

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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A colleague of mine told me about an experience he had while

having lunch with a friend in a local restaurant. They finished their meal, paid the tab, left the tip and walked out the door. On the way back to the car, his friend stopped and said, "Wait a minute. I made a mistake. I'll be right back!"

Turning around, he went back to the restaurant and came out just a few minutes later and said, "Thanks for waiting. I made a mistake when I figured the tip. I had to go back and give the right amount!" He needed to leave just a small amount more, but he sensed it really mattered that he gave what he believed was right. As Christians, we give because of the gift of love given to us through Jesus Christ.

We talk a lot about tithing, giving 10% of our income back to God. Tithing is biblical. It is a traditional standard of measurement for significant giving. It's important, but not nearly as important as why we give. Giving has everything to do with our relationship with God. It is a spiritual decision—it is a decision between you and God.

Your response to the commitment cards you have received in the mail for both your commitment of time and financial resources to the church is important. If you have not already done so,

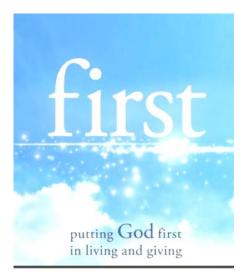
Cindy's Chalkboard

Ask God to help you grow in your giving as a follower of Christ. Offering our gifts is an opportunity for us to be bold in our witness for Christ.

Our future is before us. Join me in prayer for how God calls us to respond. With your faithful support, New Haven United Methodist Church will continue to be all that I have learned this church to be; a church deeply committed to missions, service, teaching and making disciples of Jesus Christ.

May you be blessed with the peace, joy and satisfaction that is ours when we "give the right amount."

- Pastor Cindy



Putting God First in Our Living and Giving

Each year, we have the opportunity to make our commitments to the ministry of the church for the coming year. It is an opportunity to come before our God and say, "I want to give the right amount, Lord. Show me how to respond."

Biblically, giving of our gifts to God is an expression of one's faith commitment and journey. please prayerfully consider your financial giving and that of your time and efforts, and return the cards to us as soon as possible. If you need extra copies of the commitment cards, please contact the church office, or find extra packets in the pews. Pray about what God's Word says about being faithful stewards of what we've been given.

CURRENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **RESTORE HOPE MINISTRIES** HAS LET US KNOW THAT THEY DO **NOT** NEED ANY MORE EGG CARTONS!!! THANKS TO THOSE WHO HAVE FAITHFULLY BROUGHT THESE ITEMS IN THE PAST!
- **RADICAL HOSPITALITY**: SNACKS FOR OUR VOTERS PLEASE SIGN UP **ASAP** AT THE HALLWAY TABLE TO BRING SNACKS FOR THE VOTERS ON NOV. 8TH WE NEED TO KNOW AHEAD HOW MUCH WILL BE DONATED SO WE CAN SEE IF WE NEED TO PURCHASE MORE IF NECESSARY. THANKS SO MUCH!
- ALL SAINTS SUNDAY ~OCTOBER 30TH IF YOU HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE THIS PAST YEAR AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THEIR NAME LISTED IN OUR BULLETIN THIS COMING SUNDAY, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE RIGHT AWAY! THANKS!

Dwayne Boyd and his Job Coach, Ms. Jude Smith



Our own <u>Dwayne Boyd</u> was a winner of the Governor's Disability Award of Excellence!!! Dwayne currently works at the 51st & Harvard Reasor's as a grocery bagger and has received a certificate of customer accolades!

Dwayne is sought out by customers asking for his help and many prefer to shop on days when he is working!

Congratulations, Dwayne!!!

BEAUTIFUL TALIMENA DRIVE FOLLIAGE TRIP ON NOVEMBER 12TH

We are planning a bus trip to see the glorious autumn colors of the Fall foliage on Saturday, November 12th along the Talimena National Scenic Byway. We are taking the church bus and will have 15 seats available, so if you would love to ooh and aah and take lots of pictures of God's beautiful Fall paint job, please sign up at the hallway table or call the church office. The cost will be appx. \$20/pp and will include lunch.



This event is an awesome opportunity to bring our entire church and Day School together so families can have a fun and safe community activity.

How can you help? I am glad you asked!

- •Our very own Youth Group will be selling hotdogs, chips, and drinks.
- Place a yard sign in your front yard. (Available in the church office).
- Get busy and decorate your car trunks and provide treats as the children wow you with their costumes as they *Trunk-Or-Treat*.
- •We need people to staff the games and hand out prizes.
- Supervise the Jupiter Jump.
- Help with set up and clean up

Sharing the joy, Ms. Paula

LAUGHS FOR TODAY....

