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What a wonderful, full, grace filled and blessed week we have had! There has been so much going on at New Haven UMC.... from our awesome Youth presenting their dinner theater (we won't soon forget those skits!) to the many people who put up our brand new fence, to those helping with the Day School playground project, to the celebration of



marriage for our own Jessie and James Myers, a baptism at the 8:45 service and a service of Confirmation at the 11:00, and people joining the church, a reception for our confirmand after services, and our All Church Picnic at Leake Park.... God is so good. The Holy Spirit is at work!

There's another exciting event coming up in a week. **The Oklahoma Annual Conference will begin Sunday evening, May 30th with opening worship at Boston Avenue UMC at 6:30 pm.** Conference will continue every day until 4:00 Wednesday afternoon for the Service of Sending Forth.

Every year holds special meaning to those who will be Commissioned or Ordained into the United Methodist Church. This year the Commissioning service will be held on Monday evening at 6:30 pm, and the Service of Ordination will be held on Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm. Our very own Wendi Neal (Steve and Bobbi Neal's daughter) will be ordained as full Elder in the United Methodist Church this year - you don't want to miss this!

Each of the worship services will offer God's Word in meaningful and powerful ways. For a complete schedule of events, go to www.okumc.org. New Haven's Annual Conference delegates, Steve Amos and Danny Hall, as well as Suzanne, Jan and I, hope to see you there!

Come, be blessed!

Walking the journey together,
Pastor Cindy

P.S. For the first year EVER, you can go online and watch a LIVE broadcast of the Conference at the homepage men-



Special Called Charge Conference

On Sunday, June 13th, at 3:30 pm we will have a very brief **Special Called Charge Conference** in the Parlor, right before we begin our regular Administrative Council meeting that afternoon. The purpose of the Charge Conference is to fill vacancies in leadership positions for our Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) and our Day School Council. Everyone is invited AND ENCOURAGED to attend the Charge Conference and the Administrative Council meeting that day. We especially want to invite the leadership of the church and all of our committees to attend and share about all the things that are happening at New Haven UMC. Together, may we discern where it is that God is leading our congregation, and what it is God would have us do, in and through this wonderful church!

**JUNE IS MISSION & OUTREACH MONTH
CELEBRATING, SERVING
& SHARING LIVES
TOGETHER!
June 12-30**

Part of this celebration in mission and outreach will be making some improvements at the Indian U.M. church. We'll be painting floors with speckles, replacing part of a ceiling, installing linoleum in a bathroom, repairing and painting some water damage in the entry, and replacing some windows. Our youth will clean up and beautify their grounds. Please stop at the Outreach table this Sunday for more info about the workdays which will be Saturdays, June 12, 19, and 26 from 8:00 am-4:00 pm. If you can only work part of the day, that is great, too! Lunch will be provided.

“Undie Sunday” will be on Sunday, June 27th, but we begin collecting children’s new underwear and socks for Child Share, a foster care children’s program, the first week of June through the 27th. Candice Morton, the director of Child Share, assured us there is a big need for underwear. Please leave your donations in the laundry baskets which will be placed in the hallway.

Project Transformation Reading Week will be Monday, June 28-July 1st from 9:15 am to noon. You may sign up now to read with the children!



New Members!
Pictured left is **Wyatt Schifferdecker**, who was confirmed and joined by profession of faith on May 23rd. Shown with Wyatt is Steve Amos,

who was Wyatt’s confirmation sponsor. We are very proud of Wyatt’s accomplishment!

Jon Vanderford, pictured at right with his fiancée, Chanel Smith, joined in membership with New Haven this past Sunday. Please get to know Jon and give him the big “New Haven Welcome”! He and Chanel will be married this fall.



**We Are Blessed to Welcome
Ramon Rivera Serrano and his son,
Rafael Rivera Baez to New Haven!**

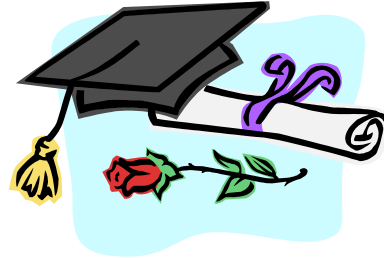
Ramon and Rafael have been very active here since last fall and have now joined in membership with us. Rafael was also baptized during the service before he and his father joined on May 23rd.

They are both musically talented (Rafael played his saxophone in our Christmas talent show) and Rafael is also an active member of our youth group.

