

September 2011

New Hope Lutheran Church

2105 Willis Lane Keller, Texas 76248



New Hope News

Boldly Sharing God's Word

1 Chronicles 16:9 Sing to him, sing praises to him, tell of all his wonderful works.

*Psalms 89:1 I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.*

I love the opening of a new school year! The smell of pencils and crayons, the laughter of children, the clicking of notebooks, the taste of glue... oops. Anyway, don't you love the feeling of starting again?

This year we have a number of new starts. The first will be for our children. Rawlianne Riggs, our music director, will be starting the organizing and rehearsals for children for our Christmas musical, **Light Before Christmas**. It will be a new program involving all the children and youth with song ("**sing to him, sing praises to him**"), drama ("**tell of all his wonderful works, proclaim your faithfulness to all generations**"), and sets. All children and youth are invited to come to the kick-off on **September 11** at 10 am in the Worship Center. There will be a place for all!

Our men are invited to a new ministry, a vital, engaging, purposeful, and spirit filled ministry. We will kick it off on Saturday, **September 3** at 8 am with breakfast (yes, I'm cooking - with plenty of help!). Come for eats and coffee, planning and new direction. All men are invited to come and participate. See you there! Any questions check with Dave Klym.

Our women of all ages are invited to the dawning of a new ministry. On Saturday, **September 17** at 10 am we will start with a brunch – all women are invited to bring their favorite breakfast dish to share. We will plan the year, find new direction, and eat and eat. There will be child care available. Any questions check with Carolyn Kendall.

We will have a special Sunday on the **18th of September**. The day is full of activities beginning with it being **Bring A Friend to Church Day!** Bring a friend to our wonderful church, enjoy a **Grab & Go** breakfast of sausage biscuits and more between services, and then bring them to the **Picnic** at 12:30! What a full day it will be! Fun and games for the children and youth, too. Any questions check with Sharon Hutchison.

Looking for basics of our Christian faith? Come to ALPHA beginning Wednesday, **September 7** at 7 pm.. You are invited to dessert, video, and talk. This is the introductory session, so you can come to just 'check it out.' Each session will cover another little segment of our belief. No stress, no homework! Any questions check with David Sanders.

I hope and pray that you will be able to find a place to belong in our new and our continuing programs. Throughout this newsletter you will find many opportunities to "**proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.**"

*Blessings,
Pastor Kathryn*

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MINISTRY KICKOFF

Men's Ministry

Calling ALL New Hope Men! Join us on

Saturday, September 3rd at 8:00 a.m.

at New Hope

This will be a special Men's Ministry Kick-off!!!! Pastor will prepare breakfast for us, and this will be an opportunity for the men to have Fellowship and plan some activities for the coming year.

Be sure to attend and bring your ideas!

See Dave Klym for more information.



Women's Ministry

All New Hope women are invited to join us on

Saturday, Sept. 17th at 10:00 a.m.

(this will take place of regular women's breakfast)

Please bring a dish to share and your ideas on activities for the year.

Sign up in the Fellowship Hall!

Women's Ministry

New Hope's Women's Ministry is looking for items for a craft project:

Long large colored socks, different colored buttons all shapes and sizes and plaid or solid flannel.

You can place your donations in the box in the narthex.

Sunday, September 18th

Noon-4:00 pm

Bear Creek Park in Keller



Food!



Games!

ALL CHURCH PICNIC

Hamburgers, hot dogs, lemonade and water will be provided

Bring a lawn chair!

Contact Sandy Kostelecky with any questions

Door prizes!



Fun!

Sign up in the fellowship hall to bring a dessert or side dish to share.

Sponsored by the P.I.T Crew (parents of infants to tweens)



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Calling All New Hope Children & Youth and Friends!

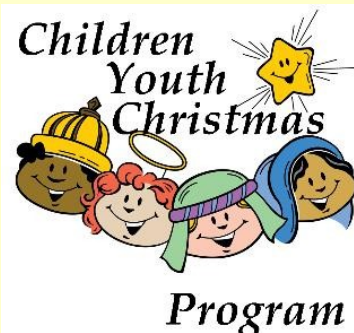
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Stewardship: the responsible overseeing and protection of something considered worth caring for and preserving.

