

Great Expectations

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FROM PASTOR GINNY

CHANGE AND RISK

Two words that are not so comfortable for any of us, but especially within the church are change and risk. They seem to naturally fit together. Change involves risk and risk implies change. They can often be words that we would realistically prefer to avoid. Change is frequently not welcome and not easily embraced. Risk carries a level of danger with it, often not welcomed as well.

Yet, both of these words point toward what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Change is transformation. The One who promises, "Behold, I make all things new!" offers a change of heart, a change of perspective, a change of relationship. These continuous changes require a change in the status quo in us and in the world around us. It's new life!

Risk assumes trust and following. Before we risk we have to trust that the One who has held us, directed us, loved us, forgave us...the One who knows us for who we are, will be with us in the future as in the past. We follow and take the risk of stepping out in faith, unsure of what the future holds, but sure of the One who holds us.

Of course, too often in life, too often in the church we can forget change & risk and trust & follow. We struggle hard to maintain things precisely the way they are, finding comfort in the familiar. We can even end up worshipping the familiar or the 'way we've always done it before'.

We have been experiencing change and risk in these weeks and months in New Hope. Beginning with a new style of worship this fall – Table of Hope, followed by a proposal for a newly revamped narthex by the Building Expansion and Renovation Team, a proposed new electric sign, and the transition of the positions of church administrator and music director and nursery staff – all of which can leave us feeling anxious and even fearful. As we engage with each of these issues, remember the words: transformation and trust. What is God calling us to do as we follow the One who invites us into a future filled with promise because of the Spirit's presence with us? Let's listen together for the Spirit's guidance with the hope that even in the listening we may be transformed.



Pastor Ginny



2ND ANNUAL POTLUCK WITH POLICE

November 8 @ 6:30–8:30pm

Our 2nd annual Potluck with Police will be held on November 8th from 6:30 to 8:30. This year like last year we invite you to bring a dish to share (can represent a cultural dish of your family or region of the U.S. in which you were raised), main dish, side dish or desert with our neighbors. The only request we make of you is to sign up online with the type of dish you will bring, so that we won't have too many duplicates.

This event is an offshoot of the Kickball Game with the Police and the Conversation in Come-UNITY groups. The purpose is to develop relationships and strengthen ties between the police and the community as we discuss and share over delicious food.

We hope you will join us for an evening opportunity to get to know our neighbors from the police, the community and the congregation. The conversation promises to be rich and lively!

Advance sign up (with potluck dish description) is requested, but not required.

RSVP at <https://bit.ly/2PHFeEb>

November 2018

Birthdays

1 Laura Rose	15 Amy Frekot	22 Samuel McNeel
2 Lauren Palmer	16 Brian Nabors	23 Thomas Heim
3 Stan Fleming	17 Sandra Payne	24 Jeff Bell
6 Charlie Bailey	19 Ed Smith	24 Ava Lores
9 Bryna Vernon	20 TJ McFee	25 Mark Potenzzone
10 Peggy Johnson	21 Sharon Norris	25 Michelle Siesko
11 Ceili Thomas	21 Richard Smith	26 Barbara Furst
14 Susan Potenzzone	21 William Herwig	26 Ingrid Bricker
	28 Karen Waters	28 Kathy Glyshaw
		28 Danny Ballard
		28 Jeff Jordan

Wedding Anniversaries

5 Keith & Margaret Bevans (88)	27 Fred & Vicki Kurrle (64)
9 Trevor & Laura Rose (02)	27 Daniel & Deanna Lentz (93)
10 Mark & Jennifer Lastova (90)	28 Larry & Julie Lassen (59)
19 Jim & Jean Rossi (05)	30 Bryan & Melissa Mack (91)
26 Patricia & Michael Sekela (05)	30 Jason & Michelle Siesko (13)
Philip & Anneliese Quarrier (14)	

