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That's right!
New Haven
UMC has
entered the
exciting new
world of

"livestreaming" on the internet!

Some of you may ask, "What in the world is that?" I'm glad you asked! To "livestream" means to broadcast an event on the internet simultaneously as the event is happening.

This past Sunday, New Haven UMC met an important milestone in the use of internet technology. We now have the ability to "livestream" both of our worship services through the internet AT THE VERY SAME TIME THAT WORSHIP IS HAPPENING!

You might remember how this all started, and that was, through the recommendation of our "All-In" Team. This Team has spent a great deal of time in discussion of new ways to let others know about New Haven UMC! Livestreaming is just one of their many plans!

Your "All-In Team believes one of the ways to let others know about our worship services is for them to SEE what we do.

Cindy's Chalkboard

even before they attend! Research and experience in the

Click the "arrow" to play! It's that simple!!

New Haven's "Livestreaming" Debut!!

area of livestreaming worship indicate that giving others the opportunity to "see" what worship is actually like, encourages them to keep tuning into this website and perhaps even coming one day to worship to check us out!

Here's how you can tune in: type: www.livestream.com/newhaventulsa into your internet browser, and this screen will appear:

You can watch the services "live" or, wait to watch them later on. Spread the word—tell your friends, neighbors and coworkers about your church and invite them to "see" what you are talking about!

We'll have a few things to adjust and tweak as we broadcast over these next few weeks. Stay tuned for more updates!



Giving thanks to God for His abundant blessings.

- Pastor Cindy

Pastor Cindy's Farewell Dinner This Sunday

This Sunday, May 21, at 5:30 pm, join us in a church-wide sending forth of Pastor Cindy who will be appointed on June 1st as the Council Oak District Superintendent of the Oklahoma Conference of the United Methodist Church! Let's gath-

er together to help celebrate with her in true Methodist fashion - over potluck casseroles and salads. Drinks and desserts will be furnished. If you need childcare, please contact the church office asap!! 918-743-6491.

CINDY'S SENDING FORTH

Save the date of May 21 at 5:30 to join in a church-wide sending forth of Pastor Cindy who has been named the Council Oak District Superintendent of the Oklahoma Conference of the United Methodist Church! What an immense honor we can all help celebrate with her in true Methodist fashion over potluck casseroles and salads. Drinks and dessert will be furnished. RSVPs are not expected, but if

you have little ones you would like to stay in the nursery during the evening, please call the church as soon as possible at 918-743-6491.



What is Mormonism about?

Next Sunday, Dana Basnett will be sharing about her life in the Mormon church.

Even though she is no longer a Mormon, she is very knowledgeable about the many facets of Mormonism.

If you aren't connected with a Sunday School or just want to learn more about the Mormons, join the **Roundtable Connection Group** for a non-judgmental & open discussion about this faith.

May 21st, at 9:45 a.m. in Room 161

For information contact Jone Friesen at jone.w.friesen@gmail.com

PROJECT TRANSFORMATION BENEFIT LUNCHEON ~ SUNDAY, JUNE 25TH AT NOON

It was great to hear from the Associate Director last Sunday that 3 more sites will be added statewide! The literacy camp for underserved elementary children runs for 8 weeks during the summer. Each small group of children will read to an adult for 30 minutes during the morning between 10 am and noon. Then they rotate into other activities, such a computer lab. During the afternoon, they have field trips!

Our New Haven family has been involved from the start 16 years ago. This year we will share responsibilities with Christ UMC. Our dates to volunteer with the reading are Monday, June 26 ~ Thursday, June 29th. We'll have sign up sheets soon at the table in the hallway. We will need 8 volunteers each day.

The Luncheon will be a sit down or take out lunch. Our youth band and Jocelyn Schifferdecker have been invited to perform and our children will make placemats for the tables! Of course, we are having the awesome silent auction for gift baskets, goods, and services. If you wish to make a donation for the silent auction, call Tiffany Sherwin at 918-457-6871 or email *zenbear2205@yahoo.com*.

