

***Prayer Needs  
Support***

Angie Slagle  
Jacob Martin  
Derek Jones  
Jeanette Diehl & Family  
Family of Kerry Curtis

Austin Smith  
Chace Hindall  
Keiser Family  
Chace's teacher, Ann  
Family of Steve Sykes

Michael Ceyler  
Joshua Scott  
Arron Hindall  
Joetta Larger  
Our College Students

***Healing***

Nick Welker  
Mike South Jr.  
Ben Sherman  
John & Brenda Jackson  
Dan Jacobs  
Bob Carrington  
Connie Middleton  
John Harding  
Tyler & Heather  
Bonnie & Danny Loomis  
Pam & Benjy Gill  
Mary Lou & Floyd Yinger  
Tom's great nephew Percy  
Jan's great-granddaughter, Ada  
Cindy Browning  
Allen Rehfus  
Kendra's step-grandma Ruth  
Jewel's niece Shannon  
Cindy Browning  
Patricia Diehl (Mark's mom)  
**Shut-ins:** Angie Slagle

Macey Bryant  
Bob Strayer  
Shirley Lawson  
Rhonda McKibben  
Barry Gill  
Pat Kauffman  
Peyton Cartwright  
Ryan Strunk  
Tammy's Aunt Dawn  
Jim Herring  
Noah  
Sharon Pence  
Don Carey  
Jim & Shaunna  
Lydia Bogardt  
Steve Freehauff  
Gwen's friend, Collette  
Don's friend Tim  
Tom's cousin Andrea  
Shirley McCullough

Kendra's dad  
Zachary Shroyer  
Jean Swob  
Jim Rankin  
Rob Wagner  
Lelia McKibben  
Deb Savage  
Ernest Hildebrandt  
Oakley Infant  
Annette Kindell  
Tom's Mother  
Judd Ritter  
Sherri Herring's Father  
Jackson Choo  
Craig Greer  
Shaun Smith  
Mark Diehl  
Tim Yinger  
Don Carey's wife  
Ed Hillebrand

***Military Personnel***

Nathan Hill, Capt. Nate Lukey, SSGT Therron Galesky

***Missions and Ministries***

Alpha Center  
Gideons International  
Kobonal Haiti Mission  
Revive Ohio

Agape Ministries  
Red Bird Missionary Conference  
Jackson Area Ministries  
Brad Hurtig/Lifewise Academy

*Discover, Experience, and Share God's Love  
At Jesus' Country Home*



*New Hope United Methodist Church  
8985 W. Mason Rd Sidney, OH 45365  
Rob Berryman, Pastor*

*Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ  
and to bring hope, grace, and salvation to God's people*

December 21, 2025 - Fourth Sunday of Advent  
**Gathering – Prepare for worship by silencing cell phones and  
ending conversations**

**Announcements and Passing the Peace**  
**Opening Song** “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

**\*Call to Worship**  
Leader: We gather together in this place:  
**All: prophets and dreamers, singers and poets,**  
Leader: we who dare to imagine a world renewed;  
**All: we who dare to dream God's dream.**  
Leader: We speak out with Zechariah,  
**All: God's name be blessed forever!**  
Leader: For God has remembered us in mercy,  
**All: and remained faithful to us in love.**  
Leader: Because of God's tender compassion,  
**All: the dawn from on high will rise over us.**  
Leader: Come and worship, all you who dream and wait.  
**All: We have come to wonder and praise!**

**Song** “What Child is This”

**Joys and Concerns**  
**Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer**  
*All: 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.*

Lighting of the Advent Wreath “Love”

Song “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

**Proclamation of the Word**  
Old Testament Lesson pg. 545 Chair Bible  
Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26

Sermon on the Steps “God Our Savior”

Song “Hallelujah”

Gospel Lesson pg. 57 Chair Bible  
Luke 1:57-80

Message The Will to Dream: Week 4  
“Merciful Love”

Closing Song “O Come, All Ye Faithful”  
Benediction and Dismissal  
**(\*You are invited to stand as able)**

## **Welcome to New Hope United Methodist Church**

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### ***Announcements***

***Thank You:*** Your gifts helped make Christmas a little brighter for 117 students at Hardin-Houston. Items for Rustic Hope may still be brought to the church through next Sunday, January 4.

***Today:*** The service will close with a live nativity. Thank you to Brice Rehfus for providing the animals.

***Today:*** Calling hours for Steve Syke are 2-5 p.m. at the Baird Funeral Home on North Market Street in Troy.

***Monday, Dec. 22 -*** 10:30 a.m. Celebration of Life Service for Steve Sykes is at Troy First UMC

***Monday, Dec. 22 –*** Advent Bible Study. A light meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. with study beginning at 6:00 p.m.

***Tuesday, Dec. 23 –*** The church will be hosting the funeral meal for the family of Chuck Asbury following his memorial service. If you would be available to help serve, arrive at 11:45 a.m. Someone is also needed to pick up fried chicken at Krogers at noon.

***Wednesday, Dec. 24 –*** Church will open at 8:30 p.m. for refreshments and fellowship; Christmas Eve service will begin at 9:00 p.m.

***Sunday, Dec. 28 –*** Adult Sunday School in Classroom B at 9:15 a.m.

***Sunday, Dec. 28 –*** Offering Envelopes for 2026 will be available. If you would like to have a set of envelopes or no longer wish to have a set of envelopes, please let Cindy Larger or Janice Michael know by Wednesday.

### ***Attendance and Offering for December***

December 7	37	\$ 2,247.00
December 14	No in-person worship due to weather	

*Weekly need to meet the 2025 Budget is \$1650. Offerings/gifts may be placed in the offering station at the center rear of the sanctuary or in Offering/Prayer concern boxes are also available near each sanctuary door. Secure online giving may be done at any time on the church website.*