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## Cindy's Chalkboard



What a great day in worship! We were blessed to participate in a service of Confirmation for two of our youth at the 11:00 service – did you see the smile on their face as they publically proclaimed their faith in Christ? I often tell people that we (those on the Chancel area) have the BEST seat in the house – and this day was no exception! We were also blessed to have three additional people come forward and join the church in addition to our two Confirmands. God has been at work!

Yet, God’s work is not done! It has just begun. We are beginning our focus on **evangelism**. Oh, I know, that word still has a somewhat negative aura about it. But it shouldn’t. When you think about it... evangelism... in spite of how complex we sometimes make it, is really simple. It’s as simple as each one of us telling our faith story, and taking every opportunity that God gives us to let others know what God has done and is doing in our life; and to do that with *passion... and authenticity*.

Evangelism is the task of the whole Body of Christ. Within each one of us is the potential to be a part of the transforming work of God... in our world, in our nation, in our state, in our community. I don’t know about you, but I find that exciting. I want my faith to make a difference.... and I suspect that you do, too.

This Sunday during the message, we’re going to share a brief video clip from our UMC General Board. I promise it will be thought provoking; it has already been to those who attended Annual Conference this year, as well as those here at New Haven that have seen the clip. It’s so moving, and challenging... I want to provide an opportunity for those who want to talk more about the information on the video clip to gather together right after the 11:00 service. I’m calling it “Pizza With the Pastor”. You’re invited. Come, let’s talk.

Over the next three weeks we will continue talking about the struggles in our call to make Disciples for Jesus Christ as we focus on what we can do, as this Body of Christ at New Haven UMC, to make a difference in the world for Christ, by inviting people to church!

And how are we going to do this? *I’m glad you asked!* On the last day of the series, we have a guest coming to help us. Rev. Erma Pregler is going to offer her insight on how to “Just Walk Across the Room”. Her thoughts are based on a book with this title that helps us understand what WE can do. If you are willing to hear new ideas in inviting people to church, you do NOT want to miss this. **July 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:00 – 5:30 pm.** *It will be the best hour and a half you have ever spent in learning how to let others know what God has done in your life; and then taking those bold steps forward to “invite, invite, invite!” people to church!*

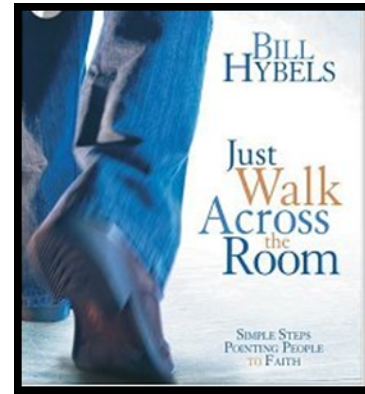
Walking this journey of faith with each of you,  
Pastor Cindy

July 17<sup>th</sup>: **“UMC Realities”** video clip during worship, from UMC General Board.  
**“Pizza With the Pastor”** to discuss clip after the 11:00 service.

July 31<sup>st</sup>: **“Just Walk Across the Room”** with Rev. Erma Pregler  
4:00-5:30 pm in the Parlor.

## JULY YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- July 12 *Youth Mission Trip* until July 17
- July 13 \$1 Movie - meet church 9:15am  
Tales of Despereaux, back by 12:30pm
- July 14 Riverwalk Free Concert, meet 6pm  
Shane & Shane, Johnny Diaz, back by 10pm
- July 17 UMYF - church 5:30pm, NOOMA
- July 18 *District Camp* (Egan) until July 22
- July 20 \$1 Movie - meet church 9:15am  
Marmaduke, back by 12:30pm
- July 21 Riverwalk Free Concert, meet 6pm  
Jason Castro w/ Dara Maclean
- July 24 VBS starts, through July 28 - Sign up to help!
- July 27 \$1 Movie - meet church 9:15am  
Ramona and Beezus, back at 12:30pm
- July 28 Service Work - meet 11:30am Lunch together  
(paid for), work at Restore Hope, back by 4:30pm
- July 31 UMYF - Mark!



## Just Walk Across the Room

**Evangelism Ideas! July 31<sup>st</sup> 4:00-5:30 pm**  
Presented by Rev. Erma Pregler

Here's where we put what we've been talking about in worship – in action!

If taking ten steps across a room could point someone toward faith, it might just change the way you walk.

Meet us in the Parlor for a practical discussion on basic steps to evangelism. Come join us, and make a difference in your life, and in the life of your church!

**HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO BE A  
MERRY STRIPPER???**  
**IF SO, HERE'S YOUR CHANCE!**

We need volunteers to help strip and wax our floors during the evenings in late July and early August.

Our church saves thousands of dollars by doing this ourselves. It's a good way to burn calories (if you don't drink the root beer and eat the popcorn provided!), and a great way to get to find out why our strippers at New Haven are so merry. The job is manageable if we get enough good folks to help. So.....

