



Thanksgiving Meal at New Hope

Join us on Sunday, November 12th, after the second service for fellowship and a Thanksgiving meal.

The church will provide meat and mashed potatoes. Guests are invited to bring their favorite side item or dessert!

Decorating for Advent

You are invited to help prepare the church with decor for the Advent season on **Sunday, November 26** after church services are concluded.

Pizza will be provided for volunteers!



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

November Sermon Series

by Rev. Rodney Newman

Many churches follow a common prescribed series of Bible readings to guide their worship. I don't always choose sermon texts from this resource but I will be turning to the reading from the Gospel of Matthew between now and the beginning of Advent. In the second half of the church year, we focus on the teachings of Jesus.

November 5

All Saints Day
A Surprising Payday!
Matthew 20:1-16

November 12

Pentecost 24
Running on Empty
Matthew 25:1-13

November 19

Pentecost 25
Investing in Hope
Matthew 25:14-30

November 26

Reign of Christ Sunday
And You Welcomed Me
Matthew 25:31-46

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.

- Charles Evans

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, Brad England (bgengland@gmail.com) for more info.



Men of Hope

Men of Hope will not meet in November or December to avoid conflicts with the holiday Season. Their 2024 meeting schedule is forthcoming. The Men of Hope are also preparing to welcome their incoming president, Jeff Hiller, effective January 24, 2023!

Welcome to our newest New Hope UMC staff members!



Andrew Himes

- A/V Director

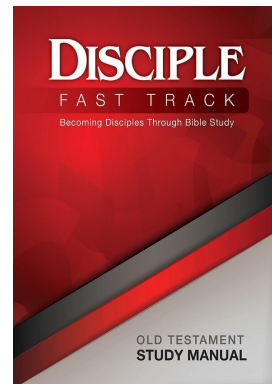
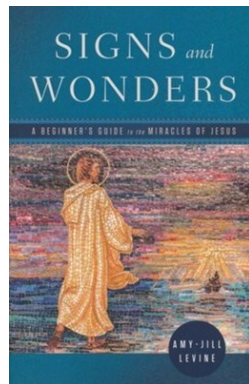


Ray Newsom

- Business Manager

Bible Studies Continuing at New Hope UMC this Fall!

- **Men's Bible Study:** Thursdays Sept. 7 @ 10AM, Room #316, led by Jeff Hiller.
- Participants will gather at the church to study the bible, pray, and fellowship.
- **Women's Morning Study:** Tuesdays @ 9:30AM, Fellowship Hall, led by Kathryn Witzel & Shirley Yates. This study explores selected miracles of Jesus in a historical and theological context. For each miracle, she discusses not only how past witnesses would have understood the events, but also how today's readers can draw meaning from Jesus's words and actions.
- **Disciple Fast Track Study:** Wednesdays @ 6:30PM, Room #210, led by Pastor Marla. This study explores the Old Testament and discusses major theological Christian themes such as Creation, Covenant, Atonement, Wisdom, and Hope.
- **Women's Evening Study:** Sundays @ 5PM, Room #311, led by Teresa Coffman



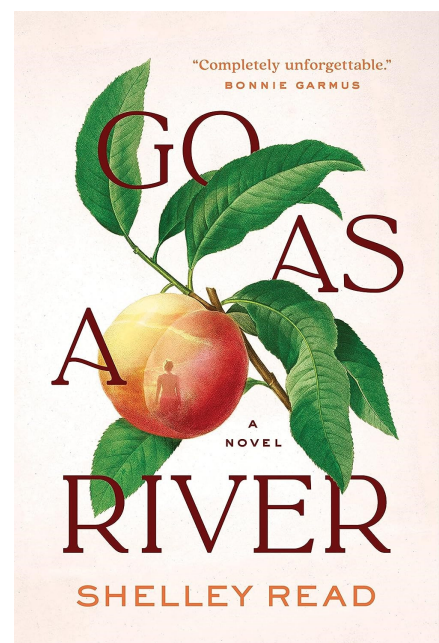
Women's Book Club

by Debbi Marshall

Our Book Club selection for November is *Go As A River* by Shelley Read.

This debut novel is described as "a sweeping, heart-stopping epic of a young woman's journey to becoming, set against the harsh beauty of mid-century Colorado."

