



Worship - Serve - Grow



Happy New Year!

Looking for ways to get involved in 2023? See below for sign ups and information on faith formation and service opportunities.

*2022 included over 8,400 volunteer hours for the NHLC community.
Thank you to all who served and engaged over the last year!*

Christmas Program & Meals!

Join us for our annual Christmas program prepared for you by New Heights' Family Faith Night children and youth!

"FOR GOD SO LOVED US"

2022 New Heights Christmas Program

Sunday, Jan. 15 @10am, Breakfast @9:00am

Wednesday, Jan. 18 @6pm, Meal @5:15pm



Enjoy this celebration of faith brought to you by our children and youth!

This Sunday, January 15th: BREAKFAST @9:00am, PROGRAM @10:00am
Next Wednesday, January 18th: FFN MEAL @5:15pm, PROGRAM @6:00pm



HELP US PACK
WITH SECOND HARVEST!



Saturday, January 14th 12:30-3:30 or
Saturday, January 21st 12:30-3:30

Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin
2802 Dairy Drive Madison, WI 53718



Opportunity for Service!

Please join the group on either day:

**Saturday, January 14th (12:30-3:30) or
Saturday, January 21st (12:30-3:30)**

[Sign up here!](#)

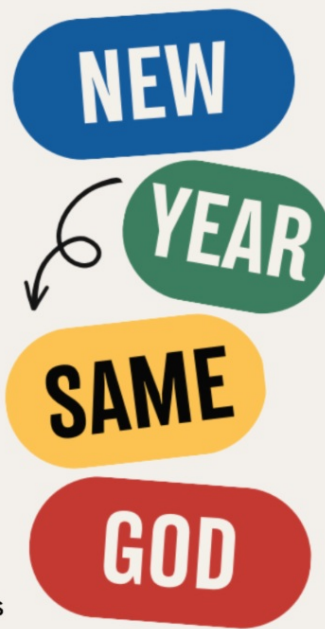


Consider joining an Adult Small Group!

- Build supportive Christian community
- Grow in your faith
- Serve the local community
- 7 Groups - find the one that fits you!



Sign up now at: newheightslc.org/info-forms



Start the New Year with a Small Group!
A life-giving way to make connections and grow in your faith.

Sign up for Adult Small Groups



Dave Ramsey's
**FINANCIAL
PEACE**
University

Mondays, February 6 – April 3
6:30–8:00pm
1705 Center St. Black Earth

Planning for the future is hard when you're still paying for the past!
Listen—there's a better way!

Join the *Financial Peace University class sponsored by Heights Unlimited Community Resource Center* and learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future. Interested? Join us at New Heights **starting Monday, February 6, 2023**. Heights Unlimited is offering this course at a reduced rate of \$25 (regular \$80). Join the class or go through the online content at your own pace. For details or to sign up contact Brad Delwiche at ol.delwiche@gmail.com.



2023 FINANCIAL FORUM

Join the Finance Team to learn more about New Heights' finances

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

8:45 In-person & via Zoom

Zoom link will be emailed that morning

Celebrate 2022 & look ahead to 2023

Interested in a deeper dive into the NHLC Finances and 2023 Ministry and Mission Plan (Budget)?

Join the Finance Team and Pastor Rob between worship services for financial stewardship planning details and questions. Attendees may participate in-person or via Zoom. The Zoom link will be shared with all mission partners in advance of the meeting (no RSVP required).

2023 ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, February 5, 2023

9:00-9:45 – Ministry Fair & Refreshments

9:30-9:45 – Virtual Attendee Fellowship

9:45-10:45 – Annual Meeting Celebration

Childcare options available!



Please RSVP online or drop in box in Gathering Space

Celebrate 2022 & look ahead to 2023

THANK YOU for your generosity and presence throughout 2022 as we grew as a faith community, refreshed faith development programming, served and cared for the needs of our local community, and worshipped our incredible God through it all!

We request all Mission Partners attend the Annual Meeting and welcome any guests

who would like to join us on Sunday, February 5th! There will be no "regular" worship services that morning. Instead, at 9 a.m. we will kick off a ministry fair with coffee and refreshments. The meeting will begin at 9:45 a.m. as we worship together, celebrate the blessings of 2022, and look forward to the ways we will continue to overflow in 2023! Childcare for birth-5th grade will be available pending RSVP's.

You should have received a mailing with your Annual Giving Statement, Annual Meeting invitation, and RSVP. You may also choose to RSVP here so we can begin our planning.

RSVP: Annual Meeting

Constitution Bylaw Change Update:

In the annual giving letter, we notified you of a proposed bylaw change to be voted on at the annual meeting. Upon further review, the recommended "constitutional bylaw amendment," should be listed as a "new bylaw" *under C13.02* (Nominating Committee Constitutional Provision). Voting will still occur at the annual meeting:

Current Constitutional Provision:

C13.02 A *nominating committee* of six voting members of this congregation, two of whom, if possible, shall be outgoing members of the Congregational Council, shall be elected at the annual meeting for a term of one year. Members of the Nominating Committee are not eligible for consecutive reelection.

