

# New Hope United Methodist Church

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



March 11, 2018  
**Fourth Sunday in Lent**



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## Order of Worship

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### Entrance

Gathering, Welcome, and Announcements

Prelude

\* Call to Worship

(Exodus 20:8-11)

Remember the Sabbath day and treat it as holy. Six days you may work and do all your tasks, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God.

**Do not do any work on it – not you, your sons or daughters, your male or female servants, your animals, or the immigrant who is living with you.**

Because the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and everything that is in them in six days, but rested on the seventh day.

**This is why the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.**

\* Hymn

*Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord*

♪ UMH 365

\* Opening Prayer

**Ever present God, you have gathered your workers together in this time and place. Help us to grow to know in our minds and hearts to what work you have called us. Guide us as we use the gifts you have bestowed upon us to better your kingdom. Bless us as we continue this journey together. All of this was ask in Jesus' name. Amen.**

\* Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

### Proclamation

Prayer of Illumination

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

Psalter Lesson

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

\*Gospel Lesson

John 3:14-21

Time with the Children

Anthem

Scripture Lesson

Ephesians 2:1-10

Sermon

*God of Great Mercy and Love*

Rev. Chong H. Yang

## Response

Joys and Concerns of the Community

Pastoral Prayer

\* The Lord's Prayer

**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 the glory forever.  
Amen.**

Giving God's tithes and our offerings

Offertory

\* Doxology

♪UMH 95

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

## Sending Forth

\* Hymn

*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

♪ UMH 452

\* Benediction

\* Response

*Old Rugged Cross (Refrain)*

♪ UMH 504

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\* 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: Linda South

Ushers: Don and Lynn Perry

## Next Week

Liturgist: Wendell Palmer

Psalm 51:1-12; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

Today is the Second Sunday of February, and the New Hope tradition is that any unspecified cash offering on the second Sunday of the month goes to the building/maintenance fund. And this year New Hope has some needs related to repairing and replacing the roof on the church and social hall if you would like your check to go to the building fund, please make it payable to New Hope United Methodist Church Building Fund.

## Numbers last Week

Sunday School attendance – 10	UMCOR: \$95.00	Worship attendance – 53
<i>Budget Offering</i> : \$3,462.00	<i>Building Fund</i> : \$25.00	<i>Cemetery Fund</i> : \$0.00
Budget Received to date: \$18,019.00		Annual 2018 budget : \$109,287.00
Budget funds received year-to-date : 16.5%		Budget funds last year-to-date:

# Announcements

**Rev. Yang** will intercede for the Collier and the Conner in this week and the Crowe for following week.

**March 11 is UMCOR Sunday** In the wake of disaster, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is present among the devastation to provide relief and hope. All of us can make a difference in these times of need by participating in UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing).

**The flower calendar for 2018** is in the narthex table. Please sign up as soon as possible, so you don't miss your special date. If you have a special message to put in the bulletin for any given week, either write it on the calendar with your name, or get the information to Pastor Chong a week ahead of the Sunday you provide flowers.

**Need Volunteers to sign up for ushers** in month of April and following months.

**Please** remember to bring food donations for the local **Food Bank** and put them in the collection box in the narthex.

**2017-2020 United Methodist Official Handbook** is available for you to pick up. It is placed in narthex. This booklet is free because of our apportionments to both district and annual conference.

**Lent is a forty-day season** of spiritual preparation as we remembering Lord's passion and resurrection. You can observe a holy Lent: by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's Holy Word.

## **Renewal for Existing Church - "Fresh Expressions"**

Date: Sunday, April 8, 2018

Time: 3:00PM - 5:30PM

Location: Chestnut Mem. UMC (1024 Harpersville Road, Newport News)

Workshop Leader: Mark Ogren, Director of Congregational Excellence

**Faithful Aging Conference** : the Faithful Aging Conference attempts to address opportunities related to an aging congregation and meeting the needs of older members, inside and outside the walls of our faith communities. Presented by the Beard Center on Aging at Lynchburg College and Pinnacle Living, the conference will be held this year at Williamsburg United Methodist Church on

Tuesday, **April 24**. **The registration deadline is April 6, 2018**. Cost is \$40/individual which includes lunch, refreshment breaks, and all conference materials. Adults 65+ can register for \$30/person. Groups of 3 or more individuals from the same church or organization can register for \$25/person.

