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It may sound strange to celebrate the fact that our recent

copies of Rev Adam Hamilton's book, "Making Sense of the Bible" are all gone - but that's exactly what I am doing!! I am thrilled that many of you have decided to take this book home, read it, and learn more about our Bible.

Thank you for sticking with me as we journeyed together through this sermon series-I've learned so much. I hope you have, as well.

My hope and prayer is that God has used these past four weeks to encourage us to read

Sermon Reference Books Are Gone!!

the Bible. It might seem a bit daunting at first, but when we step back and realize it is a gift that continues to speak to us... that's pretty exciting, don't you think?

The exciting part is, we can do this on our own, or with a group of people. As Rev. Hamilton says, "Perhaps the most powerful way of reading Scripture is to read it with others in a small group. I've participated in multiple Bible studies over the years. I find that God speaks to me and helps me see biblical texts in new ways as I hear others reflect upon the words of scripture. These groups have produced rich friendships and have helped me hear the Bible in fresh ways, for which I am profoundly grateful."

I couldn't have said it better myself! Keep your eye out for new Bible studies coming in early Fall. We already know we will be offering **Disciple I** (Fast Track) and **Disciple IV**. As soon as all the Bible study offerings are set, you'll be the first to know! Sign ups will be on the hallway table soon. Stay tuned.

Until then, keep reading God's Word. May it continue to speak to you! Blessings, Pastor Cindy

P.S. If you did not get a chance to pick up a copy of "Making Sense of the Bible" just let me know, I'll be sure and get a copy for you!

Sanctuary Water Line Leakage Repaired!

Yes, it's true! Our water line leakage under the Sanctuary floor has been repaired. Hip, Hip, Hooray! I'm doing the "Happy Dance" right now!

It has been quite a journey to stop this leak-and the good news is-it is done! Of course, there are still some areas of construction both inside and outside our building, but be assured these will all be taken care of in the weeks ahead. We owe a great deal of gratitude to our Trustees Committee, headed by Ron Cunningham, in making wise decisions about how best to correct the problem. They've done an incredible job. The next time you see Ron, and anyone else on the Trustee's Committee, be sure and thank them!

I also want to acknowledge the continual care of our custodian, Oscar Sturgeon, who has gone over and above the call of duty to make daily efforts of turning our water on and off for several months!! Yes... twice

each day!! Oscar has helped clean up behind us, and made the best of the situation so we could continue using our building during this time. Thank you, Oscar!



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

OUR MEMBERS:

Bobbie Scott; Lana Gotcher; Karen Gibbs; Fran Palm; Charlotte Erwin; Rick Davis; Nancy Gunter

Friends & Family of New Haven UMC

Mark Nicholson; Linda Gregory's daughter-in-law, Lea; Cynthia Mabrey's nephew, Gabe; Ruth Ann Field; Syble Perry; Betty Barton's daughter-in-law, Connie Barton; Joleen Taylor's mother, Darline Breeze; Peter Havlik's father, Ladislav Havlik; the homeless; our world, city, country, public servants & leaders.

Covenant Care (prayers & visits appreciated)

Fran Palm, Marjorie Stewart, Rosemary Tarr, Dot and Kelly Haynes; Bob Schwartz; Laurie & Mahcoe Van-Dyke; Dorothy Koons

In the first part of February Cindy did a sermon series on Prayer and used some material from Max Lucado's book "Before Amen" one of his suggestions was to think about what you are thankful for, so he went through the alphabet and thought of things for which we can be thankful. Word was passed around each of our Sunday School classes to write down their thoughts on thankfulness and the **Fellowship class** did just that. . . .

- **A.** Angels all around us and in church
- **B.** Blessings
- C. Christ, Communion
- **D.** Doing good works
- **E.** Energetic/ Evangelic
- F. Fellowship/Faith/Friends/FB
- **G.** Grace/ God's gratitude
- H. Heaven
- I. Inspirational
- J. Jesus/Judges
- **K.** Kindness of people
- L. LOVE endures/ Leadership
- M. Mary/ Mission
- N. Neighborly/New Haven
- O. Omniscience
- P. Psalm 119:1-2/Pastor/Peace
- Q. Quiet/questions, seeking
- R. Resurrection/Rainbow/Radical Love
- S. Stars/Salvation/Savior
- T. Trust/Teacher/Testimony/Thankful
- U. Unconditional love
- V. Victory in Jesus
- W. Wisdom
- **X.** eXpection, Xenial (friendly between guest & host)
- Y. You & Youth
- **Z.** Zealous in our belief/Zion

ALLYSON'S ANNOUNCEMENT

NEW HAVEN'S 4TH OF JULY PARADE AND FESTIVITIES!!!

Invite your friends and neighbors, old and young, to come to our Annual Neighborhood Parade & Festivities on Saturday, July 4th from 10am-Noon. Bring your bikes, trikes, flags, wagons, strollers, skates, and whatever else you need to join our parade around the block! We'll have things available to decorate your bikes with at 10:00 am and the parade begins around 10:30 with police escort. Afterwards, we have cookies, sno cones, drinks and fun inflatables along with other great activities. Please sign up today to bring cookies for this event...we'll need lots! You may sign up at the table in the hallway.

