

News of *Hope*



New Hope, A Unitarian Universalist Congregation

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“True peace is not merely the absence of war; it is the presence of justice.”

*Jane Addams
(1860-1935)*

Jane Addams is called the mother of social work. “In a society where the role of the family matriarch was limited to tending house and raising children, Jane Addams chose instead to mother an entire nation by advancing local public health, improving the lives of children and promoting international peace efforts.” (From *THAT’S WHAT SHE SAID* by Kimothy Joy.) Jane Addams was the first American woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize.

So far, the summer of 2018 is looking like a frustrating and discouraging time for the nation’s liberals. We need another Jane Addams, or maybe thousands of them, to lead our country out of the morass of child incarcerations and family deportations, gerrymandered state electoral systems, bans against people from Muslim countries, and a general malaise caused by political skirmishes, unjust public policies, rude language and bullying behavior.

It is hard to know how we should respond. There are those who advocate for us to turn the other cheek and remain high minded and well behaved. There are those who believe that we need to fight fire with fire and get in people’s faces and cause lots of noise and trouble. Personally I do not know which tactic to take, or what might be most effective. However, I do believe that we all must try to create justice in our own neighborhoods and communities, in whatever ways seem positive and hopeful to us.



Here at New Hope in July, we are pleased to announce that we will have four member led services. The first one on **July 8** is **not completely determined** yet, so you will receive notification when we know that information. We are looking for a member to step up and fill this Sunday. You could play a game, watch a movie or TED Talk, go for a walk, visit the park, go out for coffee, tea and scones, or lay in the backyard and find animals in the clouds. Be creative and have some fun! Let us know what you’d like to do.

There is no service on July 1 to celebrate the July 4 holiday.

On **July 15**, Sue Myers will lead a service entitled “**What Is A Safe Church Policy And How Do We Get One?**” Using guidelines from the Unitarian Universalist Association, our Board Secretary, will lead a discussion on what it means to be a safe church. Fire drills, tornado warnings, and disruptive visitors or congregants are a few of the topics that might be discussed. Bring your thoughts and knowledge to this important conversation!

Kathy Zaenger, newly graduated Yoga teacher, will lead the service on **July 22**. Kathy has taken courses and traveled the world to learn about Yoga. The **practice of Yoga** can have many practical benefits for our lives, including physical stamina, spiritual guidance and mental strength. Please join us for an enlightening morning!

On **July 29**, Jack Schneider will lead a trip to the **Detroit Institute of Art** to see a new exhibit on Star Wars and also one on famous baseball cards and memorabilia. Members can meet at New Hope at 10 am and carpool to the DIA. They will meet up for a lovely lunch at the museum restaurant. If you want to attend, please RSVP to the notices that we’ll send out via New Hope Google Groups or you can contact Jack. Watch for the details.

Deb and I are grateful to New Hope for this opportunity to have a few weeks’ vacation so that we can rest and recharge before we start the new church year. Thanks to all for your efforts on behalf of our church community.

Have a safe and peaceful summer enjoying your family and friends!

Love, Kathy

Sunday Celebration of Life Schedule for July 2018

Meditation Group meets every Sunday before services at 9:30 AM. All are welcome.

SUNDAY, July 1, 10:30 AM – July 4 Holiday – No Sunday Service



SUNDAY, July 8, 10:30 AM – “Waiting for YOU to volunteer!”

New Hope is still looking for an intrepid and dedicated member to lead this Sunday service. The possibilities are endless. You could play a game, watch a movie or TED Talk, go for a walk, visit the park, go out for coffee, tea and scones, or lay in the backyard and find animals in the clouds. You don't need to have anything, except the willingness to get to know your New Hope friends better. There is a book in the pulpit with instructions if you want to go the traditional route. Deb has written up how to show a video on the new TV. Please let Kathy Silver know if you are willing to help. You could do it with a friend or two!!

SUNDAY, July 15, 10:30 AM - “What Is A Safe Church Policy And How Do We Get One?”

New Hope Board Secretary Sue Myers will lead a discussion on what it means to be a safe church. What problems should we plan for? Where do we hide during a tornado warning? Should we hold fire drills? What should we do if a person appears unstable or mentally ill during a service? There are Unitarian Universalist Association Guidelines to help us figure it out. Come and be part of the solution!

SUNDAY, July 22, 10:30 AM – “Some Thoughts About Yoga”



Our very own newly graduated yoga teacher, Kathy Zaenger, has offered to share some of her insights and experiences with Yoga. Kathy has traveled with and learned from great instructors. Yoga is practice that can offer many benefits to all of us, from physical stamina to spiritual guidance to mental strength. Come and join in a service that will be good for everyone!

SUNDAY, August 29, meet at 10:00 AM – “A Visit To The DIA”



Jack Schneider will lead a visit to the Detroit Institute Of Art, where there is a wonderful new Star Wars exhibit and an homage to baseball featuring some very old baseball cards and other artifacts. New Hopers will carpool from our parking lot at 10 am. Plan on gathering for lunch at the museum restaurant. Send a note to Jack or RSVP to the New Hope Google Groups Invitation if you'd like to attend. Hope to see you there.

KATHY SILVER, DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
DEB TYLER MUSIC/CHOIR DIRECTOR

*Our Services are held on Sundays at 10:30 a. m. Services last until 11:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend regardless of faith, race, age and sexual orientation. We hope you'll stay for coffee and conversation after Services.



Hospitality

July Hospitality will be provided by the person that volunteers to lead the service that day.

- 7/01/18 No Service
- 7/08/18 ?
- 7/15/18 Sue M
- 7/22/18 Kathy Z
- 7/29/18 Field trip

July Dates to remember

July 9 - Board Meeting, 6:30 pm at New Hope

July 10 - Lunch Bunch, Carson's, [2000 Commonwealth Blvd.](#) in Ann Arbor at 12:30 pm. The restaurant is near 23 and Plymouth Rd.

No Book Club at New Hope in July

No Women of Hope in July

August



Our next Charity Poker Event: Wed.

August 15 – Sat. August 18th.