



# THE SPIRE

News of New Haven United Methodist Church

*"Making Disciples for Jesus Christ in the world,  
by being God's Love in Action"*

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Rev. James Graham

## Out of the Wilderness

Good morning! I just returned from a trip to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness with the Girl Scouts. My time with these wonderful young women, reminded me of the importance of working together as a team. This past week, I witnessed these young ladies lift heavy loads and

carry them over a long portage to get to the other side. They carried canoes that they could not lift by themselves, but together, they were able to carry them up and down steep hills over the distance of a quarter of a mile.

We often try to do things "on our own" and fail. Why? Perhaps it is pride, or perhaps it is simply that we forget to ask for help. Paul reminds us that the body of Christ is stronger when we work together for the benefit of everyone. Things that I can't do by myself, we CAN DO together! Just as some of the other scout leaders had skills I didn't have that were vital to the success of our journey, I had skills they needed as well. New Haven is a wonderful part of the body of Christ and we will be stronger if we include new members with new skills in our mission. I am so thankful for all of you who make it possible for me to enjoy a vacation without worrying about things back home. Our worship team functioned effectively, Danny and Patrick have filled the pulpit, and YOU have continued the ministry and mission of our church while I have been away. That makes my heart sing for joy and celebrate the wonderful gifts and talents that God has blessed this body with through you!



Celebrating the joy of ministry with you always!

Pastor James

**VBS NEEDS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS**  
(Please bring to the church by  
**NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 14)**

- ♦ **BOTTLE CAPS** off any size bottle, jar, even laundry lids!
- ♦ **OLD CDs**
- ♦ **CHRISTMAS TREE ROPE LIGHTS** (either to donate or borrow, please put your name on the borrowed ones)
- ♦ **EGG CARTONS**
- ♦ **COFFEE CANS (need 6)**

**\*WE NEED HELP DECORATING**

**Saturday, July 13 ~ 1:00 - 5:00 pm**  
**Sunday, July 14 with Pizza Lunch**  
**12:15 - 4:00 pm**

**\*Drop in and help whenever you can an hour or more will be awesome! Thanks, Ms. Marti**



**VBS**  
**JULY**  
**15~18**  
**FREE!!**

**Don't forget to order your T-Shirt!**

**Register online:**  
<https://tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/newhavenmethodist>

**Ages**  
**4 Years through**  
**Entering 5th Grade**

**Each day will begin with dinner followed by Crafts, Singing, Mission Project & More!**

**Volunteers Needed!**  
**Adults & Kids Entering 6th Grade and Up**  
**Sign-up as Helpers!**

**\*Go Beyond with Faith!**  
**\*Go Beyond with Boldness!**  
**\*Go Beyond with Kindness!**  
**\*Go Beyond with Thankfulness!**  
**\*Go Beyond with Hope!**

**VBS Music Helpers Needed!**

**Sunday, July 14th**, those who would like to help with music at VBS are welcome to come to the sanctuary from **5:00 to 5:45 pm** to learn the motions to our VBS songs. **Children, youth and adults are welcome!** If you are an adult who would be willing to come and stay, please let Deena know, as she will need a second adult. Call Deena at 918-693-4828 with questions.

Pastor Suzanne Davis' husband Rick passed away on July 4th. The **memorial Service for Rick Davis will be held at New Haven on Thursday, July 18 at 2:00 pm.** Rev. Cindy Havlik and Rev. Jan Boyd will officiate.



## PROJECT TRANSFORMATION CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN ~ OUR FUTURE !!!

**BAKE SALE THIS SUNDAY JULY, 14**

Reading and Bake Sale update . . .



Dear New Haven Family,

We are excited to let you know that all 3 opportunities, 2 mornings to help a child read, **Monday, July 22nd and Wednesday, July 24th** are almost full. If you still like to participate **either baking or listening to a child read**, please call **a.s.a.p. Marianne Duiveman at 918-630-4430**. This Sunday will be the bake sale. We have contacted all bakers. It's going to be a great variety of baked items.

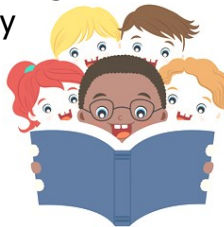
**Bakers, please bring bake goods before first Service 8:30. or 9:30 before Sunday School or 10:30 before 2nd Service.**

Some of the bakers will be at the Sale Tables. Prices will vary, but let us remember this is a FUNDRAISER for this most needed ministry. There will be baskets for monetary donations as well. Location of the bake sale is the main hallway to the Sanctuary .

Thank you Sisters and Brothers for sharing you gifts and talents through sharing in this God given opportunity

Our Children ~ Our Future

New Haven Mission Team



## UMW TO HOST JULY 25 Murdock Villa Celebration!



The **Susanna Circle of UMW** will host its 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party for the residents of Murdock Villa on **Thursday, July 25!**

**Please join us at 2pm for refreshments  
and a birthday celebration!**

Everyone is welcome to attend. Meet by 1pm at New Haven if you would like to carpool and set up for the party.

**Be sure to wear your Patriotic attire!**



Visit our website at [www.newhavenumc.org](http://www.newhavenumc.org) or  
New Haven United Methodist Church on Facebook  
Worship with us at: [www.livestream.com/newhaventulsa](http://www.livestream.com/newhaventulsa).





