

Hilltopper

Harrisonburg District

April 2017



Prayers
Presence
Gifts
Service
Witness

Rev. M.J. Kim
April 7 and 8 at 7:00 pm
April 9 at 10:30 am



Special points of interest:

- New Hope Revival
- Easter Retreat
- Hilltopper 40 Years Old
- Important Dates
- Nurse's Health Corner
- Anniversaries & Birthdays
- Church Council, UMW

Spiritual Renewal Services (Revival)

Children's Easter Retreat

Saturday, April 15, 2017 1-3 pm

Church Social Hall



- stories
- crafts
- games
- egg hunt
- snacks



Important Dates to Put on Your Calendar

- 4/7-9 Revival with Rev. M.D. Kim
- 4/13 Maundy Thursday Service
- 4/14 Community Good Friday Service at Laurel Hill Baptist
- 4/15 Children's Easter Retreat (1-3 pm)
- 4/16 6:30 am Sunrise Service followed by breakfast
- 4/18 6:30 pm UMM meeting meal served by Irene Fretwell Circle
- 4/20 District UMW Evening Together at 7 pm at Keezletown UMC
- 4/22 Ladies Retreat (4-6 pm)
- 4/30 5th Sunday Event – (Birthday luncheon)
- 5/21 UMW Sunday



40 Years of Hilltopper – 1977 – 2017

(over the following months of 2017 highlights from previous newsletters will be presented)

In March 1977, the first edition of our church newsletter, Hilltopper was published.

Editors were Margaret Harmon and Dot Hammer.

“The Hilltopper is published monthly by the New Hope United Methodist Church of New Hope, Virginia. It is written for the expressed purpose of informing the local parish and community about the activities of the congregation.”

Do You Remember?

(1977)

- *15 youth went to Roanoke to visit Mrs. Nat Barnhart & distributed Styrofoam eggs and cupcakes at United Methodist Home and presented a play “No Greater Love.”
- *Our kitchen had a much needed face lift with new counter tops sponsored by UMM
- *Margaret Sites and Ruby Howell monthly polished vases, cross, candlesticks and offering plates
- *25 youngsters enjoyed youth sponsored egg hunt; served dinner to Sunday School teachers; and had bowling party

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Church Council

Met on Thursday, March 23 with 11 present. Devotions and prayer were shared by Kim Maugans focusing on Philippians 2:13.

Report from Treasurer on file. Finance committee will meet on April 25th.

Trustee requested increase for contract for groundskeeper; working on repairs for sanctuary roof around steeple; request moving janitor supply closet to basement

Vacation Bible School scheduled for June 19-23. Theme: "Fishing on Mission for Jesus"

Evangelism team (Betty Stout, Teresa Barr, Wendy McLaren, Ron White and Martha Fretwell) are working on schedule of greeters, welcome bags for visitors with follow up cards, visitations and meal. Hosting coffee with pastor.

Mission trip: Tangier Island leaving on May 23rd. Currently John Morse, Kim Maugans and Mike Whetzel are going. If you are interested see John or Kim.

Youth – Pastor Shin has met with youth and is sending out regular email devotions to young adults.

Next Planning Team meeting is scheduled for April 2nd. End of year (2017) several key positions will be in need of replacements (discipline suggests 3 year terms) and several have been extended during pastor transitions.

Pastor Shin reported on technology upgrades and will have formal presentation at the next meeting. Also suggested presentation be made to entire congregation as well.

Update to Sun Rise Service breakfast. UMM will provide full breakfast of pancakes, sausage, gravy, cereal, pastries as well as coffee, juice and milk.

Next Meeting April 27 at 6:30 pm

Ladies Retreat

Saturday, April 22, 2017

4:00 – 6:00 pm

Kitchen Wisdom

Flowers in a Row

Chew & Chat

Taste & Smell

Social Hall

All are Welcome



Coffee with the Pastor and his family was a time for rich fellowship after church and an opportunity to learn of his café barista skills

April Nurse's Health Corner

Did you know that you have the potential to save and enhance up to 8 lives through organ and tissue donation? The Department of Health & Human Services reported that in the past year organ donors have made more than 28,000 transplants possible, and another one million people received tissue transplants that helped to improve their quality of life. However, thousands of individuals die every year waiting for organ and tissue transplants. This is a tragedy that does not have to occur. April is National Donate Life Month, so for this month's Nurse's Health Corner, we are correcting some common myths about organ donation. Information provided by Donate Life America.

Myth: If I'm in an accident and the hospital knows that I am designated as a donor, the doctors won't try to save my life.

Fact: The number one priority in hospitals is to save the life of the patient. Organ, eye, and tissue donations are only considered after you have been declared officially brain dead.

Myth: I am too old (or too young) to be a donor.

Fact: Anyone, regardless of age, gender, or medical history can be a donor.

