

We Need Your Help

Back to School Fest **Saturday, July 27**
New Hope Lutheran Church – Newark site
1137 Sharon Valley Road, Newark
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Break out your grass skirts, Hawaiian leis and shirts because the theme for this year's Back to School Fest is a Hawaiian luau (no pig, just hot dogs on the grill):

- We are still providing supplies for 250 students entering K through 6th grade.
- Each student also receives a personal care pack of hygiene products.
- We will be serving food to our students and their families.
- We will be putting the "FEST" in our BTSF with water themed games and activities.
- There will also be a Bouncy House and Porta-Potty this year.
- LMH has graciously agreed to loan us their big tent this year.
- We will have more canopies available to provide shade for everyone this year. We realize that many of the outside volunteers were uncomfortable last year.

Here ways you can help...

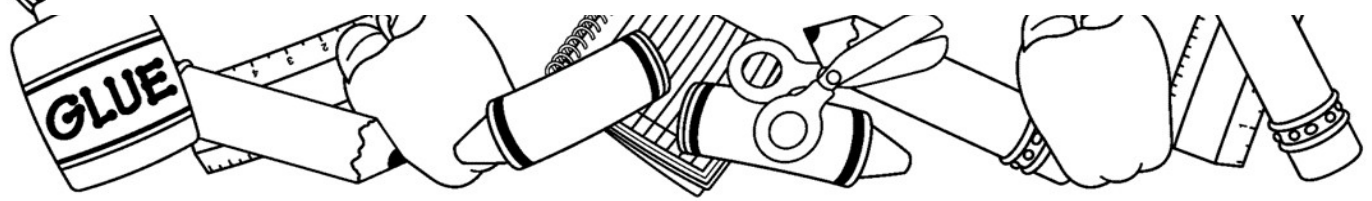
Pray for the success of this outreach activity. Grant funding has been obtained from Moo Moo Car Wash Company and Diane Paetz has submitted a grant to the Energy Co-op for additional funding. A Thrivent Action Grant will also be submitted. The change to July last year proved to be a successful one. More students attended than in previous years, so we are keeping a July date. Your prayers will be most welcome.

Check your calendar and reserve a time you can help. We will need volunteers the week prior to July 27 to help prep supplies and on July 27 we begin set up at 8:30 and we begin to greet our guests at 10:00. Joann Presley and Carol Worst will be wielding clipboards and **taking volunteer names** to help prep for and conduct this event **beginning June 30**. Think about what ways you can help serve our neighbors and spread the Gospel.

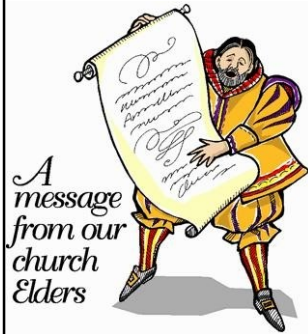
Can you **loan a cooler** so we can ice down bottles of water to serve our guests at the food tent? We need 8. Carol will begin recruiting these June 30.

Can you **donate a case of 24 bottled waters or baked goods**? We need approximately 400 bottles of water to distribute and a variety of goodies. Sign up for these beginning June 30, also.

If you have questions or can help, talk to Carol on Sunday, contact Carol by call/text (740-404-9152) or email (cworst@roadrunner.com).



Board of Elders' Information



Elders are chosen from the congregation to help with its spiritual life as well as other needs. If you have any concerns, struggles, questions, or comments, please consider contacting any of the Elders. Our desire is for your continued growth in the grace of God through the Word and Sacrament, and love towards God and our neighbor.

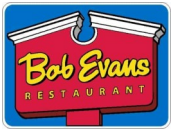
Scott Bates Scott Gibson Scott Taylor Scott Wagner

New Hope Prayer

List Please consider making use of the church prayer list. This list is for everyone to use. It provides a way to communicate our needs and thanks before the Lord as one body. With two sites it is difficult to know of prayers from each site. Also, it is easy to forget the things that each person has asked prayers for. Having a prayer list helps to remember the things to pray for. Prayers on the list are those that have been requested to be added on the list. General worship prayers are not automatically included on the list. Only prayers that have been requested are added to the list. If there are prayers that you would like to have added to this list you can email them to me at wsgibson@roadrunner.com. Current printed copies will be available on Sunday and can be found where the bulletins are located.

Fellowship

Let's Meet and Eat



New Hope Lunch Bunch –Tuesday, April 16, 2024

- Bob Evans, 1001 Cherry Valley Road SE, Newark, OH, 43055
- 11:30 a.m.
- All are welcome, no reservations needed!

Looking ahead to May...

Girls' Night Out – Wednesday, May 15, 5:30 pm

- Red Oak Pub and Restaurant, 250 Goosepond Rd, Newark, OH 43055
- 5:30 pm p.m.
- RSVP to Carol by Sunday, May 12, if you will be joining us. 740-404-9152, or cworst@roadrunner.com



Hey Pastor

Hey pastor, how do we get the “True Body and Blood” in them Lord’s Supper?

