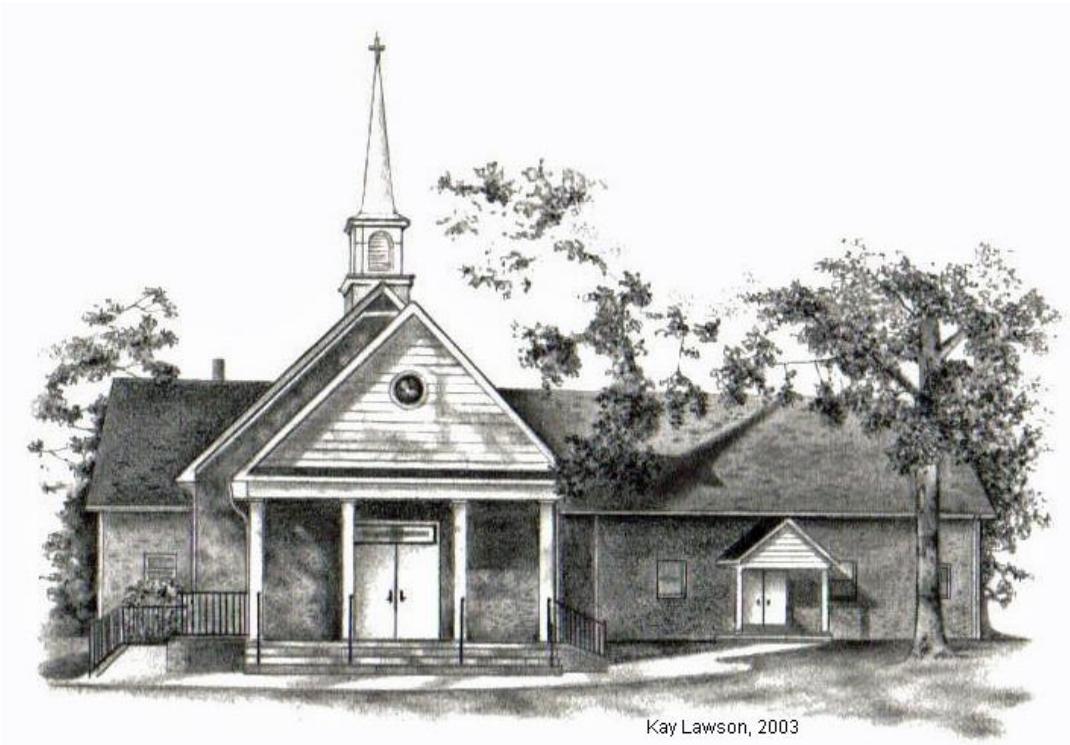


NEW HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Committed to new hope in Christ through family, fellowship, and service.



November 16, 2014



New Hope United Methodist Church

Order of Worship

November 16, 2014

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Entrance

Gathering, Welcome, and Announcements

Prelude

* Call to Worship

(USA, 20th cent.)

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon the earth.

Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth its increase; may God, our own God, bless us.

Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

* Hymn

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

♪ UMH 121

* Opening Prayer

(J.M. Todd, England, 20th cent.)

Most gracious God, you crown the year with your goodness.

We praise you that you have ever fulfilled your promise

that, while earth remains, seedtime and harvest shall not cease.

We bless you for the order and constancy of nature,

for the beauty of earth and sky and sea,

and for the providence that year by year supplies our need.

We thank you for your blessing

on the work of those who plowed the soil and sowed the seed,

and have now gathered in the fruits of the earth.

And with your thanksgiving for these blessings,

accept our praise, O God,

for the eternal riches of your grace in Christ our Lord;

to whom, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit,

be all glory and honor and worship, for ever and ever. Amen.

* Gloria Patri

♪ UMH 70

* Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Proclamation

Psalter Lesson

Psalm 123

Anthem

Thanksgiving Tapestry

* Gospel Lesson

Matthew 25:14-30

Time with the Children

Epistle Lesson

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Sermon

A Thief

Rev. Brian Siegle

Response

Joys and Concerns of the Community

Pastoral Prayer

Reception of New Members

Introduction

Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church.

*We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation
and given new birth through water and the Spirit.*

All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

*Through confirmation, and through the reaffirmation of our faith,
we renew the covenant declared at our baptism,*

*acknowledge what God is doing for us,
and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy Church.*

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you:

*Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,
reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?*

I do.

*Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you
to resist evil, injustice, and oppression
in whatever forms they present themselves?*

I do.

*Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace,
and promise to serve him as your Lord,
in union with the Church which Christ has opened
to people of all ages, nations, and races?*

I do.

*According to the grace given to you,
will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church
and serve as Christ's representatives in the world?*

I will.

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin

and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ.

We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others.

