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**May 27, 2018 Stewardship
Presence**

9:45 a.m. – 144 11:15 a.m. – 16

Tithes and Gifts

General: \$3,533.00
Building: 130.00
Total: \$3,663.00

**June 3 – Second Sunday after
Pentecost/in Kingdomtide**

Holy God, you call us by name and invite us into the life of faithfulness and obedience. When we don't hear your voice or let other voices drown out your call, you still persist. As we offer our gifts this morning, may we bring not only our wealth but our whole lives to your altar, ready to listen to where you would send us, for the sake of your Kingdom and Christ's coming. Amen. (1Samuel 3:1-20)

June Administrative Meetings

Staff Parish – Monday, June 4, 6:00 p.m.
Finance — Wednesday, June 6, 6:30 p.m.
Trustees – Wed., June 20, 6:30 pm.
Church Council – No Meeting in June
Staff Meeting – Mon., June 25, 6:00 p.m.

**MAY/JUNE MINISTRY
OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER**

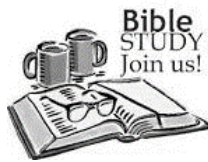
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| S 6/3 | 8:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship
11:15 a.m. "Uncommon Worship" |
| M 6/4 | 1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
1:30 p.m. Mary Martha
6:00 p.m. Staff Parish |
| T 6/5 | 9:30 a.m. Craft Day
5:30 p.m. Faithfully Fit Class
5:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus
6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study |
| W 6/6 | 10:00 a.m. "Covering the Book"
Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Praise Too Practice
4:00 p.m. Choir Practice
5:30 p.m. Tech 'n Check
6:00 p.m. Worship Design
6:30 p.m. Finance
7:00 p.m. "Covering the Book"
Bible Study |
| S 6/10 | 8:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship
Principal Drive Q&A
11:45 a.m. "Uncommon Worship" |
| M 6/11 | 1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study |
| T 5/29 | 9:30 a.m. Craft Day
5:30 p.m. Faithfully Fit Class
5:30 p.m. Men's Emmaus
6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study |
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Please Note:

The **Ladies Brunch** that had been scheduled for June 2nd has been rescheduled for **August 18th**, 10:00 a.m. - noon.
Mark your calendar!

New Bible Study
Wednesday Nights @ 7 pm

The "Covering the Book" class, which currently meets at 10 a.m. on Wednesday mornings in room 110, will also be meeting Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. from May 16 - August 29 in room 110. Some have asked for a later "after-work" time for a study, so Pastor Greg is offering this one. The same scriptures will be covered in both classes. Bring your Bibles and your note taking preferences. (These items are also provided.)



New Directory Pages Available!

The Church Directory address pages have been updated and are available for pickup at the Information Center.

As address changes occur, they will be on the Prayer Page in the bulletin, if possible, until the Directory is updated again.

Are we missing somebody?

The Membership Care Team is ready, willing, and able to make contact if we notice that someone hasn't been here for whatever reason. In order to check-in on them, please let one of these team members know: Gen Abrams, Sue Reed, Jerry Smith, Vivian Smith, Linda Randall, and Pastor Greg.
Thank you.

The church is being

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

ATTENTION FAMILY OF NEW HOPE!



Our annual Fill A Sack drive is here again beginning Sunday June 3 through Tuesday June 12. We will fill our sacks for our local pantry, God's Helping Hands. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

*Blessings,
Nancy Karcher and Sharon Francis*

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

If you need to use the stove/oven in the kitchen, you must contact Roy Snyder (or Gen Abrams in the church office, to contact Roy) prior to needing it! The Stove has been turned off for the summer months.

Silent Auction

The Finance Team is going to host a Silent Auction during the month of July! This has proven to be a fun activity in the past.

If you have a special item or a craft piece you would like to donate, please contact a member of finance or call Doug Chapin (231-349-4059)

Birthdays this week:

6th - George Groll
8th - Patty Gibbons



Anniversaries this week:

9th – Charles and Leisa Chapin

Church Principal Drive Meetings to be Held

We will be having a Church Principal Drive on July 29th. A letter will be sent soon with more details.

We will have a series of question and answer meetings held in the music room at 11:00 a.m., right after the 9:45 a.m. service. The dates are: May 20th, June 10th, and July 8th, 15th, and 22nd.

Church Yard Sale

LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS AND SERVE!

YARD SALE IS COMING!
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JUNE 21, 22, 23
ARE THE SALE DATES!

