



One week-end night recently, I went to plug my cell phone

into its charger and discovered I had spent the entire day missing phone calls! It seems I had inadvertently left the ring-er “off” all day, so every time friends or family or (twice, the church!) called, all they heard from me was my outgoing voice mail message.

At first I was mortified - especially to miss the important work-related calls. But then as I reflected on what a great Saturday I’d had, the weather was beautiful, we had all the family over... the cell phone faded into insignificance. It turned out to be a day of Sabbath - a (not so intentional) day of rest and renewal.

It was a whole day without email or telephone calls, without reading anything for work

Cindy's Chalkboard

or doing anything related to the house! The truth is, it was a day when the Holy Spirit had a better than average chance of getting through the clutter of my normal days.

calls, and even more than email! Time is certainly for all of who we are and all we hope to become. That is why it is not a once in a lifetime, or even a once a year kind of experience.

Sabbath is Ours to Share

Sabbath. We all need it, whether we recognize it or not. We all need those days without busi-ness, those times for rest for our spirits as well as our bod-ies. Because Sabbath can turn what feels like “never enough time” into time enough. Sab-bath can take the limits of our lives and expand them, making space for all of who we are and all we hope to become.

Author Danna Schaper writes, “Sabbath is time spent remem-bering what time is for.” I like that ... because I suspect when you get right down to it, time is for much more than cell phone

We need Sabbath on a regular basis (though I have to admit I am in still in the learning phase of that concept!)

We need to take the time to remember what time is for. As we look ahead to our worship life together and the multitude of events happening this Fall, I hope you will find connections with God and one another. And I hope you will experience Sab-bath. Because Sabbath is ours to share... this is time spent remembering what time is for!

Blessings, Pastor Cindy

Calling All Commitment Cards!!

What a wonderful Commitment Sunday we had last week—a time when we are especially mindful of how our gifts to God’s work through New Ha-ven United Methodist Church for 2016 will unfold!

If you have not yet sent in your Commitment cards for 2016, we please ask that you do so as soon as possible. What a blessing to know that what we offer back to God makes a difference in lives for Christ! If you are in need of a card,

extra cards are available in the pews, at the church office or by mail.

Thank you for supporting your church with your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your ser-vice and your witness!

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

OUR MEMBERS:

Marion Wilkerson; Rose Unterschuetz



Friends & Family of New Haven UMC

Mark Nicholson; Linda Gregory's daughter-in-law, Lea; Peppa Smith; Ruth Ann Field; Syble Perry; Betty Barton's daughter-in-law, Connie Barton; Joleen Taylor's mother; Kelly Sartain's father-in-law; Easter Moore; Carolyn Toalson's mother, Valerie; Jessica Nicholson; Mary Anne Tyler's uncle, Dick Deibert; the homeless; our world, city, country, public servants & leaders.

Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated)

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

DINNER AT THE DAY CENTER

On Friday, October 23rd, we have an opportunity to serve dinner at the Day Center for the Homeless. We have sign-up sheets on the hallway table for you to bring stew, brownies, or Rice Krispy treats and also to sign up to serve the meal. We need quite a few servers! You are welcome to bring food AND serve or just sign up for one or the other!! Please bring food by 4:45 that day and we'll leave the church at 5:15 pm. Serving the meal is from 5:45-6:45 pm.

A mentor of mine once told me, "***The most important things in life are Not things.***" He helped me began to understand that friendships, relationships, and fellowship are the "Real Things" in life. ***New Haven has a Men's Fellowship*** that meets every other Saturday (our next meeting is 10/24) in the parlor from 10am to 11am. We have brunch, fresh coffee, and fellowship. If you need are few more "Real Things" in your life come join us. ***All the men of New Haven are welcome.*** We stay off politics, religion, and other "hot issues" while we just talk as guys and get to know each other better. May God bless and we'll be looking for you on the 24th.

John W. Manuel

EXODUS HOUSE

We are preparing our apartment in Exodus House for a new resident in November. Here is a list of what we still need to furnish this new home. If you can make a monetary gift to help, please write "Exodus House" in the memo line of your check. Thank you!

King size comforter

Bath towels and washcloths

Bat mat set & Shower curtain

Dresser with mirror or chest of drawers & wall mirror

Dining table & chairs

Sofa

Coffee table

Microwave stand (we have a microwave)

TV & stand

Cooking utensils

Sink drain tray

If you can supply any of these items, please let Jan Boyd know ASAP or call the church office.

We will have a work morning to clean the apartment at 10:00 am this Wednesday, Oct. 21st at Exodus House, 2624 E. Newton St. Please come if you can!!!

ALLYSON'S ANNOUNCEMENT

This year, instead of our usual "Fall Festival", New Haven will be holding a **Trunk or Treat** on October 25th from 4-5pm. We will have the Jupiter Jump set up, as well as games and (hopefully) a fire truck, ambulance and/or police car for the kids to see! If you are planning on passing out candy, please have your car parked 10 minutes before the trick-or-treating starts. If you would like to participate in any way, please let me know!

