



# New Hope United Methodist Church

W7797 Center Rd  
Glenbeulah, WI 53023

July/August 2020



Let's Worship Together Online

New Hope United Methodist Church  
Faith United Methodist Church  
Bethel United Methodist Church

<https://www.faithumcshebfalls.org>

We continue to invite you to join us via livestream each Sunday at our normally scheduled worship time, 10:30 a.m. We will be bringing you Pastor Kathy's messages via video livestream. You may access the live stream directly from this page. Nothing will appear on the screen when we are not live streaming.

Faith United Methodist Church, Sheboygan Falls

## Upcoming Events

### JULY

Sunday	July 5th	9:30am Worship ~ No Communion
Monday	July 6th	6:30pm Admin Board Meeting
Sunday	July 12th	9:30am Worship
Sunday	July 19th	9:30am Worship
Sunday	July 26th	9:30am Worship

### August

Sunday	August 2nd	9:30am Worship ~ No Communion
Monday	August 3rd	6:30pm Admin Board Meeting
Sunday	August 9th	9:30am Worship
Sunday	August 16th	9:30am Worship
Sunday	August 23rd	9:30am Worship
Sunday	August 30th	9:30am Worship

If you are unable come to church due to illness, vacation or any other reason please join us online at <https://www.faithumcshebfalls.org>



# Welcome Back

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## Greetings from Pastor Ric...

*"How long, O Lord?" What's next?*

*For 14 weeks, we didn't meet for in-person worship at our beautiful sanctuary at New Hope because of the Covid-19 threat. It seemed like such a long time to wait before conditions for a safe return were possible. Again, we cried out to God, "How long, O Lord, how long?" I sure missed seeing everyone in worship.*

*I was glad we could offer virtual worship online through the Faith UMC in the Falls. I appreciated their hospitality and teamwork so we could offer worship experiences to everyone at home during this time of separation.*

*I also missed visiting our care ministry members in their care facilities and homes. We have lost four members since March: Ruth Bub, Dorothy DeMunck, Joanne Garner, and Carolyn Leynse. We miss them very much.*

*Now we have started worshipping in the Sanctuary again since Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>! I appreciate the careful work of the Administrative Board and the Reopening committee to create a safe and healthy plan for us to follow as we resume worship in person in our beautiful sanctuary. We have studied the recommendations of the Wisconsin Conference and the Church Mutual Insurance guidelines among other experts. We are aware of the Pentecostal church in nearby Sheboygan Falls that had a virus outbreak recently affecting 23 of their church members coming down testing positive. I prayerfully hope that they all recover and that we don't have the same outcome while we start-up again.*

*We have heard what simple steps we need to do to minimize the risk of infection for others and ourselves: 1. Wash our hands for 20 seconds (long enough to pray the Lord's Prayer), 2. Stay home, if possible, or stay socially distanced by at least 6 feet when in public, and 3. Wear a mask to cover your nose and mouth when you are out with others. Experience has shown that infection rates drop when we follow these guidelines. And experience is also showing us that infection rates are climbing in areas where we ignore them.*

*I know there is much resistance to accepting these guidelines. People want to get back to regular life again, for work and businesses to reopen, and to socially gather with friends again. I can understand those feelings too. However, I found on Facebook someone who posted their reasons for wearing a mask:*

*I wear my mask while in public for 3 reasons:*

*1. Humility: I don't know if I have COVID as it is clear that people can spread the disease before they have symptoms.*

*2. Kindness: I don't know if the person I am near has a kid battling cancer, or cares for their elderly mom. While I might be fine, they might not.*

*3. Community: I want my community to thrive, businesses to stay open, employees to stay healthy. Keeping a lid on COVID helps us all!*

*I agree with all of these reasons and urge everyone to share these values while infection fears are active, real, and life-threatening for others and us. I look forward to the day when the fears of infection can be behind us, and we can laugh and hug and shake hands and sing with gusto in worship again! But, until then, I pray that we stay safe and healthy as best we can.*

*Looking ahead after the pandemic is finished, what will our world be like? What will our ministry be like? I have read many people who are already thinking forward to that future time. I would like to hear your thoughts about your vision for our church's vision for the years ahead when we no longer need to worry about this global pandemic.*

*Almost everyone I read says that doing ministry and worship online is here to stay and will need to expand. We, here at New Hope, don't have that ability right now, but I believe we could with some help. We could start slow and inexpensive, and then grow our virtual ministry capability over time.*

