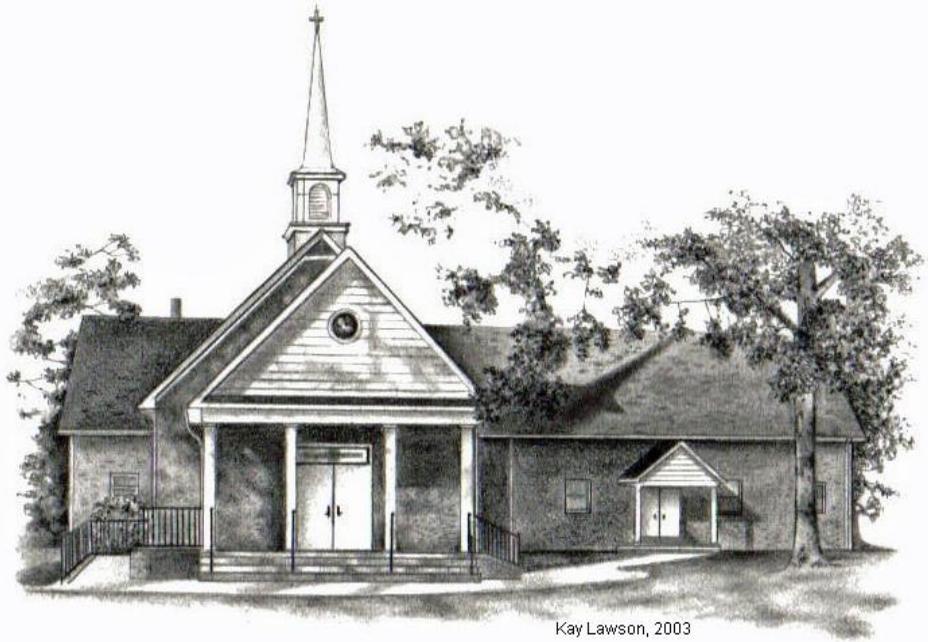


NEW HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



November 17, 2013



New Hope United Methodist Church

Order of Worship

November 17, 2013

26th Sunday after Pentecost

Entrance

Gathering, Welcome, and Announcements

Prelude

* Call to Worship

(Jann C. Weaver, USA, 20th cent.)

*Sing praises to God, O you saints,
and give thanks to God's holy name!*

We exalt you, O God, for you have restored us to life!

We may cry through the night, but your joy comes with the morning.

You hear us, O God, and you are gracious in our distress.

You turn our mourning into dancing!

Our souls cannot be silent!

O God, our Savior, we give thanks to you for ever!

* Hymn

O Crucified Redeemer

♪ UMH 425

* Opening Prayer

(The Book of Worship)

O God, our Guide and Guardian,

**you have led us apart from the busy world
into the quiet of your house.**

**Grant us grace to worship you in Spirit and in truth,
to the comfort of our souls**

and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire.

Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us,

that we may not fear the coming of night,

when we shall resign into your hands

the tasks which you have committed to us.

So may we worship you not with our lips this hour,

but in word and deed all the days of our lives;

through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

* Gloria Patri

♪ UMH 70

* Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Proclamation

Hebrew Bible Lesson		Isaiah 65:17-25
Anthem	<i>Kyrie</i>	<i>Ancient Greek</i>
Time with the Children		
Epistle Lesson		2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
* Hymn	<i>It Is Well With My Soul</i>	♪ UMH 377
* Gospel Lesson		Luke 21:5-19
Sermon	<i>Do Not Be Terrified!</i>	<i>Rev. Brian Siegle</i>

Response

Joys and Concerns of the Community

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer for direction

(after the Book of Common Prayer)

**Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious favor,
and further us with your continual help,
that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

(silent reflections and prayers of confession)

The Lord is gracious and merciful,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

In the name of Jesus, Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Glory to God. Amen.

Giving God's tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

* Doxology		♪ UMH 95
* Prayer of Thanksgiving		
* The Lord's Prayer		UMH 895

Sending Forth

* Hymn	<i>On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand</i>	♪ UMH 724
* 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

Flowers today are given to the glory of God.

Next Week:

Liturgist: Mary Conner

Scripture: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Luke 1:68-79; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