Baptisms

1 Gail Smith	21 Kate Patchan
4 Christopher Baglione	23 Dick Goodlin
4 Grace Proetorius	23 Jake Ballard
7 Jenna Seifert	24 Julie Patchan
7 Eric Scholz	25 Sue Moyer
9 June Proetorius	26 Wyatt Wells
9 Brooks Seifert	26 Willow Wells
10 Beverly Hoffman	27 Kenzo Thomas
10 Caleb Collins	28 Viktor Struck
18 Jackson Greaser	30 Cyndy Anderson
18 Fritz Orlofsky	Isaac Harsch
18 Maggie Orlofsky	<i>Additional Baptisms</i>
18 Cole Greaser	Kathleen Hart
18 Phillip Ranker	Austin Stahl
18 Caroline Greaser	Tom Punte
20 April Orlofsky	Jennifer Harrison
20 Chris Phillips	Sarah Krempel

Welcome to the Community of New Hope



Jessica Dorsey



Stacey Evans



Jason, Michelle, Piper, and Spencer
Siesko
and Jerry Shiles

Faith Formation / Education

Lunch Church

11:30 AM
Every Sunday
until November 25



Feed body and soul at the Table of Hope.



- Join us
- Come as you are
- Lunch is on us
- Worship at the table
- That's how we worship:
a tradition from the
earliest days of the church.



ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

November 11 @ 12:45pm

The meeting will be held immediately following the 11:30 service.
So come early to experience our “Lunch Church”
before the annual meeting.

Spending Plan is available to view in hardcopy in the Narthex or
online at www.NewHopeLutheran.org on the first page.



Christmas
Concert

December 9
@4pm



Christmas Pageant

New Hope's Christmas Celebration! **Christmas Concert and Christmas Pageant**

If you or someone you know would like to share their musical talents that evening, please contact John Madden (madbrass@verizon.net)

Again this year, we will be collecting new and gently used coats, hats, gloves and mittens for Amazing Grace Lutheran Church in Baltimore. Contact Lois Bailey (LoisBailey9598@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

SHARON PUNTE RETIRES FROM

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR AND DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

After a fantastic, spiritual, and relationship filled 24 years Sharon is retiring from her ministries at New Hope. Using all the ministry skills gained at New Hope, she is preparing to launch out into the secular work force spreading the joy of Jesus Christ in all that she will do. After about two months she plans to return the family of New Hope to worship and join in other ministries.



OPIOID & ADDICTION SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 18

The Delaware–Maryland Synod Assembly as part of a resolution at the Synod Assembly in June encouraged a Sunday to be set aside in congregations across the synod as Opioid Crisis Sunday. Worship on Nov 18 will invite the topic of addiction to be front and center throughout worship. Our gathering will be a time of singing, praying, and learning about this crisis in our communities. Our assemblies gather with invitation, hope and comfort for those who suffer and their families both within our congregations and in the community. As communities that believe in the theology of the cross, we don't ignore the pain and brokenness of the world but enter fully into the midst of it as Jesus did for us.



Come join us as we celebrate the new life we receive through Jesus Christ!



RACIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY - NOVEMBER 3

The Racial Justice Ministry Team of the Delaware–Maryland Synod is hosting two workshops this November for lay leaders and members of the synod. We are hosting an event at New Hope! This time together will build upon the workshop offered to rostered ministers earlier this year. The purpose is to facilitate discussions about the reality of race/racism in the world, the church and ourselves. There will be three areas of focus to better understand and encounter race/racism: personal identity, congregational identity, and Christ-centered identity and response.

The workshops will occur on **Saturday, November 3 at New Hope Lutheran Church (8575 Guilford Road, Columbia, MD 21046)** and on Saturday, November 17 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church (425 N Dupont Highway, Dover, DE 19901) from 9 a.m.–3 p.m. Lunch will be provided. The cost of the workshop is \$15 and payments can be made on-site. Checks should be made out to the Delaware–Maryland Synod

To register for the event, please contact Journey of Faith Church via email or at 410–655–5250.