*Recently, I received an email from the Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation who is helping local congregations start or continue their online presence as well as open their doors for worship by offering a special "New Way" Grant. Grants are up to \$1,000 per church. All United Methodist Churches in Wisconsin are eligible to apply. The grant funds can be used for video or recording equipment for online worship, online video services (such as ZOOM), online or digital giving services, or equipment and supplies for reopening church buildings. The deadline is August 15, so we need to discuss if we wish to apply.*

*As a faithful people, we need to continue trusting the Lord to care for us when we feel threatened. We also need to trust the public health experts who have studied this pandemic and are using their God-endowed wisdom to find ways to keep us safe and discover the vaccine to eradicate this virus.*

*May God bless and keep you safe!*

*Pastor Ric*

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## Announcements

- The Mission/Outreach Committee is collecting cash donations for hygiene kits for those in need. They recently completed 20 kits which have been distributed, but more are always needed.
- We are still in need of people to help out with grass mowing at the church. **Please contact Peggy DeMunck at 526-3072. Thank you.**
- New Hope United Methodist now have a church website, please check it out!  
[www.gbnewhopeumc.org](http://www.gbnewhopeumc.org)
- **Please share your email so we can keep Church expenses down. We need to keep in contact now more than ever.** If you would like a digital copy of the newsletter please email Nancy Kultgen at: [nancy@gbnewhopeumc.org](mailto:nancy@gbnewhopeumc.org)

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## Important Update



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# Scholarship

## Scholarship Applications Welcomed!

The Scholarship Committee wishes to welcome applications from our church members and related students who are pursuing college and advanced studies. Please contact us to receive the new, updated application form and reference forms to begin the process.

Please go to the church website for forms. [www.gbnewhopeumc.org](http://www.gbnewhopeumc.org)

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June 25, 2020

Hope United Methodist Church  
Bote Educational Scholarship  
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To the Hope United Methodist Church Committee: Bote Educational Scholarship

I am writing to express my thanks and gratitude for being chosen as the recipient of the Bote Educational Scholarship. This scholarship will help to make my dream of being a teacher a reality.

Participating in, my church, sports and service organizations growing up helped me realize that taking initiative is an asset to fostering progress in any program and giving back is important and very gratifying. I believe that I can continue giving back to my community by being a teacher. As an educator I can share my achievements memories and past experiences with my students who yearn to learn. I can by share your mission of growing as disciples in Christian ministry while inspiring hope of volunteerism and service and showing with them that working hard, and determination really do pay off.

The gift of this scholarship will help to alleviate some of the burden of paying for my courses at the UW-Whitewater. For that I am truly thankful.

Please be assured that I will follow through on my commitment to my education degree and put the scholarship to good use. I am honored to receive this award and hope to live up to your expectations as the Bote Educational Scholarship recipient.

Warmest Regards,



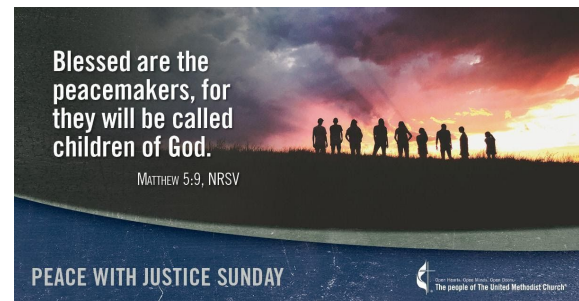
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## Special Sundays



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**Please bring your gift to church on Sunday or you can mail your gift to the church office.**

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## Cemetery Walk/Drive

*The first Annual Cemetery Walk was held on Sunday, May 24, 2020. It was attended by 10 family with a total of 13 people. A booklet was created with information about family members buried at the Greenbush Cemetery. We are continuing to ask members to share the names and stories of loved ones who are buried at the Greenbush Cemetery. The booklet will continue to be update and corrected as we receive additional information from everyone. If you know of someone buried here who was important in the history of Greenbush, and loved ones who were faithful in our church, please send us a short paragraph telling us about them. Please contact us with information about your loved one.*

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## Birthdays

### July

2<sup>nd</sup> Brian Sheets  
8<sup>th</sup> Edith Faul  
14<sup>th</sup> Faye Limberg  
20<sup>th</sup> David Rieth

### August

3<sup>rd</sup> Doreen Huberty  
6<sup>th</sup> Franky Perko  
7<sup>th</sup> Eric Kracht  
9<sup>th</sup> Jared Roll  
23<sup>rd</sup> Karen Longrie  
27<sup>th</sup> Esther Limberg



If we are missing your birthday, please contact the church office.





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