Sermon: *Dawn From on High***Numbers last week**

Sunday School attendance – 17

Worship attendance – 70

Budget Offering : \$1,509.50*Building Fund* : \$277.00*Cemetery Fund* : \$0.00

Budget funds received year-to-date : \$81,651.68

Budget projection: + \$2,168.70

Annual 2013 budget : \$91,847

Average needed each week for budget: \$1,456.47

Prayers***"God does nothing but by prayer, and everything with it."***

Anna Akers, Tim and Judy Aldridge, Harriet Ammons, Douglas Anthony, Alfred Bennett, Roland Bourne, Katrina Bradshaw, Anne Bristow, Meagan Brown, Dickie Brooks, Nancy Brooks, Alex "Dinkie" Carter, Gene Chaffin, Kate Clark, Kristen Cole, Edith Mae Collier, Helen Collier, Mike Conrad, Barbara Crowe, Meredith Crowe, Jordan Crowell, Irene Crump, Jim and Sarah Crumpton, Tamika Daniels, Joan Dier, Charles "Butch" Dixon, Peter Dolezal, Jen Elswick, Vernelle Fletcher, Cathy Gallagher, Donna Garrett, Debbie Goodrich, Jamie Haden, Brenda and Jeff Hall, Jessica Hall, John Hasty, Jessie Haynes, John Haynes, T.A. Haynes, Fred Hogge, Angie Horsley, Eleanor Jacks, Amy Jackson, Grace Jackson, Henry Jackson, Andy James, John Jiles, Whalen Kemp, Jim King, Susan Lawson, Sandy Lee, Johnny Lewis, Leigh Brown Lindsey, Frankie Luchard, Harold Lee Mawyer, Rita Michaels, Michele Murphy, Aubrey and Camille Nelson, Anita Newcomb, Marianne Nichols, Billy & Crystal Norton, Jeannie Oakes, Charlotte Palmer, Warren Palmer, Tommy and Vickie Reamer, Kelly Richards, Jeff Rilee, Louisa Roane, Debra Robinson, Rev. Jane Sabeau, Mike Salais, Karen Sallam, Abbi Schaub, Ann Shoaff, Jessica Smith, Bob Staul, Pat Stowe, Charlie Sturtz, Nell Thimsen, Chris Tomlinson, Keith Tremel, Jesse Walton, Floyd Gene Ward, Ruby Willoughby, Bobby Wilson, Nannie Mae Wilson, Robert Woodfin, Carolyn Yarrington, Paulette Yates

(Continued Prayers)

- Those who do not have the joy of a faith community to call home
- Those who are living in the midst of natural disaster and violence, especially civil war in Syria and Typhoon Haiyan's devastation in the Philippines
- Those who have recently lost loved ones including the Vick family in King William, Billy Smith and family on the death of his brother-in-law, and the Cook family

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.

Support groups are being led by church members! *Beyond Boobs!* is an organization dedicated to breast health education and group support. Holly Siegle is leading a Gloucester/Mathews/Middlesex (or anywhere close) peer support group for women diagnosed with breast cancer premenopausally on each 4th Tuesday at White Hall Plantation (off Zanoni Rd), in Gloucester. The 2014 calendars, with Holly as Mrs. February, are here! Additionally, the *Middle Peninsula Epilepsy Support Group* is being led by Bob Nichols the second Wednesday of every month at the DAV building near LOWES in Gloucester.

Help support UMCOR relief efforts in the Philippines. United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is sending aid, including a \$97,000 grant for emergency relief, to respond to Super Typhoon Haiyan/Yolanda which hit the Philippines Friday, Nov. 8. The three active United Methodist bishops in the Philippines and at least two retired bishops are attending the denomination's Council of Bishops meeting this week at Lake Junaluska, N.C. Bishop Ciriaco Q. Francisco, who leads the Davao Episcopal Area in central Philippines which includes the islands devastated by the typhoon, is waiting to hear more about the extent of the damage there. The National Association of Filipino American United Methodists said it is trying to coordinate with responders to the disaster, including UMCOR. Support UMCOR's work through International Disaster Response, Advance #982450.

Credit Union to donate \$25 to local church for each auto loan. The Virginia United Methodist Credit Union (VUMCU) has launched a new vehicle loan program to benefit Virginia Conference churches. When clergy and church members finance a vehicle purchase with VUMCU or refinance a vehicle loan that they currently have with another lender, VUMCU will donate \$25 to their local church. Current rates start as low as 1.93% APR, and 100% financing is available. Call 1-866-657-0004 to apply.

The 2013 Virginia Annual Conference Journal is now available on the conference website. Go to www.vaumc.org for index of sections of the *Journal* in a pdf file format which can be downloaded and printed. Copies on a CD may be purchased at a cost of \$10 each by calling the Virginia Conference Communications office at (804) 521-1110 or 1-800-768-6040, ext. 110.

Clergy, lay leaders invited to Wesley Pilgrimage in England Immerse yourself in the Christ-centered leadership of John and Charles Wesley through a 10-day adventure in the England of the Wesleys. The Wesley Pilgrimage in England will be July 14-24, 2014, and is open to all United Methodist lay and clergy leaders. It is sponsored by the General Board of Discipleship and General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

Certified Lay Ministers Academy to be Jan. 10-12 at Lake Junaluska. Lake Junaluska Program Ministries and The Cal Turner Jr. Center for Church Leadership at Martin Methodist College will offer a Certified Lay Ministers Academy **Jan. 10-12** at Lake Junaluska, N.C. The Certified Lay Ministers Academy is one component in steps leading toward certification and includes training modules focused on United Methodism, Call and Covenant for Ministry, The Practice of Ministry and The Organization of Ministry.

