



April & May Sermon Schedule

April 7

Easter 2
Children's Sunday
Matthew 19:13-14

April 14

Easter 3
On the Lookout
Mark 16:9-20

April 21

Easter 4
The Thrill of Recognition
Luke 24:36-49

April 28

Easter 5
Called by Name
John 20:11-18

May 5

Easter 6
Fish for Breakfast
John 21:1-14

May 12

Ascension
*The Message that Won't
Be Silenced*
Matthew 28:9-10, 16-20

May 19

Pentecost
*What Do You Love
More than Anything?*
John 21:15-19

May 26

Trinity Sunday
*To Serve the
Present Age*
John 16:12-15

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Sunday worship services 8:45AM (traditional) & 11:00AM (traditional with choir & orchestra). Sunday School Classes meet at 10:00AM.

UPCOMING CHURCH MEETINGS

- **MISSION COUNCIL MEETING: Wednesday, April 17 @ 6pm, Fellowship Hall**
 - **ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING: Sunday, April 21 @ 12pm, Gathering Area**
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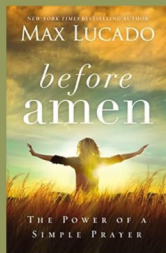
April Women's Study

April Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays at 9:30AM
Begins on April 2, 2024

Before Amen: The Power of Simple Prayer by Max Lucado.

Led by Shirley Yates, meeting in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us!



Weekly Men's Study



Wednesday Night Meals Menu

April 2024

- April 3 - Baked Potato Bar, Salad Bar, Dessert
- April 10 - Chicken Spaghetti, Green Beans, Bread, Salad Bar, Dessert
- April 17 - Pot Roast, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Salad Bar, Dessert
- April 24 - Chicken Enchiladas & Rice, Salad Bar, Dessert

Anadarko Mission Trip!



For this Mission Trip we are in need of a total of 10 individuals to join us in Anadarko.

Two people with basic carpentry skills and others willing to do yard work. Contact Tim Gosdin or Melody Beard for additional information from the Mission Council!



NOTE FROM FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

If you are the person who made the generous financial contribution through True Sky Credit Union, please contact Financial Secretary, Jackie Dawes at the church office to specify your donation designation. Thank you!

Stitchers

by Nancy Beale

The Stitchers group will meet only on Wednesday, April 3 and Wednesday, April 17 from 11am-3pm this month! Contact Nancy Beale for more info.

Yarn Workers

Yarn Workers will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month in Room 209 from 12-2PM. You can work on your own projects or help with projects that will be given to non-profit organizations. If you prefer embroidery, needlepoint or other type of hand work, come join the fun!

Mary Martha Circle

All ladies are invited to join us at the church on the second Thursday of the month at 9:30am for meeting time, food, and fellowship! The Mary Martha Ham Dinner is set for Sunday, April 14 at 12PM in the Gymnasium. Contact Mickey Miller for more info!



Ruth Circle

by Carola Smith

All ladies are invited to join us at the church on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm for Bible study and fellowship and the 4th Tuesday of the month for a dinner out, location to be determined. If you have any questions, call Carola Smith or the church office.

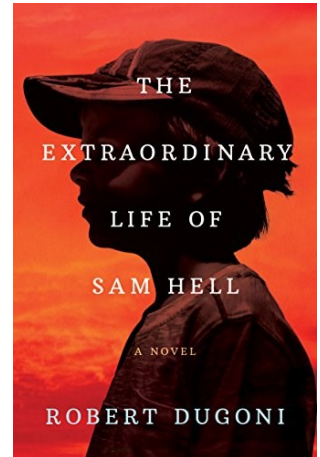
Men of Hope

The next Men of Hope meeting will be Sunday, April 21 at 8AM, with breakfast, meeting time, and fellowship.

Women's Book Club

by Debbi Marshall & Judy Murnan

The April Women's Book Club selection is *The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell* by bestselling author Robert Dugoni. Born with ocular albinism, Sam's red eyes make him the target of adolescent intolerance, sparking his search for faith and quest to overcome life's unfairness. Join us at 9:30AM on Wednesday, April 17 for a lively discussion. All are welcome! Contact Debbi Marshall or Judy Murnan for more info!



UPCOMING BOOK CLUB MEETINGS & SELECTIONS:

May 15: Being Mortal by Atul Gawande

June Mtg TBD: No assigned book, but bring your summer reading suggestions! July & August will be our summer break, before resuming Book Club again in September.

New Hope UMC Women's Ministries

Join us for Springo!

