

# 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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## Cindy's Chalkboard

Yes, today was another banner day for New Haven United Methodist Church. Because of your efforts (and a whole lot of preparation from our In-Service Sunday Team), we were able to "DO" worship at both service hours.

School supplies for teachers at Carnegie Elementary were stacked on rows of tables for us to pack at the end of our worship times. I think we set a record!! In less than 5 minutes, YOU made a difference in a teacher's life for this Fall. In less than 5 minutes!!

Thank you, In-Service Sunday Team, for all of your behind-the -scenes work and creativity to make this happen. You demonstrate to us what it

means to be the hands and feet of Christ to the world.

Often times we think of the children at this time of year that are getting ready for the Fall semester to start. Parents begin to get busy shopping around for school supplies; and those that cannot afford these much needed items are finding their way to awesome ministries like "Restore Hope" who have a school supply drive for those in need every year.

What about our faithful teachers who are also preparing for the upcoming semester? We know that many of them go out and purchase their classroom supplies with their own funds.

Our In-Service Sunday Team discovered that there is a real

need for teachers —and decided to make that vision a reality this past Sunday.

Thank you, church, for being the CHURCH for others! I know God is smiling to see we are living out our mission statement to "Make Disciples for Jesus Christ in the world, by being God's love in action."

You, New Havenites—are a God – centered force to be reckoned with!!

Blessed to be serving alongside you.—Pastor Cindy



## New People, New Places Kick-Off Meeting

I want to invite you to talk with me about the "New People, New Places" in our first kick-off meeting on Tuesday, August 5th at 6:00 pm in the Parlor.

You'll learn more about an opportunity to apply for a grant "to reach more new, younger, and more diverse people to become world-changing disciples of Jesus Christ."

At this meeting, we hope to identify a project with a <u>specific plan</u> that describes:

- Which new people we are planning to reach
- How these new people will become disciples
- Have buy-in from a large percentage of the congregation.

 Demonstrate how this ministry will be financially sustainable after a maximum of 3 years.
 Come join us!

For more information, go to: www.okumc.org/npnp



#### A NOTE FROM PAUL...



## Why should we Christians sing?

- 1. Christians should sing to express prayer and praise directly to God.
- 2. Christians should sing to teach and reaffirm Scripture, church doctrine, and theological truth.
- 3. Christians should sing to testify of God's omnipotence and greatness.
- 4. Christians should sing to engage in corporate worship.
- 5. Christians should sing to motivate the church, the Body of Christ to commitment and action.

It matters not if it is the oldest Gregorian chant, psalmody, spirituals, hymnody or contemporary Christian song. These are a Christian's reasons to sing!!

#### Let everything that has breath, praise the Lord.



## Ronald Mc Donald House is still in need of guest chef volunteers.

New Haven has been involved for the last 4 months cooking either Breakfast, Lunch or Dinner. Currently we have about 6 to 8 of us providing 6 or so meals a month.

Some of our New Haven team cook by them self, some bring a friend or two, and some of us take turns by helping each other out, and fix a meal together. We are asked to cook a meal for 20-25 guests; they have two kitchens with all the equipment you need. Food of course is important, but the fellowship with the Guests through a smile ,prayer and by listening to their brave, heart wrenching conversations is life changing. Every month has lots of openings on the calendar. Did you know some parent(s) stay at the house for 4 months and up?

If you like to be part of this ministry call Adriaan Duiveman at 918-250-5966 Please keep these families in your prayers. Thank you.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

**Members:** Ron Cunningham Greg Gotcher

Nick Nicholson **Bob Schwartz** 

### Friends & Family of New Haven UMC

Dodie's son-in-law, Mark Baggetto; Nick & Sandy Nicholson's son, Mark and his wife, Linda; Mary Ann Cunningham's mother and sister; Danny Hall's sister, Lily; Don & Linda Gregory's family; Syble Gale Aumiller; Elizabeth Havlik; Louise Boyd's grandfather; 6 yr. old McKinley with cancer; Mary Stutsman's daughter; Yong; Carla Hefley's dad; Melba Turner's sister; the homeless; our country, city, & lead-

#### **Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated)**

Maxine Loyd, Fran Palm, Marjorie Stewart, Rosemary Tarr, Vetus Vanderwiele; Dot and Kelly Haynes; Dorothy Koons; Bob Schwartz; Bob & Dorothy Thacker;

MEMORIAL SERVICE for Lois Bailey on Friday, August 8th at 2:00 pm at New Haven UMC.

