



New Hope Parish

August 2026



Pause

Pause and take a moment to pray for the children, teachers, and families preparing for a new school year. Ask God to guide their steps, give them courage, and remind them that they carry His love and light wherever they go.

Listen

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you." — Psalm 32:8

Think

A new school year brings new opportunities, new challenges, and new friendships. As our children return to the classroom and our teachers begin another year of caring and teaching, we are reminded that God goes with them every step of the way. Whether they are learning, leading, encouraging, or simply being a friend, each of us has the opportunity to reflect God's love and make a difference in the lives of others.

Question to Ponder: How can you be a source of encouragement and kindness to the students, teachers, and families in your community as a new school year begins?

Pray

Gracious God,

Thank You for the gift of learning and for the teachers, students, and families who begin a new school year. Bless our children with curiosity, confidence, and kindness. Give teachers patience, wisdom, and strength as they guide and encourage their students. Help all of us remember that we carry Your love with us wherever we go. May our words and actions bring hope, joy, and light to those around us.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Join Us on Sunday Morning



Miami 8:00 am



Osawatomie 10:00 am

Announcements

Church Repairs

We're excited to share an update on the restoration of our church following the spring hailstorm. Beginning August 24, our stained glass windows will be carefully removed and sent away for restoration. While it will be difficult to see them leave, we're grateful they will be professionally repaired and preserved for future generations.

We also have wonderful news to celebrate—we were awarded a grant that will cover our entire insurance deductible, allowing these much-needed repairs to move forward without placing that financial burden on our congregation. We are incredibly thankful for this blessing and for everyone who has supported this process through prayers and encouragement.

In addition to the stained glass restoration, we are on the schedule for repairs to the roof and gutters. We are also looking for someone to paint the exterior of the church as we continue restoring and caring for this beautiful building that has served our community for generations.

Thank you for your continued support as we work to preserve our church home.

Youth

Youth Event – Topgolf

On Sunday, August 30, our youth have the opportunity to attend Topgolf from 2:00–5:00 p.m. This free event is being hosted by the Presbytery, with Meadow and Dave serving as our adult chaperones. If your student plans to attend, be sure to sign up in the narthex or let the church office know.

Youth Game Night Returns

Youth Game Night is back! Join us on the first Saturday in September for an evening of games, food, laughter, and fellowship. It's a great opportunity to invite a friend and connect with other youth in a relaxed, welcoming environment.

Women's Group

The Women's Group will begin meeting again in September. Watch for meeting dates and upcoming projects in the coming weeks.

Interested in a Bible Study?

We're considering starting another Bible study this fall and would love to know if there's interest. If you'd like to participate, please let Pastor, Meadow, or the church office know. We'd be happy to explore a time and format that works well for everyone.

Sunday School

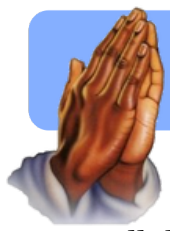
Sunday School is back beginning Sunday, September 13! We invite everyone to join us as we kick off another exciting year of learning and growing in faith.

Children's Sunday School (K–5)
Youth Sunday School (Grades 6–12)

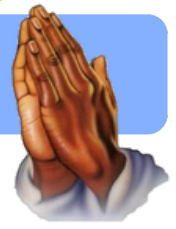
Our youth program will now meet every Sunday. Two Sundays each month will focus on Confirmation, while the other two Sundays will have a fun, youth-group-style format with games, discussions, service opportunities, and fellowship. The schedule will alternate throughout the month and will be led by Meadow Richardson and Dave Stephens.

Saturday Service

The Bridge returns in September! Join us on the first Saturday of each month at 6:00 p.m. for a relaxed, modern worship service with contemporary music, an encouraging message, and a come-as-you-are atmosphere. We'd love to see you there!