PREPARING FOR THE HOLIDAYS WHEN GRIEVING OR IN TRANSITION

"The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He restores my soul." (Psalm 23:1-3)

Going through the holiday season can be difficult when you are grieving a loss or going through a major change in life. Any change, even good change, can bring about a sense of loss and a grief reaction. Whether you are grieving the death of a loved one, going through a divorce or separation, experiencing a change in health status, planning a major move or going through any life transition that changes how you spend your holidays, this workshop provides a loving and supportive environment where you can have the opportunity to:

- ◇ Tell your story.
- ◇ Grieve in a safe and confidential setting.
- ◇ Learn coping tools to help you come up with an action plan and prepare for the holidays.
- ◇ Invite God to accompany you on this journey.

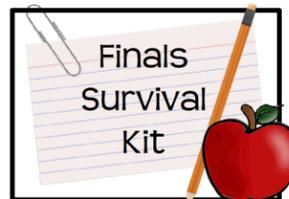
Place: First Lutheran Church
3604 Chatham Road
Ellicott City, MD 21042
Fellowship Center

Date: Saturday, November 17, 2018

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

(Continental Breakfast available at 8:30 a.m.)

Please RSVP to Pastor Gigie Sijera-Grant (ggrant@firstlutheranec.org) / (410) 465-2977, so that we have enough materials prepared.



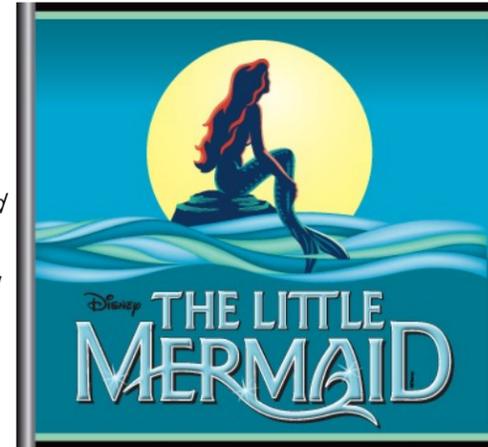
ADDRESSES NEEDED FOR FINALS SURVIVAL KITS

New Hope College Students/Parents: Please forward your college information for this school year to Peggy Johnson (bobandpeg82@comcast.net), New Hope Congregation Care, so that we may send a Finals Survival Kit in early December! Please include student name, college name, address, email, and status (Freshman, Sophomore, etc.). Please note that due to extremely high postal rates, we unfortunately cannot send packages overseas. If you'd like to donate items for these kits, please drop them in the box in the Narthex. Some ideas are: highlighters, pens, sticky notes, Smarties or Kit Kat candies, gum, mints, any snack sized chips, cookies or candy, tea bags, hot cocoa mix, microwave popcorn – or anything else you can think of that would be appreciated. Thanks so much and have a great year!

JOIN US FOR THE LITTLE MERMAID AT TOBY'S!

Come one, come all – families, friends, singles, couples!
On Friday, December 28, you're invited to join a group from
New Hope to see The Little Mermaid at Toby's Dinner Theatre.

If you loved last season's Beauty and the Beast, make your reservations now for The Little Mermaid. In a magical kingdom beneath the sea, the beautiful young mermaid, Ariel, longs to leave her ocean home to live in the world above with Prince Eric. Based on the classic animated film with music by eight-time Academy Award winner Alan Menken (Beauty and the Beast), this show will capture your heart with its irresistible songs, including "Under the Sea," "Kiss the Girl," and "Part of Your World." The entire family will love The Little Mermaid!



The evening will begin with an all-you-can-eat buffet, with lots of choices to suit different tastes, served from 6:15 – 7:30p. The show will start at 8:00p., allowing plenty of time to socialize. As a group, we qualify for a special price; adult tickets are \$56.55 (15% less than the regular price), and children 12 and under pay \$45.50. The ticket price includes dinner (including coffee and iced tea), show, all taxes, and tip. (Other beverages are available for purchase.)

Make reservations by filling out a form from the bulletin board in the narthex (gathering area) near the sign-up board. Place your forms and checks in the box on the organ (or piano) marked "Toby's". We have a limited number of seats available, so don't wait!

