

In Our Prayers & Thoughts

"Blessed be God, who bears our burdens day after day." Psalm 68:19

Clifton Armstrong	Mike Loontjer
Jan Bozeman	Bob Sieber
Brad Foster	Brenda Stocks
Jennifer Foster	Dorothy Terhune
Linda Foster	for peace
Michelle Foster	David, his family
Eldon Harlow	& friends
Bruce Keller	

Please notify us if you or a family member wishes to be placed on the prayer list. Let us know if the prayer concern needs to be a continued one, otherwise names will be removed the first of the month.

These are the Birthdays and Anniversaries for September. If we don't already have your celebrations, please let us know.

September Birthdays

15 Marge Peach
15 Sandy Siedel
16 Carol Schoenleber
20 DaVarrius Blackwell
22 Lynne Grasz Hall
27 Margaret Sieber
28 Bruce Anderson
30 Daniel Wissink

September Anniversaries

8 Bryan & Ellie Bingham

October Birthdays (partial)

5 Brenda Stocks
10 Louise Sebree
12 Hollis Patterson
14 Lynda Vorisek

No anniversaries that we know of

TODAY'S EVENTS

Sunday September 17

- Fellowship Coffee Time 10:30 am
- Worship Service 11 am (Sanctuary) (Streaming live on Facebook and YouTube)
- Justice in Action presentation noon Shepherd Hall Beth Graverholt will conduct a listening session to hear what justice issues we would like to see addressed by Justice in Action. A light lunch will be served. If you have not already RSVP'd please check with Pastor Helen if you plan on attending
- Christ Central Worship Service 2 pm (Magee Parlor)

THIS WEEK

Monday September 18

Tuesday September 19

- Executive Board 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall

Wednesday September 20

- Bible Study 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall led by Pastor Sally, covering the lectionary reading for Sunday's sermon

Thursday September 21

- Lincoln Choral Arts Choir practice 7 pm Sanctuary

Friday September 22

Saturday September 23

- The Closet and Diaper Depot are The Closet and Diaper Depot are open 9:30 am - noon Other times by appointment Use the message app on our Facebook page: attention Joanna or call her at 402-217-9306 to schedule an appointment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday October 8 CROP Hunger Walk 1 pm Bethany Christian Church See the table in the entry hall to walk or to sponsor a walker or go to crophungerwalk.org/lincolne to find New Hope and contribute

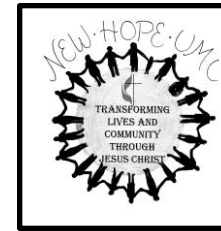
Sunday October 8 CROP Meal 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm Hickman Presbyterian Church 300 E 3rd St, Hickman Menu: Ham Balls, Mashed Potatoes, Corn or Green Beans, Roll, Assorted Desserts. Free will offering RSVP by *October 1* to Kelli at zalkfamily@gmail.com or call 402-426-2004 include your name, how many meals and phone number.

Saturday October 14 Book Club 10 am Welcome Center

Saturday October 14 & 21 Gospel Choir practice 11 am Magee Parlor

Monday October 23 through Wednesday October 25 Orders and Fellowship pastoral meetings in Kearney

We're planning on restarting the newsletter soon. Please let us know how you would like to receive it on the back of your green attendance form.



New Hope United Methodist Church

1205 North 45th Lincoln, NE 68503

Worship 11 am
In-person & On-line

"Transforming Lives and Community Through Jesus Christ"

September 17, 2023

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

God of the Universe, Guide Our Steps

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

***Welcome the Light of Christ** "We Have Come Into This House" on screen Ruthie Andrews
Welcome and Announcements

Congregational Breath Prayer *All: God of the Universe, Guide our Steps!*

Call to Worship (see inside page) / **Opening Prayer**

***Passing of the Peace** *Let us welcome one another in the Spirit of Christ*

***Songs of Praise** "My Hope is Built" UMH 368 (AAHH 385)

"We'll Understand It Better By and By" UMH 525 (AAHH 418)

WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

Lighting the Prayer Candle

Morning Prayer Song "Kum Ba Yah" AAHH 437 v. 1, 2

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer (see inside page)

Giving Back to God (offering)

Offertory Gospel Choir

***Doxology** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Gospel Reading Matthew 18:21-35 NRSV 19 (NT)

Response: *One:* The Epistle to the Church. **All: Praise to the Living Word.**

The Word in Song "We Shall Overcome" AAHH 542 v. 1

Psalm Reading Psalm 114 NRSV 532-533 (OT)

Response: *One:* The Word of Life! **All: Thanks be to God!**

Old Testament Scripture Reading Exodus 15:1b–11, 20-21 NRSV 59-60 (OT)

Response: *One:* The Word of God for the people of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**

The Word in Song "We Shall Overcome" AAHH 542 v. 1

Special Music Gospel Choir

Children's Message

Sermon "Yearning for Liberation" Pastor Helen Paus

Closing Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Sending Song** "Till We Gather Again" AAHH 638

***Benediction**

Postlude Ruthie Andrews

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

The Call to Worship, Songs and Prayers are also on the screen

NRSV = new Bible, UMH = U M Hymnal, TFWS = The Faith We Sing, WS = Worship & Song

AAHH = African American Heritage Hymnal

Call to Worship:

Leader: When the tides of fear seem to overwhelm us, we cry out....

People: God, come to us and lead us to paths of safety!

Leader: When we feel lost and alone and we wonder if anyone cares about us, we cry out....

People: God, come and heal our wounded spirits!

Leader: When turbulence within and without seem to threaten us, we cry out

People: God, bring us peace. AMEN.

Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sermon Notes:

***We wish to welcome you!
We are very happy to have you worshipping
with us today!***

***If you are looking for a church home, we hope that you
have found it among us. Please let us know if you would
like to become a member.***

- ❖ If you know someone in the hospital or recuperating at home, who needs a **pastoral visit or phone call**, please let the church office know at 402-466-5238.
- ❖ There are **children's activity bags** hanging in the back of the sanctuary if your child would like to use one during worship. We also have a play area in Magee Parlor (at the back of the sanctuary).
- ❖ There are **large print hymnals and Bibles** for your use on the table at the back of the sanctuary.
- ❖ If you would like to **give to New Hope electronically**, you may use the QR code sheets in the pews. You may also sign up for an automatic withdrawal for your donation using the paperwork on the table at the back of the sanctuary or sign up by going to our website or to app.myvanco.com/login
- ❖ If you have an **announcement for the bulletin**, call 402-466-5238 or e-mail newhopeumclincoln@gmail.com by Thursday morning please.

Outreach Ministries of New Hope UMC

The Closet at New Hope:

provides gently used clothing for children and adults; shoes, accessories and linens

Diaper Depot:

provides diapers to families: 1 pkg per month -- please bring your ID to sign up for a punch card

The Closet at New Hope and the Diaper Depot are open Saturdays 9:30 am to noon Other times by appointment. Send a message on our Facebook page using the message app: attention Joanna or call her at 402-217-9306 to schedule an appointment outside of open hours

If the weather is bad or the wind chill is really low, we will be closed

Next Week's Scriptures

*Sunday, September 14
Seventeenth Sunday
after Pentecost*

Exodus 16:2-15
Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 or Psalm 78
Philippians 1:21-30
Matthew 20:1-16

CONTACT INFORMATION

Church Secretary:

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Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

9 am – 2 pm

Office is closed Mondays and

Wednesdays

Pastor Helen:

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Office hours:

Monday/Wednesday visitation and networking

Tuesday/Thursday office and meetings 10 am – 2 pm

Please call before you come as her schedule is subject to change

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service on our YouTube channel

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