

# New Hope Parish Weekly Update

March 21, 2021

## **New Hope Parish Covid-19 Update - REVISED**

### **ALL PARISH CHURCHES ARE BACK IN-PERSON**

Masks are required at each church along with social distancing.

- We are practicing contact tracing at each church.
- If you'd rather worship from home, Parish live streamed worship is available each Sunday at 11AM online by following the link on the Parish web site at [www.nhparish.org](http://www.nhparish.org).
- Parish service recordings are available at any time on the Parish YouTube channel.
- If anyone is unable to watch the live stream or recorded service online a DVD or CD can be made available upon request.
- Should the situation dictate, we may need to go back to non-in-person worship with little notice.
- The New Hope Parish Council will continue to review the pandemic situation and let you know of any changes.

## **Weekly Thoughts from Pastor Paul**

Dear Siblings in Christ,

Hope and pray you all are doing well and are staying safe and sane. Hope too that you all survived the transition to daylight savings time without too much loss of sleep. The good news is that we have a little more daylight at the end of the day and in a few months, okay, 9 months, we'll get that hour back as we say so long to daylight savings time. It always seems like a pain at first to so many, but it usually doesn't take too long and we're back into the swing of things.

In case you were wondering, daylight savings time (DST) was first used in Port Arthur, Ontario, Canada on July 1, 1908. The idea for DST dates back to 1895 when New Zealand scientist George Vernon Hudson, according to [www.timeanddate.com](http://www.timeanddate.com), "Hudson presented a paper to the Wellington Philosophical Society, proposing a 2-hour shift forward in October and a 2-hour shift back in March." Then in 1905, "...William Willett suggested setting the clocks ahead 20 minutes on each of the four Sundays in April, and switching them back by the same amount on each of the four Sundays in September, a total of eight time switches per year."

## Weekly Thoughts (Continued)

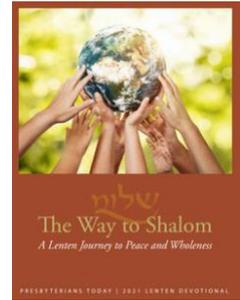
Between a two hour change twice a year and a 20 minute change 8 times a year, I think our current system is probably a little more tolerable. And, until I lived in Oregon and Washington, I never really noticed how dramatic the differences in daylight from season to season could be and how much more important DST seemed; as the further we travel from the equator the greater the difference in the seasons. I guess it's all a matter perspective.

DST is just one of many changes that we are faced with each year. Granted, we at least know when DST is going to start and end each year. We; however, can't say that for the other changes that occur without the courtesy of notice. Covid-19 comes to mind as an example we all share in. With any change, we are faced with the choice of either fighting the change or finding ways to flow with it, trying to find God in said change. God gives us everything we need to turn negatives into positives, we just need to remember the love that God has, not for a few, but for all, including you. Remember the words from 1 John 4:17-18, "God is love. When we take up permanent residence in a life of love, we live in God and God lives in us. This way, love has the run of the house, becomes at home and mature in us, so that we're free of worry on Judgment Day—our standing in the world is identical with Christ's. There is no room in love for fear. Well-formed love banishes fear. Since fear is crippling, a fearful life—fear of death, fear of judgment—is one not yet fully formed in love." (MSG) Siblings in Christ, know, feel and share God's love, that love that is God. Know too that God is always there with you, sharing in your anxieties while whispering good council and comforting words in your ear. When we follow God's still speaking voice, although we may lose an hour or more of sleep here and there, God will see us through. As long as we are journeying through life with God, living out God's call for us is the only thing that matters. Remember, it's not the change that's so bad, it's the transition that's the hard part. And with the Holy Trinity, we will survive that transition and make the best out of whatever life throws at us. As I've said before, we are one day closer to fellowshiping again the way we want. Please know that you each are always in my heart, thoughts and prayers. and to God's creation. Stay safe.

Blessings and peace, Pastor Paul

- † There is a Lenten daily devotional from the Presbyterian Today Magazine that you can find on the nhparish.org website:

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/today/lent2021/>. If you cannot download the link and you want a hard copy, please contact one of the church offices.