We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

The Creed

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Eternal Father:

When nothing existed but chaos,

you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light.

In the days of Noah you saved those on the ark through water.

After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow.

When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt,

you led them to freedom through the sea.

Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

****Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.**

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb.

He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit.

*He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection
and to make disciples of all nations.*

****Declare Christ's works to the nations, his glory among all the people.**

*Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and those who receive it,
to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness
throughout their lives, that, dying and being raised with Christ,
they may share in his final victory.*

****All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ,
who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever. Amen.**

BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

*Christian Name(s), I baptize you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*The Holy Spirit work within you,
that being born through water and the Spirit,
you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Amen.*

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sister in Christ.

**Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit
into God's new creation and made to share
in Christ's royal priesthood.**

We are all one in Christ Jesus.

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you
as a member of the family of Christ.**

CONFIRMATION OR REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Remember your baptism and be thankful. Amen.

*Name, the Holy Spirit work within you,
that having been born through water and the Spirit,
you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Amen.*

RECEPTION INTO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*As members of Christ's universal Church,
will you be loyal to Christ through The United Methodist Church,
and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?*

I will.

RECEPTION INTO THE LOCAL CONGREGATION

*As members of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries
by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness?*

I will.

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

Members of the household of God,

I commend these persons to your love and care.

*Do all in your power to increase their faith,
confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.*

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you in the body of Christ
and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church,
we renew our covenant faithfully to participate
in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence,
our gifts, our service, and our witness
that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

*The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,
establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit,
that you may live in grace and peace.*

Giving God's tithes and our offerings

Offertory

* Doxology

♪ UMH 95

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and glory, forever. Amen.

Sending Forth

* Hymn

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

♪ UMH 301

* Benediction and Meal Blessing

* Response

Make Us One

♪ TFWS 2224

* Please stand, as you are able

♪ UMH = The United Methodist Hymnal (red hymn book), ♪ TFWS = The Faith We Sing (black hymn book)

Worship Notes

Liturgist: Holly Siegle

The flowers are given today to the glory of God

Please join us for a Thanksgiving celebration luncheon after worship today!

Next Week

Liturgist: Mary Conner

Scripture: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; *Ephesians 1:15-23*; Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon: *A Thief*

Numbers last week

Sunday School attendance – 13

Budget Offering : \$1662.50

Budget Received to date: \$81,415.23

Budget funds received year-to-date :87.7%

Building Fund : \$877

Worship attendance – 59

Cemetery Fund : \$0

Annual 2014 budget : \$92,838

Budget funds last year-to-date: 88.9%



Talents and Gifts. If you feel that you have a skill or talent or gift that you would like to use in the life of the church, please get in touch with Pastor Brian so that he can meet with you to discuss it. If necessary, we can create a whole new ministry to use those talents.

Come for the live, interactive nativity experience and extend your stay in a private room at Blessings Lodge at Overlook Retreat and Camp Ministries in Keezletown. There will be hot beverages, a time of reflection on the nativity experience, Christmas activities, Saturday morning devotions and a pancake breakfast. Cost is \$99 per room (four twin beds, add more on the floor.

As of Nov. 11, Virginia Conference United Methodists have raised \$200,730 (and saved 20,073 lives) for Imagine No Malaria since Annual Conference voted to save 100,000+ lives in the next year. Read the stories posted on the conference Imagine No Malaria Facebook page and the conference website about how churches and individuals are raising money to save lives. Only \$10 will save a life. Every Life can Save a Life. For more information, contact Maria Maxwell, Virginia Conference Imagine No Malaria field coordinator, at (804) 521-1160 or MariaMaxwell@vaumc.org.

One great way to celebrate the upcoming **75th anniversary of United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)** is by helping to ensure another 75 years. Donations to One Great Hour of Sharing special Sunday offering directly fund UMCOR's administrative costs. One Great Hour of Sharing will take place March 15, 2015.

June 24-July 8, 2015, are the dates for a first-ever **Virginia Conference trip to Cambodia designed for young adults** (ages 19-39). Focus of the trip will be orientation to the Methodist Mission in Cambodia as well as helping sponsor and lead a young people's conference in Cambodia. Subsidized cost for the trip is \$2000 per person. A maximum of 10 people may participate, so get your application in early. Team leaders are Adam Jenkins and Nathan Decker. For more information, contact Decker at pastorndecker@gmail.com.

Voices of Youth "Shelter in the Storm" tour will be July 8-26, 2015. High school youths who are passionate about music and missions are invited to apply. The choir will work with the New York Conference to aid in recovery and rebuilding after the devastation of Superstorm Sandy. Go to <http://jennydpt07.wix.com/vavoicesofyouth> for more information and application.

