

NEW HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



Give thanks to the LORD,
for he is good

- Psalm 107:1 NIV

THANK YOU, LORD!

November 23, 2014



New Hope United Methodist Church

Order of Worship

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Christ the King Sunday

Entrance

Gathering, Welcome, and Announcements

Prelude

* Call to Worship

(USA, 20th cent.)

*"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God,
"who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."*

Blessing and honor and glory and might be unto the Lamb!

*Worthy is Christ who has ransomed us by his blood
from every tribe and tongue and nation,*

and made his people a kingdom, and priests to our God.

**Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come! Amen.**

* Hymn

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

♪ UMH 75

* Opening Prayer

(A Campbell Frazier, England, 20th cent.)

**Almighty God, who gave your Son Jesus Christ a realm
where all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him;
make us loyal followers of our living Lord,
that we may always hear his word,
follow his teachings, and live in his Spirit;
and hasten the day when every knee shall bow
and every tongue confess that he is Lord;
to your eternal glory. Amen.**

* Gloria Patri

♪ UMH 70

* Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Proclamation

Psalter Lesson

Psalms 100

* Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

♪ UMH 103

* Gospel Lesson

Matthew 25:31-46

Time with the Children

Epistle Lesson

Ephesians 1:15-23

Sermon

Thanks to God for You

Rev. Brian Siegle

Response

Joys and Concerns of the Community

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer for Christ's Kingdom

**Almighty and everlasting God,
it is your will to restore all things to Christ,
whom you have anointed priest for ever and ruler of creation.
Grant that all the people of the earth,
now divided by the power of sin,
may be united under the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.**

Giving God's tithes and our offerings

Offertory

* Doxology

♪ UMH 95

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift,
teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are,
that we may praise you, not with our lips only,
but with our whole lives,
turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days
into a living sacrifice to you;
through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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

My Hope Is Built

♪ UMH 368

* Benediction

* 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

Next Week

Liturgist: Wendell Palmer

Advent Begins!

Numbers last week

Sunday School attendance – 17

Worship attendance – 77

Budget Offering : \$1748.96

Building Fund : \$2000

Cemetery Fund : \$0

Budget Received to date: \$83,164.19

Annual 2014 budget : \$92,838

Budget funds received year-to-date :89.6%

Budget funds last year-to-date: 90.3%

As we express our *gratitude*, we must
never forget that the highest appreciation is
not to utter words, but to *live* by them.

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

Announcements

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.

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.

Dr. Martin Salia, chief medical officer and surgeon at United Methodist Kissy Hospital in Freetown, Sierra Leone, died Nov. 17 from advanced Ebola, said doctors at the Nebraska Medical Center where Salia was being treated after being airlifted there from Sierra Leone on Nov. 15.

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.

The Advent issue of "Neighbors" features "Sarah, a Christmas story," by the Rev. Dr. Tom Coffman, retired clergy member of the Virginia Conference and current president of the conference Retired Clergy Housing Corp. "Neighbors" is a free, customizable direct-mail piece, produced by Virginia United Methodist Communications, designed to complement a church's outreach ministry. This latest issue is now available to download from www.vaumc.org/Neighbors. The Neighbors web page provides simple instructions on how to download, print and mail the newsletter.

The Virginia Conference has designated December the month in which local churches are encouraged to receive special offerings to support United Methodist Family Services (UMFS). This year UMFS is sending churches its *Christmas Gifts of Hope* catalog in place of a bulletin insert. "Without the support of The United Methodist Church and local congregations like yours, we could not do the incredible work we do," said the Rev. Joe Torrence, minister of Church Relations for UMFS. "For more than 100 years, UMFS has been empowering children, families and communities in Virginia to work together and realize their shared potential. Your gift is one example of how our connection works at its best and how we can offer Christmas Gifts of Hope to Virginia's children in need." Our December Communion offering next week will go to support UMFS.

The Rev. Dr. Susan Henry-Crowe, General Secretary of the General Board of Church and Society, will be the lead speaker at **United Methodist Day at the General Assembly on Thursday, Feb. 5.** This event, sponsored by the conference Board of Church and Society and conference United Methodist Women, is a unique opportunity for Virginia United Methodists to exercise their calling to witness to their faith by advocating for justice on behalf of the voiceless in our society.



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. 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.

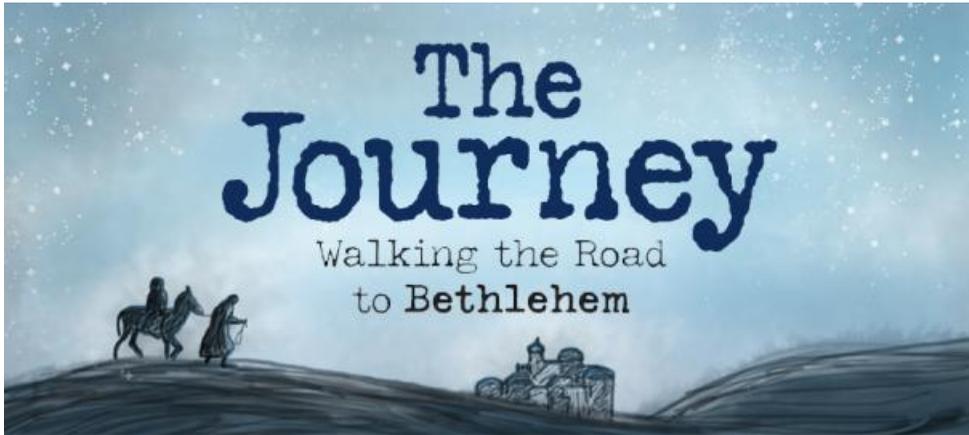
Nominations/Lay Leadership Training. Thursday, March 26 (7-9pm) at Wesley UMC. Led by Cheryl Edley-Worford, Director of Inclusivity and Lay Leadership Excellence at the Virginia Conference. This workshop will focus on building a year-round equipping ministry system – preparing, connecting, and equipping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

Help Me Thanksgiving Day Prayer

O God, when I have food,
help me to remember the hungry;
When I have work,
help me to remember the jobless;
When I have a home,
help me to remember those who have no home at all;
When I am without pain,
help me to remember those who suffer,
And remembering,
help me to destroy my complacency;
bestir my compassion,
and be concerned enough to help;
By word and deed,
those who cry out for what we take for granted.
Amen.

-Samuel F. Pugh

Wednesday Night Advent Study Coming December 3



Upcoming Advent Sermon Series





"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, 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 Ethel Burton
- 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 – Charge Conference – 1:30pm – Mt. Vernon UMC, Toano (7801 Church Ln)

Jackie Charnock's and Tyler Haynes' birthdays

Monday – Alcoholics Anonymous – 7:00 pm

Ben Lawson's birthdays

Tuesday – Liam Robinson's birthday

Thursday – **Thanksgiving**

Blair Williams' birthday

Coming Up

December 5 – United Methodist Men dinner

December 9 – Staff Parish Committee

December 14 – Christmas play and party



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