



**New Hope
in
April, 2022**

Holy Week Schedule:

April 10 - Palm Sunday - 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. services
April 14 - Maundy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
Living Last Supper performance
April 15 - Good Friday - 7:00 p.m. service
April 17 - three services on Easter Sunday at 8:30,
10:00 & 11:30 a.m.

April Sermons and Scriptures

April 3 Lent 5

"Friday: Let's Not Talk About It" Luke 23: 33 - 46

April 10 Palm Sunday

"Saturday: In the Meantime . . ." Matthew 27: 57 - 66

April 17 Easter

"...Then They Remembered" Luke 24: 1 - 12

April 24 Easter 2

Children's Sunday John 11: 28 - 44.

The Living Last Supper

performance will be Maundy Thursday
(April 14) at 7:00 p.m.

The cast includes:

Nathaniel - Tyler Rainey

Matthew - Gregg Miller

James the Lesser - Matt McClain

James Leo Hooker

Andrew - Brad Williams

Judas - Matt Miller

Phillip - Roger Hurt

Thaddeus - James Anderson

Thomas - Kamden Goff

John - Chris Porter

Simon, the Zealot -

Luis Aita

Peter - Jason Mills

Jesus - José Medina

Narrator -

Randy McGuire

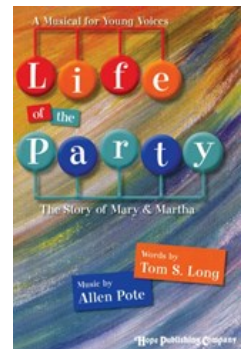
New Hope Children will present the musical

"Life of the Party -

The Story of Mary and Martha"

Sunday morning, April 24.

Children will also serve as ushers
and liturgists.



Egg Stuffing Day!

Tuesday, April 12

Tables & supplies will be set up!
You are invited to come help stuff
eggs anytime between
10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.



Where are the eggs?

Community Easter
Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 16
promptly at 10:30 a.m.

Ages birth through fifth grade!
Free for the kids: snow cones,
inflatables and face painting.





Music for Easter Week

by Kevin Wilkinson

On **Good Friday** (April 15) at 7:00 pm, our service of shadows will feature much of Bradley Ellingboe's *Requiem*.

The requiem, or mass for the dead, is historically a service structure used for funerals. During the 20th century it became common for composers to pair the traditional Latin and Greek texts from the mass with English-language translations and other poetry.

Bradley Ellingboe's setting uses the traditional mass texts "Requiem eternam..." ("Grant them rest eternal"), "Kyrie eleison..." ("Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy."), and "Agnus Dei..." ("Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us."); English translations of Psalm 22 ("My God, why have You forsaken me?") and The Lord's Prayer, and poetry by John Donne and George Herbert.

We will be joined by a sextet (flute, oboe, cello, timpani, harp, and organ).



On **Easter Sunday** we are very excited to welcome a chamber orchestra into the chancel. There are many minster-musicians in the Oklahoma City area who have been looking for a place to worship with their instruments.

We are so pleased that we are able to have a place for them at New Hope with our newly-expanded area at the front of the sanctuary.



We hope you also look forward to joining your voices with piano, organ, flutes, oboes, clarinets, bassoons, horns, trumpets, trombones, timpani, and strings as we celebrate the resurrecting power of God's love!



from Bishop Nunn:

I deeply appreciate your commitment and effort to successfully pay 100% of your appor-tionments in 2021, especially given the challenges of these days.

I believe every dollar given to the church is making a difference somewhere in the world. Because of your generosity, there is less suffering and more healing in the world today. There is less ignorance and more education across the globe today. There is less despair and more hope among people today.

Because of your generosity and our connection, United Methodists share the gospel and make a difference in the lives of people. Thank you for sharing in the work.

In service of others,

James. G. Nunn

Bishop, Oklahoma Area

The United Methodist Church

Thank you from the Business Office!

Faithfulness and generosity -- these words describe New Hope. Your giving continues to support our local ministries and missions as well as around the world. Your financial gifts and gifts of time and talent are making a difference. Thank you for sharing those gifts with others.

First quarter contribution statements are in the mail. Please check to be certain your information is accurate.

Contact me if you have concerns or questions.

Please note that non-tax-deductible items are not included.

A word of thanks also from Global Ministries-UMCOR for your generous giving to Ukraine Relief. Gifts are forwarded each month and letters of appreciation follow soon after. As you continue to give, all will go directly to UMCOR as your gift to help.

Thank you! Elaine Parrent



Our Stitchers group donated several beautiful quilts to the residents of Exodus House. Cheryl and Mickey delivered them to grateful residents.

Exodus House responded, "What a beautiful memory they can take to remember us by. Your gift is truly a blessing to treasure always. Thank you!"

Our youth and children spent one day of their spring break volunteering at Skyline Urban Ministries! These students stocked the shelves, filled the Mobile Pantry trailer, and helped our patrons with their groceries at the Food Resource Center.



"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10

Helping Hands Food Pantry

Happy Springtime!

The pantry can always use canned vegetables, fruit and soups as well as boxed cereals and crackers. We are open from 1:00 until 3:00 the second & fourth Tuesdays each month.

