

New Hope Parish Weekly Update

Week of July 25, 2021

Weekly Thoughts from Pastor Paul

Nobody Can Make Him

Devotion by Mary Luti

Jesus' brothers said to him, "Leave here and go to Judea so that [they] also may see the works you are doing; for no one who wants to be widely known acts in secret. If you do these things, show yourself to the world." - John 7:3-5 (NRSV)

Jesus' brothers worry that he's lacking ambition. He's got miracles, a great story, mass appeal. He could make it big. But he'll never be a Somebody in Galilee. It's too far off Broadway. If you want stardom, you have to go to Judea.

Jesus will go to Judea eventually. But he knows it won't be for a star on the Walk of Fame. It'll be for a cross. Not exactly the big splash his brothers want. He's in no hurry. No, he says to them, not yet. My hour hasn't come.

This isn't the only time Jesus rebuffs people close to him who question his purpose and timing. His mother tries to drag him home before he goes completely off the rails. Peter tells him he needs to stop talking about his impending death. The disciples badger him about when he'll install the kingdom.

But nobody can make him. He won't shape or pace himself for anyone, even family. There's no lust in him for celebrity, power, or control. He knows who he is and why he's here, and he's steadily on course, too much for some, not enough for others.

He doesn't satisfy anyone. Except maybe those who sense that his lack of ambition is the very reason you can trust him. There's nothing to fear from someone unmoved by star power, who won't manipulate, shift-shape, hurry up, or slow down to get your approval, to get you to adore.

Nothing to fear, and everything to love.

Prayer

For clarity and serenity, I pray, good Jesus. And to be trustworthy, my only ambition to love

Announcements

- † Pastor Paul will be on vacation from July 20th and return to the offices on August 3rd.
- † For pastoral care while Pastor Paul is on vacation, contact one of the church offices. Reverend Jeannie Murphy is on call for any pastoral emergencies.
 - ☎ Osawatomie: (913) 755-3964
 - ☎ Paola: (913) 294-2319
- † ECKAAA (East Central Kansas Area Agency on Aging) is looking to fill the position of Nutrition Site Manager for the Paola Site. This position is a great opportunity for someone looking to help serve the community. This site is open Monday – Friday, 2-4 hours per day. The position would involve managing the home delivered meals, coordinating the volunteers to deliver and/or help serve the congregate meals in the Sr. Center. No weekend, nights, or holidays. If you are interested, please contact Faith Sage at 785-242-7200 or apply in person at ECKAAA Office, 117 S. Main St., Ottawa, KS.
- † A new Caregiver Support Group started up June 15, and is meeting every 3rd Tuesday of each. It will be at the Elizabeth Layton Center, 2595 SW 327th St., Paola, from 6-7 pm. If you have questions, please contact: Shannon at ECKAAA 785-242-7200/
- † Foster Grandparents are needed for those 55 years and older to volunteer at local schools, Head Start, and other facilities assisting children. You can earn up to \$300 a month tax-free that does not affect social security. If you are interested, please contact the Foster Grandparent Program at 9123-294-3880. You can make a difference.
- † 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, contact your church office about getting a recording of the service.
- † To watch the live 11:00 am Service on Sunday and previously recorded services go to: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDDMsp1jmJi8LCRA8pc1SrQ>
- † NHP Kids TV is available at 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.

New Hope Parish Calendar

All meetings are on Zoom unless indicated

- July 27th – Osawatomie Ministerial Alliance Meeting – 7:00pm**
- July 28th – NHP Fellowship and Outreach-7:00 pm**
- August 11th – Osawatomie Session Meeting – 7:00 pm**
- August 18th – Paola Session Meeting – 7:00 pm (in person)**
- August 19th – NHP Deacons Meeting – 6:00 pm**
- August 19th – Parish Council Meeting – 7:00 pm (in person)**
- August 21st – KC Monarchs Game – (watch for signup sheets**
- August 25th – NHP Fellowship and Outreach Meeting – 7:00 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

Join any Zoom event or meeting 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 the event you want to join, 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



JULY

- 2 Florence Johns
- 3 Lorrie Stull
- 8 Vieng Elliott
- 11 Ed Dennerline
- 18 Linda Koup
- 20 Stacy Macom
- 25 Vida Hurlbut
- 28 Jay Bogart
- 29 Stacy Schrader
- 30 Pastor Paul

JULY

- 2 Hazel & Paul Davidson
- 5 Brandy & Shawn McLean
- 5 Mike & Pat Barnett
- 28 Arlen & Suzy Wilcox

New Hope Parish Prayer Requests and Praises

Parish Prayer Requests

Suzie McIntire (prayers for healing)
Jim Applegarth (healing)
Cinda Atwater – (prayers for healing)
Harold Barnett (healing and strength) and Colleen
Char Bergene for healing
Linda Cole (hospital)
Mike Cox (Diana Cox's husband and Angie Pennock's stepfather) (Hospice)
LuAnne Debrick (healing)
Faith Dellinger (Suzie McIntire's nephew's wife) Hospice
Grace Donham (healing)
Venie Elliott (healing and discernment)
Jack Floyd (healing and discernment)
Evelyn Gabbert (healing from surgery and broken hip)
Paisley Keith Medlen (blood disorder) (Ed & Vida Hurlbut's great granddaughter)
Linda Prothe (Recovering from surgery 7/7)
Liz Redd (healing)
Marsha Ratkovic (Pat Barnett's sister) breast cancer metastasized
Verla Thomas (healing)
Betty Ventura (healing)
Kelley Wallace (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