We heard about this at the Maundy Thursday service. If you were not able to attend, you might take a look at our Facebook page, and you can hear my sermon there. In addition, I have an article written by a friend of mine, Rev Robert Smith, that discusses the True Body and Blood.

Encore Post: The Lord’ Supper is really very simple. At his last Passover meal, Jesus took bread, broke it, gave it to his disciples and said, “This is my body” and took a cup of wine and said, “This is my blood.” When we eat this bread, we also eat his body and when we drink this wine, we drink his blood. From the day the Lord instituted this

Hey Pastor continued

sacrament until the Reformation, all Christians believed these words do what they say. They also realized this was a mystery that human reason cannot possibly begin to understand.

Because we cannot understand how this can be true, the Reformed and Evangelical traditions believe that Jesus did not mean these words literally, but that the sacrament is a meaningful symbol that reminds us of the death of Jesus on the cross for the forgiveness of sins. They argue that a human body can only be in one place at a time. Since Jesus is now in Heaven, the literal body and blood of Jesus cannot be in the elements of Holy Communion. This way of interpreting the words of Jesus, however, relies not on Holy Scripture, but on our capability of making sense of them.

The problem with this approach is it causes all kinds of other difficulties. Human wisdom is limited because we are creatures and God is our creator and because we are sinful, and God is holy. We can never know for sure that we are right when we depend upon our reason. So, Lutherans are content to use our reason to understand what God's word says and then believe it, even when we cannot put it all together. We let the Bible be the master of our minds and not our minds the master of the Bible. (theologians call these approaches the ministerial and magisterial uses of reason) When we start to alter the meaning of Scripture based on reason, we end up with all kinds of unintended problems. For example, if Christ's resurrected body can be in only one place at a time, Heaven, then how can he be as he promised "with us always until the end of time." (my paraphrase of [Matthew 28:20](#)) Since all of the passages which report the institution of the Lord's Supper are simple reports of the historical events and none of them have poetry, teaching or preaching in them, we take them at face value. They mean exactly what they say. When Jesus says, "this is my body" and "this is my blood," we believe that is exactly what the Lord's Supper is: Bread together with the body of Christ and Wine with the blood of Christ. We wonder at the mystery of it all and thank God for the gift of his own flesh and blood to us, uniting us to him now and forever.

If you have any more questions, please ask.

Pastor Mark

Team (Operation) Barnabas; Military & Veteran Support

Thank you, thank you, thank you!!

If you missed church on Sunday, March 10th, 2024, a presentation of funds (nearly \$400) was made to Rich Chadock (Elder Scott Bates' son) to assist with the expenses for Ms. Cassidy Chadock's (Scott's granddaughter) Mission Trip to Costa Rica. This trip not only will aid the peoples in their healthcare needs, but also provide the nursing program students of Norwich University (Vermont) practical and hands-on nursing experience.

Following Ms. Cassidy's graduation, she will be commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the US Army. Thanks to all who gave, supported, encouraged, and applauded the project. Don't forget to keep her (and all the others in the program) in your prayers (before, during, after) as she completes the many milestones in her education, career, and life (graduation, training, traveling, etc.). We are looking forward to her and her family's future visits and sharing her experiences on this great adventure!

This project (and those past efforts supporting the Licking Co. Veterans & Community) was organized by and through the efforts of our New Hope Lutheran Church's TEAM Barnabas. Operation Barnabas, — the only program of its kind in the U.S. is the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod's network of care for our nation's military members, families, and veterans.

Please join us on Saturday, April 27th, 0830 hours @TeeJaye's Country Place (North 21st St, Newark) for our next Veterans Breakfast (sponsored by TEAM Barnabas)! An opportunity to have some coffee/breakfast, share stories, and brainstorm ideas for future projects as New Hope reaches out to those families with Military & Veterans members. Please contact Pastor Terry (740-404-9151; pastorterry@newhopelickingcounty.org) or Elder/Advisor Scott Bates, to RSVP!



Happy Birthday

Scott Allen 4/3
 Neil Phelps 4/4
 Tracey Hartsough 4/5
 Angie Tracey 4/7
 Christian Basham 4/10
 Julie Gibson 4/12
 Ilene Johnson 4/13
 Andrew Baumbach 4/14
 Jeffery Durbin 4/16
 Robin Bates 4/17

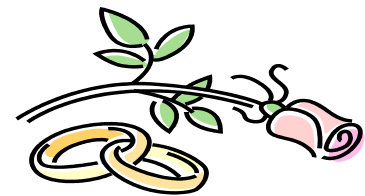
Jessica Landon 4/22
 Carol Svatora 4/23
 Kevin Gault 4/24



March Birthdays

Happy Anniversary

Scott & Robin Bates 4/1 46 years
 Jeffery & Paul Durbin 4/12 46 years
 Vaughn & Carolee Ellis 4/12 20 years



Prayer Chain

If you are in need of prayers and you do not want to wait until Sunday, put the Prayer Chain warriors to work. Call the first person on the list below. They will ask for the name of the person and reason you are requesting prayers. You can be as specific with details or as private as you choose. If you can't reach the first person, call the next person on the chain. The person you call on the prayer chain will say a prayer with you and then after you hang up, they will call the next person on the list and each call will result in prayers.

