# **Stephen Ministry**



Stephen Ministry training sessions will be on Saturday, January 11 and January 18 from 8:00 am-1:00 pm. Stephen Ministry will also meet on January

19 from 12:15 pm-1:45 pm.

# **Hospitality**

There will be no January meeting due to people traveling.





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# **New Hope News**

#### Learning, Living, and Sharing

January 2025

#### Pastor's Note

Happy New Year! The New Year is always a time of excitement and new beginnings. I can't wait to see how God will bless us and how New Hope

will share His love with the world in 2025. As we start the new year, we'll kick things off with combined 10:00 am worship on January 5 & 12. Rev. Stephanie and I are thrilled to share a special sermon series called **LOVE HAS A NAME** with you! We will focus on the idea that the world is more divided than ever, but our Love Has Name sermons will help us stay centered on love.



Together, we'll start the new year proclaiming unity in Jesus and learning how to help visitors feel Christ's love as they walk through our doors in 2025.



Beginning on Sunday, January 19, we will return to our regular two-service schedule with 9:00 am Casual worship and 11:00 am Traditional. We will also kick off a 7-week series called **A LOVE THAT SURPASSES KNOWLEDGE**. This series will be a deep dive into the book of Ephesians and take us through to Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent.

I am so excited for this new year and can't wait to serve alongside you as we live into God's vision for our great church and serve our community together.

It is an honor to be your pastor! Rev. Andrew Covington

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## **KIDS NEWS**

#### Sunday Morning Worship

January 5 & 12 will be One Service Sundays with Sunday School meeting at 9:00 am in the Next Gen. Building.

A children's moment will be presented to the kids in the Sanctuary at the 10:00 am service and then they go to the Next Gen. Building for Children's Church. January 19 and 26, we will return to our regular schedule with Sunday School at 10:00 am and Children's Church at 11:00 am.

In January we will focus on the Love Has a Name Sermon Series.

# Wednesday Night Bridge

Bridge is for kids PreK-5th Grade. We meet from 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the Next Gen Building during the school year. Join us for food, music, games, lessons, and fun!

**January 15:** Bridge Starts back for the school year!

January 22: Bridge

January 29: Bridge



Stephanie Eidson Children's Director seidson@newhopeumc.org

### **Youth News**

Sunday School meets Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Next Gen Building. Sunday School will meet at 9:00 a.m. on January 5 and January 12.



#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

January 15, January 22, and January 29

6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Next Gen. Building

Join us for Join us for food, music, games, lessons, and fun!

#### **Save the Date**



On February 12 at our usual Wednesday Night time, we will have a student prepped potluck for our "Pal"-entine's event where we will eat dinner and share funny/

goofy presentations about our best pals.

Stephanie Fortuna Assistant Pastor sfortuna@newhopeumc.org



# ADULT Involvement Opportunities

#### ~ Sunday School~

Sundays at 10:00 a.m. \*\*9 a.m. on One Worship Sundays\*\*

~Men's Breakfast & Bible Study~

Tuesdays 7:00 a.m., Country Café

~ **Bible Study Group** ~ Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

~ Prayer Group~

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. Will not meet on January 1

~ Choir Rehearsal~

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. No Rehearsal on January 1

~ Disciple IV ~

Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m., The Phillips' House

~ Elizabeth Smith Women's Group~

Monday, January 13 at 10 am Next. Gen. Building



~ Team Trivia ~
Monday, January 6 at
6:45 p.m.,
Miller's Ale HouseDawsonville

~ Life on Tap~

Tuesday, January 28 at 7:00 p.m., NoFo Brew Co.

#### Monthly Budget & Attendance Info

Through Sunday, December 22

Attendance Info:	Average Number
Sun. 9:00 a.m.	26
Sun 11:00 a.m.	44
Online Engage- ments Sunday	195
Worship Total:	265
Financial:	
2024 Budget	\$390,095.00
Monthly Need	\$32,507.92
Received as of 12-22-24:	\$26,285.66



Thank you everyone for the Christmas cards and gifts.

With love, Pastor Andrew & family; Pastor Stephanie & family

### **Save the Date**

**January 1 & 2:** The Church Office will be closed.

**January 5:** One Combined Service at 10:00 a.m.

**January 5:** Church Council at 11:15 a.m. in the Next Gen. Building.

**January 12:** One Combined Service at 10:00 a.m.