



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

Charting Our Future Together

In 1957 the Tulsa District Board of Missions had a vision to plant a church in a field here in what was then a proposed neighborhood called Holiday Hills. That vision was to create a church that would be the anchor of a neighborhood and provide a center for Christian faith and discipleship. In April of 1958 the church was chartered and a building was planned and built. For the last 70 years, this church has continued to be a welcoming presence in this neighborhood as we have sought to live out our mission to "make disciples for Jesus Christ by being God's love in action."

This past year, our leadership team has been exploring our strengths in ministry and seeking to explore how we can better live out our mission in the neighborhood. Last month our Administrative Council adopted a resolution of inclusiveness that formally expresses our congregation's commitment to welcoming everyone regardless of their race, gender identity, socio-economic situation, or culture and to stand against oppression and marginalization of our brothers and sisters in whatever form it presents itself.

In the year to come, our leadership team will chart a new vision that will guide us as we seek to become more fully that neighborhood church demonstrating God's love in action. This vision would inspire us to be a truly inclusive community church actively involved in the daily lives of our neighbors, providing leadership in equipping our community to confront injustice and show mercy as we help our neighbors work together for the benefit of all. I will be looking forward to working with all of you as we seek out God's vision for us!

Pastor James



Save these Dates!

September 15 ~ There will be a brief **Administrative Council Meeting at 12:15 pm in the Parlor**. Ad Council meetings are open to all members, if you would like to be heard of anything relating to New Haven, this is a meeting you won't want to miss.

September 24 ~ Is the date for our **Annual Charge Conference at 6:00 pm in the New Haven Sanctuary**. Our District Superintendent, Rev. Cindy Havlik will lead this meeting. We will discuss the state of the church. All members will vote on the budget and salaries of the church. **Don't miss this one, your vote counts!**

September 29 ~ **5th Sunday Brunch 9:45 am**, between services, bring a breakfast item to share and we'll connect with our church family.

UMPTENAGERS

Calendar of Events

October, 2019 – January, 2021

Date	Day	Activity	In-charge
10/16/19	Wed	Clear Creek Abbey	Linda Stockstill
11/19/19	Tues	Tulsa Tunnel Tour	Susan Harris
12/17/19	Tues	Christmas Lights Tour	Alon Soderfelt
01/21/20	Tues	Zarrow Museum	Kathryn Fisher
02/18/20	Tues	Elsing Museum at ORU	Danny Hall
03/17/20	Tues	Tulsa Zoo	Pam Holt
04/21/20	Tues	OKC – Cowboy Hall of Fame, Arcadia	Susan Harris
05/??/20	Fri	Renaissance Festival, Muskogee	Laurel Duncan
06/16/20	Tues	Precious Moments in Carthage, MO	Shirley Nelson
07/21/20	Tues	Lunch and a Movie	Carolyn Toalson
August		NO ACTIVITIES	
09/15/20	Tues	Amish Dinner in Chouteau	Dianna Horn
10/20/20	Tues	Bartlesville/Dewey	Susan Harris
11/17/20	Tues	Ponca City	Carolyn Toalson
12/15/20	Tues	Philbrook Museum	Stella Schwartz
01/19/21	Tues	Planning Session for Year 2021	Alon Soderfelt

5th SUNDAY BRUNCH & Fellowship

Sunday, September 29

9:45 - 10:45 am

Bring your favorite breakfast/brunch item and join us in the gym between services and fellowship with your New Haven Family.

If you have any questions? Email Stacey at schiffds@cox.net

FOOD BANK
Community FOOD BANK of Eastern Oklahoma



New Haven Volunteers!

New Havenites went to the Tulsa Food Bank on Tuesday evening and bagged 2,800 lbs of apples into 5 lb bags - that's 1.4 tons of apples! This represents 2,333 meals. Way to go New Haven.



HAPPY CHILDREN'S HOME OF CHINA BENEFIT DINNER

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE CHILDREN

6:30 pm, October 18, 2019
Asbury United Methodist Church

TICKET SALES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 18
CALL 918-630-4430 TO PURCHASE TICKETS

\$60/ticket for an evening of dinner and entertainment,
including original music and dance

The Happy Children's Home is a mission outreach supported by the Council Oak District.



Dear New Haven Church Family,
Thank you so much for another generous **Undie Sundie** collection you held for us!!!

The timing is perfect as we are beginning to get ready for the upcoming school year. It will be here before we know it and donations such as yours is so very important in helpin us to be ready.

Thank you for your continued support and wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer.

Sincerely,

Terri J Hozhabri
Executive Director

Dear New Haven Family,

Because of you, and the HOSPITALITY Team, the feed back from our first time guests and visitors gives us evidence of the importance of this ministry, to all who enter God's House, New Haven U.M.C. With God's guidance, all of us together as a family will experience personal growth.