Deadline for signup is Sunday, November 25!

Save these dates to see shows at Toby's Dinner Theatre in Columbia with a group from New Hope!
Watch for information about signing up in future newsletters.

Gypsy – Friday, February 1, 2019

The Hunchback of Notre Dame – Friday, April 5

Grease – Friday, May 24

Bodyguard – based on the music of Whitney Houston – Friday, September 27

A Christmas Story – Friday, December 27

Kinky Boots – Friday, February 7, 2020

Out Reach

Election Day Service Projects

Looking for something to do with the kids on Election Day morning? We will be hosting a morning of service projects like we do on MLK day. Come to the Fellowship Hall 10 am – noon to work on different projects that will help others near and far. Kids of **all** ages are welcome!!!!

Cold Weather Shelter

New Hope is hosting the Cold Weather Shelter at the end of the month. We still need volunteers to help make this happen. Please sign up at church in the alcove by the sign up board or at <http://bit.ly/2d3kxCG>. Would you like more information before signing up? Come to the information meeting on Tuesday, November 13 at 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Thanksgiving Baskets

Again this year we are adopting 20 families in need for Thanksgiving. The families are from FIRN, Howard County's Foreign-born Information and Referral Network. You may choose a family from the display on the signup board. The information sheet contains the size of the family and some food suggestions. Remember to include non-perishable food to make a Thanksgiving dinner as well. Thanksgiving Baskets need to be at church by November 12 and may be placed in the alcove by the coat rack.

Final Exam bags

It's that time of year to help the students at Morgan, Towson and UMBC that are a part of the Lutheran Campus Ministry programs there. Supplies are needed to make the bags. Please donate microwave popcorn, individual bottles of Gatorade or Powerade, individual protein snacks, or candy. Donations can be placed in the bins in the alcove marked FINAL EXAM BAGS.

Help is also need to assemble the bags on Sunday, November 18 between services.

Angel Tree Angels

Salvation Angel Army Angel Tree Angels are here!!! Adopt a child or a senior. When adopting a child, please try to get everything on the angel or at least 3 of the items (clothing as well as toys). To adopt a senior, pick up an envelope in the Fellowship Hall at the Growing with Groceries table. Purchase gift cards at GWG or at stores like Target and Walmart, put them in the envelopes and return the envelopes to the folder on the Sign up Board. All angels, children and senior, are due back to church by Sunday, December 2.

Reverse Advent Calendar Boxes

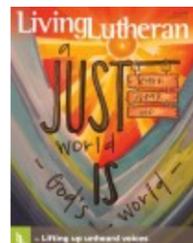
Besides doing an Advent calendar to count down the days to Christmas consider completing a REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR BOX.

Beginning December 1, add an item each day to a box to donate to our gift table on Christmas morning. Bring the full box to a Christmas Eve service or to the Christmas morning brunch. Items to include: canned meats, canned meals, canned fruit, men's white calf socks, hot hands, bags of homemade cookies/candies, chapstick/blistex, cereals, hot chocolate packets, snacks.

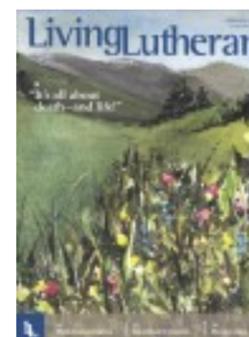


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Living Lutheran provides an important way to grow in our faith as well as to learn about what's happening in the larger church (Lutheran churches as well as other religious groups). This award-winning magazine:



- Nurtures awareness of Christ's presence in our lives and the world.
- Shares stories of God's people living their faith.
- Connects us with the global Christian community.
- Provides an open forum for discussion.
- Challenges us to bring God's grace and care to all.



You can view past issues at <https://www.livinglutheran.org/issues/> to get an idea of the quality and scope of this award-winning magazine.

Until Sunday, December 2, you can sign up to join the group of New Hope members who subscribe to *Living Lutheran* at a special price: \$8.95 per year (instead of \$19.95). To do so, complete the form provided (below).

