



# THE SPIRE

News of New Haven United Methodist Church

*“Gracious Acceptance. . . . Grateful Service”*

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Pastor Cindy's Sermon last week "Invite, Invite, Invite" encouraged each of us to be aware of those we might know who do not attend a church and help them to find their way to New Haven. We do have a responsibility as United Methodists "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world". Many of you may know Rev. Bob Pierson who for many years was pastor at Christ United Methodist at 36<sup>th</sup> and Harvard. He now leads many workshop and seminars on Effective Evangelism all over this country and he recently was invited to England for the Anglican Church's Lenten Series. He was excited about learning more about the British church to become aware of their commitment, their interest and concern about spreading the gospel.

However what he found in England caused him to have great concern for the Church worldwide. While the church in the U.S. is on a great decline it is on an even greater decline in the U.K. Church leaders are closing churches continuously due to inadequate finances and lack of attendance. He said they saw beautiful church buildings used for meeting halls, one was a cafe and retail store. There were beautiful old cathedrals, now empty of any church relationships, serving meals and merchandise, rather than Jesus. At one place he saw an old steeple being used as a decoration in a rock garden made from stones of old church buildings.

One of the facts we learned from Rev. Rodney Newman Chaplain at our own Oklahoma City University is that many young people today do not claim a church and they will put NONE on the church affiliation line in any application. Many of them are very spiritual but do not want to be associated with any particular denomination. So what does that mean for us?

"There's great expectation when we Christians are put to work; our work of inviting people to God, our work of changing people's lives, our work of making Disciples. We hold our Mission Statement to be a core value in our lives. Not just in our lives, but in the life of New Haven church. Do you remember what that Mission Statement is? To make a difference in the world for Christ. To be love in action. And we do that by inviting others to church, and showing them that there is a place for you here."

Invite others to walk the journey of faith with you and with us to change the world... to save the world... to make a difference in another's life for Christ.

Rev. Suzanne Davis

**American Cancer Society  
Relay for Life  
Smoke Off**

**When: May 17, 2014  
Where: Penny Park  
49th & Charles Page Blvd.  
Tulsa, Ok. 74127**

**Cost: \$7:00 for sampler plate**

**What time: 12 Noon to when food runs  
out**

**If interested in competing or helping  
cook, call**

**Norman Rask at [918-510-1146](tel:918-510-1146)**

**or**

**Duane Block at [918-859-4903](tel:918-859-4903)**

**Proceeds for the Smoke Off will go to  
Sand Springs area for  
ACS Relay For Life**

**Car club, motorcycle club, activities for  
kids include face painting, jupiter jump,  
and dunk tank.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .**

**Members:**

Ron Cunningham  
Charlotte Erwin  
Greg Gotcher  
Debbie Green

Dorothy Koons  
Nick Nicholson  
Betty Watson

**Friends & Family of New Haven UMC**

Dodie's son-in-law, Mark Baggetto; Nick & Sandy Nicholson's son, Mark and his wife, Linda; Mary Ann Cunningham's mother and sister; Danny Hall's sister, Lily; Carolyn Toalson's dad, Elson Cook; David Toalson's mom, Mildred; Don & Linda Gregory's family; 19 month old Syprezz Bentley; Syble Gale Aumiller; the homeless; our country, city, & leaders.

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

Lois Bailey; Maxine Loyd, Fran Palm, Marjorie Stewart, Rosemary Tarr, Vetus Vanderwiele; Dot and Kelly Haynes; Dorothy Koons; Bob Schwartz; Bob & Dorothy Thacker; Laurie & Mahcoe VanDyke



**SENIOR SUNDAY MAY 25th**

If you are graduating from high school, college, or tech school this month, you are invited to come and be recognized on May 25th during worship. Please call the office ASAP for details (918-743-6491) and send in your photo & future plans right away for the Spire! We want to honor your hard work!!!

