



# THE SPIRE

News of New Haven United Methodist Church

*“Gracious Acceptance. . . . Grateful Service”*

[www.newhavenumc.org](http://www.newhavenumc.org)

5603 S. New Haven Ave.  
Tulsa, Ok. 74135

VOLUME XXI, Number 37

October 7, 2011



## Cindy's Chalkboard

Celebrating World Communion Sunday in worship this past Sunday was a powerful way to remember that all across the world, God's people gathered together amidst rich diversity to proclaim these words, "May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you."

I thought it might be especially meaningful to hear this greeting in the language for which it was spoken:

*Spanish*

La gracia del Señor Jesucristo sea con ustedes.

**Y tambien contigo.**

*Swahili*

Nehema ya Bwana Yesu Kristu iwe nanyi.

**Iwe nanyi vile vile.**

*French*

La grâce du Seigneur Jésus Christ soit avec vous.

**Et aussi avec vous.**

*Portuguese*

A graça do Senhor Jesus Cristo seja convosco.

**E convosco tambem.**

*Tongan*

Ke 'iate Koe 'a e kelesi 'a e 'Eiki ko Sisu Kalaisi!

**Mo Koe foci mo coy forgee**

*Russian*

*Благодать Господа Иисуса Христа да пребудет с Вами.*

***И с Вами также.***



Thank you for your generous offering of bread of all shapes, colors and sizes! Thanks, also, to Doyle and Rev. Jan Boyd for helping us deliver it to the John 3:16 mission in downtown Tulsa. They were so very grateful for our care and concern for others in this world!

**May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
Praise the Lord!**

*Pastor Cindy*

## Chapel Chairs have been given by:

Linda Blackford  
Shirley Nelson, in memory of Bob Nelson  
Peter & Rev. Cindy Havlik, in honor of our church family  
Nick and Sandy Nicholson, in memory of Phyllis Prange and Fredna Wince  
Ray Prange  
Rick & Rev. Suzanne Davis  
Steve & Cathy Amos  
John & Georgia Klabzuba, in memory of Bill & Maxine Garms  
Rev. Ron & Sue Hay  
Jim & Susan Harris  
The Walker Family in honor of Bob & Eileen Walker  
Milton & Patricia Vanderwiele in honor of Vetus Vanderwiele  
Interlude Sunday School Class  
Fellowship Sunday School Class  
Dick & Kay Garwood  
Steve & Nancy Lassiter  
John & Mary Stutsman  
Craig & Janice Hannon  
Terry & Mary Anne Tyler  
Barry & Becky Puryear  
Victor Neal

Thanks!

## New Haven's Newest Members!



On Sunday, Oct. 2nd, we welcomed Terry and Mary Anne Tyler into membership. They have two sons, Joe, 16 and Jacob, 13. We are thrilled to have the family worshipping here at New Haven UMC with us!

We're so excited! New Haven Day School's special needs class is being highlighted on the Tulsa Kids website as well as in the October issue of Tulsa Kids magazine (p. 56). The website link to the article is <http://www.tulsakids.com/October-2011/Multiage-Preschool-Class-for-Children-with-Special-Needs/>.

## Outreach Opportunities Calendar

**Monday, Oct. 31-Chili Dinner for our brothers and sisters who are homeless.  
5:00-7:00pm**

**Sunday, Nov. 6—20-Mountain of Food  
Sunday, Nov. 20-Delivery of food to Restore Hope**

**Sunday, Nov. 13-20-Sign up for Angel Tree for: Children of incarcerated parents, U.M. Boy's Home in Gore, OK. ChildShare Project Elf**

**Sunday, Nov. 27-Stocking Tree-for our brothers and sisters at New Haven who are unable to attend church.**

**Saturday, Dec. 3-Angel Tree Christmas Celebration: pick up presents for prison fellowship. 4:00-5:00 pm**

**Sunday, Dec. 4-Nathan Wofford's Memorial Christmas tree celebration during Sunday School**

**December 31- New Year's Eve Pot Roast Dinner for our homeless brothers and sisters.**

**If you have any questions about any of these mission opportunities, call Adriaan at 918-250-5966**

Bobbie Scott sends a big, heartfelt "Thank You" to Doyle and Jan Boyd for everything they've done for her and the love they've shown to her. She also wishes to thank New Haven UMC for the kindness and support she has received here.

