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Voice of **New Hope**



New Hope's Good Timer's bus trip to The Billy Graham Library is set for Tuesday, Sept. 18th, meeting here at church at 9 am. The cost will be \$12 per person which includes the bus and gas. Lunch will be at the restaurant at the library and everyone is on their own for payment. The group will attend the Journey of Faith Tour. Contact Pat Glenn for more info at 704-932-5179.



Save the Date
Tuesday, October 16th—Red Cross Blood Drive
3 pm—7:30 pm

If you are enjoying Sunday morning coffee in the Parlor and would like to help, Joann would appreciate any assistance.



New Hope T-Shirts
We now have New Hope T-shirts available for \$10 in the Narthex.





In the Old Testament, we often skip over some of the less than famous

writings. Books that tend to not make much sense to us, or are filled with colorful prophecy and wondrous visions, give way to words of wisdom and threats of captivity for the Jewish people. Often it is difficult to connect many of these writings to what we understand as the new life that we enjoy in Christ. For the most part, the Old Testament writers were talking about a life that could only be envisioned, not lived. We have the distinct advantage over those writers of being able to live the life described. One of these writings is found in the book titled “Song of Solomon”. A wondrous poem that was likely written by one of history’s most intelligent men, the poet pens beautiful words to describe the feelings of falling deeply in love, both from the man and woman’s point of view.

The second chapter of Song of Solomon (Song of Solomon 2:8-13) describes that moment where one lover sees another, and time seems to begin anew. Isn’t that a wonderful feeling? Being taken back to a time when you could say that your whole entire world stopped, so that you can see your loved one clearly. Nothing else matters in that moment, as all is suddenly right in the world. Of itself, this is a beautiful love poem that should be read and enjoyed by those whom love has captured. And by no means do I condone the misuse of scripture, but I can’t help but to read this as a reminder of the wondrous new life that we have in Christ. In verse 12 the flowers appear and the time of singing has come. What a beautiful picture! So much joy and hope, the promise of new life and the excitement of being in love. This is the feeling that Martin Luther would wake up everyday with, when he would say that he had so much to do that day that he would need to spend the first three hours of that day in prayer. Don’t you remember what it was like to talk to your new love for hours at a time, planning every single thing together. That is the joy that we have access to as Christians. From the moment we awake, to the time we fall asleep we have Christ beckoning to us to follow Him, to come away with Him.

I get it, we are busy. But I urge you to see that joy, that hope that Christ offers to us every day. We can then see everyone else around us with that same affection that helps us to love them as ourselves. I wonder, when you see someone else that you may not like, agree with, listen to the same music, share the same thoughts on church attire or service; do we see them with love and excitement, or with disdain and contempt. How would Christ ask us to see them? With much love and peace.

STUDENT PASTOR

Denton Bennet

New Hope Council Highlights – August 2018

Present – Student Pastor Denton Bennet, James Brown, Pat Glenn, Gerald Hefner, Annette Sloop, Daniel Wells, Joann Wingler, and Cathy Young. Absent: Sylvia Chandler and Kathy Hunter.

- Approved July's treasurer's report.
- Approved July 9, 2018 Council Minutes with the correction of Cathy Young present.
- Written report of Student Pastor Bennet.
- Discussed the contract with Pastor James Fore. The Bishop believes he could serve at other congregations since we have Student Pastor Bennet.
- Discussed Forest Park School uniform and supplies. Agreed to purchase 10 backpacks for the school.
- Defibrillator Training will be held when we can get in touch with Dr. Tuttle. Karl Wieland will set the dates for training.
- VBS will be held August 13 to August 16 with thirty-two children sign up, and they will try to have an Adult Class.
- HVAC has been installed, inspected, and is working.
- New garbage disposal has been installed and is working.
- Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, August 19 from 4:00-6:00 pm.
- Moose Pharmacy has offered Flu Shots for the congregation. We will talk to Journey before accepting the offer.
- Life Line Screening would like to reserve the Family Life Center in December.
- Note from Community Free Clinic thanking us for our donation.
- Time and Talent Sheets have been compiled.
- Need new table in Family Life Center. We will check on purchased two long table and one round table that will replace the round table that is in need for repair.
- Committee Reports were given.
- Next Council meeting will be September 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm.



September Pastor Schedule

September 2	Buster, SP
September 9	Pastor James
September 16	Buster, SP
September 23	Buster, SP
September 30	Joint service with Journey UMC

New Hope's next **Free Hot Dog Lunch** for New Hope members and the community will be Saturday, **September 1st**. We serve hot dogs, chips, a drink, and a dessert, and serve between **11:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.**, eat-in only. Please join us in this ministry and help us welcome our community to New Hope.