Proposed New Bylaw:

C13.02.01 A confirmed youth in 10th or 11th grade may be added as a seventh member of the nominating committee.



You are CRUCIAL to the Finance Team's 2023 planning and our ministry capacity as a congregation! If you have not yet done so, **please return your 2023 Giving Intent Card as soon as possible**. These pledges help us plan and budget for ministry and operational expenses in the upcoming year.

Thank you for ALL you do to bring our God's love to life in and through our shared ministry!



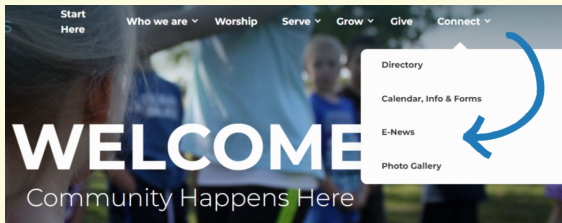
2023 Online Pledge Form

2023 Printable Pledge Form



**Miss an edition of the E-News, or
looking for something from the**

past? Our E-News will is now
available on our website!



<https://www.newheightslc.org/enews>



The Grove: Updates



- **Security and Protection Committee (coming):** This week, a free protection assessment was done on our Mazomanie property for security recommendations! Watch for future invitations to a Security and Protection Committee to develop plans and equipment priorities for our new space!
- **Environmental Stewardship Committee (coming):** We are working to develop a new Environmental Stewardship Committee for The Grove! This team will work on landscape element and amenity planning in collaboration with the community and village. Watch for future invitations and committee details.
- **Grove Rental & Reservation Plan:** We are excited about a continued interest in rental requests and activities at The Grove! Our team is working to establish a policy and procedure for reservations. Thank you to the Facility Rental Research and Implementation Team that begun this research and material development this fall!
- **Community Event Planning:** A group of mission partners and vision team members met for the first time this week to discuss what a community engagement event at The Grove could look like! While we don't anticipate it happening before the new year, stay tuned on ways to get involved and future save-the-dates!
- **Hands and feet needed!** Have gifts in the trades or time to give? The Facilities Team is looking for capable and qualified mission partners to assist in the facility maintenance plan for The Grove. Tasks could include, but are not limited to: lawn & flower bed care, facility systems checks, basic plumbing repair, gutter

cleaning, and custodial assistance. With a facility and campus 4x the size of our Black Earth location, we appreciate anyone willing to jump in!

[Facilities Care Interest Form](#)

To review previous The Grove project updates, visit:

[The Grove Project Updates](#)



Sharing the love of Jesus with ALL continues to be our top priority, and we are excited to have a periodic **Sign Language interpreter** at our 9:30 worship service!

We also have our Hearing Loop available.
Turn your hearing aid to 'T' (telecoil) mode.

We encourage and welcome new guests!



DHH Ministry

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Ministries



Find upcoming interpreter dates on our website:

newheightslc.org/worship

Visit our website to view the current interpreter schedule

[Worship Page | Interpreter Schedule Here](#)



NEW HEIGHTS CELEBRATIONS!

Thank you to those who could join us on 12/18 as we had a ceremony of blessing, releasing and celebrating our former property at Hwy 14/78.



HWY 14 / 78 PROPERTY

LAND BLESSING

High School Lock-in

was a huge hit with the 35 who attended!



Can we pray for you?

Our Prayer Team will pray for you and lift your requests and praises up to God

Find the confidential form at
newheightslc.org/prayer

If you have an urgent need, contact Deacon Francine, our Serve & Care Ministries Director at 608-212-5100

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYER WALL



You are invited to write your prayer or praise on a piece of paper, roll it up and add it to our Prayer Wall. Take a moment and pray for others as well, acknowledging the many other prayer requests that have been made.

The Prayer Team will monthly remove the prayers & praises, and lift them before God in prayer.

You can find the confidential form on our website under 'Grow' or click this link:
[Prayer \(newheightslc.org\)](http://newheightslc.org/prayer)



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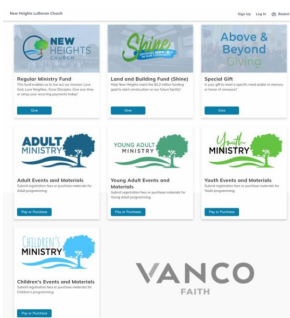
Prayers for healing for health concerns:

Shannon Moyer - health concerns

Gene Gunderson- celebrating a return home on 1/13, since his health emergency on 11/30. Rehabilitation is coming along nicely and will continue at home.

Michele Guyette - health concerns

Beth Warnke - health concerns



Same company, convenient layout!

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Questions?

Contact Jessica in the Church office: 608-767-2247 or office@newheightslc.org

Link to Giving Page!

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Jessica in the office:
office@newheightslc.org



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