**Bring your favorite dessert or appetizer
& a prize valued at \$5.**

Friday, April 12, 6-8PM

Sign up at the Welcome Center!

New Hope Youth

by Maddy Day

The youth had an absolute blast during our Adventure Week, March 17-23! This week was filled with fun, making connections, and being in service with others! We went to Frontier City, the Food Bank, the Water-Zoo, did mission projects here at the church including filling easter eggs, decorating sandwich bags for Second Saturday, filling water bottles with laundry soap and decorating them, and finally we cooked and served dinner for the Celebrating Families ministry.

We ended our Adventure Week on Friday with a Youth Lock-In. We had a total of 22 youth who attended and stayed up the whole night. We also got the opportunity to hear one of our youth, Emily Brown (sophomore), share a devotional with us for worship! We are so proud of her!!!

After the adventure that was March, we can't wait for all that April brings! In April the youth will be taking a trip with the Family Ministry crew to Canyon Camp to celebrate God's creation for Earth Day! The youth will also be taking a day trip to Anadarko in partnership with our Mission Council to serve the OIMC community. We can't wait to share all of the adventures to come with you all so be on the lookout! :)

Preschool & Children's Day Out

by Amy Aita

Preschool Ministries

During the month of April, the kids will be learning bible stories from the books of Matthew and Acts. The topics are: The Great Commission, Peter and John, Believers Share, and Choosing the Seven. Sunday evenings, the preschoolers will be learning about people from the bible: Joseph, Moses, and Joshua.

We will be heading to Canyon Camp on April 21st to celebrate Earth Day! All families and kids are invited to go! We hope your family can come!

CDO

We ended March with an Egg Hunt and Easter class parties! It was a special day and it was fun to have families join in the fun!

Our themes for the month of April are: W- Weather, X- "X" marks the spot!, Y- Yummy food, and Z- Zoo animals. The Pre-K class will be heading to the Zoo this month for a fieldtrip!

At the end of April, we will celebrate our amazing CDO teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week! The teachers work so hard and are true rockstars and deserve all the praise!

CDO enrollment for this summer and next school year is under way! We are almost completely full for summer! We have some spots let in our 3-4yr. old classes for the fall if you or someone you know would like to enroll. Contact me at 405-919-3921 or preschoolministries@newhopeokc.org.

Thank you for your support of New Hope's Preschool Ministries!

Amy Aita - Preschool Ministries Director



MONTHLY MINISTRY FOCUS

April 2024 Ministry Focus Your Gifts At Work! By Jackie Dawes

"We appreciate all financial gifts received by the church. Should you wish to leave a gift today, you may drop it in the offering box at the back of the sanctuary as you leave."

We read this every week and, indeed, we do appreciate your generosity. But do you realize what these gifts actually do? Here is an example of ministry that your financial support helps to make happen:

Second Saturday: Welcoming our unhoused brothers and sisters in Downtown OKC with a meal, clothing, toiletries, shoes, & other items to meet their needs.



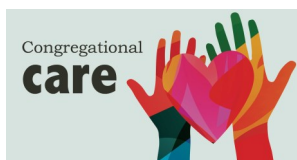
Food Pantry: Helping to feed our neighbors whose dollar may not have stretched far enough. We offer this service twice a month.

Blessings Box: Meeting an immediate, community need for nourishing snacks & other items. Available 24/7!

Children & Youth Ministries: Spring break activities that help keep our kids engaged and safe with opportunities for fun & mission work.



Easter Egg Hunt & Trunk or Treat: Two of our biggest community outreach programs of the year!



Congregational Care & Pastoral Partners: Providing materials for those experiencing grief after loss, plus cards, calls, and visits to those shut-in, hospitalized, or hurting.



Whiz Kids & School Partnerships: Helping our neighboring schools & students with reading and tutoring, and feeding teachers on their work days!

Music Ministries: Supporting our top notch minister musicians, directors, and worship services via the New Hope organ, chancel choir, children's choir, orchestra, and newly-minted handbell ensemble!



Donations are not just dollars. Your time and heart put into these ministries help make them work! You are truly a part of every program at New Hope United Methodist Church. Thank you for your faithful giving!!

Scouting Troops at New Hope UMC!

Cub Scouts - Troop 599

Cub Scouts start up again on **Mondays at 6:30pm** at New Hope UMC. If you are interested in Cub Scouts and your youth is between Kindergarten-5th Grade, you are invited to join us. Contact Troop Leader, Brad Quiroz (bradq1234@hotmail.com) for more info.



