

New Hope News

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July Meal-a-Month

The heat of July has moved in and families in financial have a hard time choosing between utility bills and food. As God has provided for your needs, please help others in need. The meal this month is:

2 large cans of beef stew

1 box of pasta or rice

1 can each vegetables & fruit

1 box flavored pops (that can be frozen)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - REGISTER NOW!

This year's VBS, Camp E.D.G.E. (Experience and Discover God Everywhere) will be July 6 – 10 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. for boys and girls age two **through Sixth Grade**. This will be an awesome time of stories, crafts, games, music, drama, computer, mission and discover and reflection ... plus dinner each night ... plus a great t-shirt!

One of the ways we insure a great program that is cost effective is by careful planning. And that's where everyone can help! If you have children who are planning to attend, PLEASE REGISTER THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! This will help us know what age groups and how many kids to plan for. Registration forms are available in the narthex – or you can have them mailed to you by calling Barbi Smith at 936-2200.

Adult Vacation Bible School

Yes, we have an ADULT BIBLE STUDY during VBS! Join us for dinner at 5:30 p.m. and then for a Camp E.D.G.E. Bible Study from 6 – 7:30 p.m. each night.

Adults will move a little closer to the edge by studying these familiar Bible stories with a new perspective on God's ways. These five trips to the EDGE are basic to spiritual life as adults explore faith in God's character, the incarnate life of Jesus on earth, his message, his death and his resurrection. Each study challenges adults to discover a new way to view God and themselves.

There is no fee for the study, but a free will offering will be received at dinner.

Summer Worship Schedule

**Sundays,
Now through July
26**

Christian Education
9:00 AM

Worship

10:00 AM

*Sacrament of the
Lord's Supper*

July 5

Deacon's Corner

Our annual blood drive will be held on Sunday, July 19. Please join in his life-saving endeavor by donating a pint (of blood) on that day. Watch for more details.

Thank You

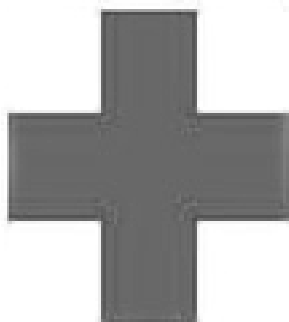
The importance of a loving church family cannot be overstated. Our hearts have been deeply touched by the support and comfort from our church family and friends who rallied around us at the passing of my father, Bob Phillips. For all you did, your loving support and prayers, we extend our eternal thanks and gratitude.

The Jim Phillips Family

Blood Drive 2009

New Hope, did you know that every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood? Or, that over 14 million blood transfusions are given each year? If you'd like to help with this dilemma you can do so without leaving the comfort of New Hope! Our annual blood drive will be held on Sunday, July 19th so mark your calendar. Whether you're a regular donor or a first timer we have a cot for you! Sign-up forms will be available closer to the actual drive. Donors are reminded that blood can only be donated once

every eight weeks so the cut-off, to be eligible for our date, is May 24th. See you on the 19th!



Congratulations

Congratulations to Barb Griffith who recently received the annual Dove Award in the Leadership Category from the St. Charles Business Magazine. Barb is the President/CEO of Community Living, Inc. The Dove Awards were created to identify and honor women who, through their personal and professional activities, actively motivate, support and promote their fellow female peers. Barb will be featured in the August/September issue of St. Charles Business Magazine.



Summer Fun

St. Louis Zoo - Of course admission to the Zoo is always free, but each day from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., the Children's Zoo, the Conservation Carousel, the Stingrays at Caribbean Cove and other special exhibits are also free. May 22 - September 7

The Muny - the back 1,500 seats at the Muny in Forest Park are free on a first come, first served basis for all seven shows each season. June 15 - August 9

The Magic House - St. Louis' top children's museum has free admission for families on the third Friday of the month from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. June 19, July 17, August 21

Grant's Farm - While you must pay to park, there is no entrance fee to Grant's Farm. Enjoy a day of animal shows, Clydesdales, and a tram tour of the park for no cost.

Christian Education Committee

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE is looking for new members! We meet on the fourth Monday of the month at 7 p.m. If you are interested, please contact Barbi Smith (Director of Christian Education and Spiritual Formation) or Sally Terrell (Elder/Committee Chair).

Employment Opportunity

New Hope has a position open for an additional Child Care Provider. This position is scheduled to work on Sunday mornings and at other times child care will be needed. If you know of someone who is reliable, works well with children, and may be interested in this position, please speak with Grace Harmon, Personnel Committee chairperson, at (636) 946-5099. Interested persons may also contact the church office at 936-2200.

Preschool News- Settling In!!!

Over the next couple of weeks, the preschool teachers will continue to bring boxes of supplies, materials and curriculum that will be used during the coming years. It will take us all awhile to "settle in" and figure out just how we are going to conduct a top notch preschool and maintain quality Christian Educa-

tion. Please bear with us!!!! This is a very exciting time in the life of our church as we welcome this wonderful opportunity to minister to the community and the youngest of those among us. THANK YOU to everyone for your patience and understanding while we assimilate this new program into the life of

our church!!! Please watch the newsletter for more information or contact Barbi Smith, Director of Christian Education and Spiritual Formation at (636) 936-2200.