Gifts to Advance projects will be matched on #GivingTuesday. The General Board of Global Ministries (GBGM) has designated **Tuesday, Dec. 3**, as UMC #GivingTuesday. On that day only, all gifts made online to any Advance project will be matched. The Advance is the denomination's giving channel that ensures that 100% of each gift supports the project designated by the donor. More than 850 Methodist-related projects and more than 300 missionaries are supported by The Advance; all of them have gone through a rigorous review process and are accountable for how funds are used. GBGM will allocate "matching funds" dollar for dollar up to the first \$500,000 in gifts to Advance projects received online on Dec. 3 between 12 a.m. and 11:59 p.m. EST. A maximum of \$10,000 per individual gift to a project will be disbursed as matching funds. A project may receive a maximum of \$50,000 in matching funds.

Statement of the Council of Bishops

On October 26, 2013, retired Bishop Melvin Talbert conducted a ceremony celebrating the marriage of a same-gender couple in Center Point, Alabama. Prior to October 26, 2013 Bishop Talbert advised Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett, resident bishop of the North Alabama Conference, of his intention. Bishop Wallace-Padgett requested that Bishop Talbert not perform the ceremony in the area in which she serves. After conversation with Bishop Wallace-Padgett, Bishop Rosemarie Wenner, president of the Council of Bishops, engaged the Executive Committee of the Council of Bishops in a discussion about the proposed action. On October 21, 2013, the Executive Committee issued a statement requesting Bishop Talbert not to perform the ceremony in Bishop Wallace-Padgett's area. They said, in part,

"The bishops of the church are bound together in a covenant and all ordained elders are committed to uphold the Book of Discipline. "Conducting ceremonies which celebrate homosexual unions; or performing same-sex wedding ceremonies" are chargeable offenses in the United Methodist Church (§2702.1.b).

The actions of Bishop Talbert raise considerable concerns and have stimulated much conversation, reflection, and prayer among the members of the Council of Bishops. The Council recognizes the deep divisions and pain in our church over these issues. United Methodists are not of one mind, and followers of Christ and people of conscience hold

conflicting views. These issues require continuing honest and respectful conversation as well as prayer throughout the church.

The purpose of the Council of Bishops is to lead the church in its mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. To that end, bishops are also required to “uphold the discipline and order of the Church.....and to share with other bishops in the oversight of the whole church.” (Para 403.1.f) When there are violations of the Book of Discipline, a response is required. However, the General Conference has given the Council of Bishops limited authority for the task of holding one another accountable. Such authority and accountability resides in the College of Bishops and the Jurisdiction or Central Conference Committees on Episcopacy. (Paragraph 413.and Paragraph 403.1.f)

Therefore, the Council of Bishops, after much prayer and conversation, takes the following actions:

We acknowledge that we, the Council of Bishops, and the Church are not of one mind in matters of human sexuality; pain exists throughout the connection, including persons who support Bishop Talbert’s actions and persons who object to them. We express our pastoral concern and care for all people.

We affirm the October 21, 2013 action of the Executive Committee which requested that Bishop Talbert not conduct a ceremony celebrating the marriage of a same gender couple in the North Alabama area.

We respectfully request that Bishop Wenner, President of the Council of Bishops, and Bishop Wallace-Padgett, Resident Bishop of the North Alabama Conference, address the action of Bishop Talbert and file a complaint under the provisions of Paragraph 413 for undermining the ministry of a colleague (Paragraph 2702.1f) and conducting a ceremony to celebrate the marriage of a same gender couple (Paragraph 2702.1b) within the bounds of the North Alabama Conference.

We recommend that the Executive Committee initiate a task force to lead honest and respectful conversations regarding human sexuality, race and gender in a world-wide perspective in our shared commitment to clear theological understanding of the mission and polity of the United Methodist Church.

As a Council of Bishops, we affirm the theological task articulated in the Book of Discipline (Paragraph 105, page 87). “United Methodists as a diverse people continue to strive for consensus in understanding the gospel. In our diversity, we are held together by a shared inheritance and a common desire to participate in the creative and redemptive activity of God. Our task is to articulate a vision in a way that will draw us together as a people in Mission..... We proceed with our theological task, trusting that the Spirit will grant us wisdom to continue our journey with the whole people of God.”



This Week

Today – Christmas play practice – after worship

King and Queen Community Thanksgiving Worship – 7:00pm 1st Assembly of God

Mindi Smith's birthday

Monday – Alcoholics Anonymous – 7:00pm

Bill Smith's birthday

Wednesday – Choir Practice – 7:00pm; Bible Study – 8:00pm

Lauren Corliss' birthday

Friday – Morgan Charnock's birthday

Saturday – Jackie Charnock's and Tyler Haynes' birthday

Birthdays missed in last week's bulletin:

Hunter Dunlevy – 11/10, Dwayne Dunlevy – 11/12, Lena Wilson – 11/13,

Joe Fary – 11/15, Robyn Cooper – 11/16

Coming Up

November 28 – **Thanksgiving**

November 29 – Decorate for Advent – 6:30pm

December 6 – UMM dinner – Olivia's (Gloucester) – 6:00pm

December 15 – Christmas Play and Party – 6:00pm



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