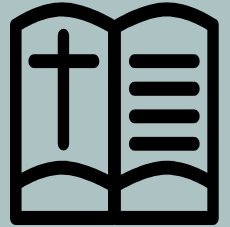


New Hope News *September 2016*



2016 WATCHWORD

Christ says, "Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me." John 15:4 (NRSV)

New Hope *Moravian Church*



Summer is quickly coming to a close, and many of us have been in "vacation mode" for the past few months. It's often a lot like that line from the song in the play, *Porgy and Bess*. "Summertime, and the livin' is easy". But now, September is upon us and it's like we suddenly realize, as it says in Ecclesiastes Chapter 3, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens."

And so it is with our church! Now is the time to get back to choir practice, band practice and handbell practice! Now is the time to begin new Sunday school curriculums! Now is the time to prepare finishing touches for the upcoming Candle tea and Bazaar! Now is the time to get back to filling those Moravian chicken pie orders our regular customers have been waiting for during the summer break!

New Hope is joining more than 30,000 churches who observe **September 18, 2016 as National Back to Church Sunday**. Please make every effort to be at services on that Sunday so we can celebrate how much our faith life is supported by the fellowship we share when we worship together. **After church, we will continue to enjoy each other's company with a provided luncheon of pizza, salad and deserts!** Please put this date on your calendar now so you won't forget! If there is someone you have been thinking about inviting to come with you to visit New Hope Moravian, this would be a great Sunday to do that, too!

Speaking of putting things on your calendar, here are some of the opportunities to come together with your church family in September:

Sunday, September 11th – Journey Sunday School class begins study "Christianity and World Religions"

Sunday, September 18th – "National Back to Church Sunday" – Pizza luncheon provided by the church following worship

Friday, September 30th – New Hoppers covered dish and program 6:30

The Worship Committee



Questions and Answers - "All About New Hoppers"

Who are the New Hoppers?

New Hoppers is a group of members 50 or older who meet in the fellowship hall monthly (September - May), the last Friday of the month.

What do they do at their meetings?

Our programs vary from a special speaker, community resources, trivia or jeopardy game, anything that provides an evening of fun, information and definitely fellowship.

What time do they meet?

New Hoppers is an informal setting, gathering at 6:30 to share a covered dish with a program to follow. The evening usually ends by 8:00.

When is New Hoppers meeting and can I come?

Yes, Yes and Yes!!! We will meet Friday, September 30th, at 6:30.

Come and enjoy good food and fellowship. See You There!



Chicken Chatter

Fall is upon us and the chickens are calling!

It has been a busy summer at New Hope, and we have been very blessed in so many ways. We have had to replace a few items, and thanks to our chicken pie funds and Marks "know-how", all things have been taken care of. Some of these items are as follows:

- *Partially funded the paving of our driveway and parking area*
- *Replaced hot water heater in the kitchen*
- *Replaced remaining 2 HVAC units that serve the fellowship hall and classrooms*
- *Replaced folding stairs going up into the attic area*
- *Added additional shelving in the library*

Please mark your calendars and plan to come join us as we again make chicken pies to sell. Our first making will be **September 15, 16 & 17**.

More information on times will follow in the Thursday updates.

The chicken pie committee is so thankful for the continued help and support from all of you. Not only does the money raised from our pie sales ease the financial burden of repairs for our building and grounds, it is a tremendous outreach throughout the community, and also draws us closer to each other through work and play. Plan to join the "chatter" and laughter as we continue our tradition of making our scrumptious Moravian chicken pies!

In His service,

Margie and the Chicken Pie Committee



You're Invited!

The **Worship Committee** will be meeting **Sunday September 25th** following worship at 12:15. There will be a light lunch provided.

Anyone who would like to be a part of the planning for upcoming worship services is invited to attend. This committee meets quarterly.

Please see Chairperson, Jane Bumgarner if you have any questions.

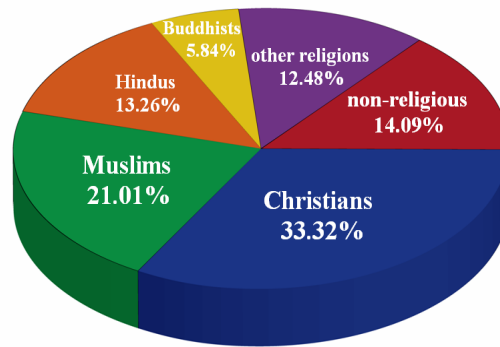
Dear New Hope Church Family,

Thank you so much for the gift cards. They will be put to good use buying needed supplies for our preschool. We really appreciate your generosity and support of our program.

