



Mission Council News by Rev. Marla Lobo

Mission Trip Test Drive

God is at work in the world - in our community and across the globe. As followers of Christ, we seek to prayerfully discern God's leading and watch for opportunities to serve where God is calling us. Mission trips are an important part of our Christian service. They provide opportunities to foster understanding and build relationships. If you are new to mission trips or can't travel overnight, you are invited to take part in a special New Hope Mission trip on Saturday, July 30th. In collaboration with the Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference (OIMC), we will be serving at the OIMC Clinton Indian Church and Community Center to support their project to help native children in Clinton to prepare for the upcoming school year. There are 81 OIMC churches state of Oklahoma, three in Kansas, one in Missouri, and one in Dallas, Texas. In addition, there fellowships and community centers. Our Bishop, Jimmy Nunn, also serves as the Episcopal leader of the OIMC. As you may know, Methodism first arrived in Oklahoma through our Native sisters and brothers. Here are the details for our trip:

Mission Trip Test Drive - Saturday, July 30th - 8:30 AM – 6:00 PM
Clinton Indian Church and Community Center - Clinton, OK
Transportation will be provided.

We will help children from the Cheyenne/Arapaho tribe and their families prepare for the school year! This is a community event where the children receive free haircuts, toiletries, and school supplies. We will play games with the children and help with a community meal. Also, there is a required preparatory meeting on Sunday, July 24th from noon-1:30 PM at New Hope. We will finalize trip logistics and learn important information about the Cheyenne/Arapaho tribes. You can sign up in the Gathering Area or use the link in the New Hope eNote. Also, we are collecting the following items (40 of each): **Deodorant, small bottles of shampoo & conditioner, combs, brushes, hair gel, pony tails, scrunchies, and barrettes.** Look for the collection box at the New Hope Donation Center!

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.*

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.

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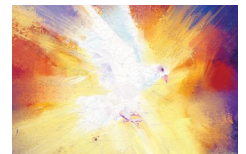
www.newhopeokc.org and on Facebook

Sunday worship services 9:30 (traditional) 11:00 (contemporary) Sunday

July's Sermons and Scriptures

July 3	Pentecost 4	Hebrews 10:19-25
	<i>"The Gathering"</i>	
July 10	Pentecost 5	Romans 10:5-15
	<i>"Proclaiming the Word"</i>	
July 17	Pentecost 6	Acts 2:37-47
	<i>"Responding to the Word"</i>	
July 24	Pentecost 7	Ephesians 5:15-20
	<i>"Prayer and Music"</i>	
July 31	Pentecost 8	Acts 1:6-8
	<i>"Sending Forth"</i>	

During the season of Pentecost, 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.

We wish a warm, New Hope welcome to all of our new members who joined the church in June!

Pastor's Column

by Reverend Rodney Newman

July 1 marks one year that I have been your senior pastor and what an honor it has been. You have received me and my family very warmly and welcomed us into a rich fellowship of care and support. Our time together has been marked by moving worship services, small group gatherings, dinners, and multiple conversations with children, youth, and adults. I look forward to where God is taking us next.

July Sermon Series – Movements of Worship

Christian worship comes in many different varieties – from highly structured ceremonies in cathedrals to camp meetings under a tent and everything in between. In essence, however, worship involves four elements arranged in different ways – gathering, proclaiming the Word, responding to the Word, and sending forth. This month, our sermons will take a look at each of these movements, considering why we do what we do. Oh – and we'll throw in a look at the role of prayer and music as well.

Summertime Renewal

We observe the holy seasons of Advent and Lent to attend to assessing and strengthening our spiritual lives. Summertime can also be a good opportunity to pay special attention to our relationship with God. This July we are modifying our regular orders of service to provide a unique worship experience. At 9:30, we will sing some favorite hymns and learn some others that may not be as familiar. In our modern service at 11:00, we will alter the order to bring new energy to this experience.

Men of Hope

by Chris Porter

The Men of Hope's next meeting will be Sunday, July 17 at 8:15am. Breakfast will be provided and 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.

An Update on Second Saturday Outreach to the Homeless

by Donette Johnson

Our 2nd Saturday Mission continues into the heat of the Summer! It is more difficult to serve when it is so hot it is uncomfortable to leave any area of shade, but there are still ways to provide. We always need donations of water bottles, sun screen, bug spray, flip flops, and t-shirts, but did you know there is a need for bed sheets? They are used to wrap up at night to keep bugs (mostly mosquitoes) from biting exposed sections of skin. Twin size is the best so they can be folded up fairly small and fit into a backpack.

Each month we provide a sack lunch with sandwiches, chips, snacks and water bottles, as well as other portable food, but we have recently started to provide fresh donuts and milk. Even though the nutritional value is low, we believe it is important to remember we are all God's children and if something as simple as a donut can brighten someone's day, then we'll do our best to provide a donut.

