

New Hope in



June's Sermons and Scriptures

- June 5 **Day of Pentecost**
"Draw the Circle Wider"
Acts 10: 44-48
- June 12 **Trinity Sunday**
"Change?"
Acts 15: 6-14, 19
- June 19 **Pentecost 2**
"An Unlikely Escape"
Acts 16: 25-34
- June 26 **Pentecost 3**
"Unrecognized God"
Acts 17: 22-31

Welcome to the Hudson family who have joined our New Hope congregation!

Mission Council News

by Rev. Marla Lobo

The May meeting of the New Hope Mission Council was filled with lots of conversation and new ideas! We discussed several mission opportunities coming up in the next few months and invite you take part!

Reading with Afghan children. We are collaborating with other UMC churches in our area to provide tutors to read with Afghan children: Here are the details: Reading Recharge Wiley Post Elementary School (6920 W. Britton Rd.)

Thursdays: June 9, 16, and 23 Time: 9-10 AM

No experience necessary! We need to send 5 or more adults on each of these dates. Look for sign up sheet in the Gathering Area. Be sure to indicate which dates you can attend. Men are particularly encouraged to take part to read with Afghan boys. You will be asked to fill out a background form the first time you go to help.

Mission Trip Test Drive. If you are new to mission trips or can't leave town for longer than one day, this trip is for you! In collaboration with the Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference (OIMC), we will be serving at the OIMC Clinton Community Center to support their project to help native children in Clinton to prepare for the upcoming school year.

Mission Trip Test Drive Clinton OK

Saturday, July 30th from 8:30 AM - 6 PM

Required team meeting to go over trip information: Sunday, July 24th at Noon at New Hope

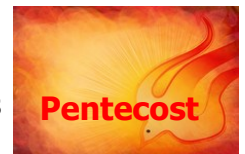
Transportation will be provided. Watch for more details!

Delta Grace Mission Trip. Plans are under way to return to Delta Grace, MS on October 13-17th.
You can find more details on page 3.

In other mission news, New Hope will be hosting a 15-member mission team from Wichita, KS June 26-29. Team members will be working a project during the day coordinated by the OIMC while staying at New Hope.

Our many existing ministries continue be vital connections for our neighbors! Soon, a new version of the New Hope website will be up and running. The website will include a description and contact information for each of New Hope's mission opportunities. Thank you for your continued caring support of our neighbors!

On Pentecost Sunday, we remember the day the disciples received the Holy Spirit in a



special way. The story in Acts 2 describes a powerful wind and tongues of fire as the Holy Spirit was poured out on people from all over the world who came to Jerusalem to celebrate a Jewish feast. At the first Pentecost over 3000 people were baptized, creating the first church. This is why Pentecost is known as the birthday of the Christian church.

The word Pentecost comes from a Greek word meaning fiftieth. The Christian festival of Pentecost falls on the 50th day after the resurrection of Jesus.

Two colors are historically associated with Pentecost. Red is a visual reminder of the "tongues of fire" that empowered the apostles and others to proclaim the good news of Christ's resurrection in many languages to the crowds of pilgrims from many lands (Acts 2:3). White was used in some places, including England, where Pentecost had also become a day for baptisms by the Middle Ages. It was also sometimes known as Whitsunday since then those being baptized often wore white robes.

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Sunday worship services 9:30 (traditional) 11:00 (contemporary) Sunday School Classes also at those times.

Pastor's Column

by Reverend Rodney Newman

We begin the month of June with the celebration of Pentecost. It was on this Jewish harvest festival that the early Christians were empowered by the Holy Spirit to spread the good news of Jesus Christ. Red is the color of this season so everyone is invited to wear red to worship on June 5.

Pentecost Sermon Series – *Being Christian in Troubled Times*

We continue the journey through the Book of Acts during the month of June. The first two Sundays focus on the challenges of including the Gentiles into the church, necessitating a change from long-established practices. Then we turn to the Apostle Paul's encounters on his missionary journeys.

