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Rev. James Graham

Christ is Risen!

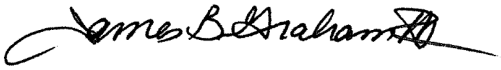
Easter Sunday we had more than 280 people join us for worship in three different services. Our District Superintendent, Cindy Havlik joined us and helped officiate communion. Our "Foot Prints Dance Ensemble" graced us with a fantastic liturgical dance, and our music teams made our hearts swell with joy. As if it couldn't get any better, we had a first time profession of faith by Billy Jagger who joined the church! God is doing amazing work here at New Haven UMC!

This Sunday's "Brite" service put a smile on everyone's faces as we all embraced a little holy humor! I hope you are all getting signed up to take your family photos for the new picture directory. There is no cost to get your picture taken. Now that Easter is behind us, we are racing headlong towards summer! With camps, the 4th of July parade, and Vacation Bible School ahead, we are expecting our busy schedules to continue!

April 29th we will be having a pot-luck-brunch during the Sunday School hour. Please bring your favorite breakfast item to share, and join us in the gym for an hour of food and fellowship! This is a great time to invite a friend… EVERYONE likes to eat! We also have an Estate Planning Seminar planned for the first Sunday in May. The United Methodist Foundation will be hosting this free seminar, and we are encouraging everyone to make plans to attend. It will be right after church at 12:15. Please RSVP with our office to receive a boxed lunch!

Wishing you all the peace and joy of Easter!

Pastor James



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE MAY MURDOCK VILLA BIRTHDAY PARTY!

MAY 3RD PARTY STARTS AT NOON - LIGHT LUNCH, TOO

Save the date for 9th annual May Murdock Villa birthday party sponsored by NHUMC! We will bring lunch, drinks, entertainment and good cheer to the disabled adults at Murdock Villa at noon, Thursday, May 3rd.

Carolyn Toalson's uke band is returning for the third year in a row! The theme is HAWAII! Murdock Villa is located at 828 S. Wheeling, just a block east of Utica, just north of 11th St.

Tonya Ford will be team leader for this year's event. During April, you can find a sign up sheet on the table in the hallway, or contact Tonya directly at 918-688-8180. We'll need food, drinks, ice or cash for purchasing items for the party. Thanks, New Haven UMC for continuing your support for this project. It means so much to the residents to be celebrated their birth month!

The Susanna Circle of our United Methodist Women welcomes speaker Dr. Ralph Coffman of the new *Family Promise of Tulsa County* program on the Methodist Manor property!

Thursday, April 12 at 10am in the Parlor.

Everyone is welcome to hear about this new program benefiting the Tulsa community. Please join us to support them! Refreshments will be served.

UMPTEENS TO VISIT TULSA BOTANICAL GARDENS

Several folks have requested that we visit the beautiful gardens again and this is your opportunity to see them.

Tuesday, April 17th, we'll leave the church parking lot at 10:30 a.m. for lunch and a visit to the gardens. The price is $6.00. We should be back at the church by 3:30pm

Bring a friend and see another great Tulsa attraction!!!

Reservations: Shirley Nelson 918-615-6247

Palm Sunday

EASTER MORNING AT NHUMC!

LIFETOUCH PHOTOGRAPHY SESSION COMING SOON!

APRIL 24th ~ 28th

We want YOU in our next pictorial directory! Regular visitors are very welcome to participate, too! Also, pets are allowed to be included in your family photos! You may want to have your musical instrument or other "hobby" item in the picture with you, too!

Please use the link below to schedule your photo appointment online~
or you can choose a date & time at the sign-up table outside the Sanctuary.

https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y87lyhge/

(Highlight the link above, right click, and choose "open hyperlink" from the menu. You will get the website with the calendar and available times and you can choose one for you and your family)

Our online sign-up will be open every Monday at 1pm until Thursday at 1pm. It will be closed during the remaining times to allow our staff to enter the names that were entered on our sign-up sheets on Sundays.

BRIGHT SUNDAY

Mission Corner

Dear Captain,

What's all this about the Radical Disciples (3rd – 5th grade) wanting underwear?

