



# THE SPIRE

News of New Haven United Methodist Church

*“Making Disciples for Jesus Christ in the world,  
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## From the desk of Patrick Grafton. . . . .

Hello Church –

What a wonderful Mother’s Day of services we had with a really adorable treat from the Children’s Choir, and then the quartet singing Steven’s Mother’s Day original! A great day honoring all of the amazing women in our congregation.

As we continue moving through Spring we are approaching graduation as well, and our church family will have several families celebrating the accomplishments of their graduates. Along with that this next week we’ll be celebrating Confirmation Sunday, and the culmination of the journeys of six of our young people along with their mentors through the road to a closer relationship with Christ. As we celebrate Pentecost it’s a reminder of the great event that occurred with the disciples when the Holy Spirit came to them in Jerusalem, and brought with it the new life for Christians going forward. I found myself this week struck by the dramatic difference that the two parts of God that came to us – first in the stillness of Christmas Eve in a small manger to no trumpets or fanfare, and then Pentecost brings the Holy Spirit of God with a tumultuous wind, a bunch of racket, and flames overwhelming those present as God entered into their hearts!

Please join us this coming week as we commemorate, and honor these young people and their mentors. Then stay after the 11 o’clock service for a luncheon in their honor which will be held in Fellowship Hall. And be sure that you come with a spirit of celebration for them, but remembering that just like in their baptism we commit to their continued journey of faith including encouragement and accountability. “As steel sharpens steel” we’re each called to aid one another in our personal journey’s. Make it a blessed week, and I look forward to seeing each of you next weekend!

*Patrick*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

**Members:** Vincent Duiveman; Karen Gibbs; Lewis Capparelli; Bob Schwartz; Jack Cearing; David Toalson; Ovella Followell

**Friends & Family of New Haven UMC**

Mark Nicholson; Linda Gregory's daughter-in-law, Lea; Peppa Smith; Ruth Ann Field; Syble Perry; Alon J. Soderfelt's friend, Karen Ridderman; Liz DeWitt's sister, Sharon; Dillon Glascock; the homeless; our world, city, country, public servants & leaders.

**Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated)**

Marjorie Stewart, Rosemary Tarr, Dot and Kelly Haynes; Laurie & Mahcoe VanDyke; Dorothy Koons

**Project Transformation  
Celebration Sunday, May 22nd**

Please sign up in the hallway for the luncheon to benefit Project Transformation. The program will begin at 12:15 with a silent auction, bluegrass music, and more! Phil Roberts will be our Master of Ceremonies!

Volunteers can sign up on May 22nd to listen to one child read. Our three days to read are July 25-27 at Southern Hills UMC. We will be volunteering to read with a child from 10am-12pm. Orientation will be from 9:30-10:00 am. Thank you for your support!



**SENIOR SUNDAY ~ MAY 29th!**

If you or a family member are graduating this spring from high school, college, technical school, or any other school of higher learning, please send a picture of the graduate and a short bio of where you are graduating, your major, and your future plans. Please email this information *as soon as possible* to [pat.bates@newhavenumc.org](mailto:pat.bates@newhavenumc.org) so that we can share your accomplishment in our Spire article and in our weekly bulletin insert. We will recognize you in church services on May 29th and have a cake to honor and congratulate you between the services in the hallway. Please feel free to wear your cap and gown if you like!!!



**UMPTENAGERS!**

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 17th. We are leaving the church at 11:15 am to have lunch at Ti Amo's Restaurant, then on to KOTV, Channel 6, for a tour of the studio at 1:00 pm. Should be interesting!

**SILENT AUCTION FOR  
PROJECT  
TRANSFORMATION  
MAY 22ND AT 12:15 pm**



The Project Transformation luncheon is coming up soon. Please don't forget that there will be a silent auction with a ton of good items to bid on! There will be baskets of many "themes" loaded with baked goods, movie night goodies, tea sets, children's books, coffee, "starter home" things, and even some Rustic Cuffs. We would still love to have more baskets in this silent auction. Please contact Tiffany Sherwin at [zenbear2205@yahoo.com](mailto:zenbear2205@yahoo.com) for more information or if you have a basket you'd like for her to pick up. You can also sign up at the table after worship services with Becky Puryear or Marianne Duiveman.

**WELCOME CAROL COX!**



Carol Cox joined New Haven as an associate member on Sunday, May 8th. She is already a member of the Interlude Class and actively participates in many church functions! Please let Carol know how happy we are to welcome her to our "family" and get to know this lovely woman!

## Corner



**Dear Missy,**

I'd like to know more about the mission called Project Transformation. When will New haven UMC readers be needed?

Signed,  
Wanting to Know

**Dear Wanting to Know,**

If you have a passion for helping children improve their literacy and develop a love of reading, there is definitely a place for you at Project Transformation. Project Transformation is a summer camp program held at Southern Hills United Methodist Church, 6160 S. Lewis Ave. in Tulsa. The program is for underserved children with a focus on developing the mind, body and spirit of participants. Daily, each child is paired with an adult volunteer to read one-on-one. The result is that 92% of these children maintain or improve their reading levels over the summer months. Activities during the morning session also include arts and crafts, computer skills, science, fitness, and nutrition education. Additional activities are offered in the afternoon including field trips.