The Joyful Morning Circle will meet on Wednesday September 6th at **11:30 am** at Jean Sloop's house. Juanita Brawley is program leader. All ladies are welcome to join us.



The Good Timer's September gathering will be the bus trip to Billy Graham Library on Tuesday, September 18th. See Pat Glenn for details.

Faith Circle will meet Sunday September 16th at 4:00 p.m. Erna Brown will be the hostess and program leader. Place of meeting will be announced later. If you are interested in attending a circle meeting you are very welcome to join us.

Noisy Bucket for the month of September and October will go to the Salvation Army. This money will go in the bucket when New Hope rings the bell at Sam's in December. Annette Sloop will let us know the date in December. Please remember this and bring your coins and extra folding money on September 16th for this outreach.

Empty Medicine Bottles: There is one thing you can say about New Hope's members we are on a lot of medicine. The Second box of bottles have been mailed and we are working on the 3rd box. They requested that the labels be completely off and not be sticky on the bottle. Sometime this is hard to do. Please try to remove the labels as much as possible. This is an outreach that is not hard to do and it helps with the recycling. Please continue with this outreach. If you have any questions please see Erna Brown or Patsy Harrison.



Remember to bring your old eyeglasses and hearing aids to church and put them in the box provided by the Lions' Club. This is located in the narthex. The Lions' Club will send them to third world countries where they are put to good use. There they help those less fortunate than we are. You may be the source of someone seeing or hearing. Look around the house. If you see any lying around, bring them to the Lions' Club box.

Cooperative Christian Ministry food pantry is in need of the following items:

Sugar Free Items
Canned Tomatoes or Tomato sauce
Instant Potatoes
Plastic Bags (used or unused)
Low Sodium Items

Canned Carrots
Bars of Soap
Canned Fruit
Toilet Paper
Canned Meat other than Tuna



**Make prayer a part of
your daily life...**



Praying for you:

Patsy Karriker	704-933-1783
Cleo Overcash	704-932-6960
Jack & Juanita Brawley	704-933-9183
Lorine Snow	704-933-9687
Joyce Swanner	704-932-1489
Joann Wingler	704-933-2623
Jennifer Williams	704-305-0952
Kathy Hunter	704-773-1848
Jean Sloop	704-932-0041

For members of the prayer team:
Please call the person after your name in the above list.
If no one is home, please leave the message **BUT CALL THE NEXT PERSON ON THE LIST.** Continue that procedure until you talk with someone in person.

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns —
New Hope Members**

Aderhold Family	Maurice Staley
Todd Morgan	
Margaret Markus	
Lorine Snow & Family	

Prayer Concerns — New Hope Members

Sylvia Chandler	Kenny Walter, Jr & Julia
Pearl Harrison	
Kathy Hunter	
Cleo Overcash	

Prayer Concerns— Friends & Family

Joe Allen	Kyra Sizemore
Brent Baird	Mike Tarlton
Michael Baird	Wayne Trebes
Nancy Barger	Carole Whitson
Terry Black	Cameron Vannoy
Tracy Brooks	Claire
Benita Burris	Martha
Steve Cook	Mrs Stirewalts 1st Grade
Riley Dorsheimer	Teachers & Students
Lynn Efird	NICU Babies
Iris Efird	Those who suffer loss
Will Fesperman	All sick members
Amy Frick	All cancer patients, their
Deena Gantt	Family & caregivers
Anneliese Hyde	All Veterans & Military
Becky Hubbard	All who travel
Patricia Jackson	All who mourn
Frank Kluttz	All who are in prison
Vern & Mandy Kinard	
Jackie Linker	
Willie Langhorn	
Pam Morgan	
John McCain Family	
Robin Moore	
Zinda Nesbitt	
Jimmy Oleany	
Oliver Family	
Susan Painter	
Joe Rackley	
Danny Scott	

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns —
Friends & Family**

Pacey Smith & Family	Rusty & Mary Anne
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CVAN items are collected all year long. CVAN provides shelter for women and children who find themselves in an abusive situation. Usually they flee their homes with just a few of their personal items. The CVAN house gives them a place to feel safe until they can decide what is best for them and their children. Any personal items that you can contribute would be greatly appreciated. Diapers are always needed. They always have a need for paper products, cleaning items and other household items. There is a special need for 13 gallon trash bags and new towels and washcloths. Gift cards are also another way to help the out. There is always a need for paper products. Please remember this when you shop. Most of us are blessed that we have not been in this situation. Please help with this outreach if possible.