Prayer Request



Please help us keep the Prayer Request up to date.
Call the Osawatomie Church Office with any changes at 913-755-3964 or Shelly at 913-731-1417

New Hope Parish Prayer Requests

- Bonnie Wallace (healing)
- Vieng Elliott (Comfort & healing)
- Grady Atwater (comfort, healing)
- Liz Redd (comfort & healing)
- Butch Mayfield (cancer)
- Don Wilson (healing & comfort)
- Dave French (Healing)

Military

- All who are now serving or have served in the past

Heartland Presbytery

- Argentine United Presbyterian
- Elder's Circle – New Worshiping Community
- The Elders of churches and congregations in Maya Quiché Presbytery
- Heartland Presbyterian Center Camp Board of Directors
- Grandview Park Presbyterian Church
- Heartland Presbytery Presbyterian Women
- Central Presbyterian Church
- Christ Presbyterian Church – Haitian Fellowship
- Covenant Presbyterian Church



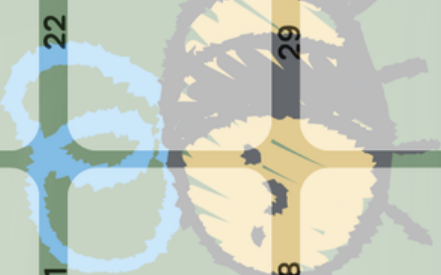
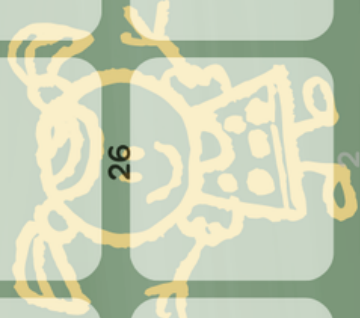
4 Faye Wilson
5 Rhonda Lawless
15 George Grimes
25 Kim Matney
28 Madison Macom



5 Tommy & Abigale Stull
20 Brian & Jamie Homrighausen
28 John & Lisa Farley

For emergency call Shelly Dickinson at 913-731-1417

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Lawrence Dickinson Communion 	3	4	5	6	7	8 
9 Angie Pennock	10	11	12	13 	14	15
16 Meadow Richardson	17	18	19	20	21	22 
23 Meadow Richardson 	24	25	26 	27	28	29
30 Meadow Richardson 	31	1	2	3	4	5 SATURDAY SERVICE 6:00 PM YOUTH GAME NIGHT 7:00-8:00 PM



HEARTLAND PRESBYTERY
Many Churches, One Ministry

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HEART



**BACK TO
SCHOOL
KICKOFF**

LAND

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
10611 Nall Ave, Overland Park, KS
66207

Resources

PACA FOOD PANTRY

1016N Pearl Wednesday

11:30 am - 2:00 pm

For Monetary Donations.send a check to:

PACA Mike Brown, 1002 Pearl, Paola, KS

Needs: Empty egg cartons, adult sleeping bags, three person tents, Cheerios, sloppy joe mix, beefaroni, fruitmix, applesauce, canned meats.

Osawatomie Food Pantry

(OZ Food Pantry)

811 w 6thSt, Wednesday

8:30 - 11:00 am Current

Needs: Boxed Mac & Cheese, Peanut Butter, Ramen, Condiments, Dessert Mixes Donations can be brought to the church.

Dementia Caregiver Support Group - Meets the second Monday of the month at the Paola Senior Center, 5:00 PM at 121 W Wea Paola. For more informationcontact Joan Reed 913-300-1895

Caregiver Support Group - Meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday. Meetings are at the Elizabeth Layton Center, 2595 SW 327th St., Paola, from 6-7 pm. If you have questions, please contact: Shannon at ECKAAA 785-242-7200.

Grief Support - Baptist from 6-7:30. Meets every Tuesday at Faith Baptist

Volunteer Opportunity

Foster Grandparents - Needed for those 55 years and older to volunteer at local schools, Head Start, and other facilities assisting children. You can earn up to \$300 a month tax-free that does not affect social security. If you are interested, please contact the Foster Grandparent Program at 913-294-3880. You can make a difference.