July Celebrations

Anniversaries:

William & Kelly Hantack	7-01-00	Laurie Keppel	7-12	Missy Jones	7-26
Dan & Libby Reidt	7-10-99	Christie Tutschulte	7-14	Vickie Moore	7-27
Terry & Linda Juden	7-14-78	Linda Dencker	7-15	Dan Reidt	7-27
John Hose & Donna White	7-17-96	Cindy Dalton	7-16	Tracey Barnes	7-28
Wynn & Katie Ward	7-18-87	Scott Hause	7-16	Danielle Carr	7-28
Rick & Tonia Cassetta	7-24-99	Laura Hutzler	7-16	Allen Sebaugh	7-28

Birthdays:

Dorothy Gerth	7-01	William Irvine	7-17	Sheri Clayton	7-29
Susan Petrowsky	7-01	Kayla Martinez	7-17	Steve Gerke	7-29
Joann Laycock	7-02	Will James	7-19	Diane Harms	7-29
Jeanne Brown	7-05	Debbie Timperley	7-19	Dawn Black	7-29
Sylvia Malta	7-05	Abby Martinez	7-21		
Misty Hause	7-06	Peter Timperley	7-21		
Randy Malta	7-06	Maureen Yeo	7-21		
Michael Black	7-07	Mike Greene	7-22		
Richard Martin	7-07	Larry Nadler	7-22		
Noah Barnes	7-08	Rachel Snyder	7-22		
Julie Nowakowski	7-08	Sydney Welch	7-22		
Jason Crawford	7-09	Caryn Clinton	7-23		
Marian Hicks	7-09	Michelle Welch	7-23		
Linda Juden	7-10	Jackie Etling	7-24		
		Ken Hawkins	7-25		
		Margo Van Mill	7-25		

360 Connection

The 360 Connection, an organization dedicated to visiting the homeless in the St. Louis area, is led by Catie Daugherty, the neighbor of Christie Tutschulte, and has been doing this for over 20 years. They are in desperate need of supplies as the donations are always lower in the summer than when it's 5 degrees outside. Below is a list of the highest need items, but is certainly not all-inclusive. If you would like to donate, please bring your items to the church office, marked 360, or contact Christie Tutschulte to arrange for pick-up.

The items needed are: Men's and women's jeans, tennis shoes, bug spray, candles, matches, lighters, summer t-shirts / men's and women's, jackets, socks, razors/shaving cream, feminine products, baby wipes, blankets, hand sanitizer, chap stick, tents, board games, art supplies many have great talents but little to no supplies, flashlights, AA,AAA and D batteries, old battery operated radios w/ batteries preferably, old lawn cushions, T paper, bottled/ or jug water, kerosene, lanterns, old pots and pans.

Evangelism Tip of the Month:

"Evangelism is joyfully sharing the good news of the sovereign love of God and calling all people to repentance, to personal faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, to active membership in the church, and to obedient service in the world"

Source: <http://www.pcusa.org/evangelism/international/>

Blankets for Seniors and Babies

Bonnie Schmickley, who has single handedly knitted hundreds of blankets for area seniors and babies has two requests. The first is for more yarn. They need not be full skeins. So if you have extra yarn or are willing to pick some up at yard sales, etc, Bonnie would be most grateful. The second request is for help delivering the blankets to area

nursing homes, hospitals, etc. These places are always grateful for the donations. By delivering the blankets, you become a vital part of this ministry to St. Charles County and beyond. Please contact Bonnie at 447-3004 if you are able to help.

Prayer Chain News

The Prayer Chain, a vital ministry of New Hope, is in need of a new coordinator. Although guidelines are in place to make the process run smoothly and efficiently, a person with a little time and the heart for those in need is requested. If you are interested in pursuing this ministry, please contact Pastor James.

Is Your Hut Burning?

The only survivor of a shipwreck was washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him, and every day he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming. Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect Him from the elements, and to store his few possessions.

Then one day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, smoke rolling up to the sky. The worst had happened; everything was lost. He was stunned with grief and anger. "God, how could you do this to me!" he cried. Early the next day, however, he was awakened by the sound of a ship that was approaching the island. It had come to rescue him. "How did you know I was here?" asked the weary man of his rescuers.

"We saw your smoke signal," they replied.

It is easy to get discouraged when things are going bad. But we shouldn't lose heart, because God is at work in our lives, even in the midst of pain and suffering. Remember, next time your little hut is burning to the ground - it may be a smoke signal that summons the grace of God.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, June 28

Senior High Mission Trip
9:00 Education Hour
10:00 Worship

Monday, June 29

7:00 Committee Meetings

Tuesday, June 30

6:30 N.A. Meeting
7:00 A.A. Meeting

Friday, July 3

Office Closed

Saturday, July 4

Happy Birthday USA!

Sunday, July 5

9:00 Education Hour
10:00 Worship

Tuesday, July 7

6:30 N.A. Meeting
7:00 A.A. Meeting



Chris James will be out of the office on vacation from Monday-Thursday of this week.

Jan Parker and Kathy Kuehnle will be in North Carolina this week attending the Ridgecrest Music Conference.

The church office will be closed on Friday, July 3 for the Independence Day holiday.

Usher Schedule

Sunday, July 5

Sharon Barnes
Bryan Eikmann
Laura Eikmann
Gary Freeman
Kirk Garten
Craig Graber
Bob Terrell

Sunday, July 12

Jim Phillips
Debbie Phillips
Michael Black
Mel Fairchild
Gary Freeman
Ben Tutschulte
Christie Tutschulte

Substitute List

Al Beamer
Kathy Beamer
Kathy Freeman
Gary Freeman
Bunny Gauthier
Don Moore
Allen Sebaugh
Ann Sebaugh
Sue Stiegemeier
Sue White
Jim White