Thanks again,
Jen & CMO Teachers



World Religions by percentage



Something you don't want to miss...

Journey Sunday School Class is starting back up after a break this summer. We will be beginning a DVD study of "Christianity and World Religions" lead by Adam Hamilton. The study will include Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam and Judaism.

Have you ever asked - Why are there so many different religions?; How should Christians view other religions?; How is God at work in other religions?

Hamilton describes how these 4 religions began, presents some of their essential teachings and suggest ways that they differ from and are similar to Christianity.

This study will encourage us to build bridges with others through understanding their beliefs, which will help us to grown in our faith, seek peace in our world and find positive ways to share the gospel.

Everyone is invited to come and join us as we learn together... this is a study you really don't want to miss!

September 11th - 10:00 - in the fellowship hall

Making Moravian Christmas Trees for the Bazaar...



Bring a glue gun if you have one and join the fun at Jane and Steve's home.

When: Wed. Sept. 21st
Time: 1:00 - 3:00
Address: 3165 Weidner Road, Newton 28658
Phone: Cell 828-639-0061
Questions: Call Jane

Come join the fun!! We need your help!

Women's Fellowship and Women's Circle News

It's been a wonderful summer but as school starts back that means we begin to look at our fall programs and activities in the church. All women of the church are invited to join us for a **Women's Fellowship** meeting on **Tuesday evening, September 13 at 7:00 pm**. This meeting will give us a chance to visit with old friends and our newest members. Please come join us as we enjoy good fellowship and talk about our upcoming Candle Tea.

Women's Circle will meet in September to introduce this year's study "Hanging In, Hanging Out. Lessons on Living in the Church" by Carol Foltz. Everyone is invited to a covered dish supper on **September 20th at 6:30 pm** at Margie Furmage's home. This is always a wonderful evening for us all. Thank you Margie for opening your home each year for us to come together. If you have not gotten a circle book as yet, not to worry, there should be a few available at the meeting.

Come join us ladies as we begin our new year of activities!

Cheryl Hendrix

Service and Witness News

Thank you to everyone who has made donations of school supplies to ECCCM for Newton-Conover schools as well as our CMO program.

We are continuing our Food of the Month campaign we began in May. ECCCM is requesting flavored pastas like Mac 'n Cheese and Hamburger Helper. You may know of other varieties that fit this category. Place your pasta donations in the usual place at the back door. And, PLEASE remember to bring plastic bags which is something so simple for us to do and so very important to them.

Thank you,
Service and Witness Committee



New Hope has a Yoga class starting in October...

Classes are being offered Saturdays - **October 8, 15, 22, 29** at **10:00 AM** - in the Fellowship Hall. The cost will be a total of \$20.00 for all 4 classes. (We must have @ least 10 people sign-up). Our instructor will be Amy Campbell.

Yoga is often thought of in terms of “holding positions”, “staying in poses” or “maintaining balance.” Yet, it can be so much more and enjoyed by anyone at any time, regardless of their age or fitness level. Wherever you are in your fitness level, Amy's yoga class is for you. Please consider coming, so we all together might experience greater flexibility and balance as we do yoga together. Bring your own yoga mats.

Contact Pastor Betty if you have questions. A sign-up sheet is on the church bulletin board!



Candle Tea and Bazaar Update

We are scheduled to have another craft workshop at church on Tuesday, September 13 at 1:00 PM. We are decorating items at the church. If you have any projects that you need help with, contact Pam Prevatte and a workshop can be scheduled to help out.

The Comenius Learning Series is an awesome opportunity to hear a more in depth analysis of our history and the changes which have occurred over the years in the Moravian Church America. Join us as we are inspired to rekindle the flame of our ancestors. The Rev Dr. Riddick Webber is a fantastic & very interesting speaker. This event is sponsored by the BCM. Contact information is in the article below.

Comenius Learning Series: Moravian In America

Moravian in America: Original Visions, Long-Term Costs

Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Riddick Weber

November 5, 2016 at 9:00am

[Trinity Moravian Church](#)

220 E Sprague St | Winston-Salem, NC 27127

The 18th century Moravian Church embraced a radical, creative theology and practice – one that was multi-national, multi-racial, and nonviolent. Evangelism, concern for the marginalized, and the ordination of women were the order of the day. Yet, over time and on into the 20th century, Moravians shed many of these distinctions as they sought acceptance in a changing American context. Join us as we explore the costs of this adaptation and how the original visions of our forebears might still challenge and inspire us today.