## **TOP THAT PIZZA NIGHT!** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month

41st & Yale store

(Southroads Village-5347 E 41 St.)

Help us raise funds for a new church bus! Our current van is showing its age, so a new mode of transportation is in our future. The Day School has set up a way YOU can help!

#### Support our New Haven night the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at Top That Pizza.

Just stop by and purchase their yummy pizza and drop your receipt in the box by the register. Spread the word to friends and family! THANKS!!

## The \$20,000.00 Challenge!!

New Haven Day School has generously challenged all groups, big or small, and individuals to MOVE THAT BUS!! New Haven Day School will match all new donations towards the People Mover/Mini Bus until \$20,000.00 has been matched. This offer will be open until August 31, 2014.

Our Day School kiddos need you to participate and keep the wheels rolling at NHDS. Our Seniors, Youth Groups and all of us who use the bus need your help! So please TAKE THE CHALLENGE! Be creative and start a fund raiser, collect coins, or challenge your family! The summer kids at NHDS set up a lemonade stand and raised \$150 towards the bus and are doing it again. Let the Lord lead you in this special and vital cause. NHDS has taken a big step...will you?

Ann Martin

Financial Secretary and Day School Council Member

## ALLYSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS



This month, the kids are learning about Joseph and how God had control over his life, even when it seemed he was alone. Last Sunday was the introduction, where they heard about his coat of colors and how his brothers' jealousy led them to sell him to a group of merchants. The kids were more than willing to dress the parts, but I think the adults had more fun participating than the children did!







## AUGUST 3RD. . . IN-SERVICE SUNDAY













### Spire Inspection

Did you ever wonder what the steeple looked like from a bird's eye view? Well, the Board of Trustees needed to have a view to help scope out necessary repairs to the steeple. The typical approach would have required renting power lifts that could get up to heights of 80-100 feet from the ground and hire contractors to take pictures of the areas in question. With recent advances in remote control helicopters (helis), the equipment price points have dropped down into the hobbyists range. Ron Cunningham, made contact with some local RC hobbyists to come and take video of our church steeple during a low wind day in July. Check out a few pictures of that event as seen from the ground and a couple from the RC helicopter. The Board of Trustees have the full set of video and pictures to be used in scoping and estimating out the steeple and roof leak repairs with potential steeple repair contractors.









Heli coming in for landing after a task well done.





RC Helicopter Crew- Left to right – Elden Drake (pilot), Russell Self, Justin Pickard, Jay Pickard (videographer). The RC heli has 2 radios (GPS and RF receivers), the video/still camera that is mounted on the bottom of the heli has WiFi that connects to a ground level display device.

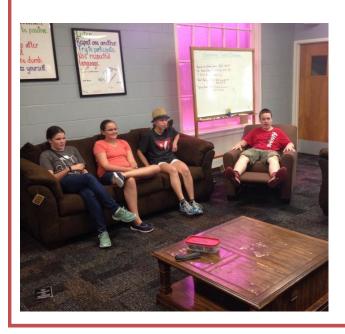
## PATRICK GRAFTON & THE YOUTH NEWS!!!

