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## New Hope News

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

**February 2019**

### Pastor's Note

Friends,

Why is the Church obsessed with sin and punishment instead of love and grace? Tradition may have something to do with it. I hear people say, "I don't feel as if I've been to church unless my toes have been stepped on." Why wouldn't they say, "I don't feel as if I've been to church unless my sins have been forgiven?" I see my role as a preacher to preach the good news. And to me that means preaching not so people feel guilt and shame, but so people feel loved and forgiven. Frederick Greeves tells us that Jesus used the word sin only 9 times in the gospels. By the time the church started, Paul talks about sin 91 times! It seems as if from the very beginning the Church is obsessed with sin! But Jesus wasn't obsessed with sin. He didn't try to scare people. He didn't try to guilt and shame them to believe. He was more interested in offering mercy, grace, forgiveness, and love.

I believe the Church should follow the example of Jesus and concentrate on being bastions and conduits of love and grace. This is the Jesus, the good news, we should proclaim each and every week.

I will see you in church every Sunday.

Joy and Peace,  
*Frank*



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## UMYF February 2019

Wednesdays @5:45pm  
#unitedmethodistyouthfellowship

**Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> - Regular UMYF  
Supper Volunteer Needed**

**Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> - Regular UMYF  
Wednesday Night Supper**

**Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> - Treat the Troops Mission Project  
Supper Volunteer Needed**

Treat the Troops sends care packages to our soldiers overseas. The packages include cookies, toiletries (except bar soap), letters, small candies and magazines (less than a year old).

We will be making cookies for this project. We are asking for monetary donations as well. The organization is always needing cash. Each package costs \$19 to mail.

**Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> - Regular UMYF  
Supper Volunteer Needed**

## New Hope Kids

### SAVE THE DATE for VBS!

June 17<sup>th</sup>-June 21<sup>st</sup>

6:00-8:30pm

There will be a SHORT meeting for all interested in helping on **Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup> following the 11:00 am service.**

### Be a Part of Our Musical!

The children's ministry will begin working on a musical called, "**The Promise Cruise**" following Wednesday night supper on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month and on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday during **S.L.A.M.** BRING YOUR FRIENDS! **All children Pre-k thru 5<sup>th</sup> are welcome to participate.**

Dates for the Musical are TBD, with the goal being the beginning of May for the performance.

### Questions?

Contact Linda Caudill:  
[lindaalsipcaudill@gmail.com](mailto:lindaalsipcaudill@gmail.com)  
678-361-3809.

We are looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to serve in our Children's Ministries. Please prayerfully consider serving on a rotational basis.

**Thanks in advance for your support!**



## ADULT Involvement Opportunities

### ~ Book Club ~

**Thursday, February 7 @7:00pm**  
In the home of Cindy Yates  
"Where the Crawdads Sing"  
by Delia Owens

### READ AHEAD:

**March:** "The Alice Network" by Kate Quinn

**April:** "The Secret Keeper" by Kate Morton

*Book Club is open to everyone:  
Happy Reading!*

~ **UMW E. Smith Circle One** ~  
Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 am  
Lorene Glover Sunday School Room

~ **Nightingals** ~  
Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm  
Lorene Glover Sunday School Room

~ **Wednesday Night Supper** ~  
February 13<sup>th</sup> @ 5:45pm  
*Sponsored by the UMW*  
Come out for a great night & fill yourself with soups, salad, cornbread, dessert, & the fellowship of believers!

## Thank You!

Faith Angels Crocheting would like to thank all of you who have donated plastic bags, yarn, fleece and money. You have helped this ministry to continue to be an outreach success. January 2019 has started off well. We have donated 152 hats. This includes adult, kids, newborns and preemies.

## Volunteers Needed!

We are still looking for crocheting/knitting volunteers. If interested, please contact Beth Ann Hustis at [faithangelscrocheting@gmail.com](mailto:faithangelscrocheting@gmail.com) We also are looking for a volunteer to call local cancer centers, infusion centers and oncologist offices to see if they are in need of our items.



**Crista Heagerty**  
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### New Hope Preschool

REGISTRATION FOR 2019-2020  
Opens February 4<sup>th</sup>!

