

# NEW HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



**November 24, 2013**  
**Christ the King Sunday**



# New Hope United Methodist Church

## Order of Worship

November 24, 2013

27<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### Entrance

Gathering, Welcome, and Announcements

Prelude

\* Call to Worship

*(USA, 20<sup>th</sup> 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

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

♪ UMH 103

\* Opening Prayer

*(after the Book of Common Prayer)*

**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.**

\* Gloria Patri

♪ UMH 70

\* Passing the Peace

*The peace of Christ be with you.*

**And also with you.**

### Proclamation

Hebrew Bible Lesson

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Anthem

*Count Your Blessings*

*Rev. J. Oatman and E.O. Excell*

Time with the Children

Epistle Lesson

Colossians 1:11-20

\* Hymn

*Crown Him With Many Crowns*

♪ UMH 327

\* Gospel Lesson

Luke 1:68-79

Sermon

*Dawn From on High*

*Rev. Brian Siegle*

## Response

Joys and Concerns of the Community

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer of Confession

*(Sixth Assembly of the World Council of Churches, 20th cent.)*

*Creator God, breathing your own life into our being, you gave us the gift of life,  
You placed us on this earth with its minerals and waters,  
flowers and fruits, living creatures of grace and beauty.  
You gave us the care of the earth.*

*Today you call us: "Where are you; what have you done?"*

*[silent prayer for creation]*

*We hide in utter shame, for we are naked.*

*We violate the earth and plunder it.*

*We refuse to share the earth's resources.*

*We seek to own what is not ours, but yours.*

**Forgive us, Creator God, and reconcile us to your creation.**

*O God of Love, you gave us the gift of peoples -*

*of cultures, races, and colors -*

*to love, to care for, to share our lives with.*

*Today you ask us, "Where is your brother, your sister?"*

*[silent prayers for others]*

*We hide ourselves in shame and fear.*

*Poverty, hunger, hatred, and war rule the earth.*

*The refugees, the oppressed, and the voiceless cry out to you.*

*Forgive us, O God of Love,*

*and reconcile us to yourself and to one another.*

**Teach us, O Creator God of Love,**

**that the earth and all its fullness is yours,**

**the world and those who dwell in it.**

**Call us yet again to safeguard the gift of life. Amen.**

Giving God's tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

\* Doxology

♪ UMH 95

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

\* The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

## Sending Forth

\* Hymn

*Jesus Shall Reign*

♪ UMH 157

\* Benediction

*The King of the Jews give you strength to endure all mocking.*

*The King of the Jews give you the will to walk to the cross.*

*The King of the Jews have mercy on you, and remember you always.*

Men: **Jesus our King, send us to bless those who curse us,  
and those who don't care.**

Women: **Jesus our King, send us to places too dangerous  
for others to go.**

Choir: **Jesus our King, challenge and forgive our hesitation.**

All: **And by your Spirit in us,**

**may the compassion and strength of God be known. Amen.**

\* Response

*Sent Forth By God's Blessing, stz. 1*

♪ UMH 664

\* 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: Mary Conner

Flowers today are given to the glory of God.

## Next Week:

Liturgist: Wendell Palmer

Scripture: Psalm 122; Matthew 24:36-44; *Romans 13:11-14*

Sermon: *It Is Now the Moment*

*The Communion offering Next Sunday will go toward UMCOR emergency  
response in the Philippines and in the midwest US.*

## Numbers last week

Sunday School attendance – 14

Budget Offering : \$1,247.50

Building Fund : \$0.00

Budget funds received year-to-date : \$82,899.18

Annual 2013 budget : \$91,847

Worship attendance – 44

Cemetery Fund : \$0.00

Budget projection: + \$1,649.91

Average needed each week for budget: \$1,491.30

## 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, Rita Michaels, Michele Murphy, Aubrey and Camille Nelson, Anita Newcomb, Marianne Nichols, Billy & Crystal Norton, Jeannie Oakes, Charlotte Palmer, Warren Palmer, Maruice Parker, Tommy and Vickie Reamer, Kelly Richards, Jeff Rilee, Louisa Roane, Debra Robinson, Rev. Jane Sabean, 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

- 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, Typhoon Haiyan's devastation in the Philippines, and tornadoes in Illinois.
- Those who have recently lost loved ones including those knowing Jerry Langford
- Congratulations to Marjorie and Robert Sears for 60 years of marriage! May God continue to bless you and use you and an example in a world that needs examples of successful long-term marriages.

Remember those who do not have the luxury of our family Thanksgiving meals this year, and of course, take extra time this week to **thank God for all that God has done and continues to do** for each one of us and our community together!

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.

**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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Our Christmas Play is on the way!** We have begun practicing for our Christmas Play, *Operation Christmas Child*, to be presented Sunday, December 15, at 6:00pm. It is a humorous account of the work the angels must do to arrange all of the events and circumstances required for the birth of Christ to the world. We are still looking for people to play a few parts. If you have ever wanted to be involved in drama, now is your chance! See Linda South or Pastor Brian if you would like to be a part of this production.

**New Hope car magnets are here!** Purchase one for you and more as gifts! They are \$5 each, and are designed to be used on vehicles and exposed to the weather. Show off your New Hope pride to the community!

Chestnut Memorial United Methodist Church (1024 Harpersville Road, Newport News VA 23601, 757-595-6531) invites you and your family to **Journey to Bethlehem**, A Drive-thru Living Nativity on Saturday, Dec. 14 & Sunday, Dec. 15, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm. This is their gift to the community and it's FREE!

**Certified Lay Servant Academy** is coming February 23-23 at Blackstone Conference and Retreat Center. The Lay Servant Academy is about equipping laity to carry out the mission of the church. Anyone interested can take one or more courses just for the interest in the topic. For a full weekend you can take up to six classes. This format will also allow Friday and Saturday or Saturday and Sunday participation only. Anyone interested in this great way to expand your faith journey should contact Pastor Brian.

**The 2013 Virginia Annual Conference Journal is now available on the conference website.** Go to [www.vaumc.org](http://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.

**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](#).

**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.

**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.

**Camp Overlook offering retreat for singles.** Overlook Retreat and Camp Ministries in Keezletown will host a weekend retreat for those who have become "single" again through separation, divorce or the death of a spouse. A team of clergy and laity who have all experienced this trial will share brief presentations, small group reflections, and expressive worship to help you find the road to healing and wholeness. "Wounded Hearts - Healing Love" will be offered Friday evening through Sunday at 3 p.m., Dec. 6-8. Cost of \$105 per person includes lodging, meals and program expenses. Register online at [www.campoverlook.org](http://www.campoverlook.org) or contact the office at (540) 2MY-CAMP or e-mail [CampOverlook@gmail.com](mailto:CampOverlook@gmail.com).

**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.



## ***This Week***

*Today* – Christmas play practice – after worship

Ben Lawson's birthday

*Monday* – Alcoholics Anonymous – 7:00pm

Liam Robinson's birthday

*Wednesday* – Blair William's birthday

*Thursday*- **Thanksgiving**

*Friday* – Decorate for Advent – 6:30pm

*Saturday* – LeAnne Lawson's birthday

## ***Coming Up***

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

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

December 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship – 7:00pm

December 25 – **Christmas Day**

December 29 – Worship with Carol Sing



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