Men of



by Chris Porter

The Men of Hope want to thank the congregation of New Hope for their generous donations at the cookout in May. We made the most money we have ever made and it will go to support our scholarship fund.

The winner of the Don Parker Memorial Scholarship for 2022 is Anya White. We wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, June 19 at 8:15am. All men and their sons are invited to attend!

If anyone in the congregation needs small repairs done or things moved, as examples, the Men are ready and able to help. Please email me at cporter299@gmail.com if any help is needed.



A note from Trustees

by Allan Seay

The Trustees have been busy. We have worked with Hinton Heat and Air to inspect and maintain our Heating and Air.

We have also worked with AT&T to install new AT&T fiber optic high speed internet and have purchased new cameras and lighting to enhance our broadcast speed and clarity. Lights and cameras will be installed in the near future.

A new contract was signed for phones and internet services by a different company to provide better service at a reduced cost.

New electronic locks have been installed to allow the church to administer who has access to which doors during specific hours and tracking who has accessed the church with the use of QR codes.

An Update on Second Saturday Outreach to the Homeless

by Donette Johnson

Second Saturday is hoping to purchase a cargo trailer to store our supplies at the church and to transport downtown. We are taking donations to help cover the cost. We have not picked out a trailer yet, but pictured is an example of the type we believe will fulfill our needs.

We also continue to collect summer items for this mission, such as flip flops, shorts, t-shirts, ball caps, all personal items (deodorant, toothpaste/toothbrush, soap, etc), 1st aid supplies like bandaids, individual tylenol or ibuprofen, and bug spray. Monetary donations are always welcome. For questions contact Donette Johnson 405-760-5297 or Pastor Marla at the church associatepastor@newhopeokc.org another photo on page 6





Helping Hands Food Pantry

by Mickey Miller

Well, everyone we finally got our floors in the new food pantry. They look great! Now that is done I ordered a refrigerator/freezer for our pantry and it was delivered on May 24!

We have been giving food for about the same number of people each time, 15 to 20. It has been steadily increasing as the weather gets nicer. We always can use your gifts, food, money and prayers to help those in need.

Now, as always, we can use cereal, spaghetti/sauce, hearty soups and anything else you choose. I want to thank you for your constant support. Without YOU our pantry could not stay open. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.



Returning to Delta Grace!!!

by Donette Johnson

Delta Grace Mission trip has been scheduled for October 13-17, 2022. We plan to leave the church Thursday afternoon and return on Monday. Other details to follow.

For those not familiar with Delta Grace, it is a United Methodist Volunteer In Missions hub in Sunflower MS. We have made many trips to this area and find the residents to be welcoming and appreciative of our work. While we do need some skilled labor for these jobs it usually just takes a willingness to follow instructions to complete our work. For more details text or call Donette Johnson 405-760-5297



Undies Collection Coming in July!

Watch for information! Collection of underwear and socks for Skyline Children!

Any color, pattern or size (don't forget those big boys and girls!)



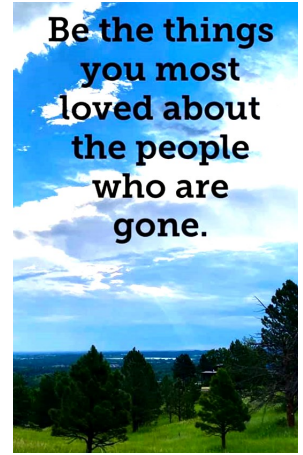
Exodus House

by Mickey Miller

Hi everyone. Our apartment is occupied by two very sweet ladies. They are both working the program very hard. Keith, head of CJAMM visited the UMW group at their last meeting and gave a very interesting program on what CJAMM does.

FYI: the recidivism rate for Exodus House is 3%!

Other programs have a recidivism rate of over 20%.



Be the things you most loved about the people who are gone.

Blessing Box needs

The Blessing Box continues to be used regularly by our neighbors.

