



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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Rev. James Graham

Vision

What does it mean to have vision? It means more than simply seeing things around you. When we talk about the vision of the church, we are talking about imagination. Vision is all about imagining what the realization of the Kingdom of God on earth would be, and then asking how can we be a part of bringing that into existence. It is **THAT** piece, the intersection between God's kingdom being realized on earth and the role **WE** have in that process, that truly excites me and drives the work of our church.

I have been working with a coach for the past year in a process called Creating a Culture of Renewal. I will continue working with that coach for the next two years and, as a part of that process, I will be working with you and our church leaders to imagine what our role is in unleashing the Kingdom of God here in our community. I believe God is calling us ***"to create a truly inclusive community that seeks to follow in the footsteps of Christ in spiritual, behavioral, and revolutionary ways to bring justice and shalom to our community."*** Accomplishing this vision will not be easy, nor will it happen over-night, but I believe that if we faithfully follow in the footsteps of Jesus each and every day it will be possible. If we have but the faith of a mustard seed and keep our eyes on God's will for us, I believe that we can bring the people of our neighborhood together to work towards common goals, help one another, and provide a community that enables children and families to grow and prosper, and yes, encounter God's transforming grace!

Grace and peace,

Pastor James



Umpteenagers Branson Trip!

REMINDER!! If you are going on the trip to Branson with the *UMPTREENAGERS*, please meet in the church parking lot on **THIS Wednesday by 9:00am**

We will return on Friday, September 20 in the afternoon.



Annual Conference

September 24 ~ Annual Charge Conference at 6:00 pm in the New Haven Sanctuary. Our District Superintendent, Rev. Cindy Havlik will lead this meeting when we will discuss the state of the church and voting on several items. **Don't miss this annual church meeting.**

Pledge Sunday
September 29
Please remember your
Pledge & Mission Cards



STEWARDSHIP
A Way of Life

September 29

Pledge Sunday & 5th Sunday Brunch
Please remember to bring your Pledge and
Mission cards.

Join us 9:45-10:45 am (between services.) **in the Gym.**

Bring a breakfast item to share and
connect with our church family.

5th
SUNDAY
BRUNCH
&
Fellowship

Sunday, September 29

9:45 - 10:45 am

**Bring your favorite breakfast/
brunch item and join us in the gym
between services and fellowship
with your New Haven Family.**

If you have any questions? Email Stacey
at schiffds@cox.net



"Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet, and a Light Unto My Path"

Psalm 119: 105

This Sunday September 22, children in third grade will receive a special gift! Bibles will be presented during both services for these children, as well as any older child that has not received one already! Our New Haven KIDS Leadership Team teach weekly lessons from the Bible, and encourage all children to read and learn the Word of God at home! This special gift allows children the opportunity to grow in Christ's teachings! Please email Ms. Marti at marti.lowery@newhavenumc.org if your older child has not received a Bible.



New Haven KIDS are starting a great time of transition! We are currently looking for new ways to *"Make Disciples for Jesus Christ"* and hopefully bring them to New Haven! We are in the process of "tweaking" our Fall Festival Activity and making it more of an outreach to our community, inviting others back to our church!

Our Fall Festival has been a great night of fellowship; however, it normally has only lasted for one night, and hasn't really brought any families to come and see what great opportunities our church offers and experience God's love. Therefore, this year we are going to **"Trick or Treat" in our own neighborhood and spread the great news of Jesus to our community!**

On **Thursday, October 31, starting at 5:30 pm.** our special outreach called **"Disciple & Treat!"** will give our kids a chance to be disciples, as well as give and even get a treat! We will spend this time **"Disciple & Treating"** in our neighborhood, introducing ourselves, and giving each house a treat with our church name and information on it for the residents! Hopefully if people don't have a church home, this will give them the opportunity to come and visit! Also, it gives us a great chance to get to know our community better and become a smiling face for people who might need the message of Jesus in their lives. The adults who volunteer will chaperone and visit each home, and will also ask if there are any special classes or activities that they would like to see offered at our church in the future.