The Blessing Box continues to be used regularly.

Items we can always use are canned tuna, canned chicken (large) canned fruit and snacks, single-servings of canned fruit, boxes of instant white rice, hearty soups, Chef Boyardee products.



New Hope's Family Life events in March included a trip to the zoo and also an evening at the movies!





UMW by Earline Baker

The United Methodists Women invite everyone who is interested, to attend the April 21st General Meeting. We are happy to welcome Joel Allen, Communication Coordinator, at *Skyline* as guest speaker.

Skyline is on a mission to serve those living in the shadows of our community by bridging the gaps in their resources with kindness and respect.

Skyline has grown a lot since 1968 when the Rev. Mac Thompson was appointed as the Oklahoma City Urban Minister, a new position which was charged with working alongside churches and agencies in the inner city of Oklahoma City. From this beginning, and at various locations in the metropolitan area, Rev. Thompson's vision of serving those in the shadows grew.

The focus of *Skyline* has always been on the poor and needy of Oklahoma County. Nevertheless, this agency has nurtured strong relationships across the state. They provide a setting for groups and individuals to serve the working poor in Oklahoma Co. and operate as a model for others as they seek to serve the needy in their own communities.

Together, they can achieve a transformed community where all Oklahomans are able to access the resources that meet their most basic needs. They have an Eye Clinic, Food Resource Center, a Mobile Pantry, and a Clothing Shop, where, among other clothing, they are happy to help a student select a prom dress.

Speaking of prom dresses, this is the time of the year that *Skyline* welcomes clean, used prom dresses to provide a special dress for a young lady. If you have one of those dresses taking up space in your closet, please bring it to New Hope as soon as possible. The UMW will see that all are delivered to *Skyline*.

May all God's blessings be yours as you celebrate this Easter season.

Men of HOPE

by Chris Porter

Men of Hope will not have a monthly breakfast meeting due to our regular day falling on Easter Sunday.

We will also not meet in May as that is the day of our cookout fundraiser. Details soon!

So.....Our next breakfast meeting will be June 19 at 8:15 at the church. Mark your calendars and we'll also remind you!

At our last meeting, the Men voted and approved sending money to another Exodus House resident.

As always, if someone needs help with small jobs (think light home maintenance for example) please let me know. The Men of Hope are ready and willing to help when we can.

I can be reached at cporter299@gmail.com

Thank you, Chris

Ruth Circle meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month. We need someone to volunteer to make dinner...call Rosie.



Prayer Team meet every Monday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.



Our Young at Heart group took a trip to the First Americans Museum. Watch the counter for what they'll have next!

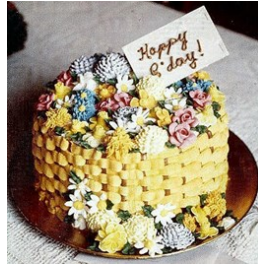
THE IS NO POWER IN THE CROSS OR TOMB ON ITS OWN - BUT IT LIES IN THE ONE WHO DIED ON IT & WALKED OUT OF IT! AND HE CALLS YOU FRIEND... JOHN 20:1-18



Anniversaries &

Jim & Barbara Gayle
 Jay & Ji Kusel
 Cliff & Cheryl Lowry
 Gerald & Carolyn Grady
 Charles & Janis Evans
 John & Ann Hannah
 Michael & Mary Tims
 Ryan & Abigail Rogers
 Keith & Linda Elwood
 Brian & Allie Tabberer

Birthdays



Melanie Moore
 Jacob Miller
 Diane Gordon
 Jay Kusel
 Carol Eleftherakis
 Allison Hutchins
 Andrea Reid
 Roseanna Kaiser
 Kimberly Wigley
 Lori Fagan
 Lois Medina
 Jenna Kidd
 Vicki Freeman

Delaney Sheffield
 Ashley McClain
 Brett Pattillo
 Carol Moore
 Allie Tabberer
 Melissa Hayes
 Addyson Poe
 Richard Foster
 Juliet Morgan
 Julie Poe
 Gregg Miller
 Debbie McGlohon

Best Wishes

to Paul Stillwell &
 Julie Guilford on their
 recent wedding!

May you enjoy years
 of blessings, joy and
 good health!



Thursday,
 April 14
 7:00 p.m.

Children's Sunday School



We are in need for two new Sunday school teachers
 during our 9:30 a.m. class time!

If you feel called to serve in this way, please see us!

You and a couple of friends could even switch off,
 so no one has to miss service or Sunday school all of the
 time. We would love to talk with you about how you can
 help serve with our children!

Thank you! Luisa Medina

luisa@newhopeokc.org



One day of spring break the children
 took a day off, but our youth group
 was out and about and made their
 escape!



Thursday of Spring Break our youth group
 shopped for items to fill UMCOR school and
 hygiene kits then came back to church and
 the children helped assemble them.

Afterward, we all had a great time at
 Incredible Pizza after!



Greetings from the Children's Department!

April is here and it is a busy one for the children of New Hope! Take note that we will not offer Sunday school on Easter Sunday. Families are encouraged to go to worship together! We will have child activity bags available for kids to pick up on their way into the sanctuary. We will also NOT have regular evening classes on Easter Sunday.