# The Bible's Trail of Trees

Join us **this Sunday, July 14**

as Danny Hall shares another wonderful message!

There are no coincidences in Scripture. God had a plan when he authored the Bible, and from beginning to end, he used trees to mark the trail. Every important character and every major event has a tree marking the spot.

Other than God and people, the Bible mentions trees more than any other living thing. For example, there is a tree on the first page of Genesis, in the first Psalm, on the first page of the New Testament, and on the last page of Revelation. Every significant theological event in the Bible is marked by a tree including the tree made into a cross on Calvary.

This is not your usual sermon. This is a walk through the tree forest of the Bible but hopefully you will see how the trees of the Bible reveal spiritual truths about the nature of God and His Love for us.



**Special thanks to New Haven's talented music groups . . .**

We thank our Praise Band, One Spirit Choir and Jubilation Ringers for their talents and dedication to these musical groups.

**One Spirit Choir** will be off in July and will resume rehearsals on **Wednesday, August 6 at 6:00 pm**

**The Jubilation Ringers** rehearsals will resume in September.

**Praise Band** will continue to lead the early service in worshipping our Lord and Savior through the summer months.

We are truly blessed to have Theresa Roberts as our talented pianist/organist and our amazing Director of Music Ministries: Stephen Merrick.

<b>New Haven Staff Members</b>			
Rev. James B. Graham ~ Senior Pastor			
Cynthia Edelman	Business Manager	Cindy Taylor	Day School Director
Stephen Merrick	Music Director	Brittany Fox	Nursery Director
Teresa Roberts	Organist	Oscar Sturgeon	Custodian
Patrick Grafton	Youth Director	Rev. Suzanne Davis	Retired Deacon
Marti Lowery	Children's Director	Rev. Jeanette Boyd	Retired Deacon
Carol Morgan	Office Assistant	Rev. Robin Stevens	Retired Deacon



New Haven's

# 4th of July

Parade & Celebration





## Opportunities of the Week

### TUESDAY, JULY 9

7:00 pm Boy Scouts  
7:30 pm AA

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

7:00 pm ACOA (210)

### THURSDAY, JULY 11

6:00 pm Praise Team  
7:15 pm Yoga - Parlor

### FRIDAY, JULY 12

7:30 pm AA (Gym)

### SATURDAY, JULY 13

1:00 pm Decorating for VBS

### SUNDAY, JULY 14

8:45 am Contemporary Worship  
9:45 am Connection Groups  
11:00 am Traditional Worship  
12:15 pm Decorating for VBS  
5:00 pm VBS Music Rehearsal  
5:00 pm Jr. & Sr. Hi Fellowship

### MONDAY, JULY 15

6:00 pm Writers' Group  
5:30 pm VBS

### TUESDAY, JULY 16

5:30 pm VBS  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts  
7:30 pm AA

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

5:30 pm VBS  
6:00 pm Youth Group  
7:00 pm ACOA (210)

### THURSDAY, JULY 18

2:00 pm Memorial Service for Rick Davis  
5:30 pm VBS  
6:00 pm Praise Team  
7:15 pm Yoga - Parlor

### FRIDAY, JULY 19

7:30 pm AA (Gym)

### SATURDAY, JULY 20

### SUNDAY, JULY 21

8:45 am Contemporary Worship  
9:45 am Connection Groups  
11:00 am Traditional Worship  
5:00 pm Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group



## July Birthdays

7 Mycroft LaGrone  
9 Hannah (Christian) Henson  
16 Greg Green  
18 David Schifferdecker  
21 Rev. Cindy Havlik  
25 Rev. James Graham  
26 Marti Lowery  
28 Bonnie Rainbow



### ADULT CONNECTION GROUPS

*Come join us at 9:45 am!  
Check out one or all of our  
Connection Groups and see  
where you which you would  
like to join!*

**Room 185 Discovery Class**  
**Parlor 115 Fellowship Class**  
**Room 209 New Friendship Class**  
**Room 103 Interlude Class**  
**Room 206 New Haven 206**  
**Room 161 Roundtable**

## SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

June 30, 2019

### Worship Attendance

8:45 am ~ 41  
11:00 am ~ 87  
Total ~ 128  
Livestream ~ 18

### Sunday School

5th Sunday Brunch  
Children ~ 14

July 7, 2019

### Worship Attendance

8:45 am ~ 44  
11:00 am ~ 91  
Total ~ 135  
Livestream ~ 17

### Sunday School

Adults ~ 57  
Youth ~ 15  
Children ~ 14

### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Rev. Suzanne Davis and family on  
the death of Rick Davis  
Joe Sanders  
Janice & Guy Duffield  
Jessica Nicholson Kaufmans  
Dot Haynes  
Don Gregory  
Dodie Wood  
Quitman McCrory  
Christene O'Toole  
Kelly Sartain's Mother-in-Law  
Donita Gray asks for prayers for  
Butch Woodall



### The SPIRE Newsletter

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Please email articles for the Spire no later than Sunday evenings to:  
carol.morgan@newhavenumc.org. We will make every effort to include your  
request, we reserve the right to edit or delete articles due to space availability.



## New Haven Youth at Camp Egan