I wanted to share the importance of entering your attendance in the red pads. In order to stay in close contact with everyone, every Monday morning the attendance is entered. If we see that you have missed a Sunday or 2. (We go by your regular pattern of attendance.) If you come every week and miss 1 or 2 , or if you attend every 2, 3 etc. weeks and miss 1 or 2 you will receive a friendly call to see if everything is all right with you, spouse and children. Cards may be sent in difference cases. After the attendance has been entered and calls made, Pastor James is then briefed on all details as well about first time guests. Our new guests tell us they appreciate our friendly church family. We also call and or visit our Sisters and Brothers that are homebound, and communion will be been shared, if so desired.

We will continue to update you about this ministry.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF THE HOSPITALITY TEAM BY GREETING MEMBERS AND VISITORS AT THE DOOR ON SUNDAYS, HELPING AT THE HOSPITALITY DESK, OR MAKING CALLS AND SHARING IDEAS, please call Carol Morgan our church secretary.

Thanks to each and everyone of you.

GOD'S speed Marianne and Adriaan





Join us on Monday, September 23 from 5:00 - 7:30 pm

New Haven's next opportunity to prepare and serve dinner to the guests at the Tulsa Day Center will be **Monday, September 23**. Dinner will be **Yum-e-setti** (recipe is on the hall table,) **so make a pot full or bake a dozen or more cookies and deliver to the church gym by 4:30 pm**. The bus will leave for the Day Center at 5:00 pm and return by 7:30 pm. This is the evening we will deliver all the backpacks we have filled over the last few months. We normally feed about 100 guests, if you can help they will be delighted! **Sign-up sheets are on the hall table.**



Footprints Liturgical Dancers group is open to anyone interested in helping lead worship through dance! **Third Graders through Adults are welcome. Do you love to dance?** Join us at **4:15 pm in the Sanctuary**. Please contact Deena Smith at 918.693.4828 if you are interested or have any questions.



Join our Music Ministry!
8:45 am Praise Team
11:00 am One Spirit Choir
Hand Bell Choir
or play a musical instrument for special services. Contact Stephen Merrick.



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Opportunities of the Week

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

6:00 pm SPRC
7:00 pm Boy Scouts
7:30 pm AA

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

6:00 pm One Spirit Choir
6:00 pm Youth Group
7:00 pm Hand Bell Rehearsal
7:00 pm ACOA (210)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

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

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

7:30 pm AA (Gym)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:45 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Connection Groups
11:00 am Traditional Worship
4:15 pm Footprints Rehearsal
4:30 pm Disciple 3 - Parlor
5:00 pm Youth Fellowship

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

6:00 pm Bluegrass Band
6:00 pm Writers' Group

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

7:00 pm Boy Scouts
7:30 pm AA

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

6:00 pm Trustees - Parlor
6:00 pm Youth Group
6:00 pm One Spirit Choir
7:00 pm Hand Bell Rehearsal
7:00 pm ACOA (210)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

10:00 am Grief Group - Parlor
5:00 pm Staff Meeting - Parlor
6:00 pm Praise Team
7:15 pm Yoga - Parlor

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

7:30 pm AA (Gym)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:45 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Connection Groups
11:00 am Traditional Worship
4:15 pm Footprints Dance Rehearsal
4:30 pm Disciple 3
5:00 pm Jr./Sr. High Youth Group

September Birthdays

- 2 Kyler Duncan
Danny Hall
- 3 Doyle Boyd
Lori Dey
Susan Savage
- 4 Richard Foster
- 6 Liz DeWitt
- 8 Don Gregory
Barbara Troutner
- 9 Greg Pape
Dallas Quinalty
- 10 Ace Quinalty
- 12 Annabelle Fox
- 15 Carolyn Toalson
- 19 Linda Parmele
- 20 Cohen Grafton
Pamela Holt
- 27 Bobbie Scott
- 28 Wayne Love
- 29 Jack Cearing



ADULT CONNECTION GROUPS

*Join us at 9:45 am and
Check out one or all of our
Connection Groups and see
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

August 25, 2019

Worship Attendance

8:45 am ~ 48
11:00 am ~ 92
Total ~ 140
Livestream ~ 22

Sunday School

Adults ~ 41
Children ~ 19
Youth ~ 18

September 1, 2019

Worship Attendance

11:00 am ~ 113
Total ~ 113
Livestream ~ 10

Sunday School

Adults ~ 43
Children ~ 14

PLEASE PRAY FOR. . .

Joe Sanders
Janice & Guy Duffield
Jessica Nicholson-Kaufman
Dot Haynes
Don Gregory
Max Nightingale
Dodie Wood
Quitman McCrory
Christene O'Toole
Donita Gray
Bonnie Rainbow
Barbara Troutman
Barbara Coleman
Rev. Robin Stevens
Teresa Roberts & family on the
death of her brother-in-law,
Mike Spitzmiller
Our Military &
First Responders



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Worship with us at: www.livestream.com/newhaventulsa.

