



New Hope United Methodist Church

PO Box 38, W7797 Center Avenue

Greenbush, WI 53026

(Across from the Wade House Historical Site)

March / April 2020

Church Office Hours:

Mondays ~ 10am to 1pm

Thursdays ~As Needed

And by Appointment.

If you would like to speak with Pastor Ric, please leave a message on either the church phone or call him on his cell phone.

Contact Us:

Church Phone: 920.526.3372

Pastor Ric Olson: 920.980.8302

Pastor Ric's Email:

pastor@gbnewhopeumc.org

Website:

<http://www.gbnewhopeumc.org>

Human Relations Day

Thank you to all who supported our Human Relations Sunday.

We raised \$119.00.



Sunday Services at 9:30am

Upcoming Events

MARCH

Sunday	March 1 st	9:30am Worship /Communion
Monday	March 2 nd	6:30pm Admin Board Meeting
Wednesday	March 4 th	6:15pm – 8:15 Simple Suppers
Sunday	March 8 th	9:30am Worship (Daylight Savings)
Wednesday	March 11 th	6:15pm – 8:15 Simple Suppers
Sunday	March 15 th	9:30am Worship
Wednesday	March 18 th	6:15pm – 8:15 Simple Suppers
Sunday	March 22 nd	9:30am Worship ~ UMCOR Sunday
Wednesday	March 25 th	6:15pm – 8:15 Simple Suppers
Sunday	March 29 th	9:30am Worship
Tuesday	March 31 st	4:30pm – 7:00pm Soup Supper

APRIL

Sunday	April 5 th	9:30am Worship /Communion Passion/Palm Sunday
Monday	April 6 th	6:30pm Admin Board Meeting
Thursday	April 9 th	7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service
Friday	April 10 th	7:00pm Good Friday Service
Sunday	April 12 th	8:30am – 9:00am Easter Breakfast
Sunday	April 12 th	9:30am Easter Worship
Sunday	April 19 th	9:30am Worship
		May/June Newsletter Deadline
Sunday	April 26 th	9:30am Worship Native American Special Sunday

*'Tis spring; come out to ramble
The hilly brakes around,
For under thorn and bramble
About the hollow ground
The primroses are found.
And there's the windflower chilly
With all the winds at play,
And there's the Lenten lily
That has not long to stay
And dies on Easter day.*

A. E. Housman

HP Computer for sale



If anyone is interested in purchasing the churches HP18 All-in-one computer, please contact Nancy or Pastor Ric. The computer comes with a keyboard and wireless mouse. We are asking \$125.00.

Greetings from Pastor Ric....

Have a Happy Lent!

I am happy to greet you again as the Lenten Season will be here soon! I am glad that Lent is coming, because that means that spring is coming soon too. I can't wait! But the Lenten Season is very important in the Christian Year too. I found this description of Lent on UMC.org website:

- *"Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word 'lencten,' meaning "lengthen" and refers to the lengthening days of spring. The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry."*
- *"Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent began as a period of fasting and preparation for baptism by new converts and then became a time of penance by all Christians. Today, Christians focus on relationship with God, growing as disciples and extending ourselves, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of ourselves for others."*
- *"Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter" and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection."*

Many Christians think that Lent is a time to give up something. A dear friend used to say that he would give up watermelon during Lent. Of course, that was a joke, that wasn't the season for watermelons, and he didn't like them anyway. Perhaps, we should agree to take up something during Lent to help us grow in spiritual depth and our faith instead.

I hope you will join us on Ash Wednesday, February 26th, for the first Simple Supper at 6:15 and the Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 pm for the imposition of Ashes on your forehead or hand. For the rest of the weeks in Lent we will read together the book "Rediscover Jesus" by Matthew Kelly. Tim Kemmis and I will lead a discussion each Wednesday evening after the meal about what we have read that week. Each day's lesson is only about 3 pages with questions for us to discuss each week.

Please join us for this Lenten Study. I am so happy for those who have already signed up. In this way, we can take up something to help us grow this Lenten Season.

Blessings for a Lent full of blessings, Pastor Ric

Announcements

Beginning Ash Wednesday Through March 25th

Simple Suppers ~ 6:15pm to
7:00pm

Worship and Book Discussion ~
7:00pm to 8:15pm

Soup Supper March 31st
4:30pm to 7:00pm

Church News

~Thank you to everyone who helped with Lester's funeral, everyone made a difficult time much easier for our family. It just shows how wonderful our church family is, thank you once again. The Kracht Family

~Thank you to all those who returned their Covenant Sunday pledges. We had 10 households that returned their pledges for a total annual pledge of \$21,792.00. It is not too late to return your pledge.

~Pastor Ric will be on vacation from April 22nd to May 2nd

~New Hope United Methodist now have a church website, please check it out!
www.gbnewhopeumc.org

~We have been featured in Depot Dispatched and are now members of the Elkhart Lake Chamber of Commerce.

~~If you would like a digital copy of the newsletter please email Nancy Kultgen at:
nancy@gbnewhopeumc.org

Ushers

March

1st Deb Hellmer and Karen Longrie
8th Lyle and Sharon Zimmermann
15th Doreen Huberty and Kaye Hau
22nd Jon and Judy Sommer
29th Carolyn Leynse and Esther Limberg

April

5th Peggy DeMunck and Kimberly Thimmig
12th Faye Limberg and Joan Morse
19th Deb Hellmer and Karen Longrie
26th Lyle and Sharon Zimmermann

Worship Leaders

March ~ Kaye Hau
April ~ Cheryl Mallmann

You can sign-up for being Worship Leader by adding your name the sign-up on the church refrigerator or contact Judy Sommer @ 893-9725

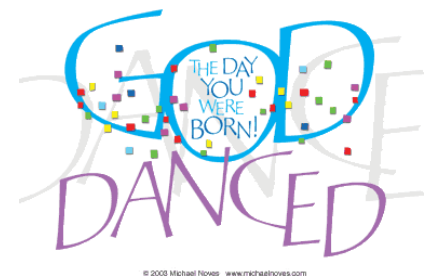
Birthdays

MARCH

9th Bob Hellmer
15th James Schwartz
19th June Kind
24th Christie Crowe

APRIL

5TH Peter Roth
10th Vern Habeck
14th James Kracht
14th Dorothy DeMunck



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

Scholarship

The scholarship committee has made updates to the application, so please make sure to get an updated application. We have also added the ability to apply for other assistance for camps, workshops, retreats and education for Lay Leaders. The updated application will be discussed and approved at the next Administrative meeting in March. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Ric, Ann Beck-Schilling or Denise Roth.

Music

Anyone who is interested in learning how to do the CD's for church services, call Kim Thimmig at 920.907.0933. If you can operate a smart phone, you will be capable of doing this.

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Communion Setup

You can sign-up for Communion setup by adding your name the sign-up on the church refrigerator or contact Judy Sommer @ 893-9725

Cleaning

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