If you have questions, please contact one of these people:

Cindy Ranker: Cindy@NewHopeLutheran.org

Sue Pumplin: Sue@NewHopeLutheran.org (240-319-9576)

(Already an individual subscriber? Cindy or Sue can facilitate changing your subscription to the group subscription.)

An audio edition in compact disc (CD) format is available by special order; you can call (800) 328-4648 Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM (Central) to order.

.....*Return this lower portion to Sue's or Cindy's mailboxes in the volunteer room at church, or mail them.*.....

- I / We would like to subscribe to *Living Lutheran* as part of New Hope's subscription group at the special price of \$8.95 per year.

Please check the appropriate box:

- I subscribed as a member of New Hope's 2018 subscription group.
 I am currently receiving *Living Lutheran* as an individual subscriber.
 I am not currently a subscriber to *Living Lutheran*.

My mailing address is:

Name(s) _____

Street address _____

City, state, ZIP _____



Your check should be made out to New Hope Lutheran Church, for \$8.95. Please note "subscription" on the memo line. You can give this form and the check to Cindy Ranker or Sue Pumplin at church on Sunday, put them in one of their mailboxes in the volunteer room at church, or mail them to the church: New Hope Lutheran Church, 8575 Guilford Road, Columbia, MD, 21046. Please do not put this in the offering plate!

Deadline: December 2, 2018

PITCH SOCIAL - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 @ 6:30PM

We had the perfect number of people (13) for a bewitching October Pitch Party. If only a warlock, witch and black cat would've shown up for the party, we could have filled a fourth table with demonic players. Thirteen was an unlucky number for Debi Ferris because her husband Mark beat her and was the winner for the night. Even with the majority vote to play another game, no one could take the championship from Mark. He chose to donate the evening's contributions to the Youth Group, which is the number one fund chosen each year for our contributions. Eric Mechtel conjured up second place and Jim Rossi brewed up a commanding third-place finish. We welcome Lois and Charlie Bailey as first-time players and hope they will return for future matches.

The next Pitch social will be on Saturday, November 3 at the church, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Come between 6:00 and 6:30 p.m. if you have never played and want an explanation and demonstration of this card game. Also, before the game starts we will be discussing play strategy for those who are interested. Please advise Larry by email, the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex, or phone if you plan to attend. Please invite family and friends. The age limit is anyone who is old enough to understand how to play card games. Also, we need card tables, so let us know if you can bring one.

Please bring a food dish (not dessert) which will be shared by all attending. Finger foods are preferred. Also, bring a beverage of your choice, which can include beer and/or wine. The Pitch Committee will provide dessert which will be provided by the Flemings.

Pitch Committee:

John and Donna Adams	JohnAdams22@comcast.net, 410-381-1708
Stan and Gail Fleming	GLFleming@Gmail.com, 410-461-7531
Ron and Debbie Kolessar	RKolessar@comcast.net, 410-379-5689
Jim and Jean Rossi	JeanRossi@verizon.net, 301-929-1456
Larry and Rona Green	LarryGreen400@yahoo.com, 410-313-8341



We suggest that each player contributes a dollar amount they feel comfortable donating (it can be cash or check). The winner of the Pitch match will get to choose which New Hope ministry they want the contributions to be donated. The evening is about having fun, socializing with other members and guests, and at the same time providing some financial support to the church's ministries.

Everyone is **welcome!** Even if you have no desire to play, please join us as a spectator and enjoy the food and fellowship.

John Adams found the following YouTube video describing 10 Point Pitch, so, please review before attending; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cJo8Nc18YJY>. If you need a copy of the rules, let me know and I will email them to you.

Future dates:

January 12 February 2
March 9 April 6
May 4

If there is inclement weather, the event will be canceled.

Questions? Please contact Larry at LarryGreen400@yahoo.com or 410-313-8341.