Signed,
Wanna Undie-Stand

Dear Undie-Stand,

The Radical Disciples have been learning about all the various outreach projects that New Haven UMC does as a church. And, they wanted to become more involved so they decided to lead the "Undie Sunday" effort.

Undie Sunday is a project where New Haven members and guests bring brand new underwear – all sizes accepted – to the church and place it in the basket that will be set up next to the sign-up table. The group will be collecting underwear starting Sunday, April 15 through Sunday, April 29. On Sunday, May 6, they will count the collection and prepare and report to let everyone know the results.

The Radical Disciples voted to partner with Project Elf again this year. This agency's mission is "to promote a positive learning experience and level the playing field for students in grade school through high school by ensuring basic needs are met, including but not limited to shoes, uniforms, outer garments, school supplies, backpacks, and person hygiene products." It is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, which today serves every Tulsa Public School, some private schools, and has over 800 volunteers, i.e., Elves. Elves are women and men who volunteer and/or donate essential items to Tulsa-area students in need.

So let's become elves, be a part of the "Undie Sunday" drive. Remember all underwear should be brand new. All sizes are accepted. Thank you!

Over and out,
Cpt. U-pants

Come and Experience It!

Opportunities of the Week

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018
8:45 Contemporary Worship
9:45 Connection Groups
11:00 am Traditional Worship
1:30 pm Finance Committee/Parlor
5:00 pm Footprints
5:00 pm Jr. High Bible Study
6:00 pm Youth Fellowship Dinner
7:00 pm Sr. High Bible Study

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018
6:00 pm Writers Group/185
6:15 pm Bluegrass Band Practice

TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2018
10:30 am Umpteenagers Visit Botanical Gardens
6:00 pm Day School Council/185
6:30 pm Church Safety Training/Parlor (for Trustees & SPRC members)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym
7:30 pm AA/185, 206, 210

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018
6:00 pm One Spirit Choir
6:00 pm Youth Group
7:00 pm Bell Choir
7:00 pm ACOA/210

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018
6:00 pm Praise Band
7:15 pm Yoga/Parlor

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2018
7:00 pm AA/Gym

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018

SUNDAY, APRIL 22
8:45 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Connection Groups
11:00 am Traditional Worship
4:00 pm Cub Scouts
5:00 pm Footprints
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. James B. Graham	Senior Pastor
Cynthia Edelman	Business Manager
Stephen Merrick	Music Director
Teresa Roberts	Organist
Patrick Grafton	Youth Director
Marti Lowery	Children Director
Pat Bates	Office Clerical Asst.
Cindy Taylor	Day School Director
Joan West	After School Care
Brittany Fox	Nursery Director
Oscar Sturgeon	Custodian
Rev. Suzanne Davis	Retired Deacon
Rev. Jeanette Boyd	Retired Deacon
Rev. Robin Stevens	Retired Deacon

April Birthdays

8. Doris Foster
9. Dan Wallace
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 Puryear

PLEASE PRAY FOR. . . .

Bill & Claretha Gotcher
Jean Roberts
Joe Sanders
Dianna Horn
Adessa Stevenson
Sue Hunnicutt
Jan Duffield
Mary Lou Black
Kathryn Fisher

ATTENDANCE

April 1, 2018
6:30 am ~17
8:45 am ~ 101
11:00 am ~ 161
Total ~ 279

Sunday School:
Adults ~ 49
Youth ~ 7
Children ~ 31

April 8, 2018
8:45 am ~ 67
11:00 am ~ 98
Livestream ~ 15
Total ~ 165

Sunday School:
Adults ~ 49
Youth ~ 9
Children ~ 24

ADULT CONNECTION GROUPS

Come join us at 9:45 am!

Room 185: Discovery Class
"What Does the Bible Say About. . . .?"

Parlor: Fellowship Class
Adult Bible Study Curriculum

Room 209: New Friendship Class
"The Story of God" film series with Morgan Freeman narrating.

Room 103: Interlude Class
"Moses" by Adam Hamilton

Room 206: New Haven 206 Connection Group "The Wired Word"

Room 161: Roundtable "Barking to the Choir" by Gregory Boyle

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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