IN THE GYM PREPARATIONS BEGIN:
JUNE 1ST

SEE THE FLIER FOR DONATION DROP-OFF
DATES AND TIMES

**JUNE 1ST WORK IN THE GYM BEGINS TO
CLEAN, TEST, AND PRICE**

GYM WILL BE OPEN FOR WORKERS @
LEAST 9-3 MON TUES WED

DAYS AND HOURS OF WORK WILL
INCREASE AS NEEDED

**NEED MEN or "ROSIE THE RIVETER"
POWERED WOMEN or YOUTH TO HELP
COVER DONATION DROP-OFF UNLOADING
VEHICLES.**

HELPER SIGN-UP SHEETS ARE IN THE
NARTHEX

UNKNOWN AVAILABILITY?
ROLL UP THOSE SLEEVES & COME ON IN
WHEN YOU CAN!!

**THIS IS NEW HOPE'S BIG ANNUAL
FUNDRAISER! PLEASE SERVE AS YOU
ARE ABLE!!!**

Women's Retreat - All Ladies Are Invited!

A Women's Retreat sponsored by Grace Adventures, a non-profit Christian Training Center, will be **Oct. 12-14**. The camp is located near Silver Lake and the Silver Lake Sand Dunes. The weekend will be packed with fun activities from crafts to zip lining! Shannon Popkin, the speaker for the weekend, has written Control Girl: Lessons on Surrendering Your Burden of Control from Seven Women in the Bible.

The cost is \$124.00 for the weekend, which includes lodging and meals. A \$25.00 deposit is required at registration. If you are interested in attending, or need additional information, please contact Carol VanderMeer at 231-972-0443 or Bev Rothenberger at 317-413-7491. We would like to be registered by mid-June to assure our lodging.

Wednesday Night Supper Volunteers

On July 16, 2018 we will have a "Clean the Kitchen-Tables-Chairs- Windows Day" at New Hope!

The Mecosta County Sheriff Corrections for Community Service will be here from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

We need all the volunteers we can get to get the job done! **Lunch will be served!**

If interested call Roy Snyder, Joe or Judy Meyers, or Gen at the office and leave your name and number.



Change of Time & Place!! **Second Saturday Munch Bunch**

The Second Saturday Munch Bunch will be going to **Udderly Delicious** in Morley on **Saturday, June 9th at 5:00 pm.**

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! 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 pastor's office.

Any questions, please call Laura Hall at 231-972-7000.

Blessing of the Blankets

Blessing of the Blankets for Camp New Day will be held on Sunday, June 17, 2018. The blankets, which are blessed, will be taken to Camp Albright near Reed City and given to campers who attend Camp New Day the week of July 8 – July 14. These blankets have a special tag sewn into them which says "You are warmed by God's love". Each camper also picks out their own blanket, signs their name on the tag, and takes the blanket home at the end of the week. These campers come from families whose parent is incarcerated. They are so joyful when told they can have a blanket for their very own. They cannot believe that this much love is being bestowed on them.

We begin early in February cutting and tying fleece blankets. Money for the fleece is donated by the U.M.W. and other individuals from the congregation. The tags are sewn in, then blankets are blessed and ready for Camp New Day.

Blessings,
Nancy Karcher



*from your pastor's
point of view 6-3-18*

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**GOD'S BODACIOUS GRACE, FAULTLESS TRUTH, AND TREMENDOUS LOVE
(FROM PASTOR GREG)**

Living the Power of the Holy Spirit Conclusion

So far, we've learned that *Living in the power of the Spirit* means:

That we begin with the Spirit convicting us, us repenting, and then us receiving and sharing in forgiveness.

We then learned about the Spirit's power within us to be courageous in times of trial, still trusting that God can and will use anything to help us do his purpose. We do not need to fear.

We were reminded of a God who comforts and sustains us. In days like these, it's good to know that, as Spiritual Christians, we never have to walk alone.

And, last week, we were reminded that we've been given special, Spiritual gifts, every gift we will ever need, to complete God's perfect will together.

This week, Sherry's going to share with us what happens in our lives when we allow the Spirit to do what the Spirit wants to do: bear fruit, good fruit, amazing fruit, for God's kingdom. When we love God and are called to His purpose, the Spirit shows. Sherry will be sure to tell you all about it!

"Filled: Living in the Spirit, Showing Fruit" – Galatians 5:22-26

*(Living in the Power of the Spirit Series)
All scripture notations NIV unless noted.
with Sherry Anderson*

UPCOMING MESSAGES – 8:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

"Divine Direction" (using the Book of Esther) through August 26

June 10 – "Follow God Period - The Esther Pre-story" (1 Samuel 15:1-3)

June 17 – "Follow the King except When You Can't" (Esther 1:1-12)

June 24 – "Follow Whatever God Puts You Into" (Esther 2:15-20)

July 1 – "Follow When Others Conspire Against You" (Esther 3:1-15)

(one service @ 9:45 a.m. outside weather permitting)

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.