**Day School Executive Director**

Do you have a heart and passion for children? New Haven United Methodist Day School Council and New Haven United Methodist Church are seeking a caring, loving and mature individual who is able to relate well to children, parents, co-workers and church staff for the position of Executive Director. This position holds the following job requirements:

- Degree in Child Development or Early Childhood Education
- Bookkeeping experience preferred
- Demonstrate Christian values
- Familiar with DHS guidelines and procedures
- Passion for well-being of children and encouragement of their faith development
- Exhibit effective management supervision skills and techniques
- Demonstrate effective verbal and written communication skills

Salary is commensurate with experience. New Haven Day School is a vital ministry of New Haven United Methodist Church. The Executive Director works in conjunction with the church in shared ministry to touch lives for Christ. For more information, or to apply for this position, please contact Rev. Cindy Havlik in the church office: 918-743-6491 or [cindy.havlik@newhavenumc.org](mailto:cindy.havlik@newhavenumc.org).

**TOP THAT PIZZA NIGHT!**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month**  
**41<sup>st</sup> & Yale store**  
 (Southroads Village-5347 E 41 St.)

Help us raise funds for a new church bus! Our current van is showing its age, so a new mode of transportation is in our future. The Day School has set up a way YOU can help!

**Support our New Haven night the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at Top That Pizza.**

Just stop by and purchase their yummy pizza and drop your receipt in the box by the register. Spread the word to friends and family! THANKS!!

**ALLYSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Thank you to all who have donated to the VBS collections. We no longer need toilet paper rolls or Kleenex boxes. The items still needed are:

Coffee cans (rinsed) – these can be the big, plastic ones. Or other containers along that size can be used. Please no soup or fruit/veggie cans.

Boxes / cardboard

Leis

Colorful plastic tablecloths (rectangle)

Clean paint cans

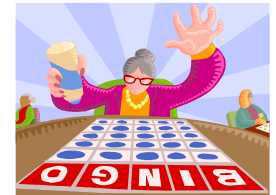


**“In-Service Sunday”, May 18th, will benefit Annual Conference Flood Bucket Collections**

Our efforts for “In-Service Sunday” will go toward packing supplies for “Flood Buckets” for disaster preparedness. These much needed supplies enable people to begin the overwhelming job of cleaning up after a flood, hurricane or other natural disaster. The items we will help to pack in 5 gallon size buckets will make a significant difference in clean-up efforts. Our “In-Service Sunday” team is already shopping for items to put in the buckets, and will have everything ready for us to assemble on May 18<sup>th</sup>! It will be quick, it will be easy, but most importantly, our efforts will help others in need during times of disaster. Let us take joy in knowing we are touching lives for Christ!! Stay tuned for other quarterly projects to come.

**UMPTENAGERS BINGO!**

Find those treasures around your house that you don't want anymore and bring them to Umpteenagers on Tuesday, May 20th. We are having lunch and White Elephant Bingo in the parlor at 11:00 am, all for \$5/person. Hope you can be there!



**PROJECT TRANSFORMATION BENEFIT LUNCHEON. . .EVERYONE INVITED!!!**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST AT NOON (SIT DOWN OR TAKE OUT)**

Project Transformation is a summer literacy camp for underserved elementary children, grades 1-6. The camp runs for 6 weeks, Monday-Thursday. The children read to an adult in the mornings from 10 am until noon, so we need your help to be a “listener” and share your love and interest with a child. The week that we at New Haven UMC will be involved with this awesome program is July 14-17th at Southern Hills UMC at 61st and Lewis Avenue.

In addition to our volunteers, New Haven sponsors an intern and provides snacks/drinks. The interns who lead the camp are college students who are considering going into urban ministries or working in youth camps, etc. On June 1<sup>st</sup>, we invite you to the “**NEW HAVEN DINER**” for a sit down lunch after second service or take advantage of our new “takeout” option (after either service or Sunday School) and take your meal to go! **The menu will be sliced BBQ brisket, baked beans, coleslaw, chips and cookies.** Our goal is to raise \$1,600. to support one intern and our share of the program during Project Transformation this summer. Sign up sheets to attend the luncheon will be in the hallway.

