

**Sunday, October 25**  
*Note Change of Times...*

**COMMITMENT SUNDAY!**

9:00 a.m.	Christian Education	
10:00 a.m.	Worship	Worship Space
Following	Consecration & Step UP to the Challenge Luncheon	Worship Space
3:00 p.m.	Kids' Fellowship Club (K.F.C.)	Lower-level

**Monday, October 26**  
7:00 p.m.

Christian Education Cmt.	Conference Room
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**Tuesday, October 27**

4:00 p.m.	Staff mtg.	Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	A.A.	Worship Space
7:30 p.m.	Kerygma Bible Study	Conference Room

**Wednesday, October 28**

6:15 p.m.	Handbells	Worship Space
7:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Worship Space

**Thursday, October 29**  
5:00 p.m.

Spiritual Formation Group	Lower-level Kitchen
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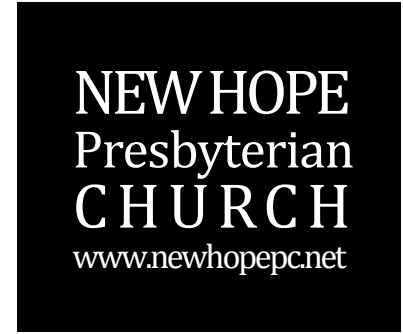
**Friday, October 30**  
6:00 p.m.

Trunk-or-Treat	Upper Parking Lot
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**Sunday, November 1**

**All Saints' Day**

8:45 a.m.	Worship & the Lord's Supper	Worship Space
9:45 a.m.	Christian Education	
11:00 a.m.	Worship & the Lord's Supper	Worship Space



# News & Opportunities

NEWS & RESOURCES



**Our Step UP to the Challenge campaign** culminates with one service of worship at 10:00 a.m. on TODAY, Sunday, October 25th. Please join us we celebrate our congregational life with luncheon following the service.

**The Session has called a congregational meeting** for Sunday, November 1 at 12:00 p.m., for the purpose of hearing a report of the congregational Nominating Committee and electing elders and deacons, as well members for the Nominating Committee. The meeting is also to act on the recommendation of the Session to sell 1.96 acres of designated right-of-way to the Missouri Department of Transportation for the Highway 364 expansion project.

**A new way to give!** Electronic Funds Transfer is now available as a way for you to give securely online to the ministry of New Hope. You may use this for a one-time or on-going contributions. Contact, Ben Tutschulte at 441.1285 or tutschulte@hotmail.com.

**Employment Assistance Service** Interest is being sought for help in beginning an employment assistance service as a ministry of New Hope that would serve primarily St. Charles County. Are you unemployed? Employed? Retired? Would you be willing to help organize such a ministry? Contact, Bob Yeo at 447.4920 or bobyeo532@aol.com. *See bulletin insert.*

**In the interest of hospitality,** we ask you to wear your nametag when you come to worship and Christian education. The use of nametags is also an essential component of our Safe Sanctuary program. Nametags are on the hooks outside the worship space. If you need a new one, please fill out the form on the Welcome Table and place in the offering basket or return it to the main office.

**For purposes of streamlining the bulletin** and better communication, a few changes have been made. The name(s) of those giving the worship flowers each week, the last week's worship attendance and other announcements related to the day's worship have been moved from the back cover of the bulletin to the inside front cover under "During Today's Worship." Also, the names of our currently serving elders and deacons have been added to the listing of staff on the back cover.

*News & Opportunities*, which is distributed during Sunday worship, is also available on the Welcome Table in the narthex and at [www.newhopepc.net](http://www.newhopepc.net).  
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## DEACONS' CORNER

**Harvest of Talents...**It is not too early to begin thinking about this year's Harvest of Talents, which will be held on November 22. Each year, many of our members create wonderful items they have sewn, quilted, baked, made of wood, etc. These items are displayed in the sanctuary in a sort of "New Hope Craft Fair" and purchased by the congregation with free-will donations. Proceeds go to the Deacon's Benevolence Fund that go to help members of the church as well as the community who are in need of immediate and temporary

## FELLOWSHIP

**Trunk or Treat!** Please join us for some "spooky" fun and treats at the InReach Committee's annual "Trunk or Treat" on Friday, October 30, 2009 in the church parking lot at 6:00 p.m. Decorate your trunk or hatch with "spooky" pumpkins, scarecrows, bats, etc. and have "spooky" treats for the trick or treaters. We will be serving hot dogs, hot chocolate and popcorn. New Hope usually has close to 100 trick or treaters participating each year. It should be a "spooktacular" evening. And of course you will need to dress up in your favorite "spooky" costume. You never know who will be under that "spooky" mask! See you there!

