

Important Dates

December 6th 6pm:

Christmas Social

December 13th 5pm:

Cumming Christmas Parade

December 16th 10am:

Bible Study Christmas Brunch

December 20th 8:30am - 5:30pm:

Lifeline Screening Event

December 21st 4:30pm:

Christmas Cantata

December 24th 7pm:

Christmas Candlelight Worship

January 11th 11:30am:

Town Hall Meeting

Monthly Budget & Attendance Info

Through Sunday, November 16th

Attendance Info:	Average Number
Sun. 10:00 a.m.	74
Online Engagements Sunday	92
Worship Total:	166
Financial:	
2025 Budget	\$ 399,500
Monthly Need	\$ 33,292
Received as of 11-16-25:	\$ 35,359.41



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New Hope News

Learning, Living, and Sharing

December 2025

Tac-Fully Thinking

Finding New Ways To Say Merry Christmas

Christmas has started again and I pray you're excited, too. What is your initial thought when you realize it's that time again? For you is it about doing the traditional things you have always done, or have things evolved into attempting something new and different. Eventually change happens, so do you foster the tradition into a new tradition, or do you fight to continue celebrating as you always have? Probably a fifty – fifty toss up kind of response, I'd suppose.

Finding it fun to reminisce back over the years, which were sometimes good and well, others that were somewhat a challenge. For me Christmas is about the children and those still young at heart who can truly enjoy the excitement of believing the almost unbelievable realities and truth of sharing the Merry Christmas Spirit, even where Happy Holidays seems more politically correct. But, this not a political agenda to start with. Being offended or getting a feeling hurt does not coincide with the truth of Christmas.

Only two of the gospel writers attend the nativity. Matthew shows up with the kings, in expectation of the Hebrew nation who had been expecting the King of Kings. Then it is Luke who has our favorite Sheep Herders or Shepherds being star struck and scared senseless by the Angles singing the announcement that the Christ Child has been born in David's Royal City, Bethlehem. Those nativity announcements have become blended over time so that the Shepherds may even now get to meet those Three Kings of Epiphany. Its still ok, things do evolve and change over time. Our task is to plan to make the best of each situation we find ourselves in. So, as we reminisce back, we should praise God for the love of sending us a Savior. Jesus Christ is born into each of our hearts that we might share his love – Amen. MERRY CHRISTMAS

Rev. Tac Coley

KIDS NEWS

Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday School meets at 9:00 a.m. in the Next Gen. Building.
Children will attend first part of 10:00 a.m. service and then they go to the Next Gen. Building for Children's Church.

Wednesday Night Bridge

Dec 3rd 6:00: Join us for food, music, games, lesson, and fun!

Important Dates to Remember

December 10:
Christmas Pajama Party and Dinner at the home of Stephanie Eidson

**December 17-
January 7:**
**CHRISTMAS
BREAK,
NO BRIDGE**

January 14:
Bridge Kickoff



Monthly Newsletter

Newsletters are available on the New Hope Kids FB Page or in the Narthex on the Information Station.

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YOUTH NEWS

The 2nd Mission Trip payments are coming up! **Dec. 1st** will be the first two payments of \$60 dollars toward your mission trip.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday School meets at 9:00 a.m. in the Next Gen. Building.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BRIDGE

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

Dec. 3rd: We will have our regular night of "bridge".

Dec. 10th: Christmas PJ party at Stephanie Eidson's house. Let Stephanie Fortuna know ASAP if you will need a ride.

Dec. 13th: Cumming Christmas Parade at the City Center. This is mainly for youth and children, but all (congregants and families) are welcome.

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Stephanie Fortuna
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ADULT INFO

~ Sunday School~

Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

~Men's Breakfast & Bible Study~

Tuesdays 7:00 a.m., Country Café

~ 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..

~ Team Trivia ~

Monday, December 1st
at 6:45 p.m.

Miller's Ale House Dawsonville

~ Elizabeth Smith Women's Circle~

Friday, December 19th
11:30 am

Olive Garden Dawsonville

~ G.O.M.E.O~

Tuesday, December 30th
11:30 a.m.,

Mellow Mushroom Dawsonville

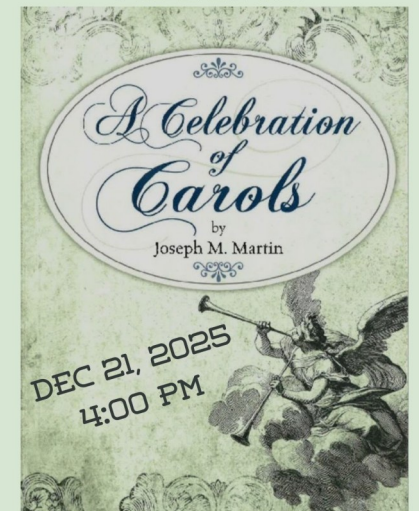
~ Life on Tap~

Tuesday, December 30th
7:00 p.m.,
NoFo Brew Co.



New Hope UMC Choir

PRESENTS:



Reception to follow in the Narthex