Myth: My religion does not support organ donation.

Fact: All major religions support organ, tissue, and eye donation as a final act of generosity and love towards others.

Myth: Donating my organs would be costly or burdensome to my family.

Fact: There is no cost to the donor or their family for tissue or organ donation.

Myth: The recipient will know who I am.

Fact: Information about the donor is only released to the recipient if the donor's family requests or agrees to it.

Myth: My family will not be able to have an open casket funeral if I become a donor.

Fact: Donated organs are removed surgically and throughout the donation process the body is treated with dignity and respect. Organ, tissue, and eye donors can have open casket funerals.

Myth: Priority treatment is given to rich and/or famous individuals when it comes to the waiting list for organ transplants.

Fact: When you are on the waiting list the severity of your illness, time spent waiting, blood type, and other pertinent medical information is what counts- not your financial status or popularity.

To register as an organ, tissue, and/or eye donor please check out the Donate Life America website or visit: <https://registerme.org/>.

Information provided by Abigail Willett, student intern with Community Outreach at Augusta Health. To contact Dana Breeding, RN, relating to the information in this article or with questions/comments/concerns, please call (540) 332-4988 or (540) 932-4988.

Mission Opportunities

Valley Mission—ongoing project of cereal. Bring your boxes of any kind of cereal and leave in Wesley Sunday School Classroom. Regular deliveries are being made. Thank you !!!

Web Page

Web Page: mynhumc.weebly.com

Reminder to check out our church web page frequently for updates including the church calendar.

Lectionary Readings

4/2

Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130 (UMH 848)
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45

4/9 (Palm Sunday)

Liturgy of the Palms
Matthew 21:1-11
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 31:9-16 (UMH 764)
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 26:14-27 or
Matthew 27:11-54

4/13 (Maundy Thursday)

Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (UMH 837)
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

4/14 (Good Friday)

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalm 22 (UMH 752)
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1-19:42

4/16 (Easter)

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalm 22 (UMH 752)
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1-19:42

4/23

Acts 2:14a, 22-32
Psalm 16 (UMH 748)
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31

4/30

Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (UMH 837)
1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35

5/7

Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23 (UMH 754 or 137)
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Acolyte

4/2 Karen Maugans
4/9 Joanie Troxell
4/16 Weston Powell
4/23 Derek Deavers
4/30 Cindy Deavers
5/7 Becky Tate

Nursery

4/2 Dana Breeding & Clara Breeding
4/9 Carolyn Fretwell & Kenny Fretwell
4/16 Angella Pence & Penny Pence
4/23 Wendy McLaren & Kevin McLaren
4/30 JoEtta Walker & Melanie Aldhizer
5/7 Megan Aldhizer & Lynn Tuten

Children's Message

4/2 Stephanie, Briana, & Alyssa Grande
4/9 Lauren Stout
4/16 Robin Craun
4/23 Kevin A.
4/30 Helen Morse
5/7 Pastor Shin

Lead Ushers

4/2 Rob Riner & Lewis Whitmer
4/9 Karen Maugans & Becky Tate
4/16 Charlie Bill Fretwell & Henry Breeding
4/23 Darryl Deavers & John Morse
4/30 Kevin Armstrong & Andy Breeding
5/7 Rob Riner & Lewis Whitmer



April/May Anniversaries & Birthdays

April

1-Margaret Breeding
 1-Wanda Harding
 3 Regina Chestnut
 3-Bill Shipe
 4 -Bill Lalla
 4-Dale Rankin
 4-Mark Craun
 4-Samantha Arnold
 5-Morgan Craun
 5-Kindra Kraisser
 6- Lauren Stout
 7-John Brock
 7-Josh Hitt
 7-Naomi Ritchie
 7-Brendan Kraisser
 8-Steve & Terri Carter
 9-Rocky Simmons
 10-Cindy Sheets
 13-Melinda Booth
 13-Brittany Killough
 13-Desirae Killough
 13-Stephen Layman
 16-Marc & Susan Mehler
 17-Michael Morris
 18-Patty Corbett
 18-Kathy Floyd
 19-Michael Huff
 20-Glennda Beard
 20-Bill & Judy Lalla
 21-Layne Bennett
 22-Corey Baldwin
 22-David Howdysshell
 22-Brenda Pace
 23-Madison Harding
 24-Harlow Failee Bennett
 24-Judy Riner
 24-Ray Price
 24-Tim Lank
 27-Sherrie Eacho

27-Eric Stogdale
 27-Peyton Meier
 28-Robert Critzer
 28-Bette Rickman
 28-Alex Bergman
 30-Kay Moore
 30-Joseph Shreckhise

