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## *New Hope News*

### *Learning, Living, and Sharing*

*April 2024*

#### **Pastor's Note**

Spring is here! It is such a beautiful season full of new life and growth. We look outside and see flowers beginning to bloom, trees coming back to life, and color all around us. Spring is a reminder to me of God's promise to bring life and to bring it abundantly. This year spring is especially beautiful because it falls in line with Easter. The last Sunday of March was Easter Sunday the day we celebrate the Resurrection. The Resurrection is God's proof to us that He has overcome death and that new life is available for us all. I hope that as you were seeing the beauty of spring and the world coming to life outside your window that you are remembering and celebrating the Resurrection with me.

As we move into the beautiful season after Easter we will move into a new sermon series throughout the month of April that will help us to take the message of Easter and apply it in a deeper way in our daily lives. Our April sermon series is called **MADE NEW**. Just as we are seeing the world remade in new and beautiful ways around us, Easter allows us the opportunity to be made New as well. Each Sunday in April, we will look at how the Easter message allows us to experience renewal and a new life in relationship with Jesus. This will be a great series for you to invite friends and family to join you in worship and experience growth together.



It's amazing to think that we're already beginning to look towards the end of another school year in May and making plans for the summer. I always look forward to our exciting summer events like Vacation Bible School, our youth summer mission trip, and special opportunities to worship together like Mother's Day, Graduation Sunday, Father's Day, and our annual Independence Day patriotic worship celebration. I am also excited that this summer (May, June, & July) we will worship together as one church family each Sunday in ONE WORSHIP. During the summer months, we will have one worship service Sundays at 10 AM and Sunday School will meet at 9 AM.

It is such an honor to be your pastor and serve alongside you all! Just as we see new life all around us I believe the Lord is continuing to bless New Hope with growth and new life every single day!

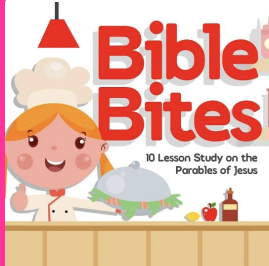
*Pastor Andrew*

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## KIDS NEWS

### Sunday Morning Worship

A children's moment will be presented to our children in the Sanctuary at the 11:00 a.m. service and then they will go to the Next Generation building for Children's Church.



Sunday School/  
Morning Missions  
meets at 10:00 a.m. in  
the Next Gen Building.

### Kids Club Outing

Join us at Whataburger in Dawsonville for our monthly Kid's Club outing! Please RSVP to Katie or Pastor Andrew if you are planning to attend on **April 7** following the 11 a.m. service! We can't wait to see you there!



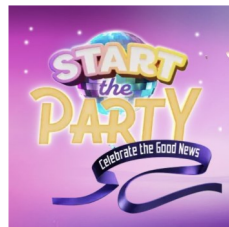
### Kids Club Bridge

Join us on **April 3** for our April Bridge Day with the youth from 6-8 p.m. for pizza a movie to celebrate Spring Break.

### Vacation Bible School

**Monday, June 3 -  
Friday, June 7**

Mark your calendars &  
save the date! It is going  
to be  
awesome!



Katie Speakman  
Children's Director  
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## Youth News

Sunday School/Coffee & Missions meets on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the Next Gen Building.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

**Youth meets from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday nights and supper is provided.**

**April 3:** Pizza & Movie Night during Spring Break

**April 10:** Regular Youth Night

**April 17:** Regular Youth Night

**April 24:** Regular Youth Night

### SAVE THE DATE

**May 5:** Passage Ceremony for our graduating seniors and rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders! A short reception will follow in the narthex/lobby.

**May 8:** Last Wednesday night until the fall! Join us at Keith's Bridge Park from 6-8 for a cookout, swimming, and fellowship!

**May 15:** Final meeting for Summer Mission Trip (6 - 7 p.m.) and due date for forms and money.



Stephanie Fortuna  
Youth Director  
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## ADULT Involvement Opportunities

~ **Sunday School** ~  
Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

~ **Men's Breakfast & Bible Study** ~  
Tuesdays 7:00 a.m., Country Café

~ **Elizabeth Smith Women's Group** ~  
Tuesday, April 16 at 11:00 a.m.

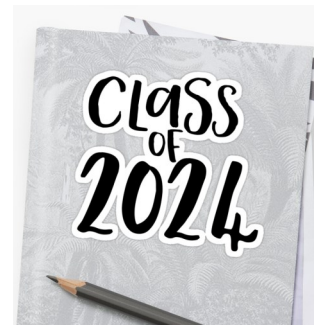
~ **Romans Bible Study Group** ~  
Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

~ **Prayer Group** ~  
Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

~ **Choir Rehearsal** ~  
Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.  
No rehearsal on April 3

~ **Life on Tap** ~  
Tuesday, April 30 at 7:00 p.m., NoFo

There is a box in the Narthex for you to drop off letters of advice, encouragement, memories, or cards for Ben, Carson, Chace, Ella, Jaiden, Kylie, Matthew, and Ty.



The letters/  
cards will be  
given to them  
May 5.

## Monthly Budget & Attendance Info

Through Sunday, March 17

Attendance Info:	Average Number
Sun. 9:00 a.m.	28
Sun. - 11:00 a.m.	62
Online Engagements Sunday	195
Worship Total:	285
<b>Financial:</b>	
2024 Budget	\$390,095.00
Monthly Need	\$32,057.92
Received as of 3-17-24:	\$18,707.08

## Save the Date

**April 2:** Join us at



**Wild Wing Cafe**, in front of the Outlet on GA 400 at **6:45 p.m.** for Trivia!

Bring money for dinner or just come hang out and play trivia!

**April 29:** Church Council at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**May 5:** One Worship Service at 10:00 a.m., and Passage Ceremony for our 5th graders that are moving to Middle School and our Seniors that will be graduating. graduating.