

# 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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# HOLY WEEK ~ APRIL 9th - 16th

# **April 9: PALM SUNDAY**



\*Contemporary Worship Service 8:45 am \*Connection Groups 9:45 am \*Traditional Worship Service 11:00 am

**April 13: Maundy Thursday Service** 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary

**April 14: Good Friday Service** 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary

April 16: EASTER SUNDAY \*Sunrise Worship Service 6:30 am \*Contemporary Worship Service 8:45 am \*Connection Groups 9:45 am \*Children's Easter Egg Hunt 9:45 am \*Traditional Worship Service 11:00 am

# UMPTEENAGERS VISIT TO TALL GRASS PRAIRIE COMING UP SOON!

A new date, April 11, 2017, has been set for the drive to Osage County to view the new baby calves of the Bison herd at the Tall Grass Prairie. It will be a wonderful day and Spring has begun at the Prairie!!!

Meet at the church at 9:30 am. We'll have lunch in Pawhuska (your only cost of this trip!) If you have questions or want to sign up to come, call Stella Schwartz at 918-743-1748 or her cell # 918-640-0967.

Everyone Welcome!!!





Umpteenagers had a great time at the Air and Space Museum in March!



## Howdy church family -

My name is Hannah Henson, I'm sixteen years old, and I L-O-V-E New Haven! I've been attending this church since I was a year old and it's been amazingly good to me. Since I began here, there have been two different pastors who both spoke powerful, God-breathed sermons that have shaped who I am now. The people here are kind, encouraging, and loving, making each of my Sundays my favorite day of the week. I am a member of the youth group which has allowed me to travel to Kentucky doing mission work, make friends, eat ice cream out of a rain gutter, cook pizza at four in the morning, and learn more about our Savior and His love for us. My parents are Dana and Doug and my 13 year old brother is Andrew. I am a sophomore at Booker T. Washington. I play soccer and am an avid OKC Thunder fan. In my free time I like to make bad jokes, plan for college, and research the Amazon Rainforest. That about sums me up. I'd love to learn about all of you!



## From Patrick -

I think in life you come across people that have just something different about them that makes everyone in their lives want to be around them, look up to them (especially their peers and younger), hear their thoughts on something, and really listen to what they have to say. This is the best nutshell I can come up to fit describing Hannah into. Frankly in the words of her friends here at youth group she's "incredibly nice", "the most honest person I know", "my best friend.....like forever." (Jocelyn always has a quote when she least expects it! J). I couldn't agree more. Hannah is a really great human being. I actually believe that she IS the most honest person I've ever met in my life, and so incredibly genuine and caring towards others. When she speaks up the others in our group listen – including the Jr. High – which is a real feat! Along with being a great student, Hannah's an all-around athlete and encourager of others! I look forward to seeing where God takes her on her journey while here at NHUMC, and beyond. I know that I can confidently say that if you take the time to get to know her you'll find your perspective on the youth of today's society that get such a bad rap isn't NEARLY in the dire straits that we think and are led to believe. Be blessed by taking a few minutes to talk with her.

Paula's Perspective . .

Last Tuesday evening several volunteers met to begin planning for Vacation Bible School! VBS is **Monday through Thursday**, June 5 – 8, 2017 from 5:30 - 8:00 pm. An awesome group of men and women came to share their ideas and vision for our fun theme **Hero Central**.

I know you are wondering how you can become involved! First and foremost we need you to **pray** for our leaders and the children. Second, please decide how you want to be part of this vital program. Listed below are the areas we need assistance:

Directors: Tonya Ford and Rachel Pape

Opening and Closing Assembly: Deena Smith, Kyler and Julian

Story Telling/Mission Leaders: Stacey Schifferdecker, Jocelyn Schifferdecker & Hannah Henson

Recreation: Todd Morgan and J J Sartain

Crafts: Regina LaGrone and Dwayne Boyd

Individual Pictures for Gift to children: Robin Stevens

VBS Photographer: Lou Lindsey

Science: Cathy Amos and Mary Anne Tyler

**Decorating/Clean Up Committee:** We can use as many hands on deck as possible. We are sharing our decorations with other churches, so they have been laminated for re-use.