How you can help support Project Transformation

1. Provide a basket or items for the silent auction being held during the fundraiser event. Contact Tiffany Sherwin at [zenbear2205@yahoo.com](mailto:zenbear2205@yahoo.com) if you'd like to donate to the auction.
2. Attend the fundraiser celebration luncheon at New Haven on Sunday, May 22 at 12:15 p.m. in the gymnasium. The program features the children's choir, our youth - Bailey Sartain and Wyatt Schifferdecker and a bluegrass band. The menu includes BBQ beef sandwiches, coleslaw, chips and cookies. You don't want to miss out!
3. Be a summer reading volunteer (New Haven's dates are July 25 – 27).
4. Provide lunch for the interns for one of the days we are reading.
5. Provide snacks and drinks for the children during one of our scheduled days (snacks for 64 and drinks for 64).
6. Be a volunteer to lead a 10 minute Bible Study during our Monday – Wednesday opening activities. (A curriculum is provided.)
7. Make a donation by designating Project Transformation on your check.

Sign-up sheets will be available soon.

Project Transformation will truly change someone's life, and it might be your own. Come and experience it!

Blessings,  
Missy

**Come and**

**Experience It!**

## Opportunities of the Week May 15 ~ 22

### SUNDAY, MAY 15

#### Confirmation Sunday

#### Pentecost Sunday

- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship & Children's Church  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am Traditional Worship & Children's Church  
 12:15 pm Confirmation Luncheon/Gym  
 1:30 pm Finance Committee/Parlor  
 3:30 pm Liturgical Dance/Sanctuary  
 4:30 pm Celebration "Singers (Children)  
 5:00 pm WEB (We're Experiencing the Bible) Children's program  
 5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study  
 6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner  
 7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

### MONDAY, MAY 16

- 6:00 pm Writers Group/185

### TUESDAY, MAY 17

- 11:15 pm Umpteenagers Day Trip  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym  
 7:30 pm AA/ 185,205,209,210

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

- 3:45 pm After-School Chapel  
 6:00 pm Youth Group  
 7:00 pm One Spirit Choir  
 7:00 pm ACOA/206

### THURSDAY, MAY 19

- 9:45 am Women's Grief Recovery/Parlor  
 6:00 pm Praise Band/Sanctuary  
 7:15 pm Yoga

### FRIDAY, MAY 20

- 7:30 pm AA/Gym

### SATURDAY, MAY 21

- 8:30 am Men's Breakfast Bunch/Parlor

### SUNDAY, MAY 22

#### In-Service Sunday

- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship & Children's Church  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am Traditional Worship & Children's Church  
 12:15 pm Project Transformation Lunch/ Gym  
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### New Haven Staff Members

Rev. Cindy Havlik	Senior Pastor
Rev. Suzanne Davis	Associate Pastor
Jennifer Payton	Business Manager
Stephen Merrick	Music Director
Patrick Grafton	Youth Director
Paula Fox	Children's Director
Pat Bates	Adm. Assistant
Ann Martin	Financial Secretary
Mary Ann Cunningham	Nursery Director
Teresa Roberts	Organist
Rev. Jeanette Boyd	Retired Deacon
Kacie Kendrick	Day School Dir.
Joan West	After School Care
Oscar Sturgeon	Custodian

## May Birthdays

4. Sarah Roberts
5. Lucas Lamkin
7. Dodie Wood
8. Chuck Berry  
Marissa Degner
9. Joleen Taylor
10. Kim Percival
12. Bryant Lamkin  
Michael Smith  
Camille Stevenson
15. Dawson Watson
17. David Duncan
20. Laura Degner  
Sandy Nicholson
22. Shane Mote
27. Rick Davis  
Rosemary Tarr
28. Michael Taylor
29. Debbie Love  
Kelcey Newberry



## UMW NEWS

The Susanna Circle of UMW will have its annual Birthday Potluck Salad Lunch on Thursday, May 12th in the parlor. Please join us at 11am with a salad as we celebrate all of our birthdays for the year! We are hoping the children from the Day School will stop by for a special birthday treat for all!!!

## ATTENDANCE

May 8, 2016

**8:45 am—60**

**11:00 am—113**

**Total: 173**

**Sunday School**

**Adults-57**

**Youth-8**

**Children-14**

**Adult Sunday School  
Come join us at 9:45 am!**

**Room 185: Discovery Class**  
Galatians

**Room 209: Fellowship Class**  
Revelation Study

**Room 210: New Friendship Class**  
Biblical Archaeology of Jerusalem and Northern Kingdom

**Parlor: Christian Living Class**  
Adult Bible Study Curriculum

**Room 161 Interlude Class**  
"The Call: The Life and Message of the Apostle, Paul".

**Room 205: Journeys Class**  
"The Will of God"

You may email articles for the Spire (no later than Sunday evenings, please.) Sending your article on a "Word" document as an attachment works best. Please email your article to [pat.bates@newhavenumc.org](mailto:pat.bates@newhavenumc.org). Please note "Spire Newsletter" on the subject line. While we make every effort to include your request, we reserve the right to edit or delete articles due to space availability.

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