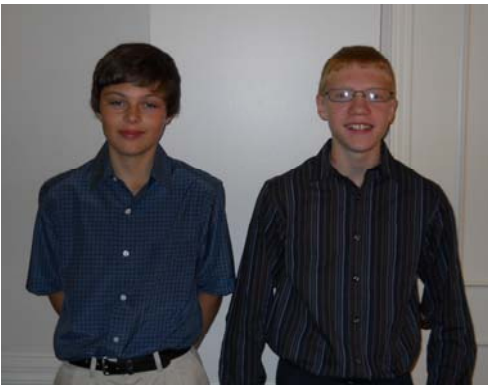
**PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE HALLWAY AND  
LET'S GET STRIPPING!!!**

**CHURCH GARAGE SALE IS  
COMING! SEPTEMBER 16-17**

Please be saving items you wish to donate! If you want to help with the sale or have items that you need to have picked up, please call Susan Lamkin @ 918-557-9148 or email [susanlamkin@cox.net](mailto:susanlamkin@cox.net).

Also, the UMW is going to Murdock Villa this week!  
Call Susan if you need more information.

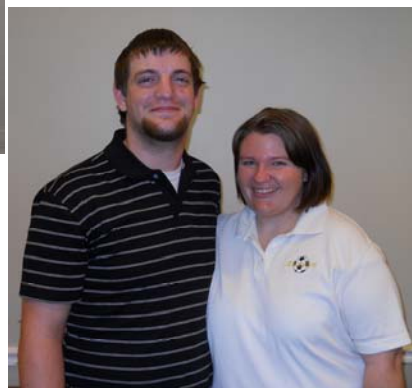
## NEW MEMBERS!



Pictured to the left is Will Roberts, Christopher Boyd is on the right. These two fine young men were brought into full membership last Sunday through Confirmation. Congratulations!



Louise Boyd is the mother of Christopher & Colin Boyd and joined us by transfer of membership. Welcome, Louise!



Dylan Turner & Tracy Phillips also came to us by transfers of membership. They plan to be married this fall. We welcome each of these wonderful people to New Haven UMC and know they will each be a blessing to this body of Christ!

## Umpteenagers Coming Events!

- July 19—”Tulsa’s Photographer: Bob McCormack”  
Presented by his son, John McCormack
- Aug. 16-- “Name that Tune”—led by Carson Russell
- Sept. 20— A Day at the Havlik’s Cabin, Lake Eufaula
- Oct. 18— Book Review by Danny Hall,  
“From Heels to Tractor Wheels”
- Nov. 1-3- Annual Branson Trip!
- Nov. 15— Pearl’s Hope Tour, UMC Circle of Care  
Shelter
- Dec. 13— Muskogee’s “Garden of Lights and  
Christmas Kingdom at Dusk”
- Jan. 17— Bingo
- Feb. 21—”White Elephant Book Exchange” and  
Carnegie Singing Group
- Mar. 20— Tulsa Science & Space Museum
- Apr. 19- Lunch at the Okmulgee Tech Culinary  
School (on a Thursday)
- May 15—
- June 19— Natural Falls State Park, West Siloam  
Springs, Ok.

### Alternate Possibilities:

“Underground” Tulsa

Jewish Museum Tour

Crazy Bridge

Kerr Mansion at Poteau (Overnighter)

(Hint! There’s never been a better year to become  
active in this great group! Join the fun!!!)



Pastors Cindy & Suzanne chat with a police-  
man before beginning the annual 4th of July  
parade. Over 200 people came for the fun!

## Opportunities of the Week

July 17 ~ July 24, 2011

### SUNDAY, July 17

- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship and  
Children’s Church
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship and  
Children’s Church
- 12:00 pm Pizza With the Pastor”/  
Parlor
- 2:30 pm Trustees/Parlor
- 3:30 pm Finance/Parlor
- 5:30 pm UMY

### MONDAY, July 18

Youth go to Camp Egan

- 6:00 pm Writer’s Group/185

### TUESDAY, July 19

- 11:00 am Umpteenagers/Parlor
- 6:00 pm Day School Council/Parlor
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts/Gym
- 7:30 pm AA/ Rooms 185, 209, 210  
Alanon/ Room 205, 206

### WEDNESDAY, July 20

- 9:30 am Youth to \$ Movie.
- 7:00 pm A.C.O.A./206

### THURSDAY, July 21

- 6:00 pm Covenant Care/Parlor
- 6:00 pm Praise Band
- 7:30 pm Yoga/210

### FRIDAY, July 22

Youth return from camp

- 7:30 pm AA Gym

### SATURDAY, July 23

- 10:00 am Men’s Brunch Bunch

### SUNDAY, July 24

- 8:45 am Contemporary Worship and  
Children’s Church
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship and  
Children’s Church
- 4:00 pm New Haven Reads/Parlor
- 5:45 pm VBS BEGINS!!!

### Colleen Walling ~ New Nursery Director

Colleen is a transplant in Tulsa from New York!  
She is a full-time teacher in a midtown childcare  
center and works here on Sundays and some week  
nights. She adores young children and has a back-  
ground in early childhood education and infant/  
toddler education.

Stop by the nursery on Sunday morning and intro-  
duce yourself to Colleen! Or visit her on our Face-  
book page!

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, July 10

8:45 am - 67

11:00 am - 107

Total - 174