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by being God’s Love in Action.”*

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(Editor’s Note: As Pastor Cindy enjoys a well deserved vacation, we will hear from other staff members on this page. Today our Children’s Director, Allyson Cauthon brings you this message about VBS. Enjoy!)



June 1-5

9am-12pm

Open to children entering grades Pre-K through 5th.

Register your child online at

www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/newhavenumc

Imagine...

- ...a child hearing about God’s mighty power and love for the first time.
- ...kids worshiping in powerful ways.
- ...children praying for each other in the challenges they face.
- ...adults and teens modeling Jesus’ love to children.
- ...children serving each other.

This summer at Everest VBS, kids will go on an exciting, icy expedition to the slopes of Mount Everest where they’ll discover they can conquer challenges with God’s mighty power! It’s an adventure that’ll help everyone involved to begin or grow in their relationship with God!

We’re praying this awesome VBS program will touch children’s hearts and lives with God’s power. Help kids in our community discover that

- God has the power to provide. (Hold on!)
- God has the power to comfort. (Hold on!)
- God has the power to heal. (Hold on!)
- God has the power to forgive. (Hold on!)
- God has the power to love us forever. (Hold on!)

As we plan and prepare for Everest, our team would cherish your prayers. Pray that God would give us wisdom in planning and pray that God would begin working in the hearts of the children who will come to Everest!

We still need donations of plastic gallon milk jugs, toilet and paper towel tubes, and monetary donations.

Children, Youth and Adults who are interested in helping lead music at VBS this year should come to the sanctuary on Sundays May 17th, 24th and 31st at 3:30 PM. We will meet until 4:30 to learn the choreography to all of the songs. If you plan on being a part, please plan to attend EACH session. VBS will be held June 1st through 5th, 9am-12pm. If you have questions, you may call or text Deena Smith at 918-693-4828.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .



OUR MEMBERS:

Bob Schwartz; Bobbie Scott; Lana Gotcher; Karen Gibbs; Charlotte Erwin; Rick Davis; Nancy Gunter; Bob Jones

Friends & Family of New Haven UMC

Mark Nicholson; Linda Gregory's daughter-in-law, Lea; Ruth Ann Field; Syble Perry; Kelly Sartain's father, John; Betty Barton's daughter-in-law, Connie Barton; Greg Pape's mother; Sharon Hewitt, friend of Betty Hodge; Joleen Taylor's mother, Darline Breeze; Peter Havlik's father, Ladislav Havlik; the homeless; our world, city, country, public servants & leaders.

Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated)

Fran Palm, Marjorie Stewart, Rosemary Tarr, Dot and Kelly Haynes; Bob Schwartz; Dorothy Thacker; Laurie & Mahcoe VanDyke; Dorothy Koons

Reading Partners--Volunteers Needed

Do you enjoy reading with children? Have you perhaps been involved with our summer reading week at Project Transformation/Southern Hills UMC? Have you ever wished you could work more often, or in more depth, with that one special child?

This year, Project Transformation has a special opportunity for dedicated reading volunteers. PT has teamed up with Reading Partners, a non-profit literacy organization, to provide an enhanced experience for our children. Through the Reading Partners component of our program, children will work on reading lessons twice a week --with personal mentors. If you'd like to be one of these mentors and have the chance to work with the same child throughout the eight weeks of camp, please contact Jill Hoffman, our site coordinator, at jill.hoffman62@gmail.com. You must commit to at least one hour per week (although vacation substitutions can be arranged), but you may choose to offer even more time. Reading Partners training will be held Friday, May 15, at 1 p.m. at McClure Elementary School. Please reserve your spot with Jill prior to May 11.

Project Transformation runs June 1-July 23, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Monday-Thursday at Southern Hills United Methodist Church, 6160 S. Lewis. Whether you sign up to read or not, we hope you'll come by to enjoy the children, soak up some laughter, and see what a wonderful blessing this camp is--both to them, and to us!

VISITATION COMMITTEE

Did you ever wish that you could serve God through visitation and/or transportation to those in our church area who may not have a church home? We here at New Haven UMC hope to give you that opportunity!!

At 6:30 pm, Thursday, May 14th we will have a meeting in the church parlor to see what interest there might be. We now have a church mini-bus so we could pick up people in our area that might need a ride to church! If you are interested, come to our organizational meeting as we continue to serve God. **Wayne Love** has offered to lead us in this effort!!

SENIOR SUNDAY, MAY 24TH

If you are graduating this year from high school, tech school, or college, please email a short bio and a picture of yourself to pat.bates@newhavenumc.org. We will honor you on May 24th during service and with a reception. We need this info ASAP! Thank you!

