

New Horizons News

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<u>Our Mission</u>: Follow Christ's example by welcoming people into loving relationships with God and one another.

Our Vision: Knowing the hope and love of Jesus Christ so all may be fully alive!

Our Core Practices:

Invite—Reaching out and welcoming all to experience God's word

Grow—Learning God's word to guide our daily lives

Serve—Using our God-given gifts and talents to help others

WORSHIP IN JANUARY

Throughout December, we've had the opportunity to hear Rev. Adam Hamilton speak about the unique perspective of, "Christmas Through the Eyes of Joseph." The last message from that series offered on January 1st is called, "The Flight to Egypt."

Beginning on January 8, Adam will begin a new 6-week series titled, "Unafraid – Living with Courage and Hope." Here is the information shared from Church of the Resurrection staff about these messages:

"We all experience a measure of anxiety, worry or fear in our lives. We may fear heights, or spiders or speaking in public. We worry about our kids, careers, money or health. Sometimes we fear those who are different, we fear the future, rejection, aging or our own mortality. Among the most frequently repeated statements in all scriptures is, "Do not be afraid." But how do we overcome worry, anxiety and fear? How can we live unafraid, fearless? "Join us as we explore the most common worries and fears experienced by Americans today, consider the practical steps for overcoming these fears, and reflect upon fear in the light of scripture and a faith that promises again and again that we don't need to live in fear, but instead with courage and hope."

Sermon titles for the first four weeks of the series are:

January 8— "Nothing to Fear but Fear Itself?"

January 15—"Fear of Being Alone or Unloved"

January 22—"Fear of the Other"

January 29—"Fear of Change"

Hope to see you at church each Sunday as we learn to let our faith inform how we respond to our fears!

DINNER RESCHEDULED

On Sunday, December 18th, inclement weather forced the cancellation of all activities at church, including "Dorothy's Dinner," named after our church matriarch, the late Dorothy Kespohl.

While Dorothy's Dinner will not be rescheduled, our church family and all visitors are invited to a pot-luck lunch on January 22nd when we gather to celebrate the 15th anniversary of our church's consecration. Please save the date and then watch the weekly, electronic newsletter, "On the Horizon" for more details.

NEW HORIZONS UMC SPECIAL GIVING 2016

Earn all you can and save all you can, so that you can give all you can. John Wesley

Through our weekly giving to the Birthdays and Blessings Box and the General Budget we have demonstrated in a tangible way our love for God and our neighbors.

"Everything we have belongs to God, and we are simply managing those resources while here on earth to help all of God's children whenever and wherever we can. Just as Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes when the crowd grew hungry, we are the heart, spirit and hands of God's outreaching love. Life grows here through the joy of generosity."*

United Methodist Special Sundays

Human Relations Sunday	\$ 150.75
Peace with Justice Sunday	\$ 96.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$ 176.50
World Communion Sunday	\$ 78.00
Native American Sunday	\$ 103.00

United Methodist Disaster Relief \$ 552.00 (Hurricane Michael)

Heifer International \$ 168.00
Festival of Sharing \$ 115.00
Mozambique Clean Water \$ 248.89
Mozambique Covenant Partnership \$ 336.00

Room at the Inn \$ 196.00 (Advent Giving)

Mary & Martha's Closet \$ 259.49 (diapers for Love, Inc.)

Welcome Home \$ 82.00 Boy Scout Troop 7 \$ 108.00 Crop Walk for Hunger \$ 59.00 Loaves and Fishes \$ 155.00 \$ 135.00 Cedar Ridge Elementary School \$ 20.00 **Turning Point** Rainbow Network \$ 163.25 Della Lamb Center \$ 50.00

Voluntary Action Center \$ 182.50 (Christmas meals)

Children's Summer Program \$3,176.33

Pastor's Discretionary Fund \$892.75 (funded though General Budget)

TOTAL \$7,503.47

EPIPHANY DAY—JANUARY 6

^{*} Excerpt from UM Church of the Resurrection "Generosity"

[&]quot;January 6 marks the end of the Christmas season or Christmastide. In the Western churches, Epiphany Day has marked the observance of the arrival of the wise men. In the earliest Christian traditions, maintained by the Eastern churches, the day began a period that celebrated the incarnation and baptism of Christ. The liturgical color for Epiphany Day is white." (Taken from umc.org/what-we-believe/glossary-epiphany).