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 5:30p Daisy Troop 6:30p MOHR 6:30p Handbell Reh 7:30p Choir Reh 7:30p Conversation in Come-UNITY	2 6:30p GS 4514	3 9a Worship Set Up 9:30a Racism Seminar 9:30a Women's Discussion Group 2p Veres 6:30p AA 6:30p PITCH Social
4 All Saints Sunday/ Confirmation 8:30/10/11:30 Worship 10a Sunday School for all ages 11:30a Table of Hope 6p HS Youth 7p Life Recovery Bible Study	5 10a Veres 7p Single Again 7:30p Global Hope Rehearsal	6 10a Craft Group 10a Primary Election Day of Service 2p Veres 7p Craft Group 7:30p Joyful Noise Rehearsal	7 Ho Co Schools closed 10a Bible Study & Lunch 5p Jazz Jam 5:30p Confirmation 7p Tr 373 7p Bible Study	8 6:30p MOHR 6:30p Potluck with Police 6:30p Handbell Reh 7:30p Choir Reh 7:30p Pub Theology @ The Corner Stable	9 5:30p GS Collection Dance	10 9a Crew 373 & 851 9a Keyboard Exam 2p Veres 6:30p AA
11 Pie Sunday 8:30/10/11:30 Worship 10a Sunday School for all ages 11:15a Witness Team 11:30a Table of Hope 1p Annual Meeting of the Congregation 6p HS Youth Group 7p Life Recovery Bible Study 7p Tr373 PLC	12 10a Veres 7p Single Again 7:30p Global Hope Rehearsal	13 2p Veres 7p Craft Group 7:30p Joyful Noise Rehearsal	14 9:30a MOMs Club 10a Bible Study 5p Jazz Jam 5:30p Confirmation 7p Tr 373 7p Bible Study	15 9:30a Clown Care 5:30p Daisy Troop 6:30p MOHR 6:30p Handbell Reh 7:30p Choir Reh 7:30p Conversation in Come-UNITY	16	17 9:30a Confirmation 9:30a Worship Task Force 2p Veres 4p Men's Shelter Dinner 4p Piano Recital 6:30p AA
18 8:30/10/11:30 Worship 10a Sunday School for all ages 11:30a Table of Hope 6p HS Youth Group 7p Life Recovery Bible Study	19 10a Veres 7p Single Again 7:30p Tr 373 Comm 7:30p Global Hope Rehearsal	20 2p Veres 7p Council 7:30p Joyful Noise Rehearsal	21 Newsletter Deadline 10a Bible Study 5p Jazz Jam 5:30p Confirmation 7p Tr 373 7p Bible Study	22 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed	23 Office Closed 9a Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ryan Preston	24 9a Worship Set Up 9a DayCenter Breakfast drop off food @ New Hope 2p Veres 6:30p AA
25 Thanksgiving Sunday 8:30/10 Worship (Global) 10a Sunday School for all ages 11:30a Table of Hope 6p HS Youth Group 7p Life Recovery Bible Study	26 Cold Weather Shelter 10a Veres 7p Single Again	27 Cold Weather Shelter 2p Veres 7p Craft Group 7:30p Joyful Noise Rehearsal	28 Cold Weather Shelter 10a Bible Study 5p Jazz Jam 5:30p Confirmation 6:30p Opus Reh	29 Cold Weather Shelter 6:30p MOHR 6:30p Handbell Reh 7:30p Choir Reh	30 Cold Weather Shelter 6:30p Tanzania Task Force	

Bold - Church Events
Un-bold - non church events

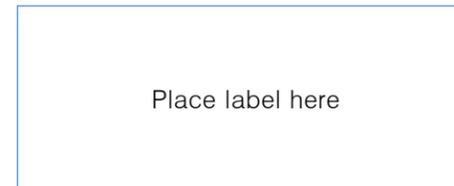
Contact the Church Office if you...

- Have you moved?
- Wish to change your membership from your previous church?
- Would you like a current New Hope directory?
- Are your children attending college?
- Other Questions?

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Time Value: Please do not delay.

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Up Coming Events

See inside for additional information

- Table of Hope – Lunch Church
- Pitch Social
- Potluck with Police
- Out Reach opportunities
- The Little Mermaid @ Toby's