Day of Holy Conversation, Saturday, November 22, 9:30am - 3:30pm, St. Luke's UMC; Yorktown. Convened by Dr. David Anderson Hooker at Woodlake UMC. A live telecast with the guiding question of "in light of concerns being expressed in different areas of the connection of the United Methodist Church and in society as a whole regarding human sexuality, how can we move forward in mission and ministry together?" Follow-up questions will be given to the presenters by the convener as prepared by the Presenter Committee and culled from written questions submitted by event participants.

United Methodist Family Services (UMFS) announced that it will undertake a multi-million-dollar redesign of its Richmond campus, the first campus overhaul since major construction of most of the existing buildings occurred in the 1950s. The redesign will include creation of flexible space with the ability to evolve as the needs of the community evolve. Work will occur in phases during the next 10 plus years, and have relevance for the next 20 years. Phase 1 may include an entrance relocation and new educational and flexible residential program space. Subsequent phases may include the addition of a community center, administration building and space to enhance the organization's ability to provide much-needed community-based services. At any point in the process, UMFS will entertain private development ideas and proposals for its Broad Street frontage.

The November issue of the Virginia United Methodist Advocate focuses on how churches can reach new people. The old way – waiting for people to show up on Sunday morning – no longer works. The conference Center for Congregational Excellence is offering a new workshop in locations around the conference to teach new ways to meet new people and offer ideas for connecting with unchurched people in the community. The Advocate is the official monthly magazine of the Virginia Conference. To subscribe to the Advocate – print, digital or both – call (804) 521-1110 or 1-800-768-6040, ext. 110; e-mail Advocate@vaumc.org; or go to www.vaumc.org/advocate.

Plans are under way for this year's UMC #GivingTuesday on Tuesday, Dec. 2.

GivingTuesday provides an alternative to the consumer-driven shopping traditions in the United States of Black Friday, Local Business Saturday and Cyber Monday. UMC #GivingTuesday offers an opportunity to begin the holiday season by giving instead of getting, by supporting organizations and missionaries who have been researched and approved by the United Methodist General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM). There are more than 850 United Methodist-related Advance projects and 300 missionaries that have been reviewed and approved by GBGM. Last year, on UMC #GivingTuesday, United Methodists collectively raised a record \$6.5 million online for Advance mission and ministries.

"Wounded Hearts, Healing Love" retreat for those who have found themselves single again due to separation, divorce or death will be held 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, at Blessings Lodge at Overlook Retreat and Camp Ministries in Keezletown. Participants will explore the trials, hurts, loneliness of being single again, and search for the road leading to healing and wholeness. Participants stay in semi-private rooms with private baths. All linens are provided. Three meals on Saturday and two on Sunday will be served. Cost is \$105 per person (some financial assistance available). Register at www.campoverlook.org.

Pathways, a not-for-profit, faith-based community development corporation in Petersburg, is seeking a Mental Health Nurse Practitioner and a Personal Care Aide (PCA) Instructor. Duties of the Mental Health Nurse Practitioner will include program design and planning, assessments, treatment, referrals and coordination of care focused primarily on young adults. In addition, Pathways is seeking a part-time licensed RN to instruct a Personal Care Aide class for young adults in a juvenile correctional facility. Instructor must be able to develop and execute lesson plans and report student accomplishments. For details on both of these positions, visit the Virginia Conference website at www.vaumc.org/jobs and scroll down to "Other."

Ever walk into your Sunday morning worship service and realize the colors have changed around the sanctuary? Chuck explains liturgical colors on this episode of "Chuck Knows Church," a weekly online series that explains the meaning behind some of the objects, symbols, terms and rituals in church. Episodes can be downloaded for free at www.ChuckKnowsChurch.com and used in worship, youth groups, fellowship groups, confirmation classes, worship teams, new member classes and late-night snack viewing. Chuck is on YouTube, Facebook and Twitter. "Chuck Knows Church" is produced by the General Board of Discipleship.



Stewardship - Nurturing a Generous Spirit in Building Vital Congregations!

Thursday, November 20, 7-9pm, Wesley UMC; Hampton. Shifting the focus on finances in the local church requires a deliberate effort and creates a new synergy. The strategic goal is to engage the church members in mission and ministry with renewed generosity. Vision opens the door; planning equips the donor!

Staff-Parish Committee Training Saturday, January 17, 2015 (10am-12pm) at Providence UMC. Rev. Steve Jones, Richmond District DS will lead S/PPRC training.

District Leadership Training Saturday, February 7, 2015 (9am-12pm) at Chestnut Memorial UMC. District training focusing on helping those filling specific leadership positions in their local congregations. Training areas include: finance/treasurers, trustees, council chairs, local lay leaders, and nominations/lay leadership development.