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.



Members of Cub Scouts Pack 599 present flags at an OKC Dodgers game



Mary Martha Circle

by Mary Jo Pratz

The Mary Martha Circle met Thursday May 12 for a time of fellowship and service.

Thank you to our hostesses Elaine Pierce and Pat Downing for the delicious food. Thanks also to Sandy Morgan for the devotional. After discussion, members volunteered to provide salads and cookies for the dinner for the "Getting Ahead" class at the Rockwell YMCA on June 15. This is an opportunity to be of service to our community members and all volunteers are greatly appreciated.

We also discussed the upcoming VBS and providing cookies/treats for the children who will attend. We will discuss more about the project at our June meeting since VBS does not begin until July 11.

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to Praises and Prayers. During this time we shared requests for prayer for those facing illness or other difficulties and giving praise for the good things God has given to us.

Our next meeting will be Thursday June 9 at 9:30. All ladies are invited to attend.

Ruth Circle is another ladies' group here at New Hope. They meet at 6:30 the second Tuesday evening of each month.



So many cherished blessings have come my way the past fifteen years at New Hope! It is sad this much-loved job ended as a result of restructuring. Each of you brings memories of varied experiences, shared smiles or tears and easy warmth to mind. Many thanks for all your support and love through the years. I'll be seeing you around. Kaye Merriam



Our senior citizens group ventured to Medicine Park on a beautiful day in late May. Photo on page 6.

Watch the bulletins and counter for information on what they'll do in the future! They usually meet the last Thursday of the

right: Some members of UMW at the May meeting



UMW News

by Earline Baker

The ladies of UMW were given an interesting and heart-warming program at the May General Meeting. We wish you had been there. All women are welcome to attend these.

Keith Dobbs, Executive Director of CJAMM, was the excellent guest speaker. He brought with him Willow, a resident of Exodus House who will graduate from there in June. Willow told of her life struggles, how she found Jesus, and her positive outlook for a happy future.

At the next General Meeting on Thursday, June 16th at 6:30 p.m. at the church, Carolyn Grady will tell us about the 2nd Saturday Mission. Briefly, about 7 years ago the Young Adult Sunday School class saw the needs of the homeless people in Oklahoma City and decided to do something about it. Led by Perry Johnson and David Darter the class prepared peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and water, then delivered them downtown to our neighbors without a home.

On the second Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m.-noon, a group from New Hope meets to prepare sack lunches and travels downtown to serve those neighbors. They also provide water, take seasonal clothing, socks and underwear, and toiletries. All our neighbors are offered the opportunity to partake in Holy Communion. They fellowship with our neighbors and many times we take tables & chairs, a hot meal, coffee or hamburgers so that we can sit down together. Volunteers are always welcome to help prepare the lunches.

United Methodist Women is specifically charged to "support ministry with and advocate for the oppressed and dispossessed with special attention for the needs of women, children and youth".

We invite all women to join us in fellowship as we fulfill our goals.



Happy Birthday!

Geoffrey Rains
Ali Simon
JoAnn Woodside
Keith Gentry
Chris Porter

June Skaggs
Jacque Bruce
Linda Rice
Michael McCoy
Chris Douglas
Eric Berger
Samantha Norton
Josie Anderson
David Darter
Everleigh Rains

Tammy Darter
Daniel Peed
Leola Medina
Kalila Grady
Sandi Morgan
Greg Plender
Mike Owen
Landon Aita

Happy Anniversary!



Larry & Beverly Splawn
Royden & Deloris Freeland
Al & Teresa Van Sickle
Colby & Dayna Powell
Austin & Nichole Hardesty
Gregg & Kathy Miller
Luis & Amy Aita
Bob & Sharia Cleburn
Michael & Becca Miller

Much happiness for the future is wished to Fred Dalton and Carole Ebersole who were recently married.



from Cub Scouts Pack 599 -- K-5th Grades



April was a great time for our Pack to go on a spring campout. This year our Council hosted a Top Shot Campout that gave our Scouts the opportunity to learn about and participate in shooting sports, including BB guns, archery, and sling shots. Every Scout that went on this campout earned their shooting

sports badge, as well as level 2 pins for learning about the history and improving after a couple of shooting sessions. This was a great campout for all Scouts that attended and one Scouts look forward to each year.