Palm Sunday is April 10th! The children will be waving palms in both services. All children are encouraged to be at worship that week to help us on this special Sunday!



Invite your friends and family to join us for our Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 16th at 10:30 am.

This will be a fun event for children birth through 5th grade!

We will have FREE snow cones for the kids, inflatables, and face painting. The hunt begins promptly at 10:30 am.

We will have an egg-filling work day on Tuesday, April 12th! It will be come and go, from 10 am to 6 pm. We will have tables set up with all of the egg filling items you will need. Any and all help is welcome! Come for 30 minutes or a couple of hours.

Sunday, April 24th is **Children's Sabbath!** We will present our musical, "*Life of the Party - The Story of Mary and Martha.*"

Our children will be helping to lead worship in both services that Sunday. They will serve as liturgists, ushers and bring the sermon. Make plans to join us that Sunday for worship!

We are in need for two new Sunday school teachers during our 9:30 a.m. class time! If you feel called to serve in this way, please see us!

You and a couple of friends could even switch off, so no one has to miss service or Sunday school all of the time. We would love to talk with you about how you can help serve with our children!

I believe those are all of the updates for now! As always, if you have any questions or suggestions please let us know!

Blessings,

Luisa Medina

luisa@newhopeokc.org

Young New Hope



CDO



Easter is such a fun and special month! CDO will be full of Easter learning and celebrating on top of our regular learning and activities. The letters and themes during the month for April are: Z-Zoo animals, C-cross and J-Jesus during Holy Week, letter R, and letter U. During the month of April and especially during Holy Week, Chapel Time lessons will focus on Easter. The kids will have class parties on April 14th and an egg hunt that day also! Our Pre-K kids will be taking a field trip to the Zoo this month.

CDO is enrolling for summer and fall!

During the summer, we accept elementary kids grades Pre-K-5th grade. Classes are filling or are already full. If you want to get a child enrolled, please let me know ASAP. We have waitlists as well.

Preschool

Preschoolers will be busy with Easter lessons and activities this month! The Sunday morning lessons come from the Beginner's Bible curriculum. Sunday evenings we are working through Easter curriculum titled "What is Easter?". The kids will be busy with lots of fun Easter crafts too.

The preschoolers will be singing an Easter song after the Children's Ministry kids performance on the 24th. This is for our 3 - 4 year-olds.

Mark your calendar for New Hope's Community Egg Hunt on April 16th at 10:30am! This is a fun and well-attended event! There will be plenty of eggs to hunt and inflatables! We can always use help putting eggs out on the front lawn so if you are able to help with that, please let me or Luisa know! We are in need of eggs and items to put in the eggs. We appreciate your donation if you are able to give!

As always, thank you for supporting New Hope's Preschool Ministries! Please see me with any questions.

Amy Aita-Director





New Hope in April, 2021

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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3 9:30 & 11:00 services noon - Mission Council meets 3:00 - rehearsal for Living Last Supper 5:00- preschool, children, youth	4 10:00 a.m. Prayer team 3:00 - Whiz Kids	5 CDO 9-2	6 9 - 2 CDO 11:00 -3:00 Stickers 5:30 - barbecued chicken 6:30 - classes, adults, youth, children	7 9 - 2 CDO 10:00 - AA & Al-Anon	8	9 9:30 - 2nd Saturday Outreach
10 Palm Sunday 9:30 & 11:00 services 3:00 - Living Last Supper dress rehearsal 5:00- preschool, children, youth	11 10:00 a.m. Prayer team 3:00 - Whiz Kids	12 9-2 CDO 10 - 7 egg stuffing day 1:00-3:00 Pantry open 6:30 p.m. Ruth Circle 7:00 - LLS dress rehearsal	13 9 - 2 CDO 5:30 - taco bar 6:30 - classes, adults, youth, children 6:30 -Choir	14 Maundy Thursday 9 - 2 - CDO 10:00 - AA & Al-Anon 9:30 a.m. Mary Martha Circle 7:00 - Living Last Supper performance	15 Good Friday Service 7:00 p.m.	16 10:30 - Egg Hunt
17 EASTER services: 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 No evening classes	18 church office closed 3:00 - Whiz Kids	19 9 - 2 CDO	20 9 - 2 CDO 11:00 -3:00 Stickers 6:30 - youth, children, choir	21 9 - 2 CDO 10:00 - AA & Al-Anon 6:30 - UMW	22	23
24 9:30 & 11:00 Children present a musical about Mary and Martha in both services 5:00- preschool, children, youth	25 10:00 a.m. Prayer team 3:00 - Whiz Kids	26 9-2 CDO 1:00-3:00 Pantry open	27 9-2 CDO 6:30 - children, youth, choir	28 CDO 9-2	29	30

MAY 1

9:30 & 11:00 services
 5:00- preschool, children, youth

MAY 2

MAY 3

MAY 4

MAY 5

6:00 p.m. Pre-K Graduation

MAY 6

MAY 7

May 15- Church Council after second service

May 22 - Promotion Sunday