

## **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES CALL TO WORSHIP** *(from Luke chapter 6)*

*Leader: Jesus commanded us: Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.*

**People: Lord, give us the strength to turn the other cheek.**

*Leader: We are told to treat others the way we would want to be treated*

**People: Lord, help us to abide by the Golden Rule, for we know the reward is great.**

*Leader: Be merciful to us Lord as we strive to be merciful to others. Prepare our hearts now for this time of worship we pray, that we may hear from your Spirit this day.*

**HYMN:** O How I Love Jesus UMH #170

### **PSALM:** (in unison)

<sup>1</sup> Don't worry about the wicked or envy those who do wrong. <sup>2</sup> For like grass, they soon fade away. Like spring flowers, they soon wither. <sup>3</sup> Trust in the Lord and do good. Then you will live safely in the land and prosper.

<sup>4</sup> Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you your heart's desires. Psalms 37:1-4 NLT

### **PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD**

- Doxology #95
- Prayer Of Dedication

### **SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS**

- Prayers Of The People

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (IN UNISON) Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN** ...sing  
Jesus Loves the Little Children as they head to Sunday School

**HYMN:** Here I am, Lord UMH #593

**SCRIPTURE:** Matthew 28: 16-20

**SERMON:** The Faith We Sing



Sermon Hymn: A Charge to Keep I have

**HYMN:** A Charge to Keep I have UMH #413

### **COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING POSTLUDE**

This Week in the New Hope Parish

**Sunday**

- ✠ New Hope Parish Youth Fellowship
- Sundays 5-7:30 at the Meeting House in Hennepin
- Dinner will be provided
- All are invited 6<sup>th</sup> grade and Up

**No Bible Study this Week**

Pastor Joshua will be at seminary all this week and next week.

**Upcoming Events**

- ✠ March 3 - Guest Preacher: Ken Miller, IGRC  
Conference Lay Leader, Vermillion River District  
Lay Leader
- 📖 Will Preach at all Three Churches
- ✠ March 31 – Parish Wide Combined Church service  
with Pot Luck at Hennepin UMC 10:30
- ✠ April 19 – Good Friday Tenebrae service at Magnolia  
UMC 6pm

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♪♪♪ **The Faith**  
**We Sing** ♪♪♪



**New Hope Parish**

The United Methodist Churches of  
Hennepin Magnolia McNabb  
February 23, 2019

New Hope Parish Website: [www.umcinhennepin.org](http://www.umcinhennepin.org)  
Worship services will now be live streamed on Facebook:  
New Hope Parish, Putnam County, Il  
Please text or email any announcements to Pastor Joshua

Prayer List		
Chuck Berry	Cody Blunier	Dave Miles
Diane Tonozzi	Sandy Backes	Rev. Jim Barnett
Beverly Smothers Wiggs	Jan Diaz	Jim Fenwick
Bill Wiggs Sr.	Nancy O'Connor	Margot MacCracken
<b>Surgery</b>		
<b>Cancer</b>		
Sharon Davis	John Miller	Jim Hutton
Larry Doyle	Laura Ponicucci	Jean Carlson
Dodie Holmes (Member of Sunfield UMC)	Christine Douglas	Wayne Stone
Lee Carlson		
<b>Military</b>		
John Hrasch (US Navy)	Rev. Kristy Hopp (US Air Force)	Autumn Bachman (US Air Force)
Daniel Trainor (US Army)	Albert Brady III (US Navy)	James Wheelis (US Navy)

To add people to the list, please put their names on the prayer request slip in your bulletin.

For anyone who is in the Military who you would like added to this list, please put their name and branch of military on the prayer request slip.