May

2 Jarman Fretwell
 3 Francis Stout
 5 Linda Howdysshell
 6 Lindsay Bell
 6 Kevin McLaren
 6 Chad Deavers
 7 Jerry Coffman
 7 Deborah Umidi
 8 Teresa Hester
 9 Keith Stogdale
 10 Melissa Fretwell
 12 Abby Killough
 13 Patrick Gruber
 13 Sylvia Herman
 14 Kimberly Campbell
 15 Cheryl Bennett
 16 Pam VanLear
 18 Robert Herman
 18 Nancy Hutchinson
 18 Laura Shiflett
 19 Sherry Rankin
 19 Michael Shreckhise
 19 Ron White
 22 Randall Herman
 22 Mike & Roxann Canipe
 22 Larry Hinebaugh
 23 Michaela Craun
 23 Alden Hough
 23 Michael Sundeen
 23 Debbie & Sam Arnold

26 Candi Dunlap
 26 Betty Selmon
 27 Patty Morris
 27 Jason Pace
 28 Jeremy Kraisser
 28 Mark & Robin Craun
 28 Jim & Betty Gruber
 29 Steve Morris
 29 David Taylor
 30 Jeff Bosserman
 30 Martha & Jarman
 Fretwell
 31 Carolyn Steele
 31 Jesse & Mildred
 Hartman



If we have any incorrect information or are missing information, please leave updates in mailbox in church library for Hilltopper or email to altuten@vaumc.org

(1977 - continued)

- *Jim Hammer recruits for Men's Chorus
- *Tommies of Staunton tailored acolyte robes of white satin for Carolyn Campbell to use during Worship
- *July 3, 1977 "our church made one of the most momentous decisions of its long and historic life. After several years of praying and planning the Building Committee presented to our congregation detailed plans for a beautiful sanctuary and remodeling of the present sanctuary for use as a fellowship hall."
- *Book review by Mary Stout "Mister God, This is Anna"
- *Food Sale at 4th of July celebration in Staunton by youngsters, oldsters, and in- be-tweens raised \$300
- *Bazaar at Staunton Armory netted \$447.95
- *Church Soft Ball team 5th place
- *Little League team won 17 games straight (two players from New Hope Randy Herman and Kenny Fretwell)
- *Men's Chorus had 27 members
- *2 members on Board for Valley Mission (Glen Eutsler and Jim Driver)
- *Trick or treat for Unicef
- *Chancel Choir bedecked in their new robes
- *Auction Sale sponsored by UMM resulted in \$1000
- *Loyalty Sunday
- *UMM sold 48 gallons of apple butter at \$8.00 per gallon
- *Chancel Choir provided Christmas Cantata

(1978)

- *Spring Revival
- *Altar Flowers handled by 4 Circles
- *Sponsored 2-week Bible School
- *Mission Week with speaker Rev. John Mark from South India Conference
- *Church Pews (\$275) and Choir Pew (\$175) in memory or honor of loved ones
- *Highway Safety Sunday
- *Mission Saturation event missionaries made 11 presentations from Fri-Sun
- *Church World Service truck picked up clothing
- *3 couples attended Lenten Retreat at Blackstone (Walkers, Fretwells, & Whites)
- *Bible School combined with Middle River
- *For Sale (Chancel furniture from old sanctuary)
- *1979 International Year of Child (blankets and quilts) distributed by Church World Service which were displayed at Annual Conference in Roanoke. Our church sent 6 blankets and quilts from the 4 circles.
- *Food & Clothing drive for Henry Fork Center
- *UUM Auction sale netted \$1,339.20
- *July 16 Consecration Service of new sanctuary
- *New Hymnals (\$5.95) in honor and memory of loved ones
- *Revival October with Rev. Louis Carson speaker
- *Homecoming October 29, 1978
- *UMM have potatoes for sale
- *UMM looking at project of hard surfacing church parking lot
- *10/17 "Angel on Step Ladder" play directed by Ron White (players included Jake Botkin, Glenna Powers, Jennifer Berry, Andy Breeding, Ronnie Carr, Pam Snyder, Jack Walker, Hunter Black, Dick Randolph, Henry Breeding, Jeanne Baber, Earl Wilberger and Joan Powers).
- *12/4 Celebration/Party with Missionaries Hunter and Esther Mabry (presented with gift of \$715). In turn Mabrys presented church with wall hanging of UM symbol and dolls depicting men and women of India.

