

# THE SPIRE

#### **News of New Haven United Methodist Church**

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## **VACATION**

BIBLE

**SCHOOL** 

**WORKSHOP!** 



SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25th 9:00 am ~ Noon

Boston Ave. UMC 1301 S. Boston Ave. Tulsa, OK. Room J221-Jubilee Center

Celebrate in a joyful worship experience, discover creative storytelling, catch a glimpse of decorating ideas, sing with excitement, take home craft ideas, sample scrumptious snacks and explore science activities!

Bring your whole VBS team!

Register by Feb. 21st





Vacation Bible School will be here before we know it!

Our dates for VBS are June 5-8 (Monday – Thursday) from 5:30 – 8:00 pm.

The VBS Workshop for all volunteers is Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – noon at Boston Avenue UMC. I encourage everyone who wants to volunteer to attend the workshop. **Please RSVP to me by Sunday, February 19**. I will turn our reservation in for our group.

You may reach me by phone, 918-743-6491 or 918-808-8492 and by email, paulajeanfox@icloud.com.



#### **UMPTEENAGERS DAY TRIP!**

On Tuesday, February 21st, the Umpteenagers will travel downtown to visit the Central Tulsa City-County Library. There have been many new improvements and updates made since it was last renovated. We will congregate at New Haven UMC at 10:45 am, board the bus to have lunch at the "Chalkboard" restaurant, the proceed to our 1:00 pm tour of the library for 45 minutes. We should arrive back at the church by 2:30 pm. Your only expense will be for lunch. All seniors are invited and we hope to fill our bus for this trip! It's a wonderful time for fellowship and learning more about our community!

We will visit the Tulsa Space and Air Museum on March 21st (a change from our original plans, so mark your calendars for that date and destination!)

## **UMC Project Transformation Camp Director Position**

Project Transformation is a literacy & exploration summer camp for inner city, elementary children in Tulsa. PT is currently looking for a new camp director. This job would be a paid staff position. As most of you know, New Haven has been involved in this life changing ministry for years. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Pastor Tom McElroy at <a href="mailto:tommcelroy@usa.net">tommcelroy@usa.net</a> or Michael Skaistis.

#### "What is Love?" (from the mouths of 4-8 yr. olds)

- "When my grandma got arthritis and couldn't paint her toenails anymore, my grandpa did it for her!"
- "Love is when you tell a guy you like his shirt, then he wears it everyday!"
- "Love is when a girl puts on perfume and a guy puts on cologne and they go out and smell each other!"

When someone loves, you, the way they say your name is different. You know that your name is safe in their mouth."

Love is when Mommy gives Daddy the best piece of chicken."

There are 2 kinds of love: our love & God's love. But God makes both of them."



## NEW CLASSROOM LOCATIONS BEGINNING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

## FELLOWSHIP CLASS HAS MOVED TO THE PARLOR

**DISCOVERY CLASS HAS MOVED TO ROOM 185** 

**ROUNDTABLE HAS MOVED TO ROOM 161** 

**LENTEN STUDY** ~ *Hand Me Downs; Leaving a Legacy* 

Begins Sunday, March 5 ~ 9:45-10:45 AM ~ Room 161

Hand Me Downs is a six-week study that focuses on helping us experience a deeper faith, one that can be passed on to future generations. How do we share our faith with our children, grandchildren, or children in our church? What is the legacy you want to leave behind?

If you aren't already connected with a group on Sunday mornings, join the **Roundtable** Connection group as we explore ways to leave a legacy of faith.

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For more information, contact Robin Stevens at <a href="mailto:rltstevens@mac.com">rltstevens@mac.com</a>.

#### Hello church -

Hello, my name is Julian Smith. I was born on January 28, 2005, and so I've been going to New Haven for 12 years. My brother is Kyler, and my parents are Deena and Christopher. I go to Clark Theatre camp in the summer and sometimes spring. I'm a member of Boy Scouts Troop 26. I'm in 6th grade at the University School at TU, where I enjoy playing in the band. I also look forward to playing with the youth band at church. I really like this church because everybody here is like a big family. I went to confirmation camp last weekend, and it was pretty "swag". I plan to be confirmed in the spring, and my mentor is Todd Morgan.



