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May 7, 2017—Fourth Sunday of Easter

Dear Lord, our God, you guide us as a loving shepherd. In your presence, our spirits are renewed. In your wisdom, we discover peace. In fellowship together, we find ways to share your good news with others. As we enjoy your blessings, help us to give from our abundance with glad and generous hearts. We dedicate these tithes and offerings in the name of Jesus, the Good Shepherd who laid down his life for his flock. Amen. (*Psalm 23; Acts 2:42-47*)

May Administrative Meetings

Staff Parish Mtg. – No Staff Parish in May

Finance Mtg. – Wed. May 10 – 6:30 p.m.

Memorial Com. Mtg. – Thurs. May 11 – 6 p.m.

Trustees Mtg. – Wed. May 17 – 6:30 p.m.

Ad Council Mtg. – Thurs. May 18 – 7 p.m.

Staff Mtg. – Mon. May 22 – 6 p.m.



MAY MINISTRY

OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER

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|-----------|-------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| S | 5/7 | 9:45 a.m. | Worship |
| M | 5/8 | 1:00 p.m. | Ladies Bible Study |
| T | 5/9 | 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 | 5/10 | 10:00 a.m. | "Covering the Book"
Bible Study |
| | | 3:00 p.m. | Praise Too Practice |
| | | 4:15 p.m. | Choir Practice |
| SA | 5/13 | 11:00 a.m. | Tae Kwon Do |
| S | 5/14 | 9:45 a.m. | Worship |
| M | 5/15 | 1:00 p.m. | Ladies Bible Study |
| T | 5/16 | 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 | 5/17 | 10:00 a.m. | "Covering the Book"
Bible Study |
| | | 3:00 p.m. | Praise Too Practice |
| | | 4:15 p.m. | Choir Practice |
| SA | 5/20 | 11:00 a.m. | Tae Kwon Do |
| S | 5/21 | 9:45 a.m. | Worship |
| M | 5/22 | 1:00 p.m. | Ladies Bible Study |
| T | 5/23 | 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 | 5/24 | 10:00 a.m. | "Covering the Book"
Bible Study |
| | | 3:00 p.m. | Praise Too Practice |
| | | 4:15 p.m. | Choir Practice |
| SA | 5/27 | 11:00 a.m. | Tae Kwon Do |
| S | 5/28 | 9:45 a.m. | Worship |
| M | 5/29 | CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED | |
| T | 5/30 | 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 | 5/31 | 10:00 a.m. | "Covering the Book"
Bible Study |
| | | 3:00 p.m. | Praise Too Practice |

4:15 p.m. Choir Practice



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

There will be a Children's Ministry meeting May 7th after church service.

Kingdom kids has come to an end for this spring. We have been getting anywhere from 10 to 22 kids with an average of about 16. It has been a lot of fun this year exploring Galactic Blast with Galileo the green gorilla! We have gone to outer space and back, we visited the creation of the universe, the blind beggar in Jericho, the road to Emmaus, the woman at the well, Elijah at Mt. Horeb. The kids and Volunteers had fun decorating our hallway with constellations and stars and planets.

Come check it out if you haven't seen it yet! It is pretty cool if I say so myself! We will be keeping it up through July!

A BIG THANK YOU to all who have helped. Bryan Brandau, Jamie and Matthew Buchner, Torryn and Eli Elliott, Noah, Ashlee, Bev Rothenberg, Linda Randell, Crystal and Hailee Lortarski, Kelly Butler, Steven Stokes, Bri, and Pastor Greg were extremely big help! And a BIG Thanks to all of you who donated to our program!

Please remember that a few of these volunteers are seniors this year and will probably not be able to help next year. As you can see, I need all the help I can get! Please pray and search your heart to see if you would like to volunteer!

Thanks for your prayers and support!

AnnMarie Buchner
Children's Ministry Director



The family of Arlo Guy would like to express our sincere gratitude for your multiple expressions of love.

We are deeply touched by your kindness. May God bless you today and always.

Carol Guy



Jamie Buchner will be graduating from Chippewa Hills High School on May 26 at 6:30 pm. Everyone is invited to her Graduation Party on

May 20 from 2pm – 5 pm at New Hope United Methodist Church. Please RSVP to AnnMarie at 989-621-7681. Food and drinks will be provided.

Second Saturday Munch Bunch

The Second Saturday Munch Bunch will meet for breakfast on Saturday, May 13 at 9:00 am at the Udderly Delicious Ice Cream and Cafe in Morley.

