

The **Thanks giving Potluck** was well attended and, as in New Hope tradition, the food was plentiful and wonderful.

The fellowship was grand and the Quilt Raffle made three ladies Extremely happy!

The Lady's Quilt was won by Char McMullen.
The Baby's Quilt was won by Char Daluge.
The Man's Quilt was won by Karen Duffy.

Congratulations ladies!

Capitol Hill Ministry will be feeding the homeless on Saturday, December 17th

Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, & Corn
Dessert will be cake furnished by Capitol Hill
Please contact Deb Meise if you can help: 303.668.7925



Dennis Handel 12/17
Molly Ann Rogan 12/22
Bill Gervasi 12/24
Carrie Espinoza 12/28
Sherry Batchelder 1/3
Ann Blakeslee 1/10
Matt Steele 1/12
Lita Kopec 1/13
Kelly Olson 1/14

Jennifer Wood 12/12
Kathy McCormick 12/13
Debbie Hale 12/14
Lynne Daedelow 12/14
Ruth Baughman 12/15
Ann Dyrsten 12/19
Lana Browning 12/22
Joy Dinius 12/26
Gail Hahn 12/31
Karen Frost 1/9
Phil Schultz 1/11
Josh Robbins 1/13
Janet Schneider 1/14
Jot Trudeau 1/14

Recipe of the Month

Rice, Black Bean & Corn Salad

2 cups cold cooked brown rice
1 cup corn - fresh, can or frozen
1 green bell pepper seeded & chopped
1 can black beans rinsed
1 onion chopped
4 Tbsp. fresh cilantro finely chopped
1 Jalapeno pepper seeded and chopped

In large bowl, combine the above and mix well.

6 Tbsp. vinegar
4 ½ Tbsp. lime juice
3 Tbsp. olive oil
1 tsp. salt

In small bowl whisk the vinegar, lime juice, olive oil and salt.
Pour over rice mixture, toss to coat.
Refrigerate at least 1 hour prior to serving.

Serves 8

From Nancy Edwards

Christmas Services

Saturday, December 24th

7:00 p.m. Family Oriented Candlelight Celebration
11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion Service
(Homemade soup & chowder will served)

Sunday, December 25th

11:00 a.m. Christmas Morning Celebration

Dennis Baucom, Deacon



I am Chair of the Deacons and was elected by the consistory. I will serve a one-year term. Then after the new members come on consistory next year we go thru the process again.

As a deacon (this is my third term), I am responsible for overseeing the finances of the church. As Chair of the Deacons I am responsible for setting the monthly deacon meeting agenda and chairing our monthly meetings. As Chair of the Deacons I am also on the executive committee which includes the pastors, VP of consistory and clerk of consistory.

I have been a member of New Hope for 32 years. When we (my wife, Sheryl and I) first started attending we met in a local school and our church office was a storefront in a local mall.

What brought you to New Hope initially? We saw a commercial on TV for New Hope and a friend of ours had mentioned it, so we visited a few times, felt so welcomed by everyone we met so we stayed.

Sheryl and I have been married for 37 years. We have two grown boys, Steven and Michael. Steven is single and Michael is married to Jen. We have two wonderful grand kids. Our granddaughter, Raelyne is seven and in the first grade, and our grandson, Avey is four and in preschool.

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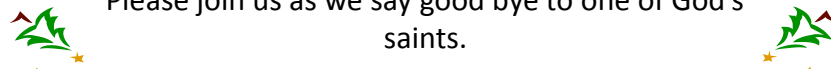
Upcoming opportunities for fellowship at New Hope!



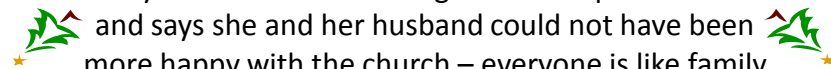
Laura Clymer Farewell



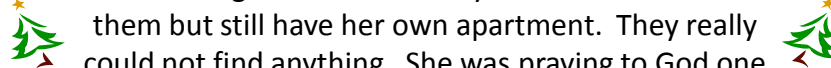
In the Narthex, immediately following the service. Please join us as we say good bye to one of God's saints.



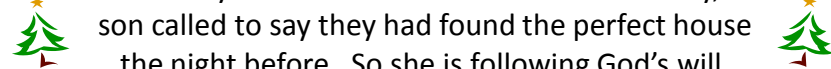
Laura will be moving to Ohio to live with a son and his family. She has been coming to New Hope since 1991



and says she and her husband could not have been more happy with the church – everyone is like family here. When she visited her son in Ohio last Fall they were looking for a home to buy so she could live with



them but still have her own apartment. They really could not find anything. She was praying to God one day asking Him what she should do – God told her he



had already found a house for her. Later that day, her son called to say they had found the perfect house the night before. So she is following God's will.



Laura's new address is:

1930 Huntington Dr., Lima, Ohio 45806



Never Walk Alone (Cancer Support Group)

If you have previously, or are currently dealing with Cancer, please join us, Tuesday, **December 13, 2011**, from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at New Hope for our first meeting. For information please call Ellen Pittman @ 303.690.1348 or Dennis Baucom @ 303.248.3118.

Bring a friend, neighbor, and/or relative to

"I Hear the Prophet Calling"
Sunday, December 18th, 9:30 a.m.

Instruments, singing, and scripture in a charming folk setting.

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Ray Pittman

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