

In Our Prayers & Thoughts

"Blessed be God, who bears our burdens day after day." Psalm 68:19

Gail Anderson	Etta Smith &
David Briggs	Doug
Jan Bozeman	Anita Van Cleave
Nathan Curtis	Juston Way
Gladys Farr	McKenzie Wissink
Brad & Michelle	Hillary
Foster & family	Angie
Aaron Goggins	Sue
Eldon Harlow	Mike
Jessica Pankote	Hughes
Jakson Paus	Craig
Cliff Reynolds	Those who have cancer
Sandy Siedel	Those who are dealing with Alzheimer's

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 May. If we don't already have your celebrations, please let us know.

May Birthdays

4 Kathy Garland
4 Ron Wallick
5 Ellie Bingham
6 Karsynn (Quamrah) Leapaltd-Wissink
17 Denis Plutalov
18 Darrel Sebree
28 Doug Taylor

May Anniversaries

17 Hollis & Stephanie Patterson
30 Tim & Dawn Ashton

TODAY'S EVENTS

Sunday May 3

- Fellowship Coffee Time 10:30 am Everyone is Welcome!
- Worship Service 11 am (Sanctuary) (Streaming live on YouTube and our website)
- Christ Central Worship Service 2 pm (Magee Parlor)

THIS WEEK

Monday May 4

- Girl Scouts 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall

Tuesday May 5

Wednesday May 6

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

Thursday May 7

Friday May 8

Saturday May 9

- Private Party 3 pm – 11 pm Shepherd Hall

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday May 10 Mother's Day

Thursday May 14 East Campus Community Organization 5 p -9 pm Magee Parlor

Sunday May 17 Gospel Choir practice 10:15 am Magee Parlor

Sunday May 17 Ascension Sunday

Thursday May 21 and Friday May 22 Office closed

Saturday May 23 Private Graduation Party 5 pm to 10:30 pm

Sunday May 24 Pentecost Sunday

Monday May 25 Memorial Day

Wednesday May 27 Private Cultural Event 2 pm – 11 pm Shepherd Hall

Wednesday May 27 thru Saturday May 30 Great Plains Annual Conference Kearney, NE Pastor will be at this meeting so she will not be in the office during this time

Saturday May 30 Private Party 4 pm to 9 pm

Sunday May 31 Peace With Justice Sunday- special offering



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"

May 3, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter

God of the Universe, Guide Our Steps

Prelude

***Welcoming the Light of Christ** "The Church's One Foundation"

Dr. Denis Plutalov
UMH 545

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** "Christ is the World's Light" UMH 188
"His Eye is On the Sparrow" TFWS 2146

WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

Affirmation of Faith (see inside page)

on screen
WS 3187

Morning Prayer Song "We Fall Down"

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer

Giving Back to God (offering)

Offertory

Dr. Denis Plutalov
UMH 95

***Doxology** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Scripture Reading Acts 7:55-60 NRSV 118 (NT)

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

The Word in Song "How Great Thou Art" UMH 77 refrain only

Psalms Reading Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 NRSV 478-479 (OT)

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

Gospel Reading John 14:1-14 NRSV 102 (NT)

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

The Word in Song "How Great Thou Art" UMH 77 refrain only

Children's Message

Message "Believe" Pastor Helen Paus

Pastoral Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Thanksgiving and Communion

Invitation Song "Be Present at Our Table, Lord" UMH 621

Invitation to the Table / Confession and Pardon (see inside page) UMH 8

Declaration of Forgiveness UMH 8

Taking the Bread and the Cup / The Great Thanksgiving on screen

The Lord's Prayer (see inside page) UMH 895

Breaking of the Bread / Giving the Bread and Cup Hymns UMH 618, 614, 624, 640

Closing Prayer

WE GO INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

***Sending Song** "Victory in Jesus" UMH 370

***Benediction**

Postlude

Dr. Denis Plutalov

**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: Triune God, who became The Way in Jesus,

People: may our lives show the way to the world.

Call to Worship:

Leader: Come, all of you who feel lost, alienated, alone.

People: There is always room for everyone.

Leader: Christ, the Strong Cornerstone of our house, welcomes you.

People: Once we were no people. Now we are God's people.

Leader: Once we had no place to dwell. Now we live and abide in God's love.

People: Thanks be to God! AMEN.

Affirmation of Faith:

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others to seek justice and resist evil to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Confession and Pardon:

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 go to our website www.newhopeumclincolnne.org and use the secure TitheLy link to schedule a donation by ACH or credit card.
- ❖ 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

Threads of Hope and Diaper Depot

We are hoping to be able to go thru the remaining stored clothing and reorganize the closet area so we can be open once a month for a few hours. If you would like to help sort clothing, please contact Ellie Bingham.

We are still working on how to give away diapers efficiently and are hoping to partner with ConnectioN Point to do this.

**Next Week's Scriptures
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 10**

Ezekiel 34:1-7

Psalms 115

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21

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