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Cindy's Chalkboard

committees on the episcopacy and bishops, regarding their Erecommendations for the com-

Next is the election of new bishops. There were three

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area submitted which solution. Each person then voted for three possible solutions from the 10 posted. The three solutions with the most votes are retained.

Welcome to the Oklahoma Conference, Bishop James "Jimmy" Nunn!

Join me in welcoming our new Bishop to the Oklahoma Conference and Oklahoma Missionary Conference! Late Friday evening we learned that Rev. James "Jimmy" Nunn was selected to the episcopacy!

How are Bishop's elected and assigned? I'm glad you asked!

Every four years, United Methodists in the South Central Jurisdiction elect and assign bishops to conferences comprising the states of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana. This process is undergirded with prayer and discernment, based on consultations with various annual conferences and the bishops themselves.

This past year, the South Central Jurisdictional Committee on the Episcopacy gathered feedback from conference

elections in our jurisdiction this year. For the past several weeks, candidates lifted up and endorsed by conferences and caucuses have been interviewing across the jurisdiction, sharing their gifts and vision for the work of bishop.

The South Central Jurisdictional Conference session was held in Wichita, Kansas this past week. Once all three elections were completed, the newly elected bishops met with the committee to share their gifts and graces, in anticipation of assignment to one of the conferences.

With all information displayed, area groups worked to develop a slate of assignments, matching 10 bishops to 10 areas. Each area submitted one solution, and all 10 solutions were numbered and posted on the wall, without revealing which

Each person then votes for two of the three remaining solutions, and the two with the most votes are retained. On the final vote, a simple majority makes the assignments.

Committee members then return to the conference floor. Representatives from each episcopal area walk in to greet their corresponding bishop!

Assignments are then approved by vote of the jurisdictional conference. On Saturday morning, episcopal areas hold a breakfast for their bishop and then gather for a service of consecration.

Welcome Bishop Nunn! We look forward to serving together in ministry in the Oklahoma Conference and the Oklahoma Missionary Conference! Blessings on our new journey together! - Pastor Cindy

Council of Bishop's Response to Recent Violence This Past Week:



Bishop Bruce R. Ough, president of the United Methodist Council of Bishops, issued the following statement on behalf of the Council in the wake of shootings in the U.S. this past week:

In the aftermath of violent deaths this week in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; St. Paul, Minnesota; and Dallas, Texas, we speak to a nation that is overwhelmed with anger, grief, frustration, and

despair. These deaths have left our hearts and voices crying for justice. The preliminary evidence and the shocking video images are a convincing reminder that we have work to do. The deaths of young black males in encounters with white police officers call for the need of a bi-partisan political and legal response, beyond (but including) the statements and prayers of the church. The subsequent deaths of police officers remind us of the honorable service of the great majority of these public servants and the destructive cycle of violence and retribution. We pray for each family in their profound loss and grief.

We call upon the people of the United Methodist Church to enter into the challenge and complexity of this present moment. We affirm that every person is created in the image of God. We acknowledge our complicity in the sin of institutional racism, which denies the inherently sacred nature of every person. We confess that we have often allowed our ideological differences to become more important than our unity in the One Body. We repent of our temptation to live in fear of one another and to seek security apart from God. We claim the essential need for all Christians of privilege to listen and seek deeper understanding when our brothers and sisters cry out for justice. We commit ourselves to speak on behalf of those who are denied justice. We support the difficult work of those in law enforcement and at the same time seek ways of moving toward better community engagement. We pledge to address the problem of mass incarceration of young black males in our society. We recognize the temptation to become numb in the face of persistent mass violence, and we hear the call as disciples of Jesus to move beyond lovers of peace to become peacemakers.

Let us together pray that God will work through us to bear witness to Christ's call to bring healing to a fractured community and a broken world. When we cannot find the strength within ourselves, may we turn to you, for we know you call us to love our neighbor. Remind us O God that love casts out all fear. Make us a people of transformational change, of reconciliation, of justice and instruments of your peace. Even now and especially now – for we offer this prayer in the face of struggle, pain, tragedy and unrest, and yet with confidence in the power of your love – our God, our Redeemer, Healer, the prince of peace! We pray in our own time for the fulfillment of the prophecy given to Zechariah on the first Advent, even as we pray, "Come, Lord Jesus" and claim the promise of the gospel:

By the tender mercy of our God the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. (Luke 1:78-79)

Corner



Dear Missy,

I am attending college this fall. Is there a place for me to gather with others on campus? I'd like to keep in touch with my Methodist "roots".

Signed, College Bound

Dear College Bound,

The United Methodist Church has a long history of commitment to ministry in higher education. In the words of John Wesley, we seek "to unite the two so long divided - knowledge and vital piety."

You may be attending a college where there is a Wesley Foundation on campus. Our denomination supports more than 400 Wesley Foundations at various universities and colleges. In fact, over 100 colleges and universities in the United States claim affiliation with our denomination.