A special **"Disciple Booth"** will be set up in front of our church for passing families, that are trick or treating in the neighborhood! This will be an area for smiling faces, treats, and specific information about our church!

We will be asking for some candy donations this year for our church booth, but also will need MANY homemade treats to give to our community! (cookies, brownies, fudge, muffins, etc...) The children will individually wrap these items and place a flyer with our church information on them to hand to our community! Also, if you would like to "man" the information booth at our church, or get some exercise walking with our kids to "Disciple and Treat," please sign up starting this Sunday on the form located at the information table by the foyer!

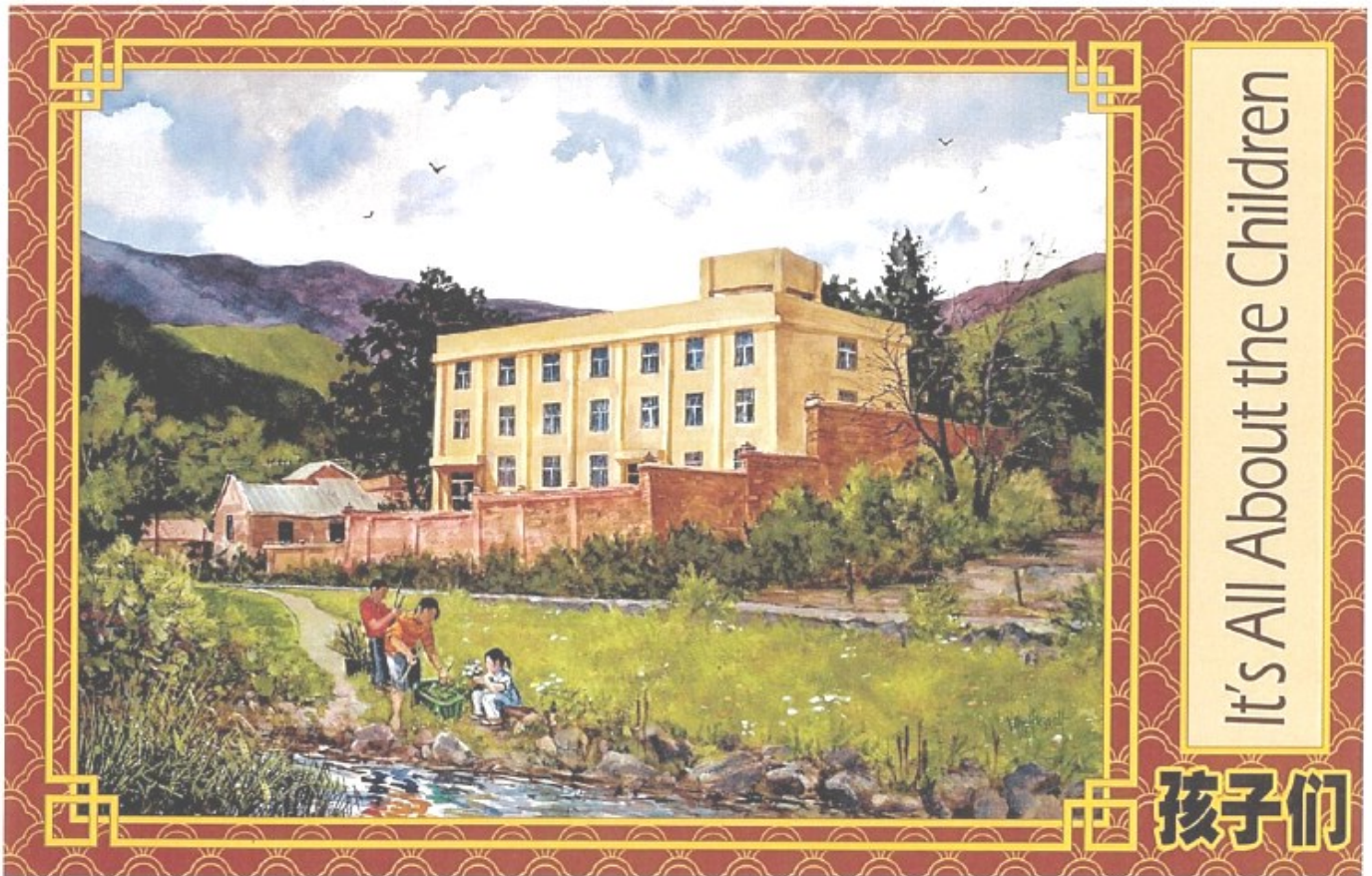
Thank your for your constant support for **New Haven KIDS**, as we move towards a new year of making disciples for Jesus Christ!!