September 2	Ron Wells	September 20	Joyce Swanner
September 4	Rev. Maurice Staley	September 22	Donna Smith
September 8	Taylor Murph	September 27	Jackie Cross
September 9	Ralph Deal	September 29	Derik Wieland
September 10	Pat Glenn		
September 14	Madelyn Hubbard		

Anniversaries

September 10	Albert & Joann Wingler	September 20	Kathryn & Nathan Murph
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“See to it, therefore, that you do not make a Moses out of Christ, or a book of laws and doctrines out of the gospel. For the gospel does not expressly demand works of our own by which we become righteous and are saved; indeed it condemns such works. Rather, the gospel demands faith in Christ: that He has overcome for us sin, death, and hell, and thus gives us righteousness, life, and salvation, not through our works, but through His own works and suffering.”
 —*Martin Luther*

Pearl Harrison’s New Address	Pearl Harrison Charlotte Square—Room 40 5820 Carmel Road Charlotte NC 28226
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As an apple tree among the trees of the wood, so is my beloved among young men. With great delight I sat in his shadow, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.

- Song of Solomon 2:3

Forest Park Elementary



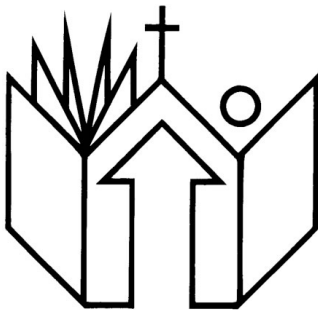
On Wednesday August 22, the school supplies were delivered to Forest Park. On Thursday August 23, the current collection of uniforms were delivered ahead of the open house event. The items collected were well received!

We have surpassed our goal! We collected 52 uniforms! Also winter time provides the challenges of not enough long sleeve sweat shirts and plain jackets for the children to wear. Please consider beginning to collect these items ahead of time.

Once again -

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE! IT IS A TRUE TESTAMENT OF YOUR LOVE OF CHRIST!

Stay tuned here throughout the year as we will keep you updated on the current events of Forest Park, and how God is working in this community!



BIBLE STUDY

September 5th will be our last Bible study on the Parables of Christ. We will take a short break the rest of September and begin again the first week of October. What would you like to study? Would anyone prefer moving to another day or time? Is the time and day OK the way it is? Please provide me some feedback as we prepare for the next study.

- Student Pastor Denton Bennet

Kannapolis Fire Department has a program that if you live in Kannapolis and need a smoke alarm we will furnish you one free. If your alarm is over 10 years old it will be replaced free of charge. Please call KFD at 704-920-4260 and make an appointment or speak to Patsy Harrison.

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**HAVE A RELAXING
LABOR DAY**



a grace
place

The mission of New Hope Lutheran Church is to ***live in God's amazing grace and share the Good News of God's love in our community and beyond.***


Our vision is that: ***New Hope Lutheran Church will be a faith community where all people can experience God's love and grace, and where we use our gifts of time, talent, and treasure to feed the hungry in body, mind, and spirit.***



SEPTEMBER 2018


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 11:30 Hot Dog Lunch
2 9:00 am—Sunday School 10:00 am—Worship	3 Labor Day Office Closed	4 7:00 pm—Operations Team 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	5 6:15 pm—Handbells 6:00 pm—Parables Bible Study 7:00 pm—Choir 7:00 pm—Scouts	6 11:30 Joyful Morning	7 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	8
9 9:00 am—Sunday School 10:00 am—Worship Pastor Fore	10 7:00 pm Congregational Council	11 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	12 6:15 pm—Handbells 7:00 pm—Choir 7:00 pm—Scouts	13	14 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	15
16 9:00 am—Sunday School 10:00 am—Worship 4:00 pm—Faith Circle	17	18 9:00 am—Good Timer's to BG Library 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	19 7:00 pm—Scouts	20	21 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	22
23 9:00 am—Sunday School 10:00 am—Worship	24	25 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	26 6:15 pm—Handbells 7:00 pm—Choir 7:00 pm—Scouts	27	28 7:30 pm—N/A Meeting	29
30 9:00 am—Sunday School 10:00 am—Joint Worship with Journey						

SEPTEMBER 2018 — WORSHIP LEADERS





ALTAR GUILD
Williams Family

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS
Erna Brown & Rudy Hyde




HEAD USHER
Roger Sloop



OFFERING COUNTERS
Julie Walter & Sylvia Chandler

CHILDREN'S SERMON




Children's Sermon


9/2	Erna Brown
9/9	Kathy Hunter
9/16	Denton Bennet
9/23	Kristie Wells
9/30	Erna Brown

LECTORS

9/2	Christine Williams
9/9	Erna Brown
9/16	Sylvia Chandler
9/23	Ron Wells
9/30	Jennifer Williams




GREETER
Lorine Snow



Augsburg Sunday School Teacher

9/2	Christine Williams
9/9	Phil Black
9/16	Sylvia Chandler
9/23	Erna Brown
9/30	Christine Williams



If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please find your replacement and call the office to let the secretary know of the schedule change. Thank you.