We will meet at **9:30 am on Wednesday, November 15**. All are welcome, so bring a friend!



Stitchers

by Nancy Beale

The Stitchers group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 11AM - 3PM in the Fellowship Hall! Contact Nancy Beale for more info.



Ruth Circle

by Doris Korner

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 Doris Korner or the church office.

Mary Martha Circle

by Mary Jo Pratz

Pies, cakes and cookies!! Mary Martha Circle will be holding a Bake Sale on **Sunday, November 5**. Please stop by our tables in the Gathering Area to select your delicious baked goods prepared by the ladies of the Mary Martha Circle. All donations will be used to fund our many ministries and missions.

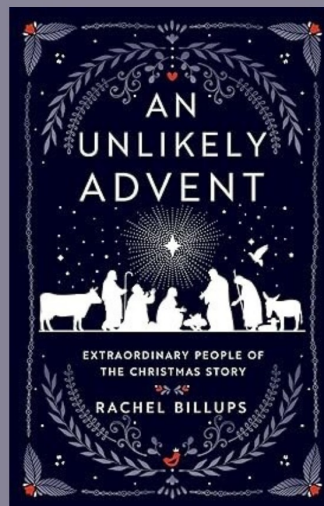


Women's 4-Week Advent Study

Tuesdays at 9:30AM
Nov. 14, 28, & Dec. 5, 12

An Unlikely Advent:
Extraordinary People of the Christmas Story
by Rachel Billups.

Please join us!



Strengthening Families Needs Nursery Volunteers!

Our partnership with Specialized Outpatient Services (SOS)/Drug Court/OKDHA continues in November! Each Thursday evening, parents recovering from addiction and their children meet for a meal & study at New Hope. They work through the Celebrating Families & Strengthening Families curriculum guided by the SOS staff. Sunday School classes and other groups at New Hope are invited to provide the dinner meal which is served at 5:00PM each Thursday. Individuals are invited to volunteer in the nursery on Thursday evenings. Look for more information and sign up at the Welcome desk.



NURSERY HELP
WHAT TO EXPECT...

EVERY THURSDAY BEGINS 9/14!

- ✓ There will be 8 babies, age 0-2 years
- ✓ You are needed from 5:15pm-7pm
- ✓ The parents are responsible for all diaper changes, bottle making, etc.
- ✓ You get to come play with them, rock them, hold them, love on them!
- ✓ There is a team of consistent volunteers, you are needed to provide an extra hand!

SUPPORT OUR FOOD PANTRY!

- New Hope UMC currently serves 40+ individuals, twice a month, during regular Food Pantry hours.
- Our community's need for food resources continues to grow & we have expanded the Food Pantry's area of service to the greater OKC metro.
- The Food Pantry is funded by donations only & all gifts go directly toward keeping it stocked!



**As we approach the holidays,
please consider supporting
the Food Pantry with your gifts!**



2023 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 November Birthdays!

Alison Anderson
Leslie Barnes
Thomas Brimacombe
Roberta Buchanan
Tyler Christenson
Elaine Cox
Vita Crowe
Shanna Dean
Dara Doak
Olivia England
Jacob Grant
Brittany Hamlin
Matthew Haught
Leslie Heathman
Stephen Hogg
Clay Jones
Sharon Killough
Lydia Langert

Marla Lobo
Franz Lobo
Lisa Lohmann
Cheryl Lowry
LaDonna Marshall
Vickie Maynard
Dale McConnell
Brady McLaren
Jose Medina
Finley Miller
Rebecca Miller
Jacob Moran
Peggy Morgan
Cheri Parker
Jonathan Poe
Kathleen Reed
Sophia Rogers
Madison Russell

Jeannie Schoeb
Trevor Sheffield
Charles Simpson
Justin Smith
Larry Splawn
Nate Stogsdill
Jane Swart
Terry Swart
Robert Tennyson
Ruth Thompson
John Wakefield
Sheri Wetekam
Katie Wonderly
Jason Wright



Happy November Anniversaries!