Joann Presley – 366-2475, 740-670-6274
 Starla Doty – 220-203-1055
 Danielle Larison – 614-562-0525
 Tracey Hartsough – 734-394-9775
 Jackie Taylor – 614-361-5543
 Charlene Schrock – 740-403-0722

Carolee Ellis – 740-403-4117
 Elise Frueh – 740-877-3679
 Holly Webber – 740-507-2923
 Erin Allen – 614-206-7895
 Borgany Bierly - 740-644-2499
 Carol Worst – 740-404-9152

It's not too late for you to join the Prayer Chain. Talk to Joann or Carol on Sundays and we will add your name to the list.



In Service to Our Lord

Altar Guild

Viki Hall (Granville)
Danielle Larison (Newark)

Elder

Scott Bates (Newark)

Scott Wagner (Granville)

Trustee

Julie Gibson (Newark)
Scott Allen (Granville)

Acolytes

Camper Gibson (Newark)



PSALM 100:2, ESV

Jokes

Jesus is Watching You

A burglar broke into a home and was looking around.

He heard a soft voice say, "Jesus is watching you."

Thinking it was just his imagination, he continued his search. Again the voice and "Jesus is watching you."

He turned his flashlight around and saw a parrot in a cage. He asked the parrot if he was the one talking and the parrot said, "yes."

He asked the parrot what his name was and the parrot said, "Moses."

The burglar asked "what kind of people would name a parrot Moses?"

The parrot said, "the same kind of people who would name their German Shepherd Jesus."

Anyone for Golf?

The pastor woke up Sunday morning and realizing it was an exceptionally beautiful and sunny early spring day, decided he just had to play golf. So...he told the associate paster that he was feeling sick and convinced him to preach for him that day. As soon as the associate pastor left the room the Pastor headed out of town to a golf course about forty miles away. This way he knew he wouldn't accidentally meet anyone he knew from his church.

Setting up on the first tee, he was alone. After all, it was Sunday morning and everyone else was in church!

At about this time, Saint Peter leaned over to the Lord while looking down from heaven and exclaimed, "You're not going to let him get away with this are you?"

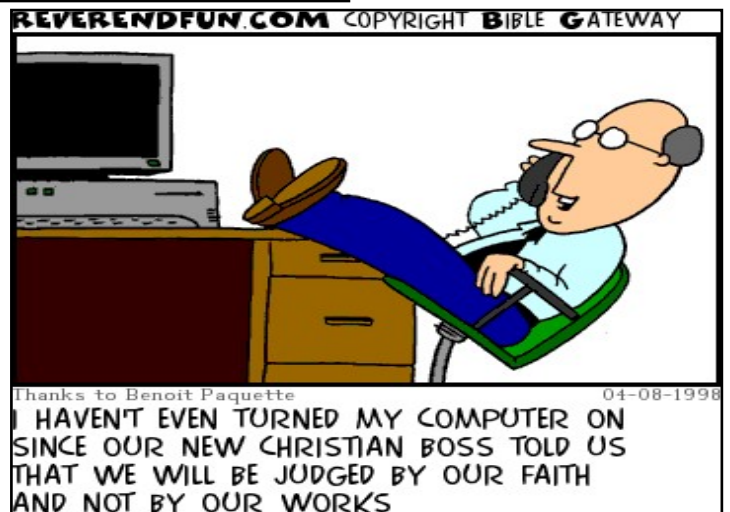
The Lord sighed, and said, "No, I guess not." Just then he hit the ball and it shot straight towards the pin, dropping just short of it, rolled up and fell into the hole. It was a 420 yard hole in one!

Saint Peter was astonished. He looked at the Lord and asked, "Why did you let him do that?"

The Lord smiled and replied, "Who's he going to tell?"

"The most wasted of all days is one without laughter"
- e.e. cummings

Comics





New Hope Lutheran Church

April 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 1-4PM Hopes Door Hours	2 1-4PM Hopes Door Hours 5:30PM Elder's Mtg. (Granville)	3 1-4PM Hopes Door Hours	4 9:30AM Thursday Morning Bible Class (Granville) 1-4PM Hopes Door Hours 4:30PM Women's Bible Study (Newark)	5	6
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8:00 am Bible Study (Granville)

9:00 am Worship (Granville)

9:30 am Adult Bible Class & Sunday School (Newark)

10:45 am Worship (Newark)

Pastor Mark Hartsough Office Hours:

Morning: Monday & Tuesday

Or, for an appointment call 740-366-6459 or
pastormark@newhopelickingcounty.org

Pastor Terry Worst

By Appointment, email

pastorterry@newhopelickingcounty.org

Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

740-366-6459

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Granville, OH 43023

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Newark, OH 43055