Nick Cooper (healing, comfort and peace)
Eric Debrick (healing and comfort) (LuAnne's son)
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)
Phil Oberhide – recovering from surgery
Donna Penner and her family (under Hospice care-comfort and peace)
Robert Sawin -Cancer – Judy Windler's father
Lori Strand (breast cancer)
Rebecca Sutton (cancer)
Glen Tolley (healing and comfort-friend of Trisha Stevens)
Cheryl Tunks (cancer and heart problems) (Cinda Atwater's aunt)
Kim Walker (Comfort, healing and discernment)
Mark Young (cancer) LuAnne Debrick's grandson
Mary Wintchen for surgery June 7th

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

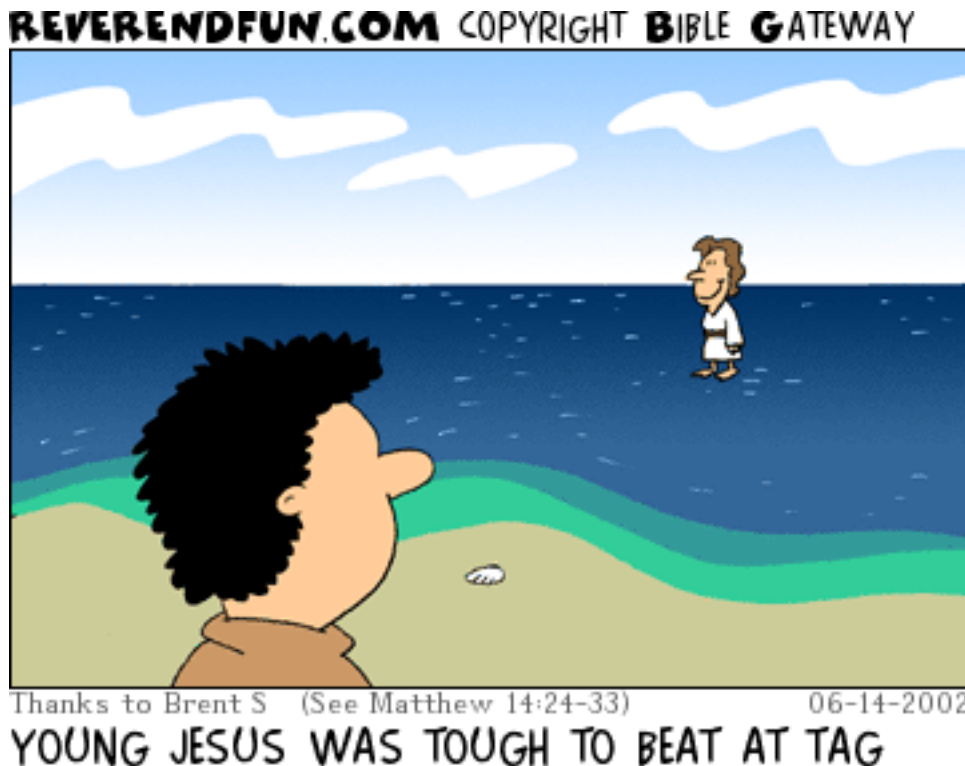
Family and friends of Phillip Patton (Phyllis Stevens brother)
Family and friends of Chellie Huber (daughter of Brenda Alkire)
Family and friends of Ralph Wilson
Family and friends of Jeren Je'Von Hinton (son of Janet Platz)
Family and friends of Kren Colbert

Heartland Presbytery

Craig Presbyterian Church, Craig, MO
Maya Quiché Presbytery
Heartland Presbytery New Worshipping Community Commission

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. Those who are living in the devastating drought areas. Those who are fighting and affected by the wildfires. Those who are dealing with torrential rains and the devastation that it brings.



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

Mark your calendars as we travel to see our Kansas City Monarchs take on the Milwaukee Milkmen!

Saturday, August 21
Leaving Paola at 5PM

Includes bus ride to and from game, air-conditioned seating and all you can eat buffet.

Prices and sign-up sheets coming soon.



Call or email the church office for more information :

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*Miami County
Caregiver Support
Group*

**ELIZABETH LAYTON CENTER
2595 SW 327TH ST,
PAOLA, KS.**

*Starts up June 15th, 2021
3rd Tuesday of each month*

**6-7PM
Facilitators: Barbara Cordts
& ECKAAA**

**CONTACT SHANNON AT ECKAAA WITH
QUESTIONS @ 785-242-7200**



The Foster Grandparent Program Needs You!



**If you love children, you can make a difference
in their lives by volunteering today!**

- 55 years old and up, in reasonable good health
- Volunteer at local schools, Headstart programs and other special needs facilities assisting the children in your community.
- Earn up to \$300/month TAX-free that does not affect social security, housing subsidies or any other assistance.

For more information contact the
Foster Grandparent Program, 913-294-3880
and see how you can make a difference.