



June 28, 2024

News and Opportunities



June 30, 2024

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 1:1, 17–27 ~ 2 Corinthians 8:7–15 ~ Mark 5:21–43

Attend in-person or [live-stream](#).

[Order of Service](#)

This Week at New Hope

Sunday, June 30th

9:15am Christian Formation Classes (various locations)

10:15am Worship Service (Worship Space)

Thursday, July 4th - Happy 4th of July!

Church Office Closed

Friday, July 5th

Church Office Closed

[July 2024 calendar](#)

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



Come Learn about Legacy Giving!

New Hope's **Legacy Giving** Program is designed to carry our church far into the future, so that our younger generations can learn and grow in the Christian faith. So, how is the **Legacy Giving** Program different from our annual financial commitment?

Each year we complete an Estimate of Giving commitment. This annual pledge helps fund the annual operating fund for ministries and mission of the church in the immediate future.

Legacy Giving is a way to keep our church's mission going and growing beyond the immediate missions and ministries of our church. It is an opportunity to fund the future through a gift to the church in your will or trust. It is a chance to plan a legacy gift in a simple, joyful way to carry values forward to the next generation. **Legacy Giving** provides members and friends of the congregation the satisfaction of knowing their will reflects their faith and faithful generosity. **Legacy Giving** does not require "wealth," but it is the spirit of sharing the gifts we have been given.

On Sunday, July 21st, from 11:30-12:30, we have invited Sherri Finke, our Presbyterian Foundation representative, to visit with us to describe the ways that we may provide for the church in years to come. This educational meeting will be open to everyone, and no commitment will be sought. It is just a time to learn and ask questions.

We will have a light lunch on July 21st, so be sure to RSVP to any one of us on the Legacy Giving Committee. We hope to see you then!

Yours in Christ,
Rick Cassetta
Jeff Connor
Lynn Harmon
Ruth Irvine
Deb Mackin
Jim Pettit



Guest Musicians

We will be having guest musicians join us for Worship on July 7th. The Traveling Minstrels. Carl Sasse, Suzanne Harlamert and Christine Sasse are pictured left.

Please click [here](#) for more information about each one of these musicians.

This Week's Prayer Requests

for healing and wholeness~ David Hanson (Marion Hamilton's uncle), Debbie Luth (friend of Ken Pinkley), Marie Cerokowski (friend of Bill & Ruth Reilly)

for the grieving ~ the family of Clark and Kelly Hurrell on the death of his father, [Bill Hurrell](#) (June 17th)

for the nation and world ~ the people of Israel and Palestine the people of Ukraine
Continuing Prayer Requests Please continue to pray for those listed [here](#).

If you have updates to the Prayers list, please contact Trudi Johnson in the church office.

Per Capita 2024



We have made some progress in meeting our per capita responsibility to the Presbyterian Church USA. However, to date we have received contributions totaling \$2,706, which is still far short of the goal of over \$6,000. If you have not yet paid your per capita, it is not too late!

Our commitment this year is \$36.00 per active member. (Example: a family of two (2) members would pay \$72.00). Anyone who has become a member of our church by letter of transfer, reaffirmation of faith or by profession of faith is considered an “active” member.)

If members don't contribute, it comes from the church's general fund, money that is better used for the day-to-day operation of our church.

We always strive to make it clear that the per capita is far more than the “membership dues” that some have likened it to. The money is a form of mission giving that goes to the larger work of the Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy, the Synod of Mid-America and our General Assembly. New Hope is required to pay this for every member. Like other congregations, we are asking members to consider contributing the per capita amount for each active member in your household. Like other charitable donations, it may be able to be deducted from your income tax.

As a member of the Presbyterian Church USA, we are committed to honor this responsibility as our obligation to the larger church.

We appreciate your consideration in contributing your per capita for each active member in your household. Please help New Hope meet this obligation. Thank you for helping us expand our witness as the larger church!

Formation for Discipleship

July 21st ~

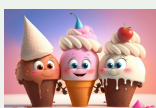
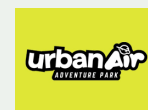
Change to Worship Feast

On this Sunday, all children will still attend Worship Feast at the normal time, but they will return to church and sit with their families for communion and the rest of the service.

J.A.M & Youth Event

Join us for lunch after church followed by a trip to Urban Air for an uplifting time!

Contact [Deb Garten](#) for your free tickets to Urban Air.



August 18th ~

Ice Cream Social and Cardboard Carnival

All are invited! Please join us in the fun for the whole

congregation!

September 8th ~ Sunday School Kick-Off Event



Join us for breakfast and fun for our whole church family!
Bring a friend to celebrate the beginning of a new Sunday
School year!

We Need Your Help!

Sunday School, J.A.M., Youth Group, and Worship Feast teachers and leaders are needed! If you would like to give any of these fabulous activities a try, please contact [Deb Garten](#).

Vacation Bible School Wrap-Up!

Vacation Bible School 2024 was a huge success! Hometown Nazareth - Jesus as a Boy had 25 children participating that learned Jesus was once a child, just as they are. Thanks to all of the teachers and helpers who made Jesus come alive to our children.