## Announcements

- † Boy Scout Troop 100 & Cub Scout Pack 3100 will be having their **Annual Mulch Fundraiser**. \$4.00 per 2.0 cu ft. bag. Available in Hardwood, Red Hardwood, Black Hardwood, Brown Hardwood. Orders due by March 29<sup>th</sup>. Checks payable to Troop 100 or Pack 3100. Email [paolatroop100@gmail.com](mailto:paolatroop100@gmail.com) Pickup will be at Family Center, Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am to 11:00 am.
- † Want to see everyone without their face masks on? Well, join us for Zoom Fellowship every Sunday at 1:00 PM. Please follow the Zoom instructions.
- † **THE PAOLA THRIFT SHOP**: is now open on Saturdays for sales 9:00 am-noon; for donations 9:00 am – Noon on Saturdays and Thursdays .
- † If you have anything to add to the weekly newsletter/announcement, please have your information to the Paola or Osawatomie office by noon on Tuesday.
- † If you or someone you know is unable to watch the worship service online or participate in online fellowship, please contact your church office for other ways to participate in worship. (DVD, VHS, CD, Cassette Tape, etc....)
- † To watch the live 11:00 am Service on Sunday and previously recorded services go to: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDDMsp1jmJj8LCRA8pc1SrQ>
- † **NHP Kids TV** is available at [www.nhparish.org](http://www.nhparish.org) and click on **Kids TV** link.
- † **The Food Pantry in Osawatomie** is open on Wednesdays from 11:30-12:30. They are opening the Food Pantry up to Louisburg and Paola during this COVID-19 pandemic.
- † **PACA**: All food is welcomed during this unprecedented time. Macaroni and cheese is especially needed, complete pancake mix and also the 5.5 oz complete pancake mix packages, pancake syrup, jelly, cereal, cookie bag mix. Or a check can be made out to PACA Food Pantry and sent to the FPC church office.





**March**

- 3/3 Berlynn Pennock
- 3/4 Jim Mendel
- 3/7 Don Wilbur
- 3/11 Devin Allison
- 3/11 Tommy Stull
- 3/12 Alan Haag
- 3/17 Pat Barnett
- 3/27 Karolyn Robins

**March**

**No Anniversaries listed for March**

**New Hope Parish Calendar**

All meetings are on Zoom

**March 24** -New Hope Parish Fellowship/Outreach – 7:00 pm

**March 25**-New Hope Parish Care Team Meeting – 2:00 pm

**To Join Any Parish Zoom Event With Your Computer or Phone**

To Join any of the Parish Zooms from your phone, please do the following just before the event:

1. Call the phone number: **1-888-537-8719**
2. Enter the following information when asked:
  - Meeting ID: 929 140 2896
  - Password: 344110
3. Enjoy praising God and fellowshiping with your sisters and brothers!

Join our live Zoom Fellowship using your computer, smart phone, tablet, or a good old-fashioned landline. These are great ways to stay in touch. So, drop in and say hi!

Looking forward to seeing you. Join the Zoom Fellowship Meeting at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9291402896?pwd=ejY1TGs5U1pkWE5EdFRyTy9hT1J4Zz09>

OR

go to <https://nhparish.org/index.php/calender/> , find the appropriate date and click on New Hope Parish Sunday Live Worship & Fellowship, you will see the link. Or, use the instructions above to join from your phone. Fellowship using Zoom – **Sundays at 1:00 PM**. Catch up with everyone at our Parish Fellowships