"Out of the Mouth of Babes"

A grandfather walking past his young granddaughter's room one night saw her kneeling beside her bed, with head bowed and hands folded, repeating the alphabet.

"What are you doing?" he asked her.

She explained, "I'm saying my prayers, but I couldn't think just what to pray for. So I'm just saying all the letters of the alphabet, and God can put them together however He thinks best."

Mission Corner



Dear Missy,

Please tell me about the "Mountain of Food" mission project and how I can help. From what I've heard, it sounds like a very worthwhile outreach event that NHUMC offers each year.

Signed,
Mountain not Molehills

Dear MNM,

The "Mountain of Food" mission-sponsored event that benefits Restore Hope Ministries began at New Haven UMC in 2002. Since that time, this congregation has contributed over 100,000 pounds of food.

The Tulsa area United Methodist congregations established Restore Hope Ministries in 1978. These churches recognized that the working poor families in the Tulsa area needed help. Two charter board of directors for Restore Hope Ministries were members of New Haven: Lewis Cleveland and Hank Vaughn. The mission is to restore families in financial crisis to economic and spiritual vitality. Restore Hope is an affiliate of the Oklahoma Conference of the United Methodist Church and is located at 2960 Charles Page Boulevard (one block west of Gilcrease Museum Road).

The "Mountain of Food" campaign is one of the ways that our congregation helps this ministry. Members are encouraged to contribute money that goes to purchase flats of boxed or canned food. These flats of food are then stacked in the front of the New Haven sanctuary.

Dick and Kay Garwood are New Haven's Restore Hope representatives. Dick will be telling us more about this mission event on Sunday, October 25. Be looking for the order forms in The Spire and as a bulletin insert to make your selection and donation. We will begin seeing the food mountain starting on Sunday, November 1. On Sunday, November 15, the flats of food will be blessed during the morning worship service and then delivered immediately afterwards to Restore Hope Ministries.

Together we can build high a "Mountain of Food" that will provide Restore Hope Ministries with a means to reduce hunger in the Tulsa area as well as provide hope for many low-income working families.

Blessings,
Missy

Come and

Experience It!



NEW HAVEN'S NEWEST MEMBER!

WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO WELCOME

SUE HUNNICUTT INTO MEMBERSHIP

WITH US! SUE JOINED ON SUNDAY, OCT. 18TH

DURING THE 11:00 SERVICE. PLEASE MEET SUE

AND GIVE HER YOUR BEST "NEW HAVEN WELCOME"!!!

Opportunities of the Week October 25 ~ November 1



October Birthdays

2. Richard Jaeger
- Betty Hodge
5. Brett Hensley
6. Bill Ford
- George Stevenson
7. Paula Fox
- Kate Scruggs
9. Nancy Gunter
10. Mark Morgan
14. Janet Hopkins
20. Kent Toalson
22. Diane Kaufmann
25. Quentin VanDyke
26. Greg Gotcher
- Sam Puryear
- Teresa Roberts
27. Sue Duncan
- Kala Morgan
29. Emily Painter
31. Virginia Kingsolver



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 8:30 am—12:30 pm Day School Bake Sale in our gym!
- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship and Children's Church
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship and Children's Church
- 4:00 pm Trunk or Treat/Parking Lot
- 5:00 pm Disciple IV/Parlor
- 5:00 pm Social Principles of the UMC/185

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 6:00 pm Disciple I Fast Track/Off Site
- 6:00 pm Writers Group/185

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

- 6:00 pm Jubilation Bells/Sanctuary
- 6:00 pm Youth Group
- 7:00 pm ACOA/206
- 7:00 pm One Spirit Choir

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

- 6:00 pm Praise Band
- 7:15 pm Yoga/210

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

- 6:00 pm AA/Gym
- 6:00 pm CHI Group/Offsite

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

(Turn your clocks back tonight!!!)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Daylight Savings Time Ends!

- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship and Children's Church
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship and Children's Church
- 4:00 pm Bible Experience/Music
- *4:00 pm Social Principles of the UMC/185
- *4:00 pm Disciple IV/Parlor
- 5:00 pm Liturgical Dance/Sanctuary
- 6:00 pm Cluster Charge Conference/ Christ UMC



New Haven Staff Members

Rev. Cindy Havlik	Senior Pastor
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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
Rev. Jeanette Boyd	Retired Deacon
Kacie Kendrick	Day School Dir.
Joan West	After School Care
Oscar Sturgeon	Custodian

ATTENDANCE

OCTOBER 18, 2015

8:45 am— 62

11:00 am—103

TOTAL—165

SUNDAY SCHOOL

TOTAL: 65

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
Biblical Archaeology of Jerusalem and Northern Kingdom

Parlor: Christian Living Class
Adult Bible Study Curriculum

Room 161 Interlude Class
A Study of the Apostles.

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

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

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