#### Hello Church family -

So it's here! The new furniture is moved in, and we're excited how great the youth room is really coming together! We had a great Wednesday of moving furniture with some special thanks to David Shifferdecker for helping supervise and corral all of our movers! To celebrate with our entire church family who we're grateful for helping us to make this happen we would like everyone to come visit this coming Sunday! We'll be hosting an Open House between services, and would love for everyone to come by to see, and of course to "test sit" all of the new furniture. Thank you all again for your support of prayers and financial contributions that allowed us to make this happen.

Blessings,

Patrick and the youth!





#### MISSION SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 28TH

You're not going to believe this...but we are encouraging you NOT to come to church on a Sunday...we are encouraging you to go and BE the church on September 28th! We will have several mission opportunities right here in our own community, AND inside our own church. Everything you need will be provided. And if you choose to sign-up and go out into the community—that means transportation will be provided, too!

What's the first step? Soon you're going to see a table in the hallway where you can order your own "Mission Sunday" T-shirt if you want one. They are blue with a wonderful mission graphic and the words "The Church Has Left the Building!" It's a memento of this special mission day. Next? You'll see sign-ups for specific mission events a few weeks later. You'll have plenty of time to decide whether you want to go out and serve, or stay here and serve. Either way, you will be a blessing! Stay tuned!!!

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## Opportunities of the Week August 10 ~ 17

#### SUNDAY, August 10 UMW Sunday 8:45 am Contemporary Worship and

Children's Church

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am Youth Open House/Youth Room

11:00 am **Traditional Worship** and

Children's Church

4:30 pm Outreach/Duiveman's Home 4:00 pm Liturgical Dance/Sanctuary

5:00 pm Children's Choir 5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study 6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner 7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

**MONDAY, August 11** 

6:00 pm Hope Circle/Parlor 6:00 pm Writer's Group/185

#### **TUESDAY**, August 12

**WEDNESDAY**, August 13

10:00 am Women's Grief Recovery Group

6:00 pm Youth Group 7:00 pm Chancel Choir 7:00 pm ACOA/206

#### THURSDAY, August 14

6:00 pm Praise Band 7:30 pm Yoga/210

### FRIDAY, August 15

7:30 pm AA/Gym

7:00 pm Youth Lock-In Begins

#### **SATURDAY, August 16**

7:00 am Youth Lock-In Ends

10:00 am Men's Brunch Bunch/Parlor

## SUNDAY, August 17 Revival Sunday!

8:45 am **Contemporary Worship** and

Children's Church 9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am **Traditional Worship** and

Children's Church

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12:15 pm Mission Sunday Committee 1:30 pm Finance Committee/Parlor 4:00 pm Liturgical Dance/Sanctuary

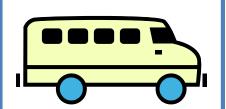
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## August Birthdays

- 1. Suzanne Davis
- Dick Garwood Marion Wilkerson
- 4. Ken Fox
- 5. Tom Kemp
- Ray Prange
   Velma Fast
   Wyatt Schifferdecker
- 7. Jeanette Boyd
- 8. Tracy Pape Joshua Blanchard Shelley Worrell Floyd Sessions
- 10. Alex Hensley
- 13. Laurie VanDyke
- 14. Louise Lindsey
- 20. Susan Harris
- 21. Laura Sahli
- 22. Lana Gotcher
- 23. Stacy Newberry Robert Hefley
- 24. Allyson Cauthon
- 25. Tom Black
- 27. Yuta Daughters Christopher Smith Ashley Boyd

## MINI-BUS FUNDS UPDATE

Donations Prior Match
Donations Post Match
Day School Match
Total Donations
Cost of Mini-Bus
Remaining Funds Needed \$16,051



#### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

August 3, 2014

8:45 am—73 11:00 am—89 Total:162

Sunday School Attendance 57

## 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 "Revival: Faith As Wesley Lived It" By Adam Hamilton

**Parlor: Christian Living Class** Adult Bible Study Curriculum

**Room 161 Interlude Class** 

"Making Sense of the Bible" by Adam Hamilton

Room 205: Journeys Class

"God is Closer Than You Think" by John Ortburg

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

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