Blessings,

Ms. Marti



Ticket Sales begin next Sunday



It's All about the Children

Benefit for the Happy Children's Home of China

A Musical Evening of Dinner and Entertainment
"To Build a Home"

**Featuring Choreographer Dancers:
Tee Brown and Rachel Brabham**

Friday, October 18th, 6:30 – 8:00 P.M. (doors open at 6:00 P.M.)
Location: Asbury U.M.C. 6767 So. Mingo Road, Tulsa OK 74133
Ticket price: \$60 paid by October 10th
Payable to: Council Oak District Office UMC

Parking: Westside – Eastside ♦ for information call 918.630.4430

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Dear New Haven Family,
Thank you for always supporting me with all of my adventures. I especially wanted to

thank you for supporting me coming to Oklahoma City University (OCU). I cannot thank you enough for all the support and love that you continue to show me.

Thank you again for everything.

Sincerely,
Bailey Sartain

Unable to join us at church?

Live Stream New Haven Services!

Are there some Sundays you unable to come to church? Maybe you're not feeling well, your child or children are sick, or perhaps the weather is too bad to drive, you might be out of town, or there might be a sermon you would like to hear again . . . If you have a computer or a smart phone you can watch the services on livestream, go to:

www.livestream.com/newhaventulsa.

That's all there is to it!



September 21st | 2019
Circle of Care Concert

Featuring

Sanctus Real

Doors Open at 6:00 PM

Band on Stage at 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Asbury United Methodist Church, Venue 68

6910 S. 101 E. Avenue

Tulsa, OK 74133

If you would like more information about this event,
please pick up a copy of the letter/invitation
on the hall table.

Mission Corner

Mission



Dear Missy,

When is the next In-Service Sunday and how can I get involved?

Signed,

Ready for Service

Dear Ready,

Periodically, the entire New Haven congregation is involved in “doing worship” through hands-on projects. We will end our worship services early **next Sunday, September 22** so that everyone has an opportunity to get up out of the pews and “do” worship by participating in a service project for Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless clients.

Coe Edwards, Volunteer Coordinator for the Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless will be giving a Ministry Moment during both worship services on that Sunday. Our congregation has supported this community outreach for several years through meals, welcome boxes, Mission Sunday projects, and now backpacks for their clients. The Center focuses on providing a full spectrum of what clients need to overcome homelessness, including a health clinic, computer access and personalized case management.

Back on **June 16** we completed **Part 1** of a three-part outreach project. On that day, we packed 120 bags full of hygiene items. **August 11** was **Part 2**, where the congregation packed non-perishable food items into 120 bags, including items contributed by our VBS kids. Our final phase is on **September 22**, where we will pack the backpacks with 1) a hygiene bag (done on June 16); 2) a food bag (done on August 11); and 3) various odds and ends like bottled water, notes of encouragement and toilet paper. The completed backpacks will then be delivered to the Tulsa Day Center to be handed to their clients.

Here’s where we would like **YOUR HELP: please bring bottled water on Sunday, September 22 to add to these backpacks -- a case, a six-pack or a bottle, it’s up to you.**

Blessings,

Missy



Come and



Experience It!



