

In Our Prayers & Thoughts

*“Blessed be God, who bears our burdens
day after day.” Psalm 68:19*

Primrose Battle	Cliff Reynolds
David Briggs	Etta Smith & Doug
Jan Bozeman	Linda Thomas
William Cooney	Anita Van Cleave
Nathan Curtis	Hillary
Brad & Michelle	Angie
Foster & family	Sue
Eldon Harlow	Mike
Roger Kucera	
Kathy Nelsen	
Jessica Pankote	

Please notify us if you or a family member wishes to be placed on the prayer list. Let us know if the prayer concern needs to be a continued one, otherwise names will be removed the first of the month.

*These are the Birthdays and
Anniversaries for January.
If we don’t already have your
celebrations, please let us know.*

January Birthdays

3 Blanche Sanchez
6 Jemaul McEwen
6 Leighanne Nelsen
12 Patty Wissink
17 Penny Taylor
17 Windi Wissink
25 Dawn Ashton

No Anniversaries that we know of

TODAY’S EVENTS

Sunday January 18

- Fellowship Coffee Time 10:30 am Everyone is Welcome!
- Worship Service 11 am (Sanctuary) (Streaming live on YouTube and our website)
Human Relations Day – special offering see bulletin insert
- Warren Foundation – postponed until February
- Christ Central Worship Service 2 pm (Magee Parlor)
- Lincoln Taekwondo 5 pm – 7:45 pm (Shepherd Hall)

THIS WEEK

Monday January 19

- Martin Luther King Jr’s Birthday
- Girl Scouts 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall

Tuesday January 20

- Lincoln Taekwondo 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall
- Executive Board 6:30 pm Conference Room

Wednesday January 21

- Bible Study 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall studying the lectionary texts for the coming Sunday. Everyone is welcome to attend

Thursday January 22

- Lincoln Taekwondo 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall

Friday January 23

Saturday January 24

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thursday February 12 East Campus Community Organization 7 pm
Magee Parlor

Saturday February 14 Valentine’s Day

Monday February 16 President’s Day

Wednesday February 18 Ash Wednesday Service 6:30 pm Sanctuary



New Hope United Methodist Church

1205 North 45th Lincoln, NE 68503

**Worship 11 am
In-person & On-line**

“Transforming Lives and Community Through Jesus Christ”

January 18, 2026

Second Sunday of Epiphany

God of the Universe, Guide Our Steps

Prelude

Ruthie Andrews

***Welcome the Light of Christ** “We Have Come Into This House” AAHH 174

Welcome and Announcements

Congregational Breath Prayer (see inside page)

Call to Worship (see inside page) / **Opening Prayer**

***Passing of the Peace** *Let us welcome one another in the Spirit of Christ*

***Songs of Praise** “We Shall Overcome” AAHH 542 / UMH 533

“This Little Light of Mine” AAHH 549 / UMH 585 v. 1-4

WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

Lighting the Prayer Candle

Morning Prayer Song “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” AAHH 471 / UMH 474 v. 1

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / The Lord’s Prayer (see inside page) UMH 895

Giving Back to God (offering)

Offertory

Gospel Choir

***Doxology** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 95

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Scripture Reading Isaiah 49:1-7 NRSV 638 (OT)

Response: *One:* The Word of God for the people of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**

The Word in Song “Jesus, the Light of the World” AAHH 217 refrain only

Psalms Reading Psalm 40:1-11 NRSV 486 (OT)

Response: *One:* The Word of Life! **All: Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Reading John 1:29-42 NRSV 86-87 (NT)

Response: *One:* The Gospel of Jesus Christ. **All: Praise the Living Word.**

The Word in Song “Jesus, the Light of the World” AAHH 217 refrain only

Special Music Gospel Choir

Children’s Message

Message

“Come and See”

Pastor Helen Paus

Closing Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***Sending Song** “Till We Gather Again” AAHH 638

***Benediction**

Postlude

Ruthie Andrews

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

*The Call to Worship, Songs and Prayers are also on the screen
NRSV = new Bible, UMH = U M Hymnal, TFWS = The Faith We Sing, WS = Worship & Song
AAHH = African American Heritage Hymnal*

Congregational Breath Prayer:

Leader: God who sent us Christ Jesus, the Lamb,
People: help us follow your way.

Call to Worship:

Leader: Children of God, who has God called you to be?
People: **A light to all the nations!**
Leader: When confusion, disunity, and misinformation threaten to undo us, and the world overwhelms us, who are you called to be?
People: **A light to all the nations!**
Leader: Come! Let us worship God, who gives us as a light of good news to all the nations!
People: **We come to worship God, who makes us a light to all the nations. Amen.**

Lord’s Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sermon Notes:

***We wish to welcome you!
We are very happy to have you worshipping
with us today!***
***If you are looking for a church home, we hope that you
have found it among us. Please let us know if you would
like to become a member.***

- ❖ If you know someone in the hospital or recuperating at home, who needs a **pastoral visit or phone call**, please let the church office know at 402-466-5238.
- ❖ There are **children’s activity bags** hanging in the back of the sanctuary if your child would like to use one during worship. We also have a play area in Magee Parlor (at the back of the sanctuary).
- ❖ There are **large print hymnals and Bibles** for your use on the table at the back of the sanctuary.
- ❖ If you would like to **give to New Hope electronically**, you may use the QR code sheets in the pews. You may also sign up for an automatic withdrawal for your donation using the paperwork on the table at the back of the sanctuary or sign up by going to our website or to app.myvanco.com/login
- ❖ If you have an **announcement for the bulletin**, call 402-466-5238 or e-mail newhopeumclincoln@gmail.com by Thursday morning please.

Outreach Ministries of New Hope UMC

The Closet at New Hope and Diaper Depot

Both ministries will be closed until further notice for reorganization. We are hoping to reopen early next year.

Next Week’s Scriptures
Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 25

Isaiah 9:1-4
Psalm 27:1, 4-9
1 Corinthians 1:10-18
Matthew 4:12-23

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