April and May are exciting months for Pack 599. Each year in April Pack 599 gets the opportunity to participate in the OKC Dodgers Scout Night. All Scouts get to walk the field and participate in the opening ceremony before the game, then stay for the baseball game and enjoy some fun with their families. This year was a little special, though. Pack 599 was asked by the OKC Dodgers to present the American Flag for the National Anthem before the game. Scouts arrived early and were part of a practice walkthrough, then performed an amazing service and represented Pack 599 by showing their Duty to Country and presenting the American Flag for the National Anthem. *Photo on page 3.*

We are proud of our amazing youth at New Hope. They have been led very well by Tyler Stone along with our Youth Intern, Maddy Day. On June 1, our leaders will remain the same, but they will serve in different roles.

The church has decided to elevate its commitment to our youth by making our Director of Youth Ministries a full-time position. Maddy graduated this month with a degree in Youth Ministry and Religious Education from Oklahoma City University, and we are happy to announce that she will become a full-time member of our staff, serving as Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries.

Tyler will move into the role of Associate Director of Youth Ministry. This allows him to remain a vital part of engaging with our youth while being able to devote more time to his work as Associate Director of Music Ministries. Tyler and Maddy make a great team and we are pleased to be able to increase our commitment to a strong ministry with our youth.

Contact them at
studentministries@newhopeokc.org

And, from Scout Troop 162

April and May are always busy months with graduation and we are proud to announce that Brice Pfrehm has obtained the rank of Eagle Scout

Our April campout was extremely exciting. We were at Lake McMurtry in a beautiful campsite, and Saturday was full of mountain biking. We did encounter some heavy rain and the team performed amazingly and had a good time sloshing in the mud and building a fire with soaked firewood. Before we left camp, we held chapel. We discussed how Christ told us to worry about today. Tomorrow will take care of itself. We emphasized the importance of tackling the problems in front of you, controlling what you can and leaving the concerns of tomorrow for another day and with God.

We have finished our elections for new officers and our younger Scouts will be stepping into leadership positions as they continue to grow and mature into young men of character. We're prepping for a fishing campout later this month, and we will be nominating Scouts to the prestigious Order of the Arrow in late May. The Order of the Arrow is awarded to Scouts who consistently uphold our Law and Oath and exhibit the traits that are infused in Scouting: staying physically fit, morally straight, and mentally awake. We look forward to sharing more adventures with you next month. Until then, we wish everyone fair winds and following seas.

A friend
is one to whom
one may pour out the
contents of one's
heart, chaff
and grain together,
knowing that the
gentlest of hands will
take and sift it,
keeping what is worth
keeping and, with
a breath of kindness,
blow the rest away.



One day, the mountain
that is in front of you will
be so far behind you, it will
barely be visible in the
distance. But the person you
become in learning to get
over it? That will stay with
you forever. And that is the
point of the mountain.

brianna wiest

Photos:

top -Young at Heart
take a trip to
Medicine Park
May 26

center - Children visit
Martin Nature Park
on Promotion Sunday

right - an active
Second Saturday
mission day in down-
town OKC





Greetings from the Children's Department!

Summer is here! We have a full summer of fun and worship

planned. This month we will NOT have regular evening classes on Sundays, June 19th or June 26th.

Remember, we have taken a break from meeting on Wednesday nights for the summer and will return to Wednesdays in September!

This month some of New Hope's youngest will be at camp! Please be in prayer for our children and adults who will be at **Growing in Grace camp June 13-15** and at **Sonshine Camp June 25-26**.

