

CALENDAR

- May 1 - Worship - Lay Leaders 9:30 a.m.
- May 1 - Southwestern Texas Synod Assembly - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- May 8 - Worship - Pastor Kara Stewart 9:30 a.m.
- May 15 - Worship - Pastor Jamie Bouzard 9:30 a.m.
- May 22 - Worship - Pastor Dick Bremer 9:30a.m.
- May 22 - Free community meal - 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.
- May 29 - Worship - Pastor Phil Ruge-Jones 9:30 a.m.

FREE COMMUNITY MEAL

**Sunday May 22nd
12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.**

**Menu:
Pulled Pork Sandwiches**

Potato Salad

Coleslaw

Dessert

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WORSHIP
(9:00 - 9:25 a.m.)Food & Fellowship)
9:30 a.m. Worship

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Pastor Jessica is on Maternity Leave

Pastor Jessica arranged for Supply Pastors for her Maternity Leave:

- May 8 - Pastor Kara Stewart**
- May 15 - Pastor Jaime Bouzard**
- May 22 - Pastor Dick Bremer**
- May 29 - Pastor Phil-Ruge Jones**
- June 5 - Pastor Rebecca (Becky) Sogge**
- June 12 - Pastor Judith Spindt**
- June 19 - Pastor Dick Bremer**
- June 26 - Pastor Alex Raabe**

Southwestern Texas Synod Assembly

Pete Foegelle and Helen Knoll attended the Southwestern Texas Synod Assembly Saturday April 30th and May 1st. Pastor Jessica, her husband Pastor Wes Cain, James and baby Joseph also attended the Assembly.

Pete and Helen will bring back the highlights of the Assembly and share with the congregation in the coming few weeks. Some things to talk about will be whether New Hope Lutheran will consider a program called Missional River 2.0. They will have information to share on May 8th.

ELCA Good Gifts Offering Goals and Totals

Conference	Goal	Actual	Offering
Alamo	\$14,000	\$10,026.40	Feeding Refugees
Bluebonnet	\$12,000	\$13,517.13	Family Farms
Capital North	\$15,000	\$22,286.00	Family Farms
Capital South	\$8,000	\$8,573.19	Micro Loans
Cibolo Creek	\$20,000	\$10,028.18	Medical Clinic
Gulf Coast	\$8,580	\$16,761.07	Family Farms
Hill Country	\$15,000	\$10,028.00	Goats
Rio Grande	\$5,720	\$4,395.00	Family Farms
	Non-Conference	\$1,786.00	
	Total Offering	\$106,410.97	

Assembly Offerings will be accepted through August 31st.

Refreshment Corner

Each Sunday Morning one of several talented cooks provides a variety of delicious breakfast treats served between 9:00 and 9:25 a.m. Everyone is welcome to come early and enjoy the food and fellowship.

Schedule

- May 1 - Greathouse**
- May 8 - Granberg**
- May 15 - Johnson**
- May 22 - Tomlinson**
- May 29 - Knoll/Villarreal**
- June 5 - Foegelle**
- June 12 - Greathouse**
- June 19 - Granberg**
- June 26 - Johnson**

Birthday's/Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

- May 5 - Alan Cooper**
- May 11 - Susan Marshall**
- May 12 - Lynn Evich**
- May 16 - Shelby Foegelle**

ANNIVERSARY

- May 29 - Omar and Susan Villarreal**

Tellers

- May 1 - Nelson Jonas**
- May 8 - Carolyn Jonas**
- May 15 - Tanja Tomlinson**
- May 22 - Cheryl Foegelle**
- May 29 - Becky Greathouse**

Assembly Theme Bring Me A Morsel of Bread

World Hunger Project

New Hope Lutheran is in the Hill Country Conference. Goats cost \$50.00. New Hope's offering will pay for 6 goats.

FREE COMMUNITY MEAL - May 22nd 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Our original free community began on September 13, 2015 when New Hope hosted a free community meal as part of God's Work, Our Hands Sunday. This is an initiative by the ELCA to encourage congregations to reach out into their communities on the same day other congregations across the nation are doing the same. The meal was so well received the New Hope members committed to serving a meal a month October through February.

At the Annual New Hope Lutheran Congregational meeting the members voted to continue the Free Community Meal each month to the end of the year 2016. The meals will be served the fourth Sunday of the month except November and December. Nov and Dec dates will be announced in October. **The Menu for May 22nd will be Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Potato Salad, Coleslaw and Desserts.**

One of the best ways for New Hope Lutheran to become better known in Blanco is to reach out to those in need in our community. Please continue to pray about this endeavor as we attempt to serve God through serving our neighbors. Members are asked to bake desserts and to help serve if you are able.

1Kings 17:11 As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said **"Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand,"**

A few mentions of food from the Bible

Exodus 16:31 The house of Israel called it Manna; it was like coriander seed, white, and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey.

Numbers 11:5 We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions and the garlic;

Deuteronomy 8:7-10 For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you.

ALL FAITHS MEDICAL MINISTRY



Medical Equipment Ministry: During the more than 20 years that All Faiths Chapel occupied the location where New Hope meets today, its members created and maintained a ministry that provides equipment to local residents who have special medical needs. The storage building on the property houses wheelchairs, walkers, powered hospital beds, braces of many different types, crutches, breathing assistance equipment, and assorted other items. These are available on a no-charge basis with a checkout list. New Hope has committed itself to continuing this ministry in conjunction with the people who founded All Faiths.

If you have a need, call either **Connie Granberg: 833-4423**, or **Alan Cooper: 833-4301**.