## A FAMILY IN NEED. . . .

In worship services a few Sundays ago, Suzanne let us know about a family that is struggling at this time, and has taken residence in a tent camper on Lake Keystone. The husband has many skills including mechanical and carpentry that he would like to put to use in order to help his family. If you need some "handy man" work done or know of someone who does. Please talk with Pastor Cindy or Adriaan Duiveman. Thank you for your support and help of those in need.

## STACEY SAYS "THANK YOU SO MUCH!"

Wow! What a wonderful surprise I got yesterday when I arrived at church at 4:00 to find 24 shoeboxes packed for Operation Christmas Child and several bags of items for use in packing additional shoeboxes. No one seems to know who the anonymous Operation Christmas Child angel is who dropped all this stuff off sometime yesterday afternoon, but we thank you very much!

## Suzanne sez. . .

New Haven has a variety of Sunday School classes studying a variety of different topics. One of the best ways to get involved and feel a part of the church community is through a Sunday School Class. We will try to keep updating what each class is studying. Even if you are involved in a class and a particular study interests you, feel free to check it out and visit the other class.

Bill Gotcher leads the Discovery class which meets in room 185. Bill says the class is studying Leslie Weatherhead's *The Will of God*. His promise is that God's will is sometimes detoured by man's free choice but that in the end God's Ultimate Will is done. We are using the scriptures as examples for our study and discussion of the clash of God's Will and Man's *free will*. We are examining the tools that man can use to discern God's Will in our everyday living.

Discovery class is a small group very open to discussion of the issues presented.

## BJ's Banter (Youth News)

The youth watched *Soul Surfer* last week. If you don't know it is the epic tale of Bethany Hamilton who lost her arm in a shark attack and courageously overcame all odds to be a champion. And we are unpacking all the issues on Sunday nights. But what inspired me most about Bethany's story is the fact that she stayed positive and trusted that God was bigger than anything and there wasn't anything God couldn't overcome. She couldn't control that a shark bite her arm off, or how people treated her after it happened, all she could control was her attitude and how she reacted to the situation. How often do we cry out why and ask why our loving God would let something bad happen to us, when he can use all things to bring glory to Him and show you a plan for your life that is bigger than you could have ever imagined!

*5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. -Proverbs 3: 5-6*

## UMW Susanna Circle

Thursday, October 13th 10am in the Parlor

A speaker from Exodus House will be there and Jan Boyd to discuss Social Action!

We will be collecting items/monetary donations for a Welcome Basket for a housewarming for a new resident this Fall! Please bring a Christian or personal item or money donation to add to it!

ALL are welcome to share in refreshments and fellowship.

## Mark your calendars for the FALL FESTIVAL!

Sunday, October 30, 2011 4pm-6pm

New Haven is hosting a community festival and Trunk or Treat with the Day School once again. Please plan to decorate your trunk and hand out treats to the kids in costume!

VOLUNTEERS are needed for carnival games, concessions, cake walk, chili cook-off, etc.

Look for sign up sheets or contact Susan Lamkin for more information! [susanlamkin@cox.net](mailto:susanlamkin@cox.net) or 918-744-9440.

## OCTOBER

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

*Sunday, October 2*

8:45 am - 71

11:00 am - 97

Total - 168

### Adult Sunday School Attendance October 2

Christian Living Class - 10

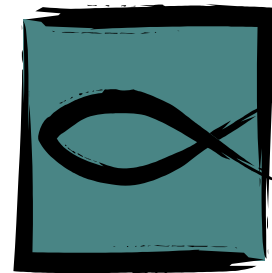
Discovery Class - 7

Interlude Class - 16

Fellowship Class - 11

New Friendship Class - 11

Journey Class - 13



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

**Room 185: Discovery Class**  
"The Will of God"

**Room 209: Fellowship Class**  
"We Worship God" Adult Bible Study Curriculum

**Room 210: New Friendship Class**  
"Foundations of the Old Testament"

**Parlor: Christian Living Class**  
"Proverbs" Adult Bible Study Curriculum

**Room 161 Interlude Class**  
9/11: What a Difference a Day Makes" by James Moore

**Room 205: Journeys Class**  
The Book of Job