- I asked a friend of mine by phone what he was doing. He told me he was working on "aqua-thermal treatment of ceramics, aluminum, and steel under a constrained environment." I was impressed. In further conversation, I learned that he was "washing dishes with hot water under his wife's supervision."
- Wife to husband: "Did you like supper?" Trying to be polite, the husband says, "Yes." The wife says, "I was just wondering, because when I gave some to the cats they tried to bury it!"

If you can start the day without caffeine, If you are always cheerful, If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it, If you are understanding when your loved ones are too busy for you, If you never treat a rich

friend better than a poor friend, If you face the world without lies and deceit. . . then you are probably the family dog!!!



IT'S "MOUNTAIN OF FOOD" TIME AGAIN!!!

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. Last year the New Haven congregation collected 9,612 pounds of food that translates to 12,408 cans or boxes – what an impact you have made on the lives of people in the Tulsa area!

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. 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, October 30. On Sunday, November 13, 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.

YOUR ORDER FORM MAY BE TURNED IN ON SUNDAY OR MAILED TO THE CHURCH!

# of flats	ltem	Price per Flat	Totals
	Soups	\$15.00	
	Peanut butter	\$18.00	
	Tuna	\$16.00	
	Pork & Beans	. \$6.00	
	Peas	\$6.00	
	Green Beans	\$6.00	
	Corn	\$6.00	
	Peaches	\$12.00	
	Apple Sauce.	\$17.00	
	Fruit cocktail	\$11.00	
	Pasta	\$13.00	
	Cornbread Mix	\$12.00	
	Cereal	. \$18.00	
	Canned Chicken	\$18.00	

Please make check payable to New Haven UMC and write "Mt. Of Food" on memo line.

Opportunities of the Week

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY				
8:45 am	Contemporary Worship &			
	Children's Church			
9:45 am	Sunday School			
11:00 am	Traditional Worship &			
	Children's Church			
12:15 pm	Pre-Conference Meeting for			
	Administrative Council/Parlor			
3:00 pm	Liturgical Dance/Sanctuary			
4:00 pm	Fall Festival/Gym & Outside			
4:30 pm	Disciple I/Parlor			
5:00 pm	Jr. High Bible Study			
6:00 pm	Youth Fellowship Dinner			
7:00 pm	Sr. High Bible Study			

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

6:00 pm Writer's Group/185 6:30 pm Bluegrass Band Rehearsal

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Umpteenagers Leave for Branson!				
6:00 pm	Invitation to Romans Study/			
	Parsonage			
6:00 pm	Praise Band/Sanctuary			
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts/Gym & Parlor			
7:30 pm	AÁ/ 185,205,209,210			

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

6:00 pm Youth Group 6:00 pm One Spirit Choir 7:00 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm ACOA/185

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3 7:15 pm Yoga/Parlor

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4 7:30 pm AA/Gym

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

8:30 am Men's Brunch Bunch/Parlor

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

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New Haven Staff Members

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November Birthdays

- 3. Carol Berry Samantha Hensley
- 4. Carolyn Welch
- 5. Linda Gregory
- 8. Debbie Green
- 10. Mary Lou Black
- 13. Roger Jaeger
- 14. Phil Roberts
- 15. Pat Graf
- 17. Kerry Beebe
- 19. Susan Thomas
- 20. Jude Blanchard
- Cynthia Mabrey
- 21.Dennis Jaeger Betty Fine
- 22. Rachel Gotcher Max Nightingale
- 25. Christine Riggin
- 28. Dorothy Koons



PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Beverly Vincent Carolyn Toalson Robin Stevens Kelly Sartain Greg Gotcher <u>Friends & Family of New</u> Haven UMC

Mark Nicholson; Peppa Smith; Linda Gregory's daughter-in-law, Lea; Mary Ann Cunningham's brother, Bob; the homeless; our world, city, country, public servants & leaders.

Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated) Marjorie Stewart Ovella Followell Rosemary Tarr Dot and Kelly Haynes Dorothy Koons Lewis Cappelairi

ATTENDANCE

October 23, 2016

8:45 am - 59 11:00 am - 112 Total: 171

Sunday School Adults - 41 Youth - 5 Children - 7

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 In the Footsteps of St. Peter Parlor: Christian Living Class Adult Bible Study Curriculum Room 103 Interlude Class "Revival" by Adam Hamilton Room 206: New Beginnings "In the Footsteps of St. Peter" Gym: Roundtable "The Gospel According to Starbucks" by Leonard Sweet

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 availability.

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