**Registration:** Prior to beginning and throughout the week (at least 2-3 people)

**Snack Supper:** Phil Roberts (3-4 more people needed) Plan menu, prepare food, prepare tables and clean up each evening

## **Group Leaders:**

Red Group - 4 & 5 Year olds (2 adults and 1 youth)

Blue Group – K & 1<sup>st</sup> Grades (2 adults and Bailey Sartain)

**Yellow Group** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades (Kelly Sartain, 1 adult and 1 youth needed)

**Green Group** – 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (Dave & Carolyn Toalson and 1 youth.

We also need 4-5 people who can serve as floaters.

Finally, if you want to help, but are not able, you are invited to make a financial contribution to the church, with VBS noted on the memo line of your check. We will be good stewards of your donation. The children will gain knowledge of God and a heart for serving others during their time at HERO CENTRAL!

Sharing the joy – Ms. Paula

# **Opportunities of the Week**

#### **APRIL 9 PALM SUNDAY**

8:45 am Contemporary Worship 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Traditional Worship 1:30 pm Finance Committee/Parlor 3:45 pm Cub Scout Pack 67/Room 270 4:00 pm Celebration Singers & WEB 4:30 pm Disciple I 4:30 pm Let's Get Crafty/Gym 5:00 pm Imagination Station (Children) 5:00 pm Liturgical Dance 5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study 6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner 7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

#### MONDAY, APRIL 10

6:00 pm Writer's Group/185 6:15 pm Bluegrass Band Rehearsal

#### TUESDAY. APRIL 11

9:30 am Umpteenagers Day Trip 7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym 7:30 pm AA/185, 206, 210

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

6:00 pm One Spirit Choir 6:00 pm Youth Group 6:30 pm Trustees/Parlor 7:00 pm ACOA/210 7:00 pm Bell Choir

THURSDAY, APRIL 13 10:00 am Susanna Circle/Parlor 6:00 pm Praise Band 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service 7:15 pm Yoga/Parlor

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 14

6:30 pm Good Friday Service 7:30 pm AA/Gym

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 15

SUNDAY, APRIL 16 EASTER 6:30 am Easter Sunrise Service 8:45 am Contemporary Worship 9:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Children's Easter Egg Hunt 11:00 am Traditional Worship



#### **New Haven Staff Members**

Rev. Cindy Havlik Stephen Merrick Patrick Grafton Paula Fox Pat Bates Ann Martin Lindsay Morgan Teresa Roberts Rev. Suzanne Davis Rev. Jeanette Boyd Joan West Oscar Sturgeon

Senior Pastor Music Director Youth Director Children's Director Adm. Assistant Financial Secretary Nursery Director Organist Retired Pastor Retired Deacon After School Care Custodian

# **April Birthdays**

- 8. Doris Foster
- 13. Lindsay Morgan
- 15. Jessie Myers 16. Denny Beebe
- **David Jaeger**
- 17. Louise Boyd
- 21. Adriaan Duiveman Mel Remondet
- 22 Patrick Grafton
- 25. Eileen Walker
- Terry Tyler 26. Kaelen Terry **Bailey Sartain**
- 28. Betty Barton
  - **Becky Purvear**



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR.... Kelly Sartain Dodie Wood Mel Remondet Max Nightingale Carol Morgan Ovella Followell Claretha Gotcher

#### Friends & Family of New Haven UMC

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

**Covenant Care** (prayers & visits appreciated) Mariorie Stewart Ovella Followell Rosemary Tarr Dot and Kelly Haynes Dorothy Koons

# ATTENDANCE

MARCH 26, 2017 Worship Services 8:45 am: 55 11:00 am: 104 Total: 159

APRIL 2, 2017 Worship Services 8:45 am:53 11:00 am: 95 Total: 148

Sunday School Adults-44 Youth-8 Children-6 Day School Chapel-83

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#### ADULT CLASSES Come join us at 9:45 am!

**Room 185: Discovery Class** Galatians

Parlor: Fellowship Class Adult Bible Study Curriculum

**Room 210: New Friendship Class** "The Lives of Great Christians" by William Cook

**Room 103 Interlude Class** "Creed" by Adam Hamilton

Room 206: New Haven 206 Connection Group "The Wired Word" Room 161: Roundtable "Hand Me Downs: Leaving a Legacy"

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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Max Nightingale