From Patrick's Desk. . .

Happy Summer Church!!

It seems that the rainy days of Spring may really be behind us now as I noticed 90 degree temperatures back in the regular forecast! And if summer is here then that means it's camp time! As I mentioned in last week's copy of the Spire the camps are right around the corner in July. In order to get the early bird discount though we have to get the paperwork and payment to the Conference office in OKC by the 30th of this month. With that deadline in mind I'm asking any vouth planning to attend District or CYME camp to get their paperwork and payments to me before COB on Thursday of this week. You are welcome to drop it by the office with Pat, and she'll ensure that it gets to me. I'm also still seeking one male adult chaperone to go along as well as this is a requirement for District Camp this year. Your \$100.00 cost will be covered by the church, and I can promise you a meaningful time of worship, fellowship, and prayer with some amazing youth from not only our church but from around the Council Oaks District, Please let me know this week also if you are willing to be an adult chaperone. Thank you to Kelly Sartain for volunteering to be the female adult leader - YOU ROCK!!!

Please be in prayer for our youth and their adult leaders as they travel to these camps. Countless youth have and/or will find their calling for their lives at these summer camps. God shows them how he wants them to be an active member of the church, and what their particular ministry will look like no matter their chosen profession. So your prayers for God to light up their lives with a passion and fire for his work DOES make a difference during these camps, and is felt while the youth are away. Thanks!

PROJECT TRANSFORMATION FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON/AUCTION JUNE 14, 2015



































Corner



Dear Missy,

I'd like to volunteer to help out with mission projects. What is coming up this summer?

Signed, Ready to Serve

Dear Ready to Serve,

The short answer is a LOT! Here is what is currently scheduled for July:

Mission Meeting – Tuesday, July 7, 6:30 pm, meeting at Restore Hope, mini-bus transportation available from church at 5:45 pm

Respite Care – Saturday, July 11, 3 pm to 7 pm, gym; ministry moment on July 12 to educate others of this mission

Project Transformation – check sign-up sheets to see where you can get involved, July 13 - 16

DVIS – Saturday, July 18, 9 am to noon help to organize donation room; mini-bus transportation from church at 8:30 am – look for sign-up sheet in hallway coming soon

Rice & Beans - Sunday, July 26, package bags of rice and beans to benefit Restore Hope Ministries, in gym with luncheon following event

Day Center – Thursday, July 30, help prepare and/or serve meal for homeless

Ronald McDonald – open dates to be a volunteer chef and prepare a meal

Becky Puryear is our team leader for Project Transformation, a summer camp program with an emphasis on literacy. NHUMC's week to "read" with the children is July 13 – 16. Your donations given during the luncheon and silent auction on June 14 have helped to support our financial commitment to this program. For a more personal commitment, please sign up to help by being a reading volunteer, providing lunches for interns, and/or snacks/drinks for the children.

Phil Roberts is our team leader for Day Center for the Homeless and Ronald McDonald House. Each of these missions offers a "hands on" experience. Come and try it out – the whole family is welcome to serve.

Blessings,

Missy

Experience It!

Come and

Opportunities of the Week June 28 ~ July 3

SUNDAY, June 28

8:45 am Contemporary Worship and

Children's Church

9:45 am **Sunday School**

11:00 am Traditional Worship and

Children's Church

12:15 pm SPRC Meeting/Parlor 5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study 6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner

7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

MONDAY, JUNE 29

6:00 pm Writer's Group/185

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym 7:30 pm AA/ 185,205,209,210

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

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

THURSDAY, JULY 2

6:00 pm Praise Band 7:15 pm Yoqa/210

FRIDAY, JULY 3

7:30 pm AA/Gym

SATURDAY, JULY 4 10:00 am New Haven Neighborhood

Parade & Festivities

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Happy 4th of July!

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 7. Mycroft LaGrone
- 14. Luke Stevenson
- 16. Greg Green
- 17. Gabriel VanDyke

Jeff Cauthon

David Schifferdecker

- 19. John Manuel
- 20. Betty Siegismund
- 21. Cindy Havlik
- 23. Jennifer Roberts
- 28. Marjorie Stewart



SAFE SANCTUARY

Make plans NOW to attend our last Safe Sanctuary training of 2015. This SHORT training (30 minutes) is August 30th in the parlor right after the 11:00 service. This is REQUIRED training for anyone who works with our children and youth, including Bus Stop, Respite Care, Sunday School & Children's Church.

ATTENDANCE

June 21 2015 8:45 am-76 11:00 am- 94 **TOTAL— 170**

SUNDAY SCHOOL TOTAL: 61

Adult Sunday School Come join us at 9:45 am!

Room 185: Discovery Class Galatians

Room 209: Fellowship Class Proverbs, Prophets, & Parables

Room 210: New Friendship Class "How Jesus Became God"

Parlor: Christian Living Class Adult Bible Study Curriculum

Room 161 Interlude Class A Study of the Apostles.

Room 205: Journeys Class "Stressed Out" by Serendipity Focus Group

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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