The Project Transformation Committee is looking forward to celebrating this much needed ministry with you by sharing lunch & fellowship!

"OUR CHILDREN ARE OUR FUTURE!!!"

WELCOME RECEPTION FOR THE GRAHAMS

Sunday, June 11th in Fellowship Hall
During the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:45)

Please join us in welcoming our new pastor, Rev. James Graham and his wife, Nancy! This will be a come and go reception, so your Sunday School can still meet if you like. We would appreciate your help in one or both of the following ways:

Provide food for the reception (muffins, coffee cake, fruit, etc)

Provide something for their "Welcome Basket" (ideas: gift card to a restaurant or home improvement store, homemade goodies, invitation to a meal with your Sunday School class/group, etc.)

Please let Tonya Ford know how you can help! 918-688-8180 or tonyacford@hotmail.com

MISSION CORNER.....COME AND EXPERIENCE IT!!!

Periodically, the entire New Haven congregation is involved in "doing worship" through hands-on projects. Pastor Cindy will end our regular worship services a few minutes early and then everyone has the opportunity to get up out of the pews and "do" worship by participating in the service project.

Our last In-Service Sunday benefited the children at Emergency Infant Services. The next In-Service Sunday is set for May 21. We will be packing 100 birthing kits. Birthing kits are one of the six types of relief-supply kits requested by UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). Relief-supply kits help provide care for the most vulnerable people during times of crisis. Kits are for global distribution and cleaning buckets are for US distribution after storms.

As you may recall, New Haven completed 50 flood buckets in 2014; 160 health kits in 2015; and 80 school kits in 2016. The birthing kits we are completing this year will go to various areas around the globe.

Items included in the birthing kit are: 1 small bar of soap; 1 pair thin gloves; 1 square yard of clear plastic sheeting; 3 foot long pieces of cotton string; 1 single-edge razor blade (probably put in later by the In-Service Committee!); 2 receiving blankets; and 1 plastic bag to hold all these items. Each birthing kit is valued at approximately \$8.

For each kit that we complete and take to UMCOR, they ask for a \$1 processing and shipping cost donation. So we are requesting donations by placing an offering basket at the table. **We suggest a \$1 donation**. The kits will be delivered to UMCOR during the Annual Conference held in Oklahoma City later this month.

Come join us as we worship together.



Amanda is our current resident at the Exodus House. It is located at 2624 East Newton Street. Her apartment number is "F". She is excited about this apartment that New Haven UMC furnished. She wants to worship with us, however, she does not have a car. If you are willing to pick her up and deliver her back to her apart-

ment, please contact Jan Boyd at 918-691-1622 or revmumz99@cox.net.

Murdock Villa Birthday Party Coming Soon!

The birthday party for Murdock Villa (residence for disabled adults) is fast approaching! Please contact Lou Lindsey at 918-906-7364 or louise-lindsey@utulsa.edu to help with the birthday party on Thursday, May 25 at noon.

Murdock Villa is a six-story apartment building at 828 S Wheeling (around 11th and Utica) in Tulsa. We need helpers to make food, serve the residents, and clean up afterwards. This is always a fun time for the residents. You will be blessed!







You are invited to join United Methodists from around our connection in praying for our church's effectiveness in fulfilling its mission of making disciples and for the outcome of the work of the Commission on a Way Forward.

The Oklahoma Annual Conference is scheduled to lead the prayer initiative the week of May 28 through June 4.

You can find a daily prayer guide at the conference website:

www.okumc.org/praying

Each district is also asked to pray on a particular day. Our district

— Council Oak — has been assigned Tuesday, May 30. The
theme for the day is "Wisdom" and the suggested scripture focus
is James 3:13-18.

Please join United Methodists in this important prayer initiative.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.

- Ephesians 6:18 (NRSV)

From Patrick's Desk.

