

## Vacation Bible School in July!



Join us this summer for our 2023 Vacation Bible School, Hero Hotline!

Open to children ages 3 years thru entering 5th grade, VBS is a fun-filled week of songs, snacks, making friends, and learning how we are called together to serve God! Registration for children AND volunteers is now open at: <u>https://newhopeumc.mycokesburyvbs.com/</u>

Questions before your register? Contact Children's Ministry Director, Luisa Medina, at <u>luisa@newhopeokc.org</u> for more information!

New Hope United Methodist Church 11600 N. Council Road Oklahoma City, OK 73162 phone (405) 721 -5015

www.newhopeokc.org and on Facebook

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

# SUMMERTIME RENEWAL

This summer we are hosting a series of special worship services. Our services from July 2 through August 13 will have a more relaxed style, featuring music highlighting a different theme each week. Summer is a great time to break from the routine and refresh out spirits.

# **July Sermon Series**



#### July 2

Pentecost 5 What I Did For Love Genesis 29:15-28

#### July 9

Pentecost 6 Awkward Blessings Genesis 32:22-31

#### July 16

Pentecost 7 Enough Love to Go Around Genesis 33:1-17

#### July 23

#### July 30

Pentecost 8 Very Good News Romans 1:1, 7-9, 14-17 Romans 8:1-11

Pentecost 9 Walking on Sunshine Guest Preacher:

August 6

Pentecost 10 Rev. Marla Lobo

#### August 6

Pentecost 11 Guest Preacher: Rev. Sam Powers (DS)

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# NEW HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOOD PANTRY

## **SUMMER DATES**

## TUESDAYS

- June 13 & 27 @ 1 3PM
- July 11 & 25 @ 1 3PM
- August 8 & 22 @ 1 3PM

## WHAT TO BRING:

- a form of photo ID
- a current bill w/ name & address listed

## SATURDAYS

- June 24 @ 10AM 12PM
- July 22 @ 10AM 12PM
- August 26 @ 10AM 12PM





LOCATION INFO: 11600 N Council Rd. Oklahoma City, OK 73162 405.721.5015



## Volunteers Needed for Project Transformation at New Hope!

Project Transformation is a summer literacy day camp for elementary children. This is the 22<sup>nd</sup> Summer for Project Transformation in Oklahoma, a ministry of our Oklahoma United Methodist Conference. Twenty-nine children from Ralph Downs Elementary are taking part in Project Transformation at New Hope!

The day-to-day operations of the camp are handled by college students employed by Project Transformation.

Here are the days and times of camp:

### Monday-Thursday, 9 AM – 3 PM June 5 – July 27 (no camp June 19 and July 3 & 4)

Your help is both appreciated and needed to help ensure a great experience for our campers! We have many volunteer opportunities available in areas such as reading tutors, providing snacks or serving lunch to the children, providing meals for the college interns, and helping with Family Fun Nights!

Look for the volunteer sign up board near the front office at the church and contact Pastor Marla Lobo for more info at <u>associatepastor@newhopeokc.org</u>.

## Women's Book Club

#### by Nancy Beale

The Women's Book Club will be taking a summer break in the months of July & August. Now is a good time to start reading our intriguing Pulitzer Prize winning September selection: *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver. You may be familiar with this author

from her 1998 bestseller, *The Poisonwood Bible*. Join us when we resume on **Wednesday**, **September 20 at 9:30 am**. Everyone is welcome!

## Men of Hope

All men in the church are invited to attend the upcoming Men of Hope meeting, Sunday, July 16 for breakfast and fellowship at 8:15AM.

## **Stitchers**

#### by Nancy Beale

The Stitchers group will not be having their regular meetings at the church for the month of July. Contact Nancy Beale at nancybeale@ymail.com for more info!

## **Mary Martha Circle**

#### by Mary Jo Pratz

Our next project will be to provide the snacks for our Vacation Bible School. We invite all ladies to join us the second Thursday of each month at 9:30 for fellowship, good food, devotionals, praise and prayers!

## **Ruth Circle**

#### by Doris Korner

The Ruth Circle began and continues as an evening fellowship and worship/Bible Study. We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 6:30. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, we eat together at various restaurants. Call the church office for location or ask Doris Korner or any Ruth Circle member, we would love for you to join us.





## Join us in welcoming and celebrating the newest members of our New Hope United Methodist Church community!

• Dale & Jenny Wood (6/04)

## In Memoriam

We remember and honor those from the New Hope family who have recently transitioned into life eternal and send prayers of comfort and peace to their loved ones.

