CALENDAR

Sunday, June 25th

9:30 a.m. Christian Formation Classes Various Locations 10:15 a.m. Word & Sacrament Worship Space 11:30 a.m. PW Birthday Celebration Sunshine Room

Monday, June 26th

7:00 p.m. Formation for Discipleship Room 194 7:00 p.m. MCDA Worship Space

Wednesday, June 28th

7:00 p.m. VBS Orientation Sunshine Room 8:00 p.m. Safe Sanctuary Sunshine Room

Thursday, June 29th

6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Sunday, July 2nd

9:30 a.m. Christian Formation Classes Various Locations 10:15 a.m. Word & Sacrament Worship Space

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.

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News & Opportunities

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NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

The church office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th, in observance of Independence Day.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee is seeking nominations for the 2018—2020 Session and Diaconate. Please use the yellow nomination form in the Outreach and Information are of the Narthex to nominate yourself or another member for office, or call the church office with questions.

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.

2017 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

This year our VBS will be July 10th—14th,

from 9 a.m. until noon. We will be using the Cokesbury curriculum called Hero Central— Discover Your Strength in God! At Hero Central VBS, kids will discover their strength in God and realize that they are God's heroes! VBS Hero Central is designed to introduce students to a deeper relationship with God through Jesus Christ. VBS is a great opportunity for us to share God's love with the children who attend and with each other. Please prayerfully consider volunteering at the 2017 Vacation Bible School. There are many opportunities to help and we are in need of many volunteers to ensure a great VBS for all of the children who attend!

Registration forms are now available for the 2017 VBS! The registration fee is \$25.00 for the week and includes a t-shirt. Forms are located in the Outreach and Information area of the Narthex. If you would a form emailed to you, please call the church office.

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:

June 25th—Jane Cox & Stacey Bordes July 2nd—No Worship Feast

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 and click on the link on the home page.

SAVE THE DATES

Ladies of the church, please save the following two dates for special events held at New Hope. The church will be hosting the Presbyterian Women Giddings-Lovejoy Fall Gathering on Saturday, September 23rd 9 A.M to 2. P.M.

Also, Advent-by Candlelight will be held in the Sanctuary on Tuesday evening, December 5th. More information on both events will follow. If you are willing to help with either event, please contact Ann Schmid at 636-699-2142/ann_schmid1@yahoo.com.

WORSHIP

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

Lectionary for Sunday, July 2nd, 2017

Genesis 22: 1-14

Psalm 13

Romans 6: 12-23 Matthew 10: 40-42

The handbell choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 pm and the choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 pm.

VBS ORIENTATION & SAFE SANCTUARY

VBS Orientation for volunteers and Safe Sanctuary Classes are scheduled for the following dates:

Wednesday, June 28th—VBS Orientation at 7:00 pm and Safe Sanctuary Class at 8:00 pm.

If you are volunteering during the 2017 Vacation Bible School, and were not able to attend a previous session, please plan on attending one of these orientation sessions. If you are unable to it, please contact the church office.

MINISTRY, MISSION & EVANGELISM

June Meal-A-Month: 2 cans of chicken, 1 box Chicken Helper, 1 can vegetables, 1 can fruit, 1 bag/box cookies.

COMMUNICATIONS

Help us keep in touch! If you are not already on the New Hope email list, join now and receive weekly newsletters before Sunday, as well as other updates that are important to members and friends. Call Laurie Meinert in the church office sign up today!

MUSIC NOTES

Next Sunday, July 2, the congregation is invited to participate in the first of a series of pre-service "hymn sings" as announced in the newsletter and bulletins. For this first event, we will sing patriotic songs such as "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies." Let's begin singing at 10:10 sharp. Have your hymnal in hand and your voice warmed up to sing out with gusto.

VBS PICNIC

Please mark your calendars for the VBS Celebration Picnic on Sunday, July 16th, immediately following the 10:15 am service. Everyone is welcome to attend and help celebrate the end of our 2017 VBS activities!

YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Please keep the volunteers going on the Youth Mission Trip to Pensacola, Florida in your prayers as they departed from New Hope on Saturday, June 24th.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

PW will hold our annual birthday luncheon after the 10:15 am service TODAY!. This is a very important meeting and we hope ALL women of the church can attend. Significant others are also welcome. We will vote on the 2017/2018 slate of officers (Alyssa Murray, Moderator; Donna Huffman, Vice-Moderator; Jennifer Everly, Treasurer; Nancy Seals, Secretary). Additionally, the PW scholarships will be awarded to deserving graduating seniors. We also welcome Cindy Feig, Moderator of PW of Giddings-Lovejoy. She will speak to us about the importance of PW, not only at the local level, but worldwide.

The luncheon is potluck, with PW providing desert.

PW is an important organization, but we are in danger of losing our chapter at New Hope because of the lack of membership & willingness to serve. Please make every effort you can go stay for lunch & cupcakes to celebrate PW and all it does.

SCRIP CARDS

SCRIP cards work great if you are planning your summer vacation. There are hotels and car rental agencies available for purchase. We also have your everyday needs such as Walmart. Order on Sunday and pick them up the following Sunday. A portion of each purchase comes back to the church as "free" money. If you have any questions, contact the church office.