

~ *Upcoming Events* ~

**Thursday, December 6th @7pm: Book Club**

Join the book club as they discuss “The Christmas Town”, by Donna VanLiere. The meeting will take place in the home of Beth Kein.

**Friday, December 7th @6:30pm: New Hope Christmas Party**, sponsored by the UMM. Please RSVP in the Narthex so the UMM can plan how much food to make! There is no cost to attend, nor any need to bring anything. Donations will be welcome the night of the event.

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**Monday, December 24th: Christmas Eve Candlelight Services** will be held at 4pm & 6pm. Communion will be served at both services.

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**Thanks to all who ordered poinsettias!** The poinsettias will be put in the sanctuary on the 16<sup>th</sup> and you can take them home either on Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> or after the Christmas Eve service.

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*Birthdays*

12/3 Frances Gordy

12/6 Janyce Earl



~ *This Week's Events* ~

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>CC</b>	8:45am Contemporary Worship 10:00am Sunday School <i>Nursery (Room 102 CC)</i> <i>K-2nd (Room 107 CC)</i> <i>3rd-5th (Room 110 CC)</i> <i>Youth 6th-12th (Education Annex)</i> <i>Lorene Glover Adult Class (Room 111 CC)</i>
	<b>HB</b>	10:00am Hispanic Sunday School
	<b>CC</b>	11:00am Traditional Worship
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<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>EA</b>	7:00am Men's Breakfast @ Country Café 10:00am Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>HB</b>	5:45pm UMYF
	<b>EA</b>	7:00pm Bible Study
	<b>CC</b>	7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	<b>CC</b>	8:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

~ **Our Ministry Staff** ~

Frank Brock, Pastor

Melanio Mariscal, Pastor of the Hispanic Congregation

Gretchen Granados, Church Administrator

Raymond Thomas, Worship Leader

Cory Speakman, Choir Director

Crista Heagerty, Youth Director

Linda Caudill, Children's Director

Tricia Brown, Preschool Director

Vickie Idoux-Walz, Media Tech

Karen McElwain, Custodian

Flora Reid, Nursery Attendant

Keli Xu, Accompanist



*New Hope  
United Methodist Church*

*“Learning, living, and sharing Christ's love with all”*



**First Sunday of Advent  
December 2, 2018**

[newhopeumc.org](http://newhopeumc.org)

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4815 Dawsonville Hwy, Gainesville, GA 30506



*Service of Contemporary Worship, 8:45am*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*OPENING SONG** "Your Love O Lord"

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**\*GREETING**

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE** "O Come, O Come Emanuel"

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**OFFERING OF GIFTS, SERVICE, & WITNESS**

**ANTHEM** "The Rebel Jesus"

**SCRIPTURE READING** 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

**SERMON** Pastor Frank Brock  
"Abounding Love, Abounding Hope"

**COMMUNION**

**\*SONG OF INVITATION** "Breathe"

**\*SENDING FORTH**

*\*Please stand as you are able*

*Service of Traditional Worship, 11:00am*

**PRELUDE**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** "Enter His Gates"

**INVOCATION**

**\*OPENING HYMN** "O Come, O Come Emanuel"  
#211 vv.1,2,7

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**\*GREETING**

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Lift up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"  
#213

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**OFFERING OF GIFTS, SERVICE, & WITNESS**  
*OFERTORY ANTHEM* "Come, Come Emmanuel"

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**SCRIPTURE READING** 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

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**\*HYMN OF INVITATION** "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"  
#196

**\*SENDING FORTH**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION** "Now May the God of Peace"

*\*Please stand as you are able*

**~ Prayer Concerns ~**

Family of Sue Anderson, Beth Bradley, Sue Bradley,  
Mary Alice Brown, Joal Clyatt, Riley Fair, Dee Forsha,  
Family of Patsy Harrison, Brenda Kilgore,  
Family of Marilyn Joiner, Chuck & Karen Krussow,  
Shirley Martin, Ed McCrory, Katy McElroy,  
McElwain Family, Colleen Moore, Bernice Pilgrim,  
Johnny Tanger, Family of Officer Toney, Cameron Tralle,  
Whitney Tralle, Tree of Life Synagogue Families,  
Matthew Wehunt, Katie Wright

**~ Weekly Prayer Focus ~**

As you look around the sanctuary on this first Sunday of Advent, you may notice someone is missing that you had hoped to see. Perhaps you can think of a person you have not seen at church in awhile? Prayerfully consider, calling that person(s) or even stop by their home and let them know they have been missed at New Hope. Invite them to one of our special services coming up this month of December. *"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." Colossians 3:17 (NIV)*

**~ Assisting in Worship Today ~**

*845am Ushers:* Skip & Laura Franklin  
*11:00am Ushers:* Mike Seely, Tim & Isabelle Smock

**~ Bible in a Year: 365-Day Reading Plan ~**

Dec 3: Daniel 9:20-11:1; 1 John 3:11-4:6; Psalm 137:1-9  
Dec 4: Daniel 11:2-35; 1 John 4:7-21; Psalm 138:1-8  
Dec 5: Daniel 11:36-12:13; 1 John 5:1-21; Psalm 139:1-10  
Dec 6: Haggai 1:1-2:23; 2 John 1:1-13; Proverbs 29:19-27  
Dec 7: Zechariah 1:1-4:14; 3 John 1:1-14; Psalm 139:11-16  
Dec 8: Zechariah 5:1-8:23; Jude 1-25; Psalm 139:17-24  
Dec 9: Zechariah 9:1-11:17; Revelation 1:1-20; Psalm 140:1-5