THANK YOU to Gary and Margaret Graham for the donation of a trailer! It will soon be seen at the church and behind a church van as we continue to serve downtown.

For questions contact Donette Johnson 405-760-5297 or Pastor Marla at the church associatepastor@newhopeokc.org

Thank you for your continued support of this very important Mission!



Helping Hands Food Pantry

by Mickey Miller

Well, we are finally in our new location! It is so nice and roomy. I can actually stand up, turn in a circle and not hit a person or a shelf. YEA! We are in the process of getting another shelving unit and a bulletin board - I don't want to stick holes in the wall. We are still trying to get all the food organized and new lists made, but it will come to be very soon.

Our new refrigerator is great. We are going to keep things like cheese, cottage cheese, and eggs in the fridge as well as frozen ground beef, ground turkey, chicken, hot dogs, and hopefully some vegetables in the freezer part. We will NOT keep fresh vegetables or fruits as they go bad too quickly. If you want to buy for the pantry we can always use cereal, spaghetti and sauce. You could also supply some packages of hot dogs, some kielbasas sausage and other fridge stable items.

Again I want to thank you for your unfailing support of our pantry. I know Covid put a damper on our mission, but it is starting to pick up again. We gave out food for 31 people at our last pantry and still have another pantry day to go in this month of June. Again, thank you.



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)

Check out their website for more information:
<https://deltagrace.org/>

Exodus House

by Mickey Miller

Lots of good things are happening with Exodus House this summer!

Our residents, Tammi, will be graduating in August and Allie, will graduate in September. They are both doing super in the program. They both have come to our church a few times so I know a lot of you have met them. Let's keep praying for them as they finish up at Exodus House and go back to a less rigid life!

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





Mary Martha Circle

by Mary Jo Pratz

The Mary Martha Circle met on Thursday June 9, 2022 at 9:30 with 26 ladies in attendance. We were very happy to be back in the Fellowship Hall for our meeting! Thank you to Janelle

Hillemeier for her assistance with our refreshments. Nancy Beale read a wonderful devotional encouraging all of us to appreciate the good things God has provided. After reviewing our preparations for the Getting Ahead meal on June 15 we discussed our upcoming activities.

Mary Martha will be providing snacks for Vacation Bible School again this year. In new business we decided to replenish the Blessings Box each Thursday. We will not be providing the food but will be placing the food in the box. Thank you to all the ladies who volunteered for these two activities! It is always a joy to meet together in fellowship and prayer.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, July 14 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.



Young At Heart

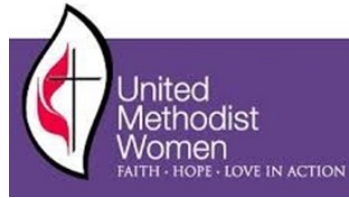
by Shirley Mcllroy

The Young At Heart planning committee met with Pastor Marla to decide on activities for the next few months.

- June 30 - 11:30am - Covered Dish Luncheon & Board Games (Sign Up in Gathering Area)
- July 28 - 11:30am - Lunch provided Jose (Free Will Offering); Program - "Getting To Know You" with Pastor Rod
- August 25 - Lunch at Brent's Cajun Kitchen (30th and Broadway in Edmond)

Watch for more details on our fall trips. If you have any ideas for our group, please share them with our committee members - Greg Wells, Shirley Mcllroy, Mary Jo Pratz, Mickey Miller, Elaine Pierce, & Pastor Marla.

"May we always be Young at Heart."



UMW News

by Earline Baker

At the June 16th meeting we were blessed by a presentation from Donette Johnson, Carolyn and Gerald Grady on their rewarding involvement in the 2nd Saturday Mission. This mission began in 2015 with the goal of providing a meal for the homeless in downtown Oklahoma City. At the church on the second Saturday of each month, using 10 loaves of bread, peanut & jelly sandwiches are prepared. Included in the lunches are chips, a snack, and a drink. They serve this to men and women of all ages and some children. They are well received by the recipients who enjoy having conversations with New Hope members. Donette, Carolyn and Gerald thanked the dedicated members of New Hope Church for their support.

There will be another interesting UMW Meeting at the Church on Thursday, July 21st at 6:30 p.m. United Methodist Women invites you to be part of an observance in sisterhood with women from the local unit and your community. Every year, "A Call to Prayer and Self Denial" encourages women to step out in faith and bring the love of Christ into a hurting world through their prayers and selfless giving.

We will come together around the theme "Love, Justice and Service: Answering the Call". Elaine Parrent, UMW co-president and a Deaconess will share how this year's offering will support the vital and vibrant ministry of deaconesses and home missionaries, consecrated laity who have dedicated the entirety of their lives to vocations of love, justice and service. These vocations include social work, education, health care, advocacy, immigration reform, anti-poverty initiatives, antiracism efforts, fire-fighting, legal justice and more.

One hundred percent of the offering will go directly to fund these projects.

We welcome all women to come pray, learn and offer your gifts that will make a real change in lives of women, children, and youth here and around the world.