Coming soon...

Fellowships



PIT Crew (Parents of Infants to Tweens)

Join us for an adult fellowship night on **Friday, September 9, at 7PM**. Bring a dish to share. Qualified babysitters will be upstairs with the kids. Come on out and have some fun, food and fellowship!

Contact Sandy Kostelecky with any questions .

Adult 4th Saturday

Adult 4th Saturday will meet on **Saturday, September 24th at 5:30 pm** . Watch the weekly bulletin on where we will meet



Women's Bunco

Monday, September 26th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of

Dianne Smith

Directions will be posted on the Women's Board.

New comers are welcome

New Hope Bowling League

The fall Bowling League will begin on **Sunday, September 11 at 5:00 p.m.** at **Brunswick Lanes in Watauga**. This league will go until November 13th.

Please contact Mark Walker if you want to join in!



New Hope will host the fourth session of the Alpha Course beginning September 7, 2011

We are now open for registration of PARTICIPANTS

The Alpha experience is unlike any other:

There is no cost to those that commit to participate in the course.

There is dessert each week.

There is child care for those that need it.

It is entertaining, gives one an opportunity to meet new people,

*and is likely to **CHANGE YOUR LIFE!***



Visit our table in the Narthex after each service. Someone will be there to answer your questions, register you, or let you know all the volunteer opportunities for this special ministry.

For more information or to register go to www.newhopelutheran.com



**LOOKING FOR A
BIBLE STUDY?**

Adult Sunday School
The Adult Sunday School has completed its study based on the book Crazy Love by Francis Chan. **We will resume meeting September 11th**. We would love to see some new faces at 10:00 am Our next study TBA.

Women's Morning Bible Study

meets on **Tuesday's at 10:00 a.m.** here at New Hope. This group will continue studies on different religions. Newcomers welcome. Call Carolyn Kendall for more info.



Remember...

Special Interfaith Gathering 10th Anniversary

Sunday, September 11, 2011

Good Shepherd Catholic Community Colleyville, Texas

4:00 p.m.—Parish Hall

Please join us for an interfaith gathering to memorialize those who lost their lives on 9/11 to reflect on this tragic event and find ways to bring our community together.

Child care available. Please sign up online at gsc.net at least one week before the event.

STEPHEN MINISTRY



Stressed? Discouraged? Lonely? Sad?

Don't Suffer Alone. Help Is Available.

Sometimes we fall into a trap where we think it's a sign of weakness to ask for help. So when we're stressed, discouraged, lonely, or sad, we try to keep our struggles hidden and are reluctant to ask for help. However, that's not God's plan. Galatians 6:2 says, "**Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.**" God wants us to care for others--and allow others to care for us in our time of need.

If you're sad or struggling inside, don't suffer alone. Ask for help. We've got a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to provide confidential one-to-one care, encouragement, and support to help you through a tough time. Find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Leaders: *Jill Altman, Jan Carter or Tina Williamson.*

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to bring God's love and care into your life

Join a ChristCare Group

Growth- A ChristCare Group will help you grow in a deeper devoted relationship with Jesus through prayer and worship.

Care- In a ChristCare Group, you will have the opportunity to develop mature Christian caring skills and put them to use. You will develop the kind of love Jesus called us to when he said, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." (John 15:12)

Biblical Equipping- With Biblical Equipping you apply God's word to your daily life. You use lessons and resources that connect you with the Scriptures in a more formal way than most bible studies you probably have experienced.

Mission- Your group exists to serve God.

ChristCare groups are for everyone desiring a stronger personal relationship with Christ from the mature Christian to the new believer.

They are Circles of Care with Christ at the Center.

To find out how you can join a ChristCare group see Jim Altman



**TNT
GROUP**

The new TNT Group *Twenties n Thirties Ministry Group*

will meet **September 2, 2011, at 7:00 pm** at New Hope

for a pizza and kick off party.