Sunday, June 26th is Family Ministry Movie Night at AMC Quail Springs!

We will have an entire theater rented for New Hope families and everyone is invited to join us. We will see *Lightyear*.

The time is yet to be determined but as soon as we have that locked down we will announce it!

We are looking for volunteers to help lead Sunday school with our New Hope kiddos. If you think you might be interested, please tell Luisa!



We are gearing up for VBS next month! Online registration is officially open.

You can register as a volunteer as well on the same link. Register here- <https://newhopeumc.mycokesburyvbs.com/>

If you have any questions or suggestions, we would love to hear them!

Blessings, Luisa
luisa@newhopeokc.org

Preschool Ministry and CDO

Sunday morning lessons will continue to come from the Beginner's Bible curriculum. Sunday evening lessons and crafts will be based on the Fruit of the Spirit. Sunday, June 19th is Father's Day so the kids will make a craft for their dad or someone in their life who is a father figure. *We will not meet that evening.*

Mark your calendar for June 26th! We will meet up at AMC Theater to watch the new Buzz movie! Time to be determined later but you don't want to miss it! The admission cost is covered, you will need to pay for your own concessions.

VBS begins July 11th! This is open to 3 yr. olds! You can find the registration link on the church website or contact Luisa.

CDO

The summer CDO session begins June 7th!! We have some new kids joining this summer and some new teachers! It will for sure be a busy and fun summer! We have some fun themes planned out and teachers will come up with some great activities. We accept elementary aged kids in the summer so there will be lots of kiddos around the church! The last day of summer CDO is July 21st.

Our infant class is in need of a pack n' play and 1 or 2 highchairs for the summer. If you or someone you know would be willing to donate these items, we would appreciate it! See Amy with any questions.

We still have a few spots available for the school year in CDO and Pre-K. Let your friends and family know we are still enrolling if they would be interested.

As always, thank you for supporting New Hope's Preschool Ministries! Amy Aita- Director
preschoolministries@newhopeokc.org

Our 2022 pre-K graduates will be wonderful students and citizens in their years ahead!



New Hope in June, 2022



SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT



1
11:00 - 3:00
Stitchers

2
10:00
AA & AI Anon
10:30
Marla's class

3
Youth
return
from
LEAD
camp

4

5 **Pentecost**
services
9:30 & 11:00
5:00 - Youth,
preschool,
Children

6
10:00 -
Prayer
Team

7
9 - 2 CDO
Resumes for
summer

8
9 - 2 CDO

9
9 - 2 CDO
9:30 - **Mary
Martha Circle**
10:00
AA & AI Anon


10

11
9:15
Second
Saturday
Outreach

12
Services
9:30 & 11:00
5:00 - Youth,
preschool,
Children

13
10:00 -
Prayer
Team

Growin' in
Grace camp

14 
9 - 2 CDO
1 - 3 **Pantry
open**
6:30 - **Ruth
Circle**

15
9 - 2 - CDO
11:00 - 3:00
Stitchers

16
9 - 2 CDO
10:00
AA & AI Anon
6:30 **UMW**

17

18



8:15 - **Men of
Hope**
Services 9:30 &
11:00
no evening
events

20 **Office
Closed**

**Camp
Spark**

21
9 - 2 CDO

22
9 - 2 CDO

23
9 - 2 CDO
10:00
AA & AI Anon

24
Youth
return from
Camp Spark

25
**Sonshine -
Children's
Camp**

26
Services 9:30
& 11:00
Movie night at
Quail Springs -
watch for time

27
10:00 -
Prayer
Team

28
9 - 2 CDO
1 - 3 **Pantry
open**

29
9 - 2 CDO
6:30 - Choir

30
9 - 2 CDO
10:00
AA & AI Anon

July 1

July 2

VBS July 11 - 15 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. You can register as a volunteer on the same link. Register here- <https://newhopeumc.mycokesburyvbs.com/>

In July undies for boys and girls of all sizes will be collected for Skyline.