Healing Prayer Mondays, February 9, 16, 23, and March 2, 9, 16 (7-9pm) at Susanna Wesley UMC. Rev. Carol Bookwalter will elaborate and more fully cover Healing Prayer in this 6 week class. It is an expansion of the "Introduction to Healing Prayer" she is leading at District Vital Congregations on Saturday, November 8. Watch for further information!

"Lord, Teach Me to Pray — Practical Applications for Prayer" will be offered again Saturday, Feb. 21, at Williamsburg UMC. Main speaker will be Dr. Wendy Miller, professor emeritus of Spiritual Formation at Eastern Mennonite Seminary and adjunct faculty at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Ill., and Perkins School of Theology in Dallas.

Nominations/Lay Leadership Training. Thursday, March 26 (7-9pm) at Wesley UMC. Led by Cheryl Edley-Worford, Director of Inclusivity and Lay Leadership Excellence at the Virginia Conference. This workshop will focus on building a year-round equipping ministry system – preparing, connecting, and equipping people for ministry.



"God does nothing but by prayer, and everything with it." John Wesley

Cooper Abbott, Anna Akers, Tim and Judy Aldridge, Harriet Ammons, Douglas Anthony, Bertha Ashley, Alfred Bennett, Larry Bradshaw, Billie Brockman, Josh Broome, Dickie Brooks, Nancy Brooks, Meagan Brown, Lori Bunch, Ethel and John Burton, Leon Carter, Gene Chaffin, Neal Christie, Kate Clark, Kristen Cole, Edith Mae Collier, Mike Conrad, Ann Corneal, Jordan Crowell, Jim and Sarah Crumpton, Tamika Daniels, David Darden (not of West Point), Doris Day, Butch Dixon, Peter Dolezal, Wilton Dunn, Jen Elswick, Bea Farewell, Dennis Fary, Cathy Gallagher, Donna Garrett, James Garrett, Debbie Goodrich, Robin Gray, Jamie Haden, Brenda and Jeff Hall, Jessica Hall, John Hasty, Jessie Haynes, John Haynes, T.A. Haynes, Angie Horsley, Scott Hurst, Ivan and Sue Hurtzler, Amy Jackson, Grace Jackson, Henry Jackson, Andy James, Ruth Jenkins, John Jiles, Donna Kemp, Jim King, Grayson Kirby, Herbert Lann, Jr, Rachel Lawson, Susan Lawson, Sandy Lee, Johnny Lewis, Leigh Brown Lindsey, Elmo Marshall, Ashley Martin, Rita Michaels, Michele Murphy, Anita Newcomb, Marianne Nichols, Jeannie Oakes, Bobbie O'Neil, Charlotte Palmer, Maurice Parker, Julia Phillips, Eugene Pierce, Barbara Pinkenstein, Alissa Rhodes, Jane Riddick, Jeff Rilee, Louisa Roane, Severn Robbins, Rev. Jane Sabeau, Mike Salais, Richard Salais, Karen Sallam, Abbi Schaub, Brantley Sears, Ann Shoaff, Robert Slavely, Edith Smith, Jessica Smith, Ernest and Gladys Stanley; Bob Staul, Carol Steele, Pat Stowe, Charlie Sturtz, Lloyd Taylor, Nell Thimsen, Charles Thrift, Chris Tomlinson, Keith Tremel, Virginia Vranian, Jesse Walton, Margaret Walton, Floyd Gene Ward, Stanley Ware, Sylvia Weathers, Bobby Wilson, Nannie Mae Wilson, Robert Woodfin, Carolyn Yarrington

- Families grieving loss of loved ones including Hannah Graham, Pat Foley, and Willard Brown
- Those not experiencing the joy of a community of faith
- Those living amidst violence and disasters of natural and human origin, the locations of which are too many to list, but include the states of California, Washington, and Oregon, the countries of Ukraine, South Sudan, Israel, Palestine, Democratic Republic of Congo, Syria, Iraq, the Philippines, China, and the countries of Western Africa.

Church Calendar



This Week

Today – Church Thanksgiving luncheon after worship
King and Queen Community Thanksgiving Worship – 7:00pm – New Mt. Zion
Baptist Church (community choir rehearsal at 5:30pm)
Robyn Cooper's birthday

Monday – Alcoholics Anonymous – 7:00 pm
Mindi Smith's birthday

Tuesday – Nursing Home Worship (West Point) – 1:30pm
Billy Smith's birthday

Wednesday – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00pm

Thursday – Lauren Corliss' birthday

Saturday – Morgan Charnock's birthday

Coming Up

Next Sunday – Charge Conference – 1:30pm – Mt. Vernon UMC, Toano (7801 Church Ln)

November 27 – **Thanksgiving**

December 5 – United Methodist Men dinner

December 9 – Staff Parish Committee

December 14 – *Christmas play and party*



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