We are especially thankful for:

- ~Miss Lindy and the Johnstons, who created a village of houses and animals.
- ~Mr. Bryan and Mr. John, who kept the children active.
- ~Miss Julie and Mr. Stan, who made Science interesting.
- ~Miss Shelly and her team who offered timely art projects.
- ~Miss Sharon and Miss Abby who made music fun.
- ~Miss Linda, who as Mary shared stories of Jesus growing up.
- ~Our kitchen crew who created delicious snacks.
- ~The class leaders and helpers who made the lessons fun and interesting.
- ~The young people who were so helpful.
- ~Miss Linda and Miss Tara who took pictures and posted them to share.
- ~Our congregation, who so generously donated snacks and supplies, and who helped with physical labor.
- ~Our children and their parents who donated over 350 items for our Food Bank.
- ~The families who brought their children to Worship to share their Bible School songs.
- ~A very special thanks to Jim Phillips who wrote each child's name in Arabic!

70 people stayed after Worship to enjoy lunch and celebrate a very successful week! Thanks to everyone who supported VBS in any way! You helped give the children a very memorable week. We hope you enjoyed the children's music on Sunday. We look forward to another exciting week of Vacation Bible School the week of June 16-20, 2025.

The VBS Leaders,
Tara Larrew
Nancy Seals





First Sunday Hats

Wearing hats to church is a deeply rooted tradition. For over 100 years women have adorned themselves with beautifully decorated hats when attending church. These hats serve both spiritual and cultural purposes. They are designed to “catch God’s eye” symbolizing hope, prayer and celebration. In a world full of hardships, the church became a sanctuary where important leadership positions could be held. Sunday worship was a day of triumph and pride.

These hats instill pride, confidence and a sense of royalty. Worn with “Hatitude,” they symbolize the ability to overcome adversity. For centuries, African American women have adorned themselves with beautifully fabricated and extravagantly decorated hats when attending church.

During the 1920’s the middle class celebrated economic success by flaunting flashy hats everywhere, including church.

In the 1960’s, some young women rejected the tradition as a symbol of oppression, but elders kept it alive.

In the 1990s, these same young women embraced the custom as they became church elders themselves.

Today, some women own multiple formal hats, carefully matching them to their church dresses for special occasions like Easter, Mother’s Day and Christmas.

Please join us, starting on July 7th, and on the First Sunday of each month. When you see New Hope women, for whatever reason, wearing their hats to church, you’ll know that they’re continuing a rich tradition that combines fashion with cultural pride.

Mission & Ministry

School Snacks

Once again, this past school year we were able to provide snacks for approximately 40 children of families in need at Harvest Ridge Elementary School. Thank you to all who contributed to this project! We will start collecting again the first week of August, so stay tuned!

School Supplies

New Hope is once again collecting school supplies for the Francis Howell School District. We will be collecting items July 1st-17th. Please consider donating any of the following supplies.

There will be a bin in the Narthex for your donations. Thank you!

Binders ~ Highlighters ~ Crayons ~ Backpacks ~ Pencils ~ Scissors
Rulers ~ Glue sticks ~ Paper ~ Pencil boxes ~ Folders ~ Tissues
Erasers ~ Markers ~ Pens ~ Notebooks

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:

- 1) icing
- 2) small gifts for ages 7-12
- 3) cake mixes
- 4) crayons
- 5) birthday candles
- 6) paper plates
- 7) napkins

If you have any questions please call Barb MacShane at (636) 426-0461.

New Hope Food Pantry

Thank you to all who support the food pantry with your designated monetary gifts and food donations and to all of our great volunteers who faithfully sign up to stock the pantry.

Below is a list of most needed items at the moment. It is a longer list than usual because we are running out of key items. Please consider picking up a few of these items as you do your weekly shopping or making a directed monthly monetary donation so that we can buy more in our monthly shopping. Thank you!

Most needed items:

- Jelly
- Spaghetti sauce
- Canned beef/beef stew
- Canned chicken
- Canned pork/ham
- Peanut butter
- Paper towels

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

Our goal for the food pantry is to provide a variety of easy to prepare items for those who have limited access to kitchen appliances and to provide supplemental grocery items for those families who do not have the funds to purchase all that they need. These are the needs that our self-service pantry is uniquely designed to meet. So, while our inside storage rooms may look well stocked, we are missing many critical items to meet our goals and the needs of our clients.

We are in short supply of some other items. Please click the link below to see more items needed.

[Additional Items Needed](#)
[Sign up link for volunteering](#)



Presbyterian Women

SAVE THESE DATES!

Thursday, August 8-11, 2024 Presbyterian Women Churchwide Gathering in St. Louis
DO EVERYTHING IN LOVE!

For more information, see the PW Linkletter below or get a printed copy of the Linkletter in the Narthex. Contact Ann Schmid with any questions. Don't miss these valuable opportunities for spiritual growth, fellowship and mission!

PW Linkletter

Please click on the image below to view the most recent PW Linkletter

THE LINKLETTER



Giving Opportunities

Give to New Hope

NHPC Food Pantry

Amazon Wish List

Food Pantry List

Sign up to Volunteer

Other

Give to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for: Disaster Relief - Middle East



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