Our children are our future!!!

Outreach Committee

## Opportunities of the Week

May 18 ~ 25

### SUNDAY, May 18th In-Service Sunday

- 8:45 am **Contemporary Worship** and Children's Church  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am **Traditional Worship** and Children's Church  
 12:00 pm Mission Sunday Committee  
 1:30 pm Finance Committee/Parlor  
 2:30 pm "A Disciple's Path" Class/Parlor  
 3:30 pm Liturgical Dance/Sanctuary  
 4:00 pm District Youth Leadership  
 4:30 pm Bible Experience  
 5:00 pm Disciple I/Parlor  
 5:00 pm Jr. High Youth  
 5:15 pm Children's Choir  
 6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner  
 7:00 pm Sr. High Youth

### MONDAY, May 19th

- 6:00 pm Writers Group/185

### TUESDAY, May 20th

- 11:00 am Umpteenagers Bingo/Parlor  
 6:00 pm Day School Council/Parlor  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym  
 7:30 pm AA/ 185,205,209,210  
 7:30 pm Alanon/206

### WEDNESDAY, May 21st

- 10:00 am Women's Grief Recovery Group  
 6:00 pm Youth Group  
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
 7:00 pm ACOA/206  
 8:30 pm College Group

### THURSDAY, May 22nd

- 6:00 pm Christianity & World Religion Class/Parlor  
 6:00 pm Covenant Bible Study/Offsite  
 6:00 pm Praise Band  
 7:30 pm Yoga/210

### FRIDAY, May 23rd

- 7:30 pm AA/Gym

### SATURDAY, May 24th

- 10:00 am Men's Brunch Bunch/Parlor

### SUNDAY, May 25th Senior Sunday

- 8:45 am **Contemporary Worship** and Children's Church  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am **Traditional Worship** and Children's Church  
 2:30 pm "A Disciple's Path" Class/Parlor  
 3:30 pm Liturgical Dance/Sanctuary  
 4:30 pm Bible Experience  
 5:00 pm Disciple I/Parlor  
 5:00 pm Jr. High Youth  
 5:15 pm Children's Choir  
 6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner

### New Haven Staff Members

Rev. Cindy Havlik	Senior Pastor
Rev. Suzanne Davis	Associate Pastor
Paul Mabrey	Music Director
David Berns	Youth Director
Allyson Cauthon	Children's Director
Pat Bates	Adm. Assistant
Ann Martin	Financial Secretary
Mary Ann Cunningham	Nursery Director
Teresa Roberts	Organist
Rev. Jeanette Boyd	Retired Deacon
Tonya Ford	Day School Dir.
Joan West	After School Care
Oscar Sturgeon	Custodian



### May Birthdays

2. Paula Manuel
4. Sarah Roberts
5. Lucas Lamkin
6. Jennifer Beaver
7. Dodie Wood
8. Chuck Berry  
Henry Cauthon  
Marissa Degner
9. Joleen Taylor
10. Kim Percival
12. Bryant Lamkin  
Michael Smith  
Camille Stevenson
15. Dawson Watson
17. David Duncan
18. Charlotte Erwin
20. Laura Degner  
Sandy Nicholson
22. Bob Thacker
27. Rick Davis  
Rosemary Tarr  
Samuel Standlee
28. Michael Taylor
29. Debbie Love  
Kelcey Hardy



### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

May 11, 2014

8:45 am – 82  
 11:00 am – 101  
**Total: 183**

**Sunday School Attendance:  
 43**

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

**Room 185: Discovery Class**  
 Galatians

**Room 209: Fellowship Class**  
 Jesus's Fulfillment of Scripture

**Room 210: New Friendship Class**  
 "How Will You Measure Your  
 Life?" by Clayton Christensen

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

**Room 161 Interlude Class**  
 "Christianity's Family Tree" by  
 Adam Hamilton

**Room 205: Journeys Class**  
 "God is Closer Than You Think" by  
 John Ortburg

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

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