Boy Scouts - Troop 162 & Girl Scouts of BSA - Troop 6162

Scouting for ages 6th grade - 18 yrs meet at New Hope UMC on **Monday evenings at 7pm**. You are invited to join us! Contact Boy Scouts Troop Leader, Lee Walker (yamrider02@yahoo.com) or Girls of BSA Troop Leader, Terri Douthitt (terriadouthitt@hotmail.com) for more info.



March 2024 Campout Recap!

In March, Troop 6162 had 3 girls; including a new Cub Scout crossover; and 4 adults attend the campout at Camp McClintock near Pawhuska, Oklahoma. The girls were able to use the new tents purchased with the generous donations from the church! Thank You! Thank You! The campout was a lot of fun with beautiful weather and lots of learning and bonding.



2024-2025 Mission & Service Opportunities

We invite you to explore the many ministry and mission opportunities at New Hope! Meet new friends, learn new things, serve God and community in new ways! Here are a few opportunities you want to check out:

Men of Hope: meet the 3rd Sunday of each month at New Hope for breakfast at 8AM. The Men of Hope undertake various service projects and philanthropic endeavors.

Young at Heart: meets on the 4th Thursday of each month. This fellowship group often travels to locations of interest in the OKC metro and sometimes around the state. Young at Heart gatherings always include great fellowship and good food!

Women's Circles: The *Mary/Martha Circle* meets the 2nd Thursday at 9:30AM. The *Ruth Circle* meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM.

2nd Saturday Homeless Outreach: New Hope comes alongside neighbors who are currently homeless with friendship, encouragement, food, clothing, bedding, and toiletry items. The 2nd Saturday of each month from 9:30 AM-Noon, volunteers from New Hope travel downtown and across OKC to support our homeless neighbors.

Food Pantry and Blessing Box: The New Hope Food Pantry and Blessing Box provides shelf-stable food to our neighbors experiencing food insecurity. The Blessings Box is available at all times and the food pantry is open the 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month from 1-3 PM.

Stitchers Sewing Group: Blankets, pillowcases, and more are created by the Stitchers and given to patrons of social services agencies such as The Infant Crisis Center and the YWCA. All skill levels are welcome! The Stitchers sewing group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 11 AM - 3 PM.

Whiz Kids: Each Monday afternoon from 3-5 PM during the school year at New Hope, Whiz Kids brings together caring adults and elementary-age children for one-on-one tutoring and mentoring. New Hope partners with Ralph Downs Elementary.



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
- Boxes of instant white rice
 - Hearty soups
- Chef Boyardee products

Happy April Birthdays!

Debbie Barnett
Pam Bray
Kayleigh Daniels
SuAn Burton
Carol Eleftherakis
Lori Fagan
Richard Foster
Vicki Freeman
Diane Gordon
Aliece Grant
Melissa Hayes
Cindy Hill
Allison Hutchins
Roseanna Kaiser
Jenna Kidd
Jay Kusel
Ashley McClain

Ryleigh McDonald
Debbie McGlohon
Mark McLaren
Lois Medina
Jacob Miller
Judy Miller
Melanie Moore
Shelly Moran
Juliet Morgan
Brett Pattillo
Robin Paul
Sierra Paul
Julie Poe
Adyson Poe
Andrea Reid
Abigail Rogers
Kari Russell

Delaney Sheffield
Allie Tabberer
Judith Unsell
Jan Voss
Brian Walker
Chloe White
Kimberly Wigley



Happy April Anniversaries!

Keith & Linda Elwood
Charles & Janis Evans
Barbara & James Gayle
Carolyn & Gerald Grady
Keith & Fonda Gentry
Ann & John Hannah
Ron & Sharon Harper

Pat & Gary Ingram
Jay & Ji Kusel
Cheryl & Clifford Lowry
Ryan & Abigail Rogers
Brian & Allie Tabberer
Michael & Mary Tims
Darrell & Lou An Todd



New Hope UMC Members!

**Haven't seen your birthday or anniversary in the New Hope
Newsletter yet? Need to update a phone number or address for your member
profile?**

**Email your important dates and updates to
Ministries Coordinator, Katie at katie@newhopeokc.org
to make sure we have them in our membership records! Thanks!**

New Hope Calendar - April 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 3pm Whiz Kids 6:30pm Cub Scouts 7pm Boys & Girls of BSA	2 9am-2pm CDO 9:30am Women's Bible Study	3 9am-2pm CDO 11am Stitchers 5:30pm Wed. Meal 6/6:30pm Wed. Night Activities	4 9am-2pm CDO 10am Men's Bible Study 5pm Celebrating Families	5	6
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