

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	the Stocks &
William Cooney	Jackson families
Nathan Curtis	Linda Thomas
Brad & Michelle	Anita Van Cleave
Foster & family	Juston Way
Eldon Harlow	McKenzie Wissink
Roger Kucera	Hillary
Kathy Nelsen	Angie
Jessica Pankote	Sue
	Mike

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 February.
If we don’t already have your
celebrations, please let us know.*

February Birthdays

- 4 Damon Garland
- 6 Sandy Mertlik
- 9 Kathy Terhune
- 9 Hector Santillan
- 12 Sarah Patterson
- 17 Fletcher Wissink
- 18 Jared Burham
- 25 Te Gatobu
- 28 Cheryl Terhune

February Anniversaries

- 16 Rich & Sue Torpin

TODAY’S EVENTS

Sunday February 1

- Fellowship Coffee Time 10:30 am Everyone is Welcome!
- Worship Service 11 am (Sanctuary) (Streaming live on YouTube and our website)
- Warren Foundation noon Conference Room
- Christ Central Worship Service 2 pm (Magee Parlor)
- Lincoln Taekwondo 5 pm – 7:45 pm (Shepherd Hall)

THIS WEEK

Monday February 2

- Girl Scouts 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall

Tuesday February 3

- Lincoln Taekwondo 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall

Wednesday February 4

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

Thursday February 5

- Lincoln Taekwondo 6:30 pm Shepherd Hall

Friday February 6

Saturday February 7

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday February 10 Executive Board 6:30 pm Conference Room

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”

February 1, 2026

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

God of the Universe, Guide Our Steps

Prelude

***Welcome the Light of Christ** “Christ for the World We Sing”

Dr Denis Plutalov

UMH 568 v. 1, 2, 4

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**

“Hymn of Promise”

UMH 707

“The Gift of Love”

UMH 408

WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

Affirmation of Faith

Morning Prayer Song

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

UMH 883

UMH 431

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer

Giving Back to God (offering)

Offertory

Dr Denis Plutalov

***Doxology**

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 95

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Scripture Reading Micah 6:1-8

NRSV 816 (OT)

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

The Word in Song

“Open the Eyes of My Heart” WS 3008 once thru end w/ coda

Psalm Reading

Psalm 15

NRSV 469 (OT)

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

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

NRSV 4 (NT)

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

The Word in Song

“Open the Eyes of My Heart” WS 3008 once thru end w/ coda

Children’s Message

Message

“Mercy and Kindness”

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**

“Be Thou My Vision”

UMH 451

***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

Congregational Breath Prayer:

Leader: God of infinite blessings,
People: may we be a blessing to others.

Call to Worship:

Leader: People of God, let us worship God.
People: We come to worship the one true God.
Leader: People of God, let us follow God.
People: We follow God's justice and love.
Leader: People of God, let us abide with God.
People: We will abide in God's heart, now and forever. 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 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
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
February 8**

Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12)
Psalm 112:1-9 (10)
1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16)
Matthew 5:13-20

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