

new hope

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



February 21, 2025

News and Opportunities



February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

Genesis 45:3-11, 15 ~ 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 ~ Luke 6:27-38

Attend in-person or [livestream](#)

[Order of Service](#)

This Week at New Hope

Sunday, February 23rd

Pastor Chris's Birthday!

9:00am

- Children's Sunday School (Room 100)
- Youth Sunday School (Youth Room - Room 102)
- Adult Sunday School - Exodus (Fellowship Hall)
- Adult Sunday School - Contemporary Issues (Conference Room)

10:15am Worship Service (Worship Center)

12:00pm Scouts Venturing Crew Meeting (Narthex)

Monday, February 24th

9:00am To The Moon (Room 101, Room 102, Room 104, Fellowship Hall)

10:00am Knitting Group (Conference Room)

7:00pm Formation for Discipleship Committee Meeting (Room 104)

Tuesday, February 25th

10:00am To The Moon (Room 101, Room 102, Room 104, Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, February 26th

9:00am To The Moon (Room 101, Room 102, Room 104, Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, February 27th

10:00am To The Moon (Room 101, Room 102, Room 104, Fellowship Hall)

1:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Conference Room)

6:00pm Girls Scouts (Room 104)

6:30pm Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

6:45pm Handbells Rehearsal (Worship Center)

Friday, February 28th

9:00am To The Moon (Room 101, Room 102, Room 104, Fellowship Hall)

February 2025 calendar

March 2025 calendar

(hard copy of the calendar can be found in the Narthex)



This Sunday, February 23rd, is Pastor Chris's birthday! The Deacons are providing a cake that will be shared following service. There will also be a basket available to collect birthday cards, if you would like to bring one in. Please join us in his celebration!

[BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES]

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You can find the lists for birthdays and anniversaries below.
Hard copies can also be found in the Narthex.

February Birthdays & Anniversaries

March Birthdays & Anniversaries



A Sweet Moment...

A special shout out to Pastor Chris on this sweet moment! Earlier this week, one of the kiddos with To The Moon was having a hard morning. She kept saying she wanted to be baptized here at New Hope. After Pastor Chris talked with her for a few minutes, he asked if he could give her a special blessing. She agreed and

then after his blessing she said, "I have Jesus in my heart."



Congratulations Marion Hamilton!

At the Scouts' Green and Gold Banquet on February 20, Marion Hamilton was awarded the God and Service religious award. This award for scout leaders is by nomination only and "is given to acknowledge distinguished volunteer service...in ministry to young people through service to the Church and one or more of the national agencies" (e.g. Scouting America). The criteria for this award includes being of service to a scout unit and a church for 5+ years, encouraging youth to earn the religious award for their faith and promote community service, and being a great example of a Christian to their church and its youth. It is believed that Marion is only the second scout leader to earn this award in the history of Scout Troop 30 and the first in several decades. Congratulations, Marion!



Ash Wednesday

Soup Supper and Service

Please join us on Wednesday, March 5th, starting at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall for a soup supper! We are in need of volunteers to make their favorite soup and bring it to the church that evening. We are also going to be needing bread and butter as well as items to make PB&Js for the children. Please click [here](#) to sign up to bring something.

A service of Word & Sacrament for Ash Wednesday, along with the imposition of ashes, will begin at 7:00pm in the Worship Center. Childcare will be provided during service.



Centering Prayer @ New Hope

During the season of Lent, New Hope will introduce the spiritual practice of centering prayer. Regardless of whether you attend(ed) the Introduction to Centering Prayer workshop hosted by Contemplative Outreach of St. Louis on February 22nd, you are invited to learn more about and engage in the practice of centering prayer at New Hope on Tuesdays, March 4 - April 8, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Questions? Contact [Cheri Crockett](#) or [Chris James](#)



Online Giving Processing Fees

The people of New Hope have such generous hearts! All contributions that are made, whether by cash, check, or online through the [Vanco website](#), are greatly appreciated.

In order to offer the online payment portal through Vanco, New Hope incurs a fee per transaction. In 2024, we paid over \$1,300 in online processing fees. In order to help our budget and to help reduce the expense of these fees, the option to add the .7% ACH processing fee to your online contribution has been added on the Vanco website. This equates to 7 cents for every \$10.

Please note, while this is a required fee that New Hope pays, the choice is whether you, as the contributor, are willing to assume it, rather than passing it along to the church. If you choose not to pay the fee, you may decline by clicking the button to the off position that reads "*I would like to help offset the processing fees associated with online giving*" (pictured below). If turned off, then the .7% ACH processing fee will not be added to your contribution.

New Hope has chosen not to accept debit/credit cards, as the processing fees for those are substantially higher.

Thank you again, New Hope, for your gifts of the heart each and every day!

If you have any questions about this, please contact [Trudi](#) in the church office.

General Operating Fund

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Continue to review



For healing and comfort ~ NikkiJo Ouellett (niece of Barbara Newman).

For joy ~ Elliott John was born to Maggie and Tyler Salter on February 17. Elliott's grandparents are Jim and Kathy Salter.

For the nation and the world ~ for all of those seeking shelter from the cold.

Continuing Prayer Requests ~ Please continue to pray for those listed [here](#).

Please help us keep the prayer list up to date by notifying [Trudi Johnson](#) in the church office of any additions or deletions



MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE

Presbyterian Women

Spring Gathering

Saturday, April 5th

Registration: 9:00am

Program: 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

Click [here](#) for more information and how to register. Anyone interested in attending this event, please respond to [Ann Schmid](#). We plan to carpool, meeting at New Hope Presbyterian Church at 8:30 A.M

Mission & Ministry



February Diaper Drive

Thank you for all of your donations so far to our diaper drive! We still have a very great need of diapers and wipes for the Food Pantry. The Food Pantry cannot keep these supplied and are always out. There is one more week left and we appreciate all the help you can give by dropping off diapers and/or wipes to the designated bins in the Narthex. All sizes 1 -6 are needed. Our goal is to collect a two month supply. We appreciate your help meeting our goal for the babies and thank you again to those who have already donated!

Food Pantry Needs

Beef stew
Potato sides
Jelly
Juice
Coffee
Toilet paper

New Hope Food Pantry

Thank you to all who stock the food pantry! We also want to thank those who support the food pantry with your monetary gifts and food donations. Our church could not offer this important ministry without all of you!

Below is a list of most-needed items this week. In addition to diapers and wipes, please consider picking up one or two of these items as you do your weekly shopping or making a directed monthly monetary donation to the food pantry so that we can buy more in our monthly shopping. Thank you to all of you who dropped off some of our most-needed items last week!

- Beef stew
- Potato sides
- Jelly
- Juice
- Coffee
- Toilet paper

For your shopping convenience, orders can be placed through our wish list at [Amazon](#). Thank you!

Please click the link below to see more items needed.

[Additional Items Needed](#)

And we can always use more volunteers! Don't worry if you're not sure what to do, we'll work with you until you're comfortable. Just let the office know that you'd like some help getting started.

[Sign up link for volunteering](#)

OASIS Birthday Bags

Thank you to all who donate to OASIS Birthday Bags. This mission could not continue without people like you. God bless! OASIS Birthday Bags for boys and girls ages 1-12 years.

We are most in need of:

- icing
- small gifts for ages 7-12
- cake mixes
- crayons
- paper plates
- napkins

If you have any questions please call Barb MacShane at (636) 426-0461 or Donna Drackert at (636) 778-8254.

Giving Opportunities

[Give to New Hope](#)

NHPC Food Pantry

[Amazon Wish List](#)

[Food Pantry List](#)

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Other

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