Gene & Leslie Barnes
Jim & Teresa Coffman
Tim & Julie Gosdin
Perry & Donette Johnson
Robert & Rose Mary Lakin
Ken & Donna Lobdell
Max & Frances Murrell
Bob & Barbara Shideler

Anthony & Florine Smarra
Randall & Paula Henderson-
Wood
Brandy & Jason Wright



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

This month the kids will be learning about what a blessing is through stories in the bible from Genesis and Isaiah. We will also throw in some fun Thankful crafts this month as well! Sunday evenings we will continue on in our creation curriculum and getting ready for the Children's Ministry Christmas performance!

We love seeing new faces Sunday mornings and evenings! If you have a preschooler, birth-4yrs. old, that needs care anytime Sunday morning, we would love to have them! Sunday evenings from 5-7pm we welcome 3-4yr. olds for a lesson, play time, dinner, and music time.

CDO

CDO had a fun and busy October with Helpers and Heroes Day and then trick-or-treating around the church and class parties on Halloween! November will be a fun month as the kids learn letters J, K, and L and do crafts and activities based on the themes: Jungle, Kingdom, Thanksgiving, and Legos. The bible stories for the month of Nov. are: David and Goliath, Jonah and the Big Fish, and An Angel Visits Mary.

The kids will celebrate Thanksgiving together on Thursday, Nov. 16th. CDO will provide lunch for the kids. CDO will be closed the week of Nov. 19th for Thanksgiving Break.

We have open but limited spots in our baby, toddler, and 2yr. old class! If you know of anyone that would be interested in our program, please let me know.

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

Amy Aita - Preschool Ministries Director

preschoolministries@newhopeokc.org

Youth Ministries

by Maddy Day

We have had a blast this past October connecting with our youth friends from around our district! We took a trip to First United Methodist Church of Edmond for a District Dodgeball Tournament! It was amazing to see our youth catch up with their camp friends from other churches and also make some new friends! Our youth had the option to participate in playing dodgeball, play card games, or hanging out!

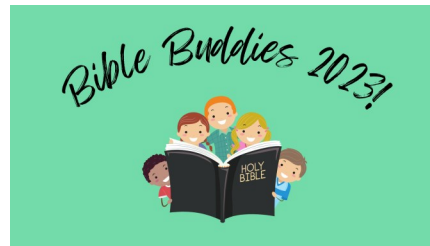
Our youth who participated in the dodgeball tournament were split into different teams made up of youth from all different churches. Our adult volunteers who joined us, Jim Coffman and Sharri Hiller, cheered all our youth on from the sidelines as they played! Some of our youth, Landon Aita and Brian Johnson, were even on the winning team!

There was also a costume contest held which some of our youth participated! Luke and Elliott, who were dressed as Mustard and Ketchup, were awarded 3rd place in the contest!

In November we will be continuing on in our yearlong curriculums on Sunday and Wednesday Nights. On Sunday Nights we have been working our way through the entire story of the Bible. We have been exploring how each of these Bible stories connect to each other and how they also connect to our own story today! On Wednesday Nights we have been learning about our Biblical Ancestors. We have been exploring who each of these people are, what is their story, and what we can learn from them.



Children's Ministries



Congratulations to this year's 3rd-5th graders who completed the Bible Buddies program and a big "Thank You" to those our adults who volunteered to be our Buddies!



Sunday, October 29, 2023

8:45AM Service

Sunday, October 29, 2023

11:00AM Service



New Hope Calendar - November 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 11:00 Stitches 5:30 Community Meal 6 & 6:30 Wednesday Night Classes/Rehearsals	2 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 10:00 Men's Bible Study 7:00 Choir Reh.	3 10:00 - Gym Open for Walking	4
5 8:45 / 11:00 Services Mary Martha Bake Sale 2:00 Handbells Reh. 2:30 Charge Conference 4:00 District Conf. 5:00 Children's Activities 5:00 Youth Activities 5:00 Women's Bible Study	6 3:00 Whiz Kids 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:00 Boys & Girls of BSA	7 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 9:30 Women's Bible Study 7:00 Handbells Reh.	8 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 5:30 Community Meal 6 & 6:30 Wednesday Night Classes/Rehearsals	9 9:00 - 2:00 CDO 9:30 Mary Martha Circle 10:00 Men's Bible Study 5:00 Strengthening Families	10 10:00 - Gym Open for Walking BIG TENT FESTIVAL - CANYON CAMP	11 9:30 Second Saturday Outreach BIG TENT FESTIVAL - CANYON CAMP
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