Michael Owen

# Holy Land 2024 Trip Meeting

by Chris Porter

There is a trip next year to the Holy Land and you are invited! On Sunday, July 30 at 12:00pm immediately following 2nd service there will be an informational meeting for the Holy Land 2024 tour. Attendance at the meeting does not commit you to the trip.



The meeting will cover the itinerary, costs, questions, etc. New Hope member Chris

Porter is leading the trip and will be there to lead the meeting. He can be reached at <a href="mailto:com">cporter299@gmail.com</a> if you have any questions about the trip.

The trip now has a website. The website can be reached here: <u>https://dekeltours.com/</u> porter-holyland/

Please prayerfully consider going on this trip of a lifetime! Your faith will be deeply enriched by walking in the footsteps of Jesus.

#### 2023 Mission & Service Opportunities

As 2023 dawns, 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. 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 Women of Faith (formerly known as United Methodist Women) meets the 3rd Thursday at 6:30 PM. The Ruth Circle meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM.

**2nd Saturday Homeless Outreach:** New Hope children for or New Hope par 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 shelfstable 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. *Whiz Kids at New Hope currently needs substitute tutors!* 



## **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 July Birthdays!

Jake Anderson Nancy Beale Melody Beard Leslie Berger **Emily Brown Richard Brown** Jason Bruce Sharia Cleburn Jim Coffman Teresa Coffman Patricia Downing **Rick Frnest** Marsha Finch **Nellyne Hanlin** Ann Hannah Wesley Harrison

Frank Hill Jackie Holloway Pat Ingram Elizabeth Kwok Beniamin Kwok Rose Mary Lakin Chase Linville Thomas Logsdon Clifford Lowry Nancy McClure Shirley McIlroy Meryn Grace Miller Sachia Miller **Bob Mills** Barbara Mitchell Elora Nelson

Vangie Smith Haley Smith Tristan Todd Zachary Van Sickle Paula Henderson Wood



## Happy July Anniversaries!

Ken & Kristin Attebery Jason & Jacqueline Bruce Larry & Roberta Buchanan Norman & Aileen Foster Edward (Buddy) & Jenna Kidd Jack & Jordann Klein Franz & Marla Lobo John & Barbara March Derrick & Janelle Nelson Rodney & Ann Newman Curtis & Robin Paul



#### **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!

## **Preschool & Children's Day Out**

#### by Amy Aita

#### Preschool Ministries

On Sunday mornings, the preschoolers will be learning about and doing activities based on people from the bible such as Noah, Jonah, Daniel and Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. VBS is fast approaching! If you have a child(ren) that is 3yrs. old and up, you can enroll them by going to the church website.

## <u>CDO</u>

We ended the month of June with a July 4<sup>th</sup> parade and we had the best time! July will be a busy month at CDO with fun activities, a game day, and then we end summer CDO on July 20<sup>th</sup>. We will celebrate a great summer with bounce houses, Kona Ice will visit, and we will serve lunch to the kids and families that day. We will begin to gear up for the school year that begins August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Our classes are almost completely full for the school year so we are super excited about that! If you or someone you know would like to enroll in the program, have them contact me ASAP.

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

Amy Aita - Preschool Ministries Director

## Youth Ministries by Maddy Day

Our summer activities are in full swing right now! We had an absolute blast at Youth Force and Camp Spark!

I am super happy to share that we had a big group attend Camp Spark this year! We had 20 youth and 4 adults attend! Our theme of the week was "Faith Adventure." Our youth explored how God guides us along the best pathway forward, leading us toward remarkable experiences. They explored the significance of companionship on our faith-filled journey, and discussed the significance of not going it alone. They talked with peers, small groups, and friends about the challenges we face in real life, acknowledging that the adventure of faith can be tough at times!

Thank you for all of your support of our young people as they continue to grow in their faith!

## Youth Force 2023 - Frederick, OK













# Camp SPARK 2023 - Camp Canyon





# New Hope Calendar - July 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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<b>2</b> 9:30 & 11:00 Services 5:00 Sunday Night Youth	<b>3</b> LEAD CAMP NO PT	<b>4</b> CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - Independence Day NO PT	5 LEAD CAMP	<b>6</b> LEAD CAMP 9:00 - 2:00 CDO	<b>7</b> LEAD CAMP 10:00 - Gym Open for Walking Children's Summer Fun Day - Jenks Aquarium	<b>8</b> 9:30 Second Saturday Outreach
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Missions, Music Ministry, Youth Ministry, Children/Family Ministry, CDO/Preschool, Church Events, Community Events