(1979) (Editors: Margaret Herman, Dot Hammer & Julie Botkin)

- *12 Sunday School classes
- *UMM plans for auction & oyster/country ham supper (3/10/79) at 5 pm (Cost: \$4.00 in advance; 4.50 at door) Profit \$550
- *Year with Bible scripture and hymns (go together to help to interpret each other)
- *Henry Fork Center mission project for food, clothing and other needs
- *Wesley Class gave a "fellowship" dinner for friends and teacher, Alice Carr and husband and Clayton Clemmer
- *Church picnic at Grand Caverns – New Market (June 29th)
- *New adult class led by Mary Stout
- *Bill Fretwell's softball team finished 4th in tournament and also received sportsmanship trophy
- *church will be locked at 9 pm each evening and unlocked each morning
- *Family camping weekend at Camp Overlook \$2.50 per family
- *Homecoming (Sept 9) with 276 attending Worship & over 200 for lunch
- *Volleyball team (John and Jennifer Berry, Shelvie Critzer, Julie Botkin, Bill and Phyllis Fretwell, Ethel and Ron White).
- *Unison Thanksgiving Service – 5 churches
- *New Hope and Middle River joint Christmas Eve Service at 9 pm
- *12th Night Party for pre-school to 6th graders
- *Youth skating party

(1980) (Editors: Margaret Herman & Dot Hammer)

- *Hearts Party
- *Easter Egg Hunt
- *Joined Barren Ridge Church of Brethren for Sunrise Service
- *Ham & Oyster supper (4/12) Cost: \$5 and \$2.50 for children)
- *Annual Conference in Indianapolis in April. Historians say the first Methodist sermon was preached in Indianapolis in 1819 under a walnut tree by Rev. Resin Hamilton
- *1980 marks 200th anniversary of Sunday Schools (1790 in England Robert Raikes was named father of Sunday Schools) who himself was converted after reading Isaiah 53 to a child
- *May 25 – Memorial Sunday

Ms. Eugenia Mills Berta donated new markers for grave of 2nd Lt Wesley B Mills. All graves of our veterans were decorated with flags and children placed flowers in their honor

- *June 15-20 6:30 – 8:30 Bible School opening with hayride and marshmallow roast
- *Recognized 14 members with membership more than 50 years
- *Special Sunday Evening Service 7:30 pm with speaker from Briery Branch Church of Brethren
- *New Bishop Rev. Robert Blackburn after retirement of Bishop Goodson
- *Women canned 75 quarts of soup for Bazaar
- *UMM ham oyster supper 5 pm – 8 pm \$5 adults; \$2.50 children

(1981)

- *Fidelis Class had educational fund which member of church can borrow interest free for college in full time Christian Service
- *Installation of acolytes
- *Mission covered dish supper with program on Red Bird Mission (youth made felt cardinals for those attending mission program)
- *Bus trip to Williamsburg

(1981 - continued)

- *Thirty pieces of silver for Lent (1/2 offering to Mabry missionaries; ¼ Valley Mission; ¼ home mission needs)
- *April Oyster ham supper
- *April – Mother/Daughter Banquet catered by Buckhorn Inn
- *Easter Egg Hunt
- *Youth joined Mt. Horeb for swim party at Waynesboro
- *Toys needed for nursery and kindergarten
- *Organist needed
- *"Spring Fair" sponsored by UMW
- *Oak Grove Singers sponsored by UMM
- *First Sunrise Service (38 present); coffee and donuts served by youth
- *VBS "Day Camp" home of Henry & Margaret Breeding 4:30 – 7:30 pm; kids brought packed supper Mon-Wed; UMW provided Thur; Fri – family program at 7:30 pm. 45 children attended
- *Fidelis class planned trip to Holy Land USA, Bedford, Va.
- *Fall Planning Retreat 3-7 pm (Sept)
- *Soup making day
- *Mission Committee planned trip to mountains for senior citizens to see fall foliage
- *Homecoming 226 attended
- *Irene Fretwell Circle sold Thanksgiving and all occasion napkins for \$1 per pack.
- *Fall mission focus to purchase water pump for irrigating land in Senegal, West Africa

United Methodist Women

Met on Monday, March 20 with 12 present. A program was provided by our guest speaker, Sharon Kincaid Flora of Love, Inc. (Love In the Name of Christ). Monetary donations were made to Women's Comfort Care, Love, Inc as well as Days for Girls and funds to support refreshments for Vacation Bible School scheduled for June 19 – 23. A community outreach of coffee and donuts was planned for April 8th from 9:30 am to 11:30 at the New Hope dumpster. Our ladies continue to support the Valley Mission and District Mission Central. Ladies will provide light refreshments following the Revival Services on April 7 and 8 and desserts for lunch following Worship Service on April 9th.



The District UMW will have Evening Together program at Keezletown UMC on April 20th at 7 pm. Program will include Luray UMC Preschool (Virginia Conference Special Program Grant Recipient) and from Shiloh UMC Enrich Program in Strasburg (Sustaining Program Grant Recipient).

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Mission: Growing as followers of Jesus Christ, we seek to live out our faith and serve God's community.

Identity: The New Hope congregation is a family of sharing and caring Christians who gather for worship and fellowship and through whom opportunities for spiritual growth are offered for all ages.

Vision: The people of New Hope will allow God to make a lasting and holy difference in us and through us as we apply ourselves to worship, prayer, study, witness and service



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