Please get acquainted with them if you haven’t done so already and let them know how pleased we are to have them be a part of our church.



Liz Amos recently graduated from the University of Tulsa with degrees in Psychology and Sociology. She plans to work for a while and then perhaps go to graduate school. Timing and career path are still being evaluated. Other than the stress of finding a job and figuring out what to do with the rest of her life, Liz is living the high life and life is grand! (Especially when she turned in that last paper!)



Andrew Davis graduated May 10th from Oklahoma State University with his Master's degree in Business Administration. He will continue working at Oxford Home Health Care in the billing department until another opportunity opens up for him.

He enjoys playing his Bassoon and is a member of the Signature Symphony and the Bartlesville Symphony. Andrew is the son of Rick and Rev. Suzanne Davis.



Caitlin Riggin is the daughter of Mike and Christine. She is graduating from Evangelistic Temple School and plans to attend TCC in the fall. In addition, she will continue ballet and lyrical dance classes along with volunteering for Lab Rescue. Caitlin would like to be an animal behaviorist.



Kevin Hall is graduating from Iliff School of Theology with a Master of Theological Studies (with distinction) and a thesis in early Methodist history--entitled *John Wesley as Imperial Subject*. Kevin has been accepted into the Graduate Division of Religion at Drew University for doctoral studies where he plans to continue his engagement with early Methodist history and postcolonial discourse. Kevin is the son of our own Danny Hall.

(Picture not available)

Laura Elise Degner graduated from Union High School. During her junior and senior years, she attended Tulsa Technology Center to study Computer Graphics and Imaging earning a year of college credit. In the fall, Laura will continue at Tulsa Tech with Advertising Design and complete her requirements at Tulsa Community College. Laura will then attend Oklahoma State University at Okmulgee for a degree in Computer Graphics and Imaging.



DATES TO REMEMBER!

MAY 30TH - GRADUATE SUNDAY

JUNE 6TH ~ UMW SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

JUNE 20TH ~ FATHER'S DAY!

JULY 18TH-23RD VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!!

BARKING DOG HUMOR

A wife and her husband are lying in bed listening to the next door neighbor's dog. It has been in the next door backyard barking for hours and hours.

The husband jumps up out of bed and says, "I've had enough of this" and goes downstairs.

The husband finally comes back up to bed and his wife says, "Honey, the dog is still barking. What have you been doing?"

The husband says, "I put the dog in our backyard, let's see how THEY like it!"

NEW AIRLINE "FEES"

With airlines adding fees to fees, we thought we'd warn you of the next surcharges they'll levy for something previously free:

1. In the unlikely event of loss of cabin pressure, oxygen masks will drop down. To start the flow of oxygen, simply insert your credit card.
2. \$100 On-Time Departure Fee; \$25 Delay Complaint Fee.
3. View seating (formerly window seats), \$10; Access seating (formerly aisle seats), \$10; \$20 to use roll-away stairs to enter or exit the aircraft in lieu of no-charge rope-ladder alternative.
4. \$9 fee for bumping your head on the overhead bin as you take your seat; \$3 additional penalty for looking up at the bin after you bump into it.

Opportunities of the Week

May 30 ~ June 6, 2010

SUNDAY, May 30

Graduate Sunday

8:45 am Contemporary Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
5:00 pm Children's Choir
5:30 pm UMY
6:00 pm OK. Annual Conference begins at Boston Ave. UMC

MONDAY, May 31 Office Closed

4:30 pm Intermediate Guitar/Youth
5:15 pm Beginning Guitar/Youth
6:00 pm Writer's Group/185

TUESDAY, June 1

6:00 pm Youth Bible Study
7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym
7:30 pm AA/ Rooms 185, 209, 210
Alanon/ Room 205, 206

WEDNESDAY, June 2

7:00 pm A.C.O.A./206
7:00 pm Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, June 3

10:00 am Nifty Knitters/Parlor
6:00 pm Band Practice/Sanctuary
7:30 pm Yoga/211

FRIDAY, June 4

7:30 pm AA

SATURDAY, June 5

SUNDAY, June 6 UMW Sunday

8:45 am Contemporary Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday Schools
11:00 am Traditional Worship Service
4:00 pm New Haven Reads
5:00 pm Children's Choir
5:30 pm UMY



**VBS
is
Coming!**

**July
18-22**

**Sign
up
Now!**