It is for all young adults, post high school to 40

Contact Dave Melvin at dvtmlmel@charter.net

for more information.

The Mission Committee will be hosting a *sewing party* Sat, Sept 10th at 10am to make as many neck coolers as possible that will be delivered to Unity Park. We delivered 130 so far. No need to have any experience sewing. Bring your machine if you have one as well as any fabric pieces and threads (any colors).

Thanks to all who helped with the peanut butter collection and the Keller Community Lunch program. New Hope collected **578 jars of peanut butter!**

September Mission: Magazines for Unity Park (they were a big hit when we went) *Science, discovery, woman's world, etc.*



Bring your donations and place in the box by the Mission Tree

What is Unity Park? Homeless shelters typically provide overnight accommodations, breakfast and a sack lunch. The residents then have to leave the facilities during the day. Unity Park is located in Fort Worth and is a safe place for the homeless to go during the day.



New Hope Lutheran at Unity Park on Saturday, July 9th. This group delivered bags, neck coolers, magazines and water .

Pictured from left to right: Kryssy, Lexi and Karin Urbanczyk, Joann and Mark Walker and Kim Twesme (Karin's friend).

New Hope Staff and Council

Ministers, People of New Hope

Staff

Rev. Kathryn Cox, Pastor

Rawlianne Riggs , Minister of Music

Jill Altman, Parish Assistant

Administration

New Hope Christian School

Debbie Starbuck, NHCS Director

Elizabeth Kunkler, NHCS Asst. Director

Parish Lay Minister

Scott Martin

Council Officers

Dave Klym, President

Dave Sanders Vice-President

Open, Secretary

Craig Williamson, Treasurer

Council Committee Liaisons

Bill Chase, Outreach

Sharon Hutchison, Membership

Dave Klym, Worship & Music

Dave Sanders, Maturity

Pat Strobel, Facilities

Karin Urbanczyk, Missions

Craig Williamson, Finance

Open, Ministry

Council will meet on Sunday, Sept. 25th at 12:30 pm

LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION

Building men for Christ



In July, Marie and I went to Denver Colorado , where I attended the Lutheran Men in Mission national gathering. I soon learned that Marie was welcome to tag along with me at most events, and so together we heard great speakers, listened to great music, and attended awesome small group discussions, including one with Bishop Mark Hanson. I was even invited to sing in a large men's choir during the Sunday worship at which Bishop Hanson gave the sermon.

I learned a lot about what men's ministry should and could be, and what a difference it can make in the lives the men. And now, we have started to form a men's ministry leadership team at New Hope with the hope of starting a men's ministry serving all the men here.

*That men's ministry team invites ALL men to come to a **New Hope Men's Ministry kick-off breakfast at 8AM Saturday, September 3.***

*In addition to eating breakfast, we will have a short program where you will learn: What we, as men, are doing today **What Jesus calls us to do** What we, as men, could be doing as an intentional ministry. And we will hear that **ALL men at Hew Hope are a part of this ministry***

So All men, please join us for breakfast and fellowship at 8 AM Saturday, September 3 at New Hope, and learn more.

Dave Klym

Pictured at the Gathering (l to r): Linda Ness, Dick Wentzel, Ione Hanson, Linda Wentzel, Bishop Mark Hanson, Tom Ness, Marie and Dave Klym. The Wentzels and Ness's are members at Advent Lutheran Church in Arlington .



“The light was on.” That’s how one student became involved in Lutheran Campus Ministry. Help us make sure that the light of Jesus continues to shine on campus. Join us for our **LCM Trivia Challenge** on **Sunday, October 9** from 4 to 8 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, 3001 Lovers Lane, Dallas.

There’s a Silent Auction, Table Décor Competition, and LCM Trivia Challenge. There are two décor competition categories this year – one for *creativity* and a second for *meaning* (a reflection of your congregation’s ministries or an interpretation of ministry on campus). Start gathering your team of eight and get ready for fun! Plan your menu and décor. LCM is bringing dessert. Start your holiday shopping with the Silent Auction.