Jude Smith hammin' it up with his mom, Deena!!!

From Patrick – Jude is also in his first year with the youth group as a 6<sup>th</sup> Grader. He continues the lineage of the Smith's with a unique personality all of his own. I also see a future as an attorney for him if he chooses. Try and debate him about the differences and/or attributes of which is better – trumpets or bugles – both of which he can play! One of his other skills of mastery that he has, and I'm jealous of, is the Rubix Cube. I never could figure those things out, and Jude is good enough with them that he works with advanced ones I didn't even know existed. (And by the way AREN'T Rubix Cubes he reminds me regularly! ©) He's quick to make a friend, and without a doubt will always stand up for what he believes in. He's taking his confirmation journey this year as well, and I can't wait to walk this faith journey alongside him for a while because God has some big things in store for him. You just know it when you spend time around Jude!

Make it a blessed week, Jude and Patrick

## **Opportunities of the Week**

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19** YOUTH SUNDAY

8:45 am Contemporary Worship

9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Traditional Worship

1:30 pm Finance Committee/Parlor

4:00 pm Celebration Singers & WEB

4:30 pm Disciple I

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, FEBRUARY 20**

6:00 pm Writer's Group/185

6:15 pm Bluegrass Band Practice

#### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

10:45 am Umpteenagers Day Trip

7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym 7:30 pm AA/185, 206, 210

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22** 

6:00 pm One Spirit Choir

6:00 pm Youth Group

7:00 pm Bell Choir

7:00 pm ACOA/210

#### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

6:00 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

7:15 pm Yoga/Parlor

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

4:45 pm Dinner @ the Day Center

7:30 pm AA/Gym

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

5:00 pm Boy Scout Banquet

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

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 67/270

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

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

Rev. Cindy Havlik Rev. Suzanne Davis Stephen Merrick Patrick Grafton Paula Fox Pat Bates Ann Martin

Retired Pastor Music Director Youth Director Adm. Assistant

Senior Pastor

Lindsay Morgan Teresa Roberts Rev. Jeanette Boyd

Kacie Kendrick Joan West

Oscar Sturgeon

Children's Director Financial Secretary Nursery Director Organist Retired Deacon Day School Dir. After School Care Custodian

#### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 2. Will Scruggs
- 3. J.J. Sartain
- 4. Billy Carthel
- 6. Regina LaGrone
- 9. Linda Jaeger Caitlin Riggin
- 10. Shirley Nelson
- 15. Marianne Duiveman
- 16. Jocelyn Schifferdecker Donita Gray
- 17. Kegan Schifferdecker
- 23. Dot Haynes Ginny Lamkin Stella Schwartz Mary Anne Tyler
- 24. Jean Smith
- 26. Michael Sherwin
- 27. Mary Ann Cunningham



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Kelly Sartain

Dodie Wood

Mary Ann Cunningham

Kay Garwood

Mel Remondet, loss of his father,

Dennis

Alon Soderfelt, loss of mother, Ann

#### Friends & Family of New **Haven UMC**

Mark Nicholson; Peppa Smith; Linda Gregory's daughter-in-law, Lea; Mary Ann Cunningham's brother, Bob: Roland Freisen's mother: Pam Rowley; 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

#### **ATTENDANCE**

### February 12, 2017 **Worship Services**

8:45 am: 70 11:00 am: 98 **Total: 168** 

#### Sunday School

Adults- 59 Youth- 11 Children-10 **Day School Chapel-83** 

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

**Room 161: Discovery Class** 

Galatians

Room 185: Fellowship Class Adult Bible Study Curriculum

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

**Room 103 Interlude Class** 

"Redemption of Scrooge" Room 206: New Haven 206

Connection Group "The Wired Word"

Parlor: Roundtable "The Faith of a Mockingbird" by Matt Rawle

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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