The goal as always is "to make disciples of Jesus Christ by proclaiming the good news of God's grace and thus seeking the fulfillment of God's reign and realm in the world."

The University of Tulsa Wesley Foundation is located at the corner of Florence and 5th Street across from the John Rogers School of Law. Every Friday they have FNL or Friday Noon Lunch with delicious food and an invited speaker. They have various activities including student-led worship services, bible studies, intramurals, games, movies, etc.

We have an opportunity to offer these Tulsa students a free, noontime meal on a Friday. Usually the Wesley Foundation has approximately 75 students attend the FNL meeting. Local United Methodist Churches and groups provide the meal. Our UMW group has helped with meals in past years. If anyone would like to lead a team of people to prepare a meal for the TU students at the Wesley Foundation here in Tulsa, please contact David or Carolyn Toalson at 918-251-2911 (home) or 918-906-8552 (cell) for more information.

Congratulations as you attend the college or university and I'd encourage you to check to see if a Wesley Foundation is on campus.

Blessings, Missy



Come and

STAR PARTY Astronomy Club of Tulsa ~ Mounds Observatory
This Saturday, July 23, 2016

Have you ever wanted to look through a telescope? Would you like get a closer view God's creation? Come and join us for a fun filled evening! The New Haven United Methodist Church bus will leave the church at 7:25 p.m. and return around 11:00 p.m.

*Items you might want to bring: bug spray, beverages and a lawn chair. There is a public restroom.

*There are a few seats available on the church bus.....call the office today to reserve yours! 918-743-6491

Experience It!

Opportunities of the Week July 24 ~ 31

SUNDAY, JULY 24

8:45 am Contemporary Worship &

9:45 am Children's Church Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Worship &

Children's Church

5:00 pm Disciple IV/Parlor
5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study
6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner
7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

MONDAY, JULY 25

10:00 am Project Transformation at

Southern Hills UMC

6:00 pm Writers' Group/185

TUESDAY, JULY 26

10:00 am Project Transformation at

Southern Hills UMC

6:00 pm Community Craft Workshop/270

6:00 pm Day School Council/Parlor

7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym 7:30 pm AA/ 185,205,209,210

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

10:00 am Project Transformation at

Southern Hills UMC

10:00 am Summer Worship Wednesday

for Children

6:00 pm Youth Group 7:00 pm ACOA/185

THURSDAY, JULY 28

6:00 pm Praise Band/Sanctuary

7:15 pm Yoga

FRIDAY, JULY 29

7:30 pm AA/Gym

SATURDAY, JULY 30

8:00 am DSAT Breakfast/Gym 8:30 am Men's Brunch Bunch/Parlor

SUNDAY, JULY 31

8:45 am Contemporary Worship &

Children's Church

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Worship &

Children's Church

12:15 pm Mission Team Meeting/Parlor

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7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

July Birthdays

7. Mycroft LaGrone

14. Luke Stevenson

16.Greg Green

17. David Schifferdecker

20. Betty Siegismund

21. Cindy Havlik

28. Marjorie Stewart



PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Members: Vincent

Duiveman; Karen Gibbs; Jean Roberts; Ovella Followell; Macie Bailey; Marianne Duiveman; George

Stevenson; Rick Davis **Friends & Family of New**

Haven UMC

Mark Nicholson; Linda Gregory's daughter-in-law, Lea; Peppa Smith; Ruth Ann Field; Camille Stevenson's father, Neil Morton; Danny Hall's sister, Lillie; the homeless; our world, city, country, public servants & leaders.

Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated)

Marjorie Stewart, Rosemary Tarr, Dot and Kelly Haynes;

Dorothy Koons

ATTENDANCE

July 17, 2016

8:45 am- 49 11:00 am-97 Total:146

Sunday School
Adults-51
Youth- 10
Children-7

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

Room 185: Discovery Class

Galatians

Room 209: Fellowship Class

Revelation Study

Room 210: New Friendship Class

Different Views of St. Paul

Parlor: Christian Living Class

Adult Bible Study Curriculum Room 103 Interlude Class

"Revival" by Adam Hamilton

Room 205: Journeys Class "The Will of God"

Congratulations to Dallas and Audrey Quinalty on the birth of their new son, Shepherd Allen Quinalty, born on July 16th and weighing in at 8 lbs.

The proud grandparents are Peter and Rev. Cindy Havlik and big brother is Ace Quinalty.

New Haven Staff Members

Rev. Cindy Havlik Rev. Suzanne Davis Jennifer Payton Stephen Merrick Patrick Grafton Paula Fox Pat Bates Ann Martin Mary Ann Cunningham Teresa Roberts

Rev. Jeanette Boyd

Kacie Kendrick

Oscar Sturgeon

Joan West

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