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New Hope News

Learning, Living, and Sharing Christ's Love with All

December 2018

Pastor's Note

Friends,

Birth announcements in the newspapers read like some of the legal notices. Mr. & Mrs. Smith announce the birth of their daughter Amanda who was born on...The grandparents are... mundane and not very exciting. People have now gotten creative with their birth announcements and do it on YouTube, or find creative ways to do it from Pinterest. As good as some of those are, they'll never outdo God announcing the birth of Jesus. God sends an angel and the heavenly host to announce it to shepherds tending their flocks in the fields. And God's notice is not only over-the-top creative, but paradoxically understated. The angel doesn't say who the parents are or that God is the Father. The angel's announcement is, "I bring you good news of great joy for all the people (not just for the select few family members and friends): for unto **you** is born this day ...a Savior who is the Messiah." *Unto you* this child is born. This child, Jesus, belongs to all the people. This child is a gift from God for all the people. He is the gift of hope, fulfillment, grace, and love.

This is the heart of the Christmas story. *Unto you* this gift is given; this gift is entrusted. *Unto you!* I hope you have a wonderful and joyful Advent and Christmas season. I'll see you in church every Sunday.

Blessings,
Frank



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UMYF December 2018
5:45-8:00PM

Wednesday, December 5th
White Elephant Christmas Party/
Shut-in Blanket Mission

Wednesday, December 12th
Deliver Blankets to our Shut-ins.
Please bring money for dinner.

Sunday, December 16th
Pinecrest Feed our Starving Children
Manna Packing Event.
Please meet at Pinecrest Academy at 3-5pm.
Directions will be in our monthly email.
I only saved 15 spots, so please RSVP.



Monday, December 24th
Christmas Eve Services @ 4pm & 6pm

Tuesday, Dec. 25th
Christ was Born! Hallelujah!!



Crista Heagerty
Youth Director
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New Hope Kids



Looking for a rewarding place to volunteer.... it's right here in our Children's Ministries! There are many areas... and you can serve as often as you would like. We will be starting a Children's Council beginning in January. This committee will meet quarterly to make plans for this ministry. Plans will include curriculum, VBS, possible Wednesday evening activities for children on dinner nights, summer activities, future children's retreats at Camp Glisson and so much more!

Interested?

Contact Linda Caudill:
lindaalsipcaudill@gmail.com
or by phone, 678-361-3809.
Can't wait to hear from you!!

Thank you all so much for the warm welcome I have received! I am blessed to serve with each of you here at New Hope UMC! Building HIS Kingdom... Reaching HIS kids!

Ms. Linda

ADULT Involvement Opportunities

~ Book Club ~

Thursday, December 6 @7:00pm
In the home of Beth Kein
"The Christmas Town" by Donna VanLiere
READ AHEAD:
January
"The Lake House" by Kate Morton
February
"Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens

Happy Reading!

~ Bible Study ~

Join us for a NEW Advent Study
Tuesdays @ 10:00 am
Wednesdays @ 7:00pm
Located in the Education Annex

"The birth of Jesus made possible not just a new way of understanding life but a new way of living it."
~Frederick Buechner



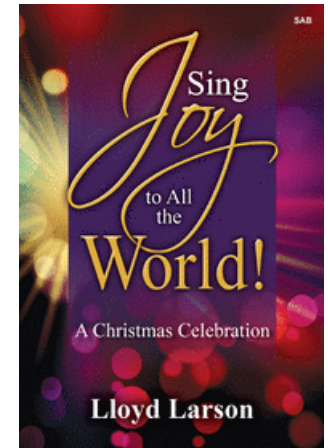
Christmas @ New Hope UMC

Friday, December 7th @6:30pm



Join us for a Christmas Party!
Sponsored by the UMM
Please RSVP in the Narthex.

Sunday, December 16th @ 6pm
Chancel Choir's Christmas Cantata



There will be a dinner following the Cantata in the Heritage Building

Monday, Dec. 24th @ 4pm & 6pm
Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