(the prayer list will be updated after Pastor Joshua returns from Kentucky)

## ECUMENICAL LENTEN SERVICES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Service Location</u>	<u>Pastor to Preach</u>
† March 6 – Ash Wednesday		
	📖 2pm at Granville UCC – Pastor Ron McNeill	
	📖 7pm at Granville UCC – Pastor Dave VanLeer	
† March 13 – Immanuel Lutheran		
	(County Line) - Father Pat Demenlemeester	
† March 20 – Hennepin UMC – Rev. John Crist		
† March 27 – McNabb UMC – Rev. Dan Stalker		
† April 3 – Emmaus Lutheran – Pastor Joshua Wiggs		
† April 10 – St. Patrick's Catholic		
	Hennepin – Stations of the Cross	

## **2019 Special Called Session of General Conference**

The Special called session of General Conference to discuss the issue of Human Sexuality and the church's position on Human Sexuality is going on in St Louis now till February 26. Delegates will be discussing the United Methodist Church's stance on Human Sexuality, as well as possible ways forward in light of recent issues within our denomination.

The Council of Bishops of the United Methodist Church has called all United Methodists to be in prayer throughout this conference that the Delegates will make the right decision and that the Will of God will be done through our Denomination.

I am personally asking you to be in prayer during these days for the future of our denomination. I would also be glad to share any further information I can with you and to answer any questions you may have.

- Pastor Joshua Wiggs

## **Happening in our Conference**

### **✠ Post General Conference Briefings**

Bishop Frank J. Beard has announced he will host meetings throughout the Illinois Great Rivers Conference following General Conference to discuss the action taken by the special session of General Conference.

Persons planning to attend one of the five sessions are asked to register in order to ensure adequate accommodation for those wanting to attend and the seating capacities of the venues.

✠ Saturday, March 2 - Champaign Faith UMC, 10 a.m.

✠ Monday, March 4 - Willow Hill UMC, East Peoria, 6:30 p.m.

✠ Thursday, March 7 - Geneseo First UMC, 7 p.m.

✠ Saturday, March 9 - O'Fallon First UMC, 10 a.m.

✠ Thursday, March 14 - Harrisburg First UMC, 6:30 p.m.

To register, please go to [www.igrc.org](http://www.igrc.org) and click on "Post-General Conference Briefings"

### **✠ Handbell Festival - March 9**

The 31st Annual Handbell Festival will be Saturday, March 9, at Springfield First UMC, 2941 S. Koke Mill Road, Springfield IL 62711.

Composer Cathy Moglebust will be our clinician. Total cost is \$40 per registrant if their church group has a Fellowship member or \$45 per registrant if the group has no Fellowship member.

The Handbell Festival is sponsored by the IGRC Chapter of the Fellowship of United Methodists in Music and Worship Arts (FUMMWA).

### **✠ Two Disaster response training events – March 30**

An Early Response Team training will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Registration is open through March 22. Cost is \$40 and includes all course materials.

The Connecting Neighbors training, which will run from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., inspires congregations and communities to minimize disaster-caused harm to people and property and to respond to neighbors in helpful, cooperative and caring ways on behalf of the church and in the spirit of Jesus Christ. Information from this training comes from the knowledge and experience gleaned over many years by dedicated volunteers who have served their neighbors on behalf of the church. Registration is \$30 per person through March 22nd.

### **✠ 2019 Bishop's Open – April 26**

The 2019 Bishop's Open will be on Friday, April 26, at the Piper Glen Golf Course Club near Chatham. Festivities begin at 11 a.m. with lunch followed by a shotgun start at noon. Dinner will follow the completion of the golf outing. Single registrations as well as foursomes can be registered below. All proceeds of the outing will be for the Our Conference, Our Kids campaign to endow spiritual life programs at each of the five conference agencies dealing with children and youth -- The Baby Fold, Chaddock, Cunningham Home, Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House and Spero (formerly the United Methodist Children's Home).

For registration as well as fee information go to:

<https://igrc-reg.brtaapp.com/bishopsopen2019>

For more information on any of these events:

Please go to [www.igrc.org](http://www.igrc.org) or contact Pastor Joshua