Online event registration and promotional materials will be posted this week on MoravianBCM.org



Provincial Older Adults Fall Rally

Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 12:30pm
[Fairview Moravian Church](#)
[6550 Silas Creek Pkwy | Winston-Salem,](#)
[NC 27106](#)



Program: Special Handbell Music by
Karen Strausser of Konnoak Hills
Moravian Church

Menu: Chicken casserole, green beans,
rice, congealed salad & dessert, coffee
& tea

Tickets: \$10.00

See your Older Adult Liaison for tickets
or call Heather Stevenson, [336.722.8126](tel:336.722.8126)
to purchase tickets by **October 3, 2016.**

This event is sponsored by The Board of Cooperative Ministries (BCM)



Meals On Wheels Volunteers Needed

Volunteers Needed to deliver meals. New Hope has several members who
do this on behalf of the church.

Please consider helping out. Let them know you are with New Hope
Moravian Church.

Contact:

Senior Nutrition Services PO Box 207, Newton, NC 28658 [\(828\) 695-5610](tel:828.695.5610)

www.mealsonwheelsofcatawbacounty.org



Pray Every Day - September 2016

1. The Lord made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Pray for Dusty & Christin Harrison, Greek InterVarsity Campus Ministry at Clemson University.
2. Give generously to your needy brother and do so without a grudging heart. Pray for Brian (pilot) & Heather Marx serving with MAF (Bmarx@maf.org)
3. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have strength. Pray for Steve & Ann Marx with MAF in Nampa, Idaho.
4. Our God is a God who saves. Pray for Safiatu and Mohamed Braima & team going to Sierra Leone.
5. The Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom. Pray for the Antioch Project, Jill Kolodziej, Director, and Phyllis Weatherly-Rosner serving in Nepal.
6. God who is rich in mercy, made us alive together with Christ. Pray for Allan and DeeDee Iobst with Campus Crusade.
7. Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross. Pray for the Woo Family serving in Asia.
8. Proclaim, give praise, and say save your people, oh Lord. Pray for Ed Dehnert & Barb Weide, AK Bible Seminary.
9. Jesus awoke and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Pray for Drs. Bill & Peggy Hoffman with HIV/AIDS ministry in Tanzania.
10. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. Pray for Michael, Cecilia, and Blessing Tesh serving at Ray of Hope, Kenya.
11. This is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me. Pray for Michael and Brenda Brent with Campus Crusade in Croatia.
12. My father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. Pray for Charlie & Vickie Brent with Bridges International in campus ministry in TX.
13. You O Lord, are a shield around me, my glory, and the one who lifts up my head. Pray for K & C serving the Magi People in the Middle East.
14. The Lord is the true God; he is the living God and the everlasting King. Pray for Dr. Louis & Susan Sutton serving with WEC (World Evangelization for Christ).
15. Having been justified by the grace of Jesus Christ, we became heirs according to the hope of eternal life. Pray for Phil & Eunice Raiford in Mexico.
16. They shall be my people and I will be their God. Pray for Joe Jarvis & the work with the Cuban Moravian Church.
17. Hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Pray for Dan Nelson, the Medical Clinic, and the church in Ahuas, Honduras.
18. From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised. Pray for Phil and Ashley Sineath in Campus Outreach Global.
19. My tongue shall tell of your righteousness and of your praise all day long. Pray for the Advisory Board of the Unity Women's Desk.
20. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. Pray for R & B in the Sudan.
21. When my spirit grows faint within me, it is you who watch over my way. Pray for Rob & Anne Thiessen, in Mexico.
22. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interest of others. Pray for Ruth Snyder and Claire Wilson with "Changed Choices."
23. If you had paid attention to my commands, your peace would have been like a river. Praise God for the work done for the Moravian church in Alaska by Samaritans Purse.
24. Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Pray for the leaders of the BWM and for the Mission Societies.
25. I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me, and I will forgive. Pray for those who minister in diverse settings such as provincial offices, counseling centers, ecumenical agencies, prisons, hospitals, schools, colleges, and the armed services.
26. All that the Lord has spoken we would do, we will be obedient. Pray for Annie B. Mission with Star Mountain in Palestine.
27. My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest. Pray for the Moravian Volunteer Resources.
28. His dominion is everlasting and will not pass away. It will not be destroyed. Pray for widows, widowers, orphans, and others who might be alone or lonely.
29. Do not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life. Pray for the leaders of your church and Sunday school.
30. Do not rebuke me in your anger, or discipline me in you. Pray for the leaders of our country and for wisdom in coming elections.