Hello church, and what an incredible Sunday we shared! Celebrating all of the mother's in our lives AND our first ever live stream of worship!! Exciting times are upon us at New Haven UMC. As the school year winds down and summer approaches it also means that it's time for summer camps to get going, and our youth have a long history of not only active involvement, but of leadership along the way in district and other conference camps. But youth aren't the only leaders needed, and I'm looking "for a few good men" as the old saying/commercial goes! :) Our District Camp is coming up June 12-16 at Camp Egan. This camp is going to be an amazing experience of faith and community building. However since I'm a dean-in-training this year that will require me to attend as a member of the leadership team, and not as a specific adult leader for the New Haven youth. Deena Smith has kindly offered to travel as a female adult leader (and a bonus for the campers she's also teaching her Dance workshops that many of the kids love), but I could really use at least one **adult male** to go along too! I know that with work, and/or summer travel plans it can be challenging to fit in another week. But I'll tell you that our young men and women will astound you with their faith during this time with them, you'll be provided all of the tools and teammates to lead a small group, of course Egan's amenities as well!! I'll also make you a promise too - if you come with an open heart for Christ's message while helping guide these young men and women that your life and your own walk with God will be impacted. That's a promise! So if you're a male (or two or three...) or if you're a female who feels like they may want to attend we'd be greatly blessed to have you join us!! There is also no cost (the church would cover camp fees) for the adults from New Haven who volunteer to help us out! My prayer is that God will put it on your heart to help us lead a new generation of young people!

Feel free to find me also if you have questions, need more info, or would like to donate otherwise to the camp cause this year.

Prayerfully, Patrick









Opportunities of the Week

SUNDAY, MAY 21

8:45 am Contemporary Worship

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

5:30 pm Celebration Dinner &

Send-off for Pastor Cindy/ gym

MONDAY, MAY 22

10:00 am Grief Support Group/Parlor

6:00 pm Writer's Group/185

6:15 pm Bluegrass Band Rehearsal

TUESDAY, MAY 23

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

6:00 pm One Spirit Choir

6:00 pm Youth Group 7:00 pm ACOA/210

7:00 pm Bell Choir

THURSDAY, MAY 25

12:00 pm Murdock Villa Birthday Party

6:00 pm Praise Band 7:15 pm Yoga/Parlor

FRIDAY, MAY 26

7:30 pm AA/Gym or 210

SATURDAY, MAY 27

SUNDAY, MAY 28 ANNUAL CONFERENCE BEGINS IN OKLAHOMA CITY

8:45 am Contemporary Worship

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Traditional Worship

4:30 pm Let's Get Crafty/Gym



New Haven Staff Members

Rev. Cindy Havlik Stephen Merrick Patrick Grafton

Rev. Robin Stevens

Pat Bates Ann Martin Lindsay Morgan Teresa Roberts Rev. Suzanne Davis Rev. Jeanette Boyd Joan West

Oscar Sturgeon

Senior Pastor Music Director Youth Director Interim Children's Director Office Clerical Asst. Financial Secretary Nursery Director Organist Retired Deacon Retired Deacon After School Care

Custodian

May Birthdays

- 4. Sarah Roberts
- 5. Lucas Lamkin
- 7. Dodie Wood
- 8. Chuck Berry Marissa Degner
- 9. Joleen Taylor
- 10. Kim Wofford
- 12. Bryant Lamkin
 Michael Smith
 Camille Stevenson
- 17. David Duncan
- 20. Laura Degner Sandy Nicholson
- 22. Carol Cox
- 24. Linda Stockstill
- 27. Rick Davis
- 28. Michael Taylor
- 29. Debbie Love Kelcey Newberry



PLEASE PRAY FOR....

Betty Barton

Kelly Sartain

Max Nightingale

Carol Morgan

Mel Remondet

Claretha Gotcher

Deborah Merrick, in the loss of her father

Sheila Ernissee

Dodie Wood

Barry Puryear, in the loss of his father

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; Pam Rowley; family of Tom Dunham; 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
Max Nightingale
Carson & Helen Russell

ATTENDANCE

May 14, 2017

Worship Services

8:45 am: 58 11:00 am: 106 Total: 164

Sunday School

Adults-52
Youth-9
Children-8
Day School Chapel-83

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 "Christianity's Family Tree" by Adam Hamilton

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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