LEADERSHIP BOARD NOTES

A complete set of minutes is not available at the time of this writing and will be included in the February newsletter. However a large portion of that meeting was spent on rewriting our mission and vision statements and on setting long- and short-term goals and strategies for the year ahead. The following reflects the efforts of those discussions:

Mission: Connecting people to God and one another

<u>Vision</u>: Helping all experience the hope and love of Jesus Christ as we serve our neighbors.

Values:

- Bible based
- 2. Jesus' followers
- 3. Prayer
- 4. Service
- 5. Compassion

Goals and Strategies:

- 1. Increase connectiveness and reach our community
 - A. Explore small group ministry options
 - i. Responsible party Grow Ministry Team
 - ii. Deadline 2/28/17
 - B. Bible study
 - i. Responsibility of Grow Ministry Team
 - ii. Deadline Prior to 9/17
 - C. Dinner for 8
- Establish annual event plan by developing:
 - A. Calendar
 - i. Responsibility of Ministry Teams
 - ii. Deadline 1/31/17
 - B. Plan Book
 - i. Responsibility of Ministry Teams
 - ii. Deadline 5/31/17
 - C. Website Coordinator
 - Responsibility of PPR
 - ii. Deadline 2/28/17
- Exploration of becoming a campus of the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection
 - A. Develop letter to Bishop Farr by 12/16/16 (Done This was to thank him for giving us permission to inquire about becoming a campus).
 - B. Develop list of questions about the process, what New Horizons would look like, etc. by 1/12/17 (to be approved at January 12 Leadership Board Meeting)
- C. Gather and summarize information (answers to questions and any additional information learned from conference calls, etc.) by 1/30/17
 - D. Town Hall Meeting to be held by 3/31/17

YOUR QUESTIONS ARE IMPORTANT

In mid-December, a letter was sent to the congregation from New Horizons stating the Church Leadership Board is beginning to explore with staff from Church of the Resurrection (COR) about the process of becoming a COR campus. Many of us have questions about what would be required from us, what the benefits would be, what the church would look like and more. We are guessing you have questions too. If so, this is a good time to ask them. The Leadership Board will be compiling a list of questions at the Leadership Board meeting on Thursday, January 12th, and then submitting them to staff at the Church of the Resurrection.

As each person may think about things a little differently, we all may have slightly different questions. Each question with a slightly different perspective will help us develop a comprehensive list submit to COR. The information gained through these questions is vital in helping us determine the direction for our church.

Please let us know what is on your mind by sending your questions to Ron Miller

at ronmiller3101941@icloud.com or 825-1200, or to Carol Oliver at carololiver1970@gmail.com or 446-6833 by Wednesday, January 11.

Of note, as in all agreements, both parties need to be in favor of a proposal for it to move forward. While our church might decide to seek to become a campus, it is possible COR may determine we are not a good fit for them, and they might not be in favor of this option.

SAINT PAUL SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

"Saint Paul School of Theology is a seminary of the United Methodist Church with two campuses. A collaboration with Oklahoma City University in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and a partnership with Church of the Resurrection in the Kansas City area.

"Students learn from dedicated faculty, experienced pastors, and community leaders about best ministry practices. Our graduates leave with tools and first-hand experience necessary to meet the needs of a changing world."

Donations to St. Paul can help support students who are preparing to serve in the pulpit as well as in service through many agencies in the community. For more information go to http://www.spst.edu/

NEWSLETTER FEEDBACK

Each month this newsletter is either hand delivered or mailed to our congregation as a hard copy. However we can send it electronically instead if you are able to open it in either Publisher or PDF format. If this is your preference, please contact Carol Oliver by phone at 446-6833, or by e-mail at carololiver1970@gmail.com.In addition, your suggestions about anything needed in the newsletter that would improve communication about church news, issues, opportunities, etc. are welcome!

OMMISSION IN DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

In listing the members of the New Horizons Leadership Board for 2017, I failed to mention Carrol Blackwell who will serve as a member of the Finance Team. My apologies, Carrol, and thanks so much for your willingness to serve in this capacity again this year!