UMPTENAGERS

Mark your calendars for **Thursday, May 21st**. That is when we are going to Shepherd's Cross Farm (home to about 400 sheep) just north of Claremore. This is a public, non-profit organization that teaches Biblical references to the harvest, animals, farming and gardening. Their tours of the area are on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. That's why we are going Thursday, May 21st instead of our regular day (Tuesday). The riding tours are \$5/person and will consist of touring the pastures and gardens and hope we see the baby lambs, also a gift shop. Lunch will be in Claremore at The Pink House. We will leave the church at 11:00 am in our mini-bus. Come join us!

BABY (BOY) SHOWER!

Proud Parents to be:
Nicole & Patrick Grafton

Date: Saturday, May 16

Place: Church Parlor

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Registered:
Amazon.com
Buy Buy Baby



Mission Corner



Dear Missy,

What were the results of "Undie Sunday"?
Signed,
Curious

Dear Curious,

Over 425 pairs of children's underwear were given as a result of Undie Sunday. The underwear was sorted, labeled, and packaged by Boy Scout Troop 16 that meet here at New Haven. The underwear will be sent to Skyline Urban Ministries.

Thank you for participating in this cause.

Blessings,
Missy

Upcoming Events:

[Murdock Villa – Tuesday, May 12, birthday party for the residents at noon, contact Lou Lindsey at 918-906-7364 or louise-lindsey@utulsa.edu to help serve the meal \(dress Hawaiian\)](#)

[In-Service – Sunday, May 17, completing health kits to benefit UMCOR](#)

[Day Center – Saturday, May 30, chili supper for the homeless, sign up in hallway to help prepare and/or serve, contact is Phil Roberts at 918-671-2055 or phil.roberts@cox.net](#)

[Project Transformation – save the dates: Monday, July 13 through Thursday, July 16; reading partners needed, contact Becky Puryear at 918-747-3949 or rapuryear@yahoo.com to help with annual fundraiser](#)



Come and

Experience It!

DINNER AT THE DAY CENTER FOR THE HOMELESS

We have received a new date for serving dinner at the Day Center: **Saturday, May 30th.**

OUR MENU:
Chili
Cornbread
Applesauce
Cookies

You may sign up at the hallway table to bring these items. The applesauce should be purchased in the individual foil-covered servings.

Calling all Vacation Bible School Music Helpers!

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Also we will not have Footprints/ Dance practice on May 10th, and we will have VBS Music Helpers Practice instead of Footprints the following three weeks (see above). Footprints will take a break over the summer and start back up in the fall.

Opportunities of the Week May 17 ~ 24

SUNDAY, MAY 17

- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship and Children's Church
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Traditional Worship and Children's Church
 12:15pm Safe Sanctuary Class/Parlor
 1:30 pm Finance Committee/Parlor
 3:30 pm VBS Music Class
 4:30 pm Bible Experience for Children
 5:00 pm Disciple II
 5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study
 6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner
 7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

MONDAY, MAY 18

- 6:00 pm Writer's Group/185
 7:00 pm Boy Scout Court of Honor

TUESDAY, MAY 19

- 6:00 pm Day School Council/Parlor
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym
 7:30 pm AA/ 185,205,209,210

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

- 6:00 pm Bell Choir/Sanctuary
 6:00 pm Youth Group
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir
 7:00 pm ACOA/206

THURSDAY, MAY 21

- 11:00 am Umpteenagers
 6:00 pm Praise Band

FRIDAY, MAY 22

- 7:30 pm AA/Gym

SATURDAY, MAY 23

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

SUNDAY, MAY 24 SENIOR SUNDAY

- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship and Children's Church
 Sunday School
 11:00 am Traditional Worship and Children's Church
 3:30 pm VBS Music Class
 4:30 pm Bible Experience for Children
 5:00 pm Disciple II
 5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study
 6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner
 7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study



May Birthdays

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



ATTENDANCE

MAY 10, 2015

8:45 am– 95
 11:00 am–102
TOTAL—197

SUNDAY SCHOOL

**TOTAL:
56**

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

Room 185: Discovery Class
Galatians

Room 209: Fellowship Class
Adult Bible Study Curriculum

Room 210: New Friendship Class
"How Jesus Became God"

Parlor: Christian Living Class
Adult Bible Study Curriculum

Room 161 Interlude Class
"The Will of God" by Leslie Weatherhead.

Room 205: Journeys Class
"Stressed Out" by Serendipity
Focus Group

SUSANNA CIRCLE

Thursday, May 14th the Susanna Circle will celebrate its annual Birthday Potluck Salad luncheon. Join us at 10am in the parlor for our circle meeting and lunch—bring a salad to share!

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. 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

New Haven Staff Members

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Stephen Merrick	Music Director
Allyson Cauthon	Children's Director
Patrick Grafton	Youth Director
Pat Bates	Adm. Assistant
Ann Martin	Financial Secretary
Mary Ann Cunningham	Nursery Director
Teresa Roberts	Organist
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Joan West	After School Care
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