Udderly Delicious is located at 315 Cass Street. If you are heading south on Northland Drive, it is located on the right, just before getting into the town of Morley.

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.

**The Booth Brothers
Concert at
New Hope on May 13
is
SOLD OUT**



**God's Helping
Hands
Fill-A-Sac
Program
Ends Today!**

Bags are available at New Hope.
This year our challenge is 150 bags! Your
generosity helps feed those in need in our
community.

Thank you!

**This week the church is being lit
in memory of Evelyn Courtright**

from Beverly and Norvil Brown



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



**NEW HOPE
GIVING
CROSS**

Have you noticed the
wooden cross in the
Narthex? If not, take a
moment to find out where
it is located.

The cross is specially
designed so that all of us
have an opportunity to give to those special
areas of the Church operation, in which we
have an interest.

Simply put your coins, bills, or checks in the
slot corresponding to your interest. The needs
change periodically, so check the cross often
to see the current support opportunities.

In recent months the cross donations have
been used to support Wednesday night
dinners, youth programs, mission trips, church
maintenance, and even to help with the
mortgage payments.

If you have any questions about the cross,
contact the church office or a member of the
finance committee.



Youth/Camper Basket and Planter Sale

Sale begins Saturday,
May 13th

10 a.m. – 2p.m.

Also Sunday after service

Planters and Baskets
\$13 each or 2/\$25

*Donations go toward Youth Camp
and
other summer activities*

Thank You

Your kind expression of sympathy
and friendship will
always remain in our memories.
Love, Tom Seager

PARTICIPATE

My Daddy always said for us to do our best. Being a drill sergeant in the USAF, he was pretty good at drilling. All seven of us kids heard his commands often. Dad said, "If you are going to do a job, do it right!" So, when I have a job to do, a commitment, I try to give 100%.

I learned a lot from him because he showed by example. We moved many times as I grew up, and each time my parents joined a local church and became involved. They weren't necessarily leaders, but they pitched in any time there was a need. Teaching, nursery, ushering, communion, etc., they just couldn't say, "No." Why? I think it was because they knew they could do it and it was helping the church. So, now I am involved at New Hope UMC and I can't say, "No." I want to give 100% because it is something I am able to do and because I come away with a feeling of commitment to my church family, to our community and to my Savior.

As we approach Pledge Commitment Sunday on May 21, let's think about giving 100%. Are we doing our best with our resources: our time, talents and treasure? Dad would say, "Why are you just standing there? Don't you have something to do?" Please prayerfully consider your pledge commitment in the next couple of weeks.

"In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:6

-Bev Rothenberger

from your pastor's point of view...

5-7-17

Dear Friends, Old and New!

Welcome to our second week on participate! I'm thankful for all those who stopped me this past Sunday to say how much they're looking forward to seeing where we're going with this.

The response was positive. Folks are now planning on how to put it all into action, and even some folks have turned in their estimated pledge sheets already. (Overachievers! 😊)

Today, we'll wrestle with participating gracefully especially in light of what God has done for us. If we're going to participate honestly and completely (last week), then it makes sense that we need to use what God has provided to us.

We have been given so much, and now we have the opportunity to give back in return by becoming more and more like Christ in all that we do. By praying, being present, giving, serving, & witnessing gracefully for Christ, this can be done! 😊

Especially when we consider God's bodacious Grace, faultless Truth, and tremendous Love,

UPCOMING MESSAGES

"Participate!" Spring Pledge Series

May 14 – "Participate Joyfully"

2 Corinthians 9:7

May 21 - Participate Meaningfully &

Intentionally"-Hebrews 10:19-25, 13:16

"Standing Together in Love & Service" ser.

May 28 – "Getting to Live in God's

Creation"- Psalm 24:1-6

Participate!

Spring Pledge Series

Today's Message: "Participate Gracefully with What God Gave You" - Ephesians 4:4-6, 11-16

Intro –

Last week: participating honestly and completely

This week: participate with what we've been given

I - God graciously gives us ONE FAITH.

(Ephesians 4:4-6)

II - Christ graciously gives to BUILD US UP.

(Ephesians 4:4-11-13)

III - The Spirit graciously gives to HELP US TO BECOME MORE LIKE CHRIST.

(Ephesians 4:4-14-16)

Putting It In Action:

At home, in the world, in the church...participate!

Go share faith. Go build up.

Go become more like Christ.

Bottom Line:

We participate because we have graciously received and we want to share it with others!

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