**Coming November 22...Hanging-of-the-Greens** It's not too early to be making plans to help us deck the halls for the Advent and Christmas seasons.

## WORSHIP

**TODAY is Step UP to the Challenge Commitment Sunday!**

Christian education—9:00 a.m.  
One service of worship—10:00 a.m.  
Luncheon—Following worship.

**New Hope worships** each Sunday at 8:45 a.m. (with the Lord's Supper) and 11:00 a.m.

**The Choir rehearses** on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. Newcomers are always welcome! No auditions required...just come and sing.

### Lectinary for Sunday, November 1

Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24  
Revelation 21:1-6a John 11:32-44

## MINISTRY & DONATIONS

### Current Ministry Needs

Mid-High Sunday morning Christian education teacher. Contact: Barbi Smith, 936.2200

See item under MISSION regarding the Oasis Foot Pantry.

### Current Donation Needs

Individual, pre-packaged non-peanut containing snacks (i.e. cookies, crackers) and boxes of Capri-Sun for Kids' Fellowship Club (KFC). These may be brought to the Christian Education office.

A few hardwood trees for the back of the property alongside the pavilion. Contact, Mike Black at 447.7379

## THANK YOU!

*Once again this congregation has managed to overwhelm me with its thoughtfulness and generosity! My family and I are most grateful for the weekend getaway to Trout Lodge! Thank you also for the card shower and the wonderful reception following worship last week, all in honor of Pastor Appreciation Day. It is such a joy to be in ministry with the New Hope Presbyterian Church and I am thankful for each of you!*

*Faithfully,  
Chris James and family*

## CHILDREN

### Sunday Morning Christian Education...

Now through November 29th, *Down Through the Roof*.

**Kids' Fellowship Club (KFC)** will have a Halloween Party! Wear your costumes.

**The Preschool** will be hosting its fall parties on Thursday and Friday, October 29th and 30th.

### TODAY, October 25 Sunday, Nov. 1

<i>Infant Nursery</i> Katie Harmon	Carol Botkin
<i>Pre-K Nursery</i> Holly Martinez	Kimm Besgrove

## YOUTH

**Mid-High & Sr. High Youth** will help with the Consecration & Step UP to the Challenge Celebration Luncheon TODAY following worship.

## ADULTS

### Tuesdays through November 24th

#### Kerygma Bible Study

*Listening to Scripture: Strategies for Interpreting the Bible*, Tuesdays, Oct. 6-Nov. 24, 7:30-9:00 p.m. Resource book is \$25.00  
Leader, Barbi Smith

## MISSION

**The Oasis Food Pantry** serves about 450 people each month and approximately 115 each week, giving out 22,000-25,000 items of food each month. It is in need of people who can restock the pantry's shelves. Volunteers (or groups of 5-6) are needed one (1) Saturday each month from 12:30-3:00 p.m., depending upon how much restocking is needed. If interested, please contact Mark

or Cindy Ellingson at 978.3837 or moocastle97@yahoo.com. Please indicate if you can work the 1st, 2nd, 3rd or 4th Saturday of each month to begin in December.

**Also**, on November 21st, Oasis needs volunteers to help receive goods from a Boy Scout food drive.

**Sock Hop to Stop Hunger** On Saturday, November 7, 7:00-11:00 p.m., Hope Lutheran Church is hosting a Sock Hop to Stop Hunger. There will be a live DJ, dance contests and the best 50s/60s costume contest. Cost is \$15/person or \$25/couple (21 or older). Complimentary snacks, lemonade, iced tea and souvenir socks. Pizza, beer, wine and soda to purchase. Proceeds benefit the Oasis Food Pantry.

### October Meal-a-Month

2 cans stew; 1 box rice or pasta mix; 1 can fruit; 1 can vegetables; 1 box/bag cookies; 1 plastic jar peanut butter

**Festival of Sharing...**The 28th Festival of Sharing was held last weekend at the State Fairgrounds in Sedalia. Roger & Patty Nekula, Bill Irvine, and Jerry & Jeanne Brown delivered the kits donated by our congregation. Collections for 2009 totaled a value of \$993.06 and included:  
\$55 in cash;  
4 Baby Bundles  
2 Backpacks of Love  
1 Family Food Box  
8 Paper Products Kits  
7 Personal Hygiene Kits  
2 Prison Kits  
17 Readin' & Writin' Kits  
Thank you to all who contributed to the Festival of Sharing in 2009!