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Attendance: 137

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Building: \$180.00

Total: \$4,939.00

June 4, 2017–Day of Pentecost

Holy God, thank you for sending your Spirit, the Spirit of the risen Christ, from heaven. Help us to be like the early disciples, praying patiently as we wait for your guidance and power. Fill our hearts and minds with your gifts of faith, hope, and love. May our conversations with people of every language and culture around us witness to your grace and mercy. We dedicate ourselves and our offerings to your good purposes in the world through our church's mission by the power of your Spirit. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen. (*Acts 2:1-21*)

June Administrative Meetings

Staff Parish Mtg. – No Staff Parish Mtg. in June

Finance Mtg. – Sat. June 3 – 9 a.m.

Ad Council Mtg. – Thurs. June 15 – 7 p.m.

Trustees Mtg. – Wed. June 21 – 6:30 p.m.

Staff Mtg. – Mon. June 26 – 6 p.m.

JUNE MINISTRY

OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER

- S 6/4 8:00 a.m. Worship**
9:45 a.m. **Worship**
- M 6/5 1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study**
- T 6/6 9:30 a.m. Craft Day**
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 6/7 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"**
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
4:15 p.m. Choir Practice
- SA 6/10 11-1 p.m. Tae Kwon Do**
- S 6/11 8:00 a.m. Worship**
9:45 a.m. **Worship**
- M 6/12 1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study**
- T 6/13 9:30 a.m. Craft Day**
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 6/14 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"**
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
4:15 p.m. Choir Practice
- SA 6/17 11-1 p.m. Tae Kwon Do**
- S 6/18 8:00 a.m. Worship**
9:45 a.m. **Worship**
- M 6/19 1:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study**
- T 6/20 9:30 a.m. Craft Day**
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 6/21 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"**
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
4:15 p.m. Choir Practice
- SA 6/24 11-1 p.m. Tae Kwon Do**
- S 6/25 8:00 a.m. Worship**
9:45 a.m. **Worship**



Memorial Gifts

When making a donation to the Memorial Fund in memory of, or in honor of someone, please put it in the collection plate on Sunday or send it directly to New Hope.

By doing it this way the Memorial Committee will be able to send out thank you notes and an acknowledgement to the family in a timely fashion.



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

June 4 – Ann Marie Buchner

June 11 – Sue Reed

June 18 – AnnMarie Buchner

June 25 – Betty Stewart

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



JUNE 22-23-24

LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS and SERVE

WE WOULD
LOVE YOUR HELP
WITH THE
CHURCH
YARD
SALE!

Sign up in the Narthex for "Drop Off" and/or "Working the Sale"

Drop off coverage is:

M-TH 10-12 and 12-2,

but any few minutes you can share will be gratefully accepted! Non-gender or age-specific group – something for all to do!!

If you are able to assist with response to a pick-up request, please call Doug Chapin or Jerry Smith.

We will work with any availability!

No resume required...

Come Work For God!

He Offers Great Benefits!!

NEW HOPE PLEDGE DRIVE RESULTS

Thank You, New Hope!

The Pledge Drive has wrapped up and the Finance Team would like to thank everyone who took part. Participation was up over the previous year by over 9%! The results also showed we are a church community dedicated to prayer, service, and witness. We received over \$176,000 in financial commitment which is similar to past years.

We really appreciate those who took time to participate.

Thank you,
Finance Team



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Red Cross Blood Drive we had on May 22nd. We had a wonderful turn out, of the 33 donors that presented, we were able to collect 31 units.

Our next blood drive will be on July 17th, 2017, beginning at 1pm and running through 5:45pm. Appointments to donate can be made online at <http://www.redcrossblood.org/>, just enter the zip code 49332 and select New Hope to schedule a time or let me know if you'd like to donate and I can schedule it for you.

Be someone's hero, you could help save more than one life with just one donation.



Dear UMW and New Hope Friends,

First off I would like to thank everyone who showed up to my party. Being the true extravert that I am, I had a wonderful time and I hope you all did too. Thank you all for the gifts, whether those were special gifts, cards, or just a very special hug, I appreciated and loved them all.

A huge thank you to the UMW and others for cooking all the food and displaying it beautifully. I can't thank you enough for preparing and cleaning up the food and for using what was left over for Sunday's Graduation Coffee Hour.

*Love and hugs,
Jamie Buchner*

Second Saturday Munch Bunch

The Second Saturday Munch Bunch will meet for dinner on Saturday, June 10 at 5:00 pm at the Blue Lake Tavern located at 9965 Eleven Mile Road in Mecosta.

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.

from your pastor's point of view...

6-4-17

Dear New Hope Family and Friends,

Last week we talked about standing together in love and service when it comes to God's creation. This week, Sherry is going to share how we "nurture" one another in this "standing together" thing too.

Here's a great quote I found that may help in priming our minds a bit:

"Clearly, community is the body of believers, and we see how good and pleasant it is to dwell in unity, working together as many members yet one body, knowing that Jesus Christ is in their presence, to stir up each other to love and good works, bearing one another's burdens, comforting each other with the promises of Christ's return, and help the fainthearted, weak, and be patient with them.

We need each other and are stronger together than we are individually. Like the coal in the bar-b-que, left to itself, a lone coal dies out and loses that fire for the truth of God's Word, for the children of God, and for walking with Christ as we ought to be doing every day." [www.patheos.com/blogs/]

We believe that we should be nurturing each other so that everyone has the chance to reach their fullest God-given potential!

Especially when that potential is a result of God's bodacious Grace, faultless Truth, & tremendous Love,

UPCOMING MESSAGES

"Standing Together in Love & Service" series

June 11 - "Everyone's Equally Valuable"

Mark 12:25-34; Galatians 3:26-29

June 18 - "Consuming with Conscience"

Matthew 16:13-26

June 25 - "Serving God Then Country"

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

"Standing Together In Love & Service" Series



Today's Message: "Being There for Each Other" Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 - Sherry Anderson

Community – a definition from Webster's 7th New Collegiate Dictionary

Interacting population of various kinds of individuals in a common location - A body of persons having a history or social, economic or political interests.

I. Being there for each other and community

A. How do you contribute to the body?

II. What blocks us?

- A.
- B.
- C.

III. What can we do about it?

- A.
- B.
- C.

IV. Can you identify 2 – 3 of these you would pledge to do better?

Bottom Line:

We believe that everyone should be encouraged to find and live into their God-given potential & beyond.

[Note: Communion will be celebrated next week.]

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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