Join us on Monday, September 23 from 5:00 - 7:30 pm

New Haven's next opportunity to prepare and serve dinner to the guests at the Tulsa Day Center will be **Monday, September 23**. Dinner will be **Yum-e-setti** (recipe is on the hall table,) **so make a pot full or bake a dozen or more cookies and deliver to the church gym by 4:30 pm**. The bus will leave for the Day Center at 5:00 pm and return by 7:30 pm. This is the evening we will deliver all the backpacks we have filled over the last few months. We normally feed about 100 guests, if you can help they will be delighted! **Sign-up sheets are on the hall table or call the church office.**



Footprints Liturgical Dance group is open to anyone interested in helping lead worship through dance! **Third Graders through Adults are welcome. Do you love to dance?** Join us at **4:15 pm in the Sanctuary**. Please contact Deena Smith at 918.693.4828 if you are interested or have any questions.

Join our Music Ministry!
8:45 am Praise Team
11:00 am One Spirit Choir
Hand Bell Choir
 or play a musical instrument for special services. Contact Stephen Merrick.



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Opportunities of the Week

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:00 pm Boy Scouts
7:30 pm AA

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

UMPTEENAGERS - TRIP TO BRANSON

6:00 pm One Spirit Choir
6:00 pm Youth Group
7:00 pm Hand Bell Rehearsal
7:00 pm ACOA (210)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

UMPTEENAGERS - TRIP TO BRANSON

6:00 pm Praise Team
7:15 pm Yoga - Parlor

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

UMPTEENAGERS - TRIP TO BRANSON

7:30 pm AA (Gym)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

IN-SERVICE SUNDAY

8:45 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Connection Groups
11:00 am Traditional Worship
4:15 pm Footprints Rehearsal
4:30 pm Disciple 3
5:00 pm Youth Fellowship

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

6:00 pm Bluegrass Band
6:00 pm Writers' Group

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

6:00 pm Charge Conference/Sanctuary
7:00 pm Boy Scouts
7:30 pm AA

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

6:00 pm Trustees - Parlor
6:00 pm Youth Group
6:00 pm One Spirit Choir
7:00 pm Hand Bell Rehearsal
7:00 pm ACOA (210)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

10:00 am Grief Group - Parlor
5:00 pm Staff Meeting - Parlor
6:00 pm Praise Team
7:15 pm Yoga - Parlor

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

7:30 pm AA (Gym)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

PLEDGE SUNDAY

8:45 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am 5th SUNDAY BRUNCH
11:00 am Traditional Worship
4:15 pm Footprints Dance Rehearsal
4:30 pm Disciple 3
5:00 pm Jr./Sr. High Youth Group

September Birthdays

- 2 Kyler Duncan
Danny Hall
- 3 Doyle Boyd
Lori Dey
Susan Savage
- 4 Richard Foster
- 6 Liz DeWitt
- 8 Don Gregory
Barbara Troutner
- 9 Greg Pape
Dallas Quinalty
- 10 Ace Quinalty
- 12 Annabelle Fox
- 15 Carolyn Toalson
- 19 Linda Parmele
- 20 Cohen Grafton
Pamela Holt
- 27 Bobbie Scott
- 28 Wayne Love
- 29 Jack Cearing



ADULT CONNECTION GROUPS

*Join us at 9:45 am and
Check out one or all of our
Connection Groups and see
which you would like to join!*

Room 185 Discovery Class
Parlor 115 Fellowship Class
Room 209 New Friendship Class
Room 103 Interlude Class
Room 206 New Haven 206
Room 161 Roundtable

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

September 8, 2019

Worship Attendance

8:45 am ~ 43
11:00 am ~ 94
Total ~ 137
Livestream ~ 22

Sunday School

Adults ~ 39
Children ~ 17
Youth ~ 20

September 15, 2019

Worship Attendance

8:45 am ~ 43
11:00 am ~ 83
Total ~ 126
Livestream ~ 19

Sunday School

Adults ~ 56
Children ~ 14
Youth ~ 15

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Joe Sanders
Janice & Guy Duffield
Jessica Nicholson-Kaufman
Dot Haynes
Don Gregory
Max Nightingale
Dodie Wood
Quitman McCrory
Christene O'Toole
Donita Gray
Bonnie Rainbow
Barbara Troutman
Barbara Coleman
Our Military &
First Responders



Visit our website at www.newhavenmc.org or
New Haven United Methodist Church on Facebook
Worship with us at: www.livestream.com/newhaventulsa.