## New Hope Prayer Lists:

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

Sunday	Pray for the presence of God to be manifested in church services and for people to be saved, set free, healed, and refreshed by the Spirit during the worship, preaching, and prayer times
Monday	Pray for God's forgiveness for our nation's arrogance, greed, apathy. Pray that we as a nation would humble ourselves before God, turn from our wicked ways, and seek His face. Pray that God would give us revival in every family, church, school and city. May there be another great awakening in this land.
Tuesday	Pray for educators, teachers, and school administrative leaders to be God's shining light in school by being role models and mentors for the younger generations. Pray that Bible study and prayer groups be allowed to meet in their own public schools and for prayer to return to those institutions.
Thursday	Pray for a spiritual awakening in the market place. Pray especially for Christian businessmen and women
Friday	Pray that God would be the center of each family unit and that stained families would experience healing and reconciliation. Pray for broken family relationship to be restored through Christ's grace and power of the Gospel.
Saturday	Pray for those who serve in our local, state, and federal government. Pray for the wisdom and discernment of our president and his administration, the justices of the Supreme Court, those in Congress, governors, mayors, and other government leaders.

*Deborah & Jason Clement, Bessie Conner, Phil Femiani, Jennifer Hutchinson, Susan Lawson, Betty Lowney, Jane & Mickey Luchard, Kenny Moskalski, Dennis Norman, Charlotte Palmer, Julia Phillip, Jessica Smith, Josephine Smith, Barbara Sturtz, Lois Walton, Margaret Walton, Carolyn Yarrington.*

Cancer: Justin Brabrand, Debra Carter, Edward Coates, Buster Davis, Amy Jackson, Leonard Otto, John H. Walton, Ed Moorcock

Surgery: Tyler Humphreys, Brian Wilson (Mar. 15th)

Grieving: The Haynes Family in loss of their loved one, Beverly Ann Haynes

Victims of Natural disasters in both US and abroad.

Family members and friends of victims of recent school shootings.

The revival and renewal of The United Methodist Church

Those living amidst violence and disasters of natural and human origin, the locations of which are too many to list, but including Nepal, North Korea, Ukraine, South Sudan, Israel, Palestine, Democratic Republic of Congo, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Yemen, China, Indonesia, Vanuatu, Kenya, Somalia, and the countries of Western Africa.



## ***This Week***

*Today* – Fourth Sunday in Lent/ Daylight Saving Day

*Monday* – Alcoholics Anonymous – 7:00 pm

*Melvin Fary's Birthday/James & Thelma Downey's Wedding Anniversary*

*Tuesday* – Intercessory Prayer Meeting – 10:00am/ Finance Committee –  
7:00pm/ Admin Council Meeting –7:30pm

*George Chapman's Birthday*

*Wednesday* – Choir Practice – 7:00 pm/ Bible Study – 8:00pm

*Thursday* – *Ashley Lawson's Birthday*

*Saturday* – *Leon Carter's Birthday*

**\*Tuesday ~ Saturday – Lenten Devotion Hours, 10:00am – 12:00 noon**

## ***Coming Up***

*March 20* – Women's Fellowship – 7:00pm

*March 24* – Salt fish Breakfast – 7:00-9:00am

*March 29* – Mundane Thursday – 7:00pm

*March 30* – Good Friday – 7:00pm

*March 31* – Easter Egg Hunt – 2:00pm

*April 1* – Easter Sunday



Don't forget to check out our website ([www.newhopevaumc.org](http://www.newhopevaumc.org)) for up-to-date information about New Hope, the Virginia Conference, and the world.

Download bulletins, listen to sermons, and more! We're also on FaceBook at [www.FaceBook.com/newhopevaumc](http://www.FaceBook.com/newhopevaumc) and on Twitter @NewHopeVAUMC

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