# **New Hope Parish Prayer Requests and Praises**

## **Parish Prayer Requests**

Jim Applegarth (healing)  
Harold Barnett (healing and strength) and Colleen  
Char Bergene for healing  
Mike Cox (Diana Cox's husband and Angie Pennock's stepfather)  
LuAnne Debrick for healing  
Faith Dellinger (Suzie McIntire's nephew's wife) Hospice  
Grace Donham for healing  
Venie Elliott (healing and discernment)  
Jack Floyd (healing and discernment)  
Evelyn Gabbert (healing from surgery and broken hip)  
Beulah Johnson (healing and comfort)  
Paisley Keith Medlen (blood disorder) (Ed & Vida Hurlbut's great granddaughter)  
Kelley Wallace, prayers for healing  
Liz Redd (healing)  
Marsha Ratkovic (Pat Barnett's sister) breast cancer metastasized  
Verla Thomas (healing)  
Betty Ventura (healing)  
Suzie Wilcox (ALS)  
Paula Weir (for healing) and Bob Weir (comfort and discernment)  
Connie Attebery, friend of Bonnie Wallace  
Sharon Davey (health issues) (Grady Atwater)

## **Community Prayer Requests**

Roxanne Egidy – Brain injury, Marylu Egidy's niece  
Joe Fickel prayers for comfort  
Ron and Sandy Galvin prayers for healing and discernment  
Judy Henderson (Sarah Kennington's(HeadStart)-mother  
Cindy Hickey – breast cancer  
Riley McDougal (son of Marty McDougal) (healing and comfort)  
Debbie, friend of Dee Anne Mendel  
Donna Penner and her family (under Hospice care-comfort and peace)  
Robert Sawin -Cancer – Judy Windler's father  
Shelly, friend of Max and Carolyn Servais, has cancer  
Rebecca Sutton (cancer)  
Cheryl Tunks(cancer and heart problems) (Cinda Atwater's aunt)  
Lori Martin (Comfort, healing and discernment)  
Kim Walker (Comfort, healing and discernment)

## **Military**

Chet Barnett (grandson of the Barnett's)  
Men and women who are now serving or have served in the past.

## **COVID-19**

All those affected by this virus, including all healthcare workers, first responders, and scientists.

## Condolences

Family and friends of Elaine Fry

## Heartland Presbytery

Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, KS—Mission & Antioch  
Rantoul Community Presbyterian Church, Rantoul, KS  
Raymore Presbyterian Church, Raymore, MO

## Throughout God's Creation

Those struggling for justice and equality. Those suffering from oppression and violence. Those who are forced to flee their homes, risking life and limb for the hope of a better life. God's creation as it seeks to survive mankind's exploitation and global climate change.

## Praise

That more individuals are being vaccinated for COVID.

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DEAR LORD, NEXT TIME YOU SEND MANNA  
COULD YOU PLEASE MAKE MINE A DELUXE  
WITH ANCHOVIES

## From the New Hope Parish Fellowship & Outreach Team

The New Hope Parish Fellowship & Outreach Team is working to help individuals who are homeless or in need by providing a “Care Package” that can easily be transported that meets the basic needs of individuals who are homeless or in need. Individuals who are homeless often carry all that they own, so the care packages must be compact and lightweight to ensure that the care package is of practical value for individuals who are homeless. The care packages will be distributed to individuals who are homeless at My Father’s House, the Osawatomie Public Library, and other charitable organizations in Miami County.

The New Hope Parish Fellowship & Outreach Team desires the following items for the care packages. Please donate as many of the items that you wish by bringing them to a New Hope Parish Church.

Care Package for Men	Care Package for Women
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A small reusable water bottle</li> <li>• A small tube of toothpaste</li> <li>• Toothbrush</li> <li>• A small bottle of shampoo</li> <li>• A pocket comb</li> <li>• A bar of soap</li> <li>• A washrag</li> <li>• A small container of deodorant</li> <li>• A disposable razor</li> <li>• Shaving cream.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A small reusable water bottle</li> <li>• A small tube of toothpaste</li> <li>• Toothbrush.</li> <li>• A small bottle of shampoo</li> <li>• A brush and comb</li> <li>• A bar of soap</li> <li>• A washrag</li> <li>• A small container of deodorant</li> <li>• A disposable razor</li> </ul>



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- ✦ Text OGHS to 20222 to give \$10

-or-

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Thanks to your heartfelt gifts, One Great Hour of Sharing currently supports projects in over 100 countries.

### IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT!

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