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare, and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Jeremiah 29:11

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN NEWS

UMW President Cindy Harper reports that there are still pecans available for sale. The 1-pound packages are a great value at just \$12 each. Pecans will retain their freshness if refrigerated for up to 9 months or frozen for up to 2 years.

The next UMW meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 17th at 6:30 p.m. Plans are to have a speaker from Room at the Inn, the winter season, overnight shelter for homeless adults from our community.

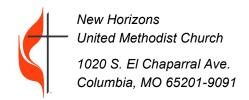
UNITED METHODIST MEN

The United Methodist Men will meet at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast and a time of fellowship on Saturday, January 14th. As Country Kitchen has closed, the location is to be determined.

Remember to bring your New Horizons mug for coffee. It provides great publicity for our church! Please contact Ron Miller at 825-1200 or at ronmiller3101941@icloud.com about the meeting location, or about how you can join the group!

JANUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Sunday, January 1	New Year's Day	Sunday, January 15				
9:30 a.m.	Kids Club/Christian Ed Classes	9:30 a.m.	Kids Club/Christian Ed Classes			
10:45 a.m.	Worship	10:45 a.m.	Worship			
11:45 a.m.	Fellowship Time	11:45 a.m.	Fellowship Time			
Tuesday, January 3	·	Monday, January 16	Martin Luther King Day			
6:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop 70324 Cookie	Tuesday, January 17				
	Meeting # 1	6:30 p.m.	United Methodist Women			
7:30 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop 70324 Cookie		Meeting			
	Meeting # 2	Wednesday, January	18			
Wednesday, January		9:30 a.m.	Prayer Group & Bible Study			
9:30 a.m.	Prayer Group & Bible Study	3:20 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop 70324			
3:20 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop 70324		Meeting			
	Meeting		(Cub Scout Pack 7 Meeting			
6:00 p.m.	Cub Pack 7 Committee		cancelled)			
	Meeting	Thursday, January 19				
Thursday, January 5		6:00 p.m.	Wolf Den 1,Cub Scout Pack 7			
6:00 p.m.	Wolf Den 1, Cub Scout Pack 7		Meeting			
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Friday, January 6	Epiphany	11:30 a.m.	Fun City Youth Academy			
Saturday, January 7	Discussed Darky Creed Clinic	Sunday, January 22				
10:00 A.M.	Pinewood Derby Speed Clinic	9:30 a.m.	Kid's Club/Christian Ed Classes			
Sunday, January 8 9:30 a.m.	Kids Club/Christian Ed Classes	10:45 a.m.	Worship			
9.30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Worship	Noon	Church Anniversary Lunch			
10.45 a.m.	Fellowship Time	Monday, January 23	Day Sacut Troop 7 Macting			
6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 7 Committee	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 7 Meeting			
0.00 p.m.	Meeting	Tuesday, January 24 6:00 p.m.	Wolf 2 Den Cub Scout Pack 7			
Monday, January 9	Weeting	δ.υυ μ.π.	Meeting			
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 7 Meeting	Wednesday, January 25				
Tuesday, January 10		9:30 a.m.	Prayer Group & Bible Study			
6:00 p.m.	Wolf 2 Den, Cub Scout Pack 7	6:00 p.m.	Webelos 1, Cub Scout			
	Meeting	0.00 p	Pack 7 Meeting			
Wednesday, January	<u> </u>	Saturday, January 28				
9:30 a.m.	Prayer Group & Bible Study	11:30 a.m.	Fun City Youth Academy			
6:00 p.m.	Webelos 1, Cub Scout	Sunday, January 29				
	Pack 7 Meeting	9:30 a.m.	Kid's Club/Christian Ed Classes			
Thursday, January 12	ırsday, January 12 10:45 a.m. Worship		Worship			
7:00 p.m.	Leadership Board Meeting	11:45 a.m.	Fellowship Time			
Saturday, January 14		2:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop 70324 Parents			
8:00 a.m.	United Methodist Men		Meeting			
	Breakfast Meeting	Monday, January 30				
		7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 7 Meeting			



CHURCH INFORMATION

Our Staff

Sunday Services

Pastor—Rev. Heather McCain

9:30 a.m.—Kids Camp/Christian Education Classes

Music Director—Bernice Dyhouse

10:45 a.m.—