Lord help us to value each person, looking at one another through your eyes of love.



Happy Birthday!

Jake Anderson	Rose Mary Lakin
Nancy Beale	Chase Linville
Melody Beard	Thomas Logsdon
Leslie Berger	Clifford Lowry
Emily Brown	Dustin McClarry
Jason Bruce	Nancy McClure
Sharia Cleburn	Shirley McLroy
Jim Coffman	Meryn Miller
Teresa Coffman	Sachia Miller
Patricia Downing	Bob Mills
Rick Ernest	Barbara Mitchell
Marsha Finch	Elora Nelson
Kamden Goff	Vangie Smith
Nellyne Hanlin	Haley Smith
Ann Hannah	Tristan Todd
Wesley Harrison	Zachary Van Sickle
Jeff Hoffman	Cameron Wetzal
Jackie Holloway	Paula Henderson Wood

Happy Anniversary!



Ken & Kristin Atteberry
 Jason & Jacqueline Bruce
 Larry & Roberta Buchanan
 Norman & Aileen Foster
 Edward & Jenna Kidd
 Jack & Jordann Klein
 Franz & Marla Lobo
 John & Barbara March
 Derrick & Janelle Nelson
 Rodney & Ann Newman



Greetings from the Children's Department!

Summer is here! We have a full summer of fun and worship planned. Remember, we have taken a break from meeting on Wednesday nights for the summer and will return to Wednesdays in September!

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 & Children's Day Out

Preschool Ministry

This month on Sunday mornings the kids will learn bible stories from the Beginner's bible curriculum and do activities to go along with those stories. We will not meet for our regular Sunday evening classes until the 24th. Sunday, July 17th plan to join us on the front lawn of the church to watch a movie. This is a family ministry event so all kids/ages are welcome to attend! More info to come about this event.

Children's Day Out

The CDO program is alive and well this summer! We have over 100 kids enrolled with many fun activities and things going on each day! The kids had their own Independence Day Parade on June 30th and had a pizza lunch to celebrate! It was a fun day! The last day of the summer session is Thursday, July 21st. We will have a summer send-off party that day with bounce houses, snow cones, games, and a hot dog lunch. Looking to the fall semester, we only have a few spots still open so if you know anyone interested in enrolling, have them call me very soon! We still have a couple of spots available in our Pre-K class as well. We are very excited to be adding another 2 yr. old class this fall! The program continues to grow and I am so thankful to be allowed to have another room in the church designated for CDO. We will need to furnish the new room with tables, chairs, toys, etc. so if you feel led in any way to help out by donation or other means, please see me. Thank you to all on Trustees who voted in favor of continuing to grow this program.



Thank you for your support of these ministries at New Hope!
Amy Aita - Director

Music Ministries by Kevin Wilkinson

After taking the month of June off, the choir will resume rehearsals next Wednesday, June 29 and begin singing in service again on July 10. If you have ever considered joining the choir, know that you are always welcome to drop in on rehearsal - and that our first rehearsal of the year is a great time to join! We rehearse on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 pm.

Regardless of whether you join us for rehearsal, please be in prayer for our wonderful minister-musicians as they gather again to prepare music for God's glory.



**THE STITCHERS GROUP IS
TAKING A BREAK FOR THE
MONTH OF JULY - JOIN US
AGAIN IN AUGUST!**

New Hope Calendar - July 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3 9:30 & 11:00 Services 5:00 - Youth, Pre-school, Children	4 Independence Day - Office Closed	5 9:00 - 2:00 CDO	6 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 6:30 Choir	7 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 10:00 AA & Al Anon	8	9 9:15 Second Saturday Outreach
10 9:30 & 11:00 Services 5:00 - Youth, Pre-school, Children	11 10:00 - Prayer Team 6:00 - 8:30 VBS	12 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 1:00 - 3:00 Food Pantry Open 6:00 - 8:30 VBS 6:30 Ruth Circle	13 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 6:00 - 8:30 VBS 6:30 Choir	14 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 9:30 Mary Martha Circle 10:00 AA & Al Anon 6:00 - 8:30 VBS	15 6:00 - 8:30 VBS	16
17 8:15 Men of Hope 9:30 & 11:00 Services 5:00 - Youth, Pre-school, Children	18 10:00 - Prayer Team	19 9:00 - 2:00 CDO	20 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 6:30 Choir	21 9:00 - 2:00 *FINAL DAY OF SUMMER CDO* 10:00 AA & Al Anon 6:30 UMW	22	23
24 9:30 & 11:00 Services 12:00 Mission Trip Test Drive Prep Mtg. 5:00 - Youth, Pre-school, Children	25 10:00 - Prayer Team	26 1:00 - 3:00pm Food Pantry Open	27 6:30 Choir	28 10:00 AA & Al Anon 11:30 Young At Heart	29	30 8:30 - 6:00 Mission Trip Test Drive in Clinton, OK
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