet all of our needs!

*Blessings to All! God is good!
Doug Chapin and Jerry Smith*

Putting Participation into Action!

The theme for our pledge drive this year has been "participation". *Here is an opportunity to do just that.*

We have 100 free tickets (an anonymous donation) to the Tim Lovelace Concert Saturday, July 22 at 6 p.m. Fifty tickets will be for our New Hope attenders and 50 tickets will be for their guest. Any person that attends our church on a regular basis and would like a **free ticket** to the concert, will have to bring a guest with them to the concert that does not attend our church and could be possibly looking for a church to attend. The guest will also get a free ticket.

Any questions, see Greg or Laura at the Info Center on Sundays. If you would like to buy tickets, they will be available also at the Info Center starting Sunday, June 25. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 the day of the concert. There is an article in the bulletin with more detail on the Tim Lovelace Concert. ***Let's Participate!!!***



MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR CHARLES "CHAR" RAMSEY AT NEW HOPE

A memorial service in Char's honor will be held at New Hope United Methodist Church in Mecosta, on **Friday, June 30th, at 11:00 AM** with Pastor Greg Buchner officiating. Visitation will take place at the church one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, please direct memorial contributions to the Brain Injury Association of Michigan. Envelopes will be available at the church.

Comedian, Musician, Motivational Speaker *Tim Lovelace is one funny man!*

As a nationally sought after comedian, musician and motivational speaker, Tim Lovelace has been described as the most versatile comedian on stage today. His award-winning musical talents, coupled with his crystal clean humor have people of all ages laughing their ribs loose!

With over three decades of world travel under his performance belt, he has developed his concerts into more than just a great show. He uses humor for a purpose—to motivate and inspire by sharing life lessons through his unique delivery. He is a masterful storyteller, and his heart for others always comes shining through. That is the reason Tim is in great demand for corporate meetings, churches, conventions and concerts of various genres.

Tim's chart-topping comedy songs are continuously aired on Sirius/XM Satellite Radio as well as other radio stations around the country. His comedy has been featured on videos that have garnered both gold and platinum sales awards.

Tim's passion for life is contagious and effectual. The excitement in his speaking engagements and comedy concerts cannot be described—they must be experienced.

Tim Lovelace is one funny man who not only wants people to laugh, but most importantly to discover real joy and happiness for this journey of life!

**He will be at New Hope on
Saturday, July 22**

at 6 pm. Doors open at 5 pm. Tickets will go on sale Sunday, June 25 at the Info Center and will be \$12 in advance and \$15 the day of the concert.

Awards:

- *Gospel Music Association Hall of Fame Inductee
- *Grammy and Dove Award Nominee
- *Musician of the Year
- *Writer of numerous #1 songs
- *Prestigious BMI award as Songwriter and Publisher
- *Diamond Award nominee for Comedian of the Year

from your pastor's point of view...

6-18-17

Dear New Hope Family and Friends,

I am guy, if you haven't noticed! ☺ And, as a typical guy, the term "shopping" conjures up memories of long walks down long aisles only to stand in a long line to finally get out of that building to "join the joy" of doing the same routine in yet another building. Yikes, I even feel that for some hell will be one long shopping trip where you never fully leave!

Now you may shop differently, but how we do shop doesn't really matter compared to the way we shop. Let me explain. We probably all shop too much and often we don't think much about it when we do.

So, what would it look like if, when we shop and buy things, we thought about the full effects of that buying decision? Supermarkets, stores, and food places are willing and are trying to give us that info if we really want to look for it.

Just recently, New Hope switched over to buying Eco-palms for Palm Sunday. We did so, because when we do, we help the farmer in that county to maintain a life for their family. We do so, because, instead of cutting down the whole tree, as it's often done, they just cut branches so the tree recovers and is able to grow even more. You get the idea?

That means that we can consume with a conscience, especially with God's bodacious Grace, faultless Truth, and tremendous Love in mind! ☺

UPCOMING MESSAGES

"Standing Together in Love & Service" series

June 25 – "Serving God Then Country"

Luke 20:20-26, 2 Chronicles 7:12-14

July 2 – "Living in God's One BIG World"

Psalm 8:1-9; John 17:20-21; John 10:10

July 9 – *"Radical Sayings of Jesus" series* starts

"Be Anxious for Nothing" – Luke 12:22-34

"Standing Together In Love & Service" Series

Today's Message:
**"Consuming with
Conscience" - Matthew 16:13-26**



Intro

Economic systems = trading, buying, selling stuff
Economic systems are everyone's business.
Economic systems plus faith = good business!

I – CONSUMING WITH THE RIGHT PERSPECTIVE

"What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?"
(Matthew 16:26)

II – CONSUMING WITH CONTENTEMENT

"For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that."
(1 Timothy 6:7-8)

III – CONSUMING WITH PURPOSE

From "The Economic World" (Social Principles)
"...To revere God's creation is a sacred trust that enables us to fashion just, equitable, sustainable relationships and communities..." ¶163 (UMBOD)

Bottom Line:

Economically, let's use what God has given wisely.

Our United Methodist Social Principles can be found in our 2016 Book of Discipline (found in our library or from Cokesbury @ 1-800-672-1789.)

They are also online at: "www.umc.org/search/gcse?q=social%20principles"

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