Proceeds benefit Lutheran Campus Ministry in the Northern Texas-Northern Louisiana Mission Area, a vital outreach to young adults on college campuses. Registration is due **October 3**. For more information, visit www.lcmdenton.org or contact Pastor Celene Welch at 817/269-1229 or PastorCWelch@msn.com.



We are off to a great start to the new school year here at NHCS!

All of our teachers are prepared and have designed a wonderful academic program that will challenge and develop the children in their classrooms. Debbie Villavicencio has planned out our chapel program for the year that will teach the Word of God in a fun and exciting format geared to the kids developmental levels. Pastor Kathy comes and leads chapel time for the school on Monday's to help foster a pastoral relationship with the children as well. We also incorporate our weekly Bible lesson into our class time art projects. Upcoming events are:

Picture days are coming on September 21st and 22nd. We will hold our annual "Trike/Bike-a-Thon" to raise funds for St. Jude Children's Research on September 30th. Everyone is welcome to come out and support this fun event at 10:00 am.

We still have some openings in our classrooms. If you or someone you know is interested in part-time preschool or "Mother's Day Out" have them give Debbie or Elizabeth a call at the school: 817-428-9393

Debbie Starbuck, Director
 New Hope Christian School
www.nhcskeller.org
 817.428.9393

**New Hope Christian School and
 New Hope's Church Office will be
 closed on
 Monday, September 5th in observance
 of Labor Day.**



Committee Meetings

New Hope Christian School Board	Monday, Sept. 12th	6:30 pm
Finance Committee	Monday, Sept. 19th	7:00 pm
Worship & Music Committee	Sunday, Sept. 11th	12:15 pm
Membership Committee	Sunday, Sept. 11th	Noon
Council	Sunday, Sept. 25th	12:30 pm

(Council is changed due to the church picnic)



Happy Birthday

Danielle Needham	9-1
Cameron Ogrodik	
Jody Brechler	9-4
Sienna Kostecky	9-6
Tina Williamson	9-7
Jim Anthony	9-13
Darwin Aslin	9-16
Dave Fisher	9-18
Rachel Morgan	
Jacob Roy	
Cierra Sollecito	
Brendon Urbanczyk	9-19
Travis Melvin	
Robert Wooley	9-24
Christopher Wooley	9-28
Mary Cooper	9-29
Reilly Pebles	9-30

Happy Anniversary

John and Susan Cooper	9-01
Newt and Delores Walter	9-03
Dave Fisher and Shirley Houghton	9-08
Craig and Tina Williamson	9-19
Cory and Linnea Wolters	9-22
Howard and Kathy Glans	9-22



Scrips Program here at New Hope

When you purchase scrip, you're purchasing negotiable gift certificates and prepaid cards that are used just like cash. You can use scrip to purchase everyday expenses like food, clothing, and other essentials and with every purchase

New Hope earns a percentage!



Check out happenings in the NT-NL Synod

<http://www.ntnl.org/>



New Hope will receive New Members on **Sunday, September 25th.**

Contact Pastor Kathy if you are interested in becoming a part of New Hope's family!

Worship Assistants

Date and Service	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Ushers	AV
September 4 8:30 a.m.		Jill Altman	Kelly Buttram Christina Buttram	Kyle Kunkler
11:00 a.m.		Cathy Elkmann	Christina Brechler Dave Sanders	
September 11 8:30 a.m.		Janice Needham	Jim Altman Greg Hall	Paul Elkmann
11:00 a.m.		Cora Sanders	Scott Kostelecky Dave Sanders	
September 18 8:30 a.m.		Mary Cooper	Jim Cherry Dakota Cherry	Kelly Buttram
11:00 a.m.		Joann Walker	Paul Elkmann Dave Melvin	
September 25 8:30 a.m.		Mona Garner	Jeff Hutchison Sharon Hutchison	Greg Hall
11:00 a.m.		Dorothy Wooley	Bob Wooley Dorothy Wooley	

If you are unable to serve, please be sure to find a replacement