

CALENDAR

Sunday, August 20th

9:30 a.m.

Christian Formation Classes

Various Locations

10:15 a.m.

Word & Sacrament

Worship Space

Tuesday, August 22nd

7:00 p.m.

Earth Care

Room 104

Wednesday, August 23rd

7:15 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal

Worship Space

Sunday, August 27th

9:30 a.m.

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*News & Opportunities*, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available in the Outreach and Information area in the narthex and at [www.nhpres.org](http://www.nhpres.org).  
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News &  
Opportunities

August 20, 2017

NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

New Hope's Summer Schedule:  
9:30 am—Christian Formation for all ages  
10:15 am—Worship and the Lord's Supper

Our two-service fall schedule will resume on Sunday, September 10th:  
8:45am—Worship and the Lord's Supper  
9:45 am—Christian Formation for all ages  
11:00 am—Worship and the Lord's Supper

Have fun on your summer vacations! We know you'll be out of town for a few Sundays this summer, but you can still participate through your regular giving. With VANCO online giving you can contribute from wherever you are, and even set up contributions in advance if you like! And when you give online, you help our ministries continue even you are away. Contact the church office for more information.

EARTH CARE

The Earth Care Team will meet Tuesday August 22, 2017 at 7:00 pm in room 104 on the lower level. If you are interested in participating in Earth Care activities please plan to attend.

SCHOOL SNACKS

Kids are heading back to school. That means that New Hope will collect snacks for the students at Harvest Ridge Elementary in Francis Howell District. Your contributions allow counselors and teachers to have peanut-free snacks on hand for kids who need them.  
Pick up lists of suggested snacks and drop off snacks in the outreach and information area.  
Contact: Linda Carr 636-487-1604 or Mary Powers 314-277-5440

NEW ADULT CLASS

*This We Believe:  
Eight Truths Presbyterians Affirm*  
Sundays, 9:45-10:45 a.m.  
Sept. 10, 2017 – Jan. 28, 2018  
Led by Dr. James  
So that we can order enough books for the class, please sign-up in the Outreach & Information Center in the lobby, or call/email the church office at (636) 936-2200; [lbrown@nhpres.org](mailto:lbrown@nhpres.org) by Sun., Aug. 27.

CHOIR NEWS

We invite anyone who enjoys singing to become part of the choir. Regular choir rehearsals begin on Wednesday, August 23 at 7:15 p.m.

CHILDREN

The nursery is located on the main level, Room 204. It is located out the side door of the worship space at the end of the hallway. The nursery is available for children from birth through five years old.

**Worship Feast**, for elementary aged children, is a special program that is designed to help children develop their innate connection to God & their natural openness to mystery through a variety of prayer practices.

Worship Feast Volunteers:

**August 20th**—Kelly Hantack & Leigh Lindahl Truett

**August 27th**—Kelly Hantack

We need many volunteers to ensure that our children's programs run smoothly. Please consider volunteering for the Nursery or during Worship Feast. To sign up go to the New Hope Church website at [www.nhpresc.org](http://www.nhpresc.org) and click on the link on the home page.

SAVE THE DATES

Back to Sunday School Celebration—  
Sunday, September 10th

Deacon Picnic—Sunday, September 17th

Spaghetti Luncheon—Sunday, September 24th

Deacon Blood Drive—Monday, September 25th

Anti-Racism Coalition—Saturday, September 30th

PER CAPITA

There is a special envelope in your giving envelopes pack that is to be used for the per capita apportion. If you did not receive an envelope, please contact the church office. Per capita apportionment is \$30.50 per member.

WORSHIP

**New Hope worships** each Sunday during the summer at 10:15 am.

**Lectionary for Sunday, August 27th, 2017**

Exodus 1: 8—2: 10

Psalms 124

Romans 12: 1-8

Matthew 16: 13-20

The handbell choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 pm and the choir practices

HELP NEEDED!

The Deacons are in need of some transportation assistance. They are in need of a driver to pick up church members and friends from Breeze Park on the first Sunday of the month. If you are able to help, please contact the church office.

We are in need of sound booth volunteers at both the 8:45 and 11:00 services. Training will be provided. Please contact the church office if you are willing to volunteer one Sunday a month.

FALL BIBLE STUDY

New Hope is offering a Bible Study of Galatians on Wednesdays from 10:00-11:30 am, beginning September 20th, for six weeks. Everyone is welcome to come and you are encouraged to sign up early so you will have your study book in time for the class. The cost of the book is \$13.00 and checks can be made payable to New Hope Presbyterian Church with a note in the memo line for "Bible Study Guide." You can sign the registration form located in the Narthex, Child-care will be available. Please request child-care by calling the church office by September 13th. Call the church office, or email Anne Finks at [annefinks@gmail.com](mailto:annefinks@gmail.com) to enroll.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NEWSLETTER

If you have an article for the new Presbyterian Women newsletter, please email them to Alyssa Murray ([alyssa.a.murray@gmail.com](mailto:alyssa.a.murray@gmail.com)) by the 15th of every month for inclusion in the next month's newsletter. The newsletter will be emailed the first of every month (or mailed if you have requested that option). We will not be accepting articles for the first newsletter. Thank you.

AGAPE CIRCLE

Ladies, you are invited to join the Agape Circle which meets the first Thursday of each month at 1:00 PM to 2:30, in the conference room. This year our study will be Philip Keller's book, *A Layman Looks at the Lord's Prayer*. We did his book on the 23rd Psalm last year, and it was an insightful and enjoyable study, which led to great discussions. Please consider joining us. For more information contact Susan Phillips at (314)368-3732 or [Susan.e.phillips@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Susan.e.phillips@sbcglobal.net).

MINISTRY, MISSION & EVANGELISM

August Meal-A-Month: 1 can chicken & dumplings, 1 can vegetables, 1 can fruit, 1 bag/box cookies, 1 plastic jar peanut butter.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Formation for Discipleship Committee is seeking to hire one more childcare worker to meet the needs of our wonderful growing church family. Please contact the church office to apply or to recommend a good candidate. Or you can Shelley Geiger, 636-578-8328 for more information. Thank you!

THE JOURNEY BEGINS

"The people he met, the places he passed, were all steps in his journey, and he kept a place inside his heart for each of them." (from *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*)

If you ever have the chance to read *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*, you'll discover a man whose life seemed to have little meaning until he decided to make a journey on foot to the far reaches of England from where he lived. There were those who were sure he would fail (he didn't exercise and didn't have much ambition, you see); but, THEN, there were those along the way who applauded his efforts and encouraged him to keep on keeping on!

*The Journey* at New Hope is like that, too. Travelers on *The Journey* choose to make a commitment to explore their own faith along with their questions, doubts and convictions. Together, Travelers seek to deepen their faith, to ponder their questions, to verbalize their doubts and convictions – all within a caring, enfolding environment. Travelers have "Companions" who participate in *The Journey*, as well, and applaud their efforts and encourage them to keep on keeping on!

If this sounds interesting to you, come join us. *The Journey* begins with lunch on Sunday, September 24th at 12:30 p.m. To sign-up, call the church office, or, email/call Ruth Irvine at [ruthirvine@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ruthirvine@sbcglobal.net) (636-300-1573). If you have questions or want to talk about this, you may contact Linda Dencker, Lynn Harmon, Ruth Irvine, Chris James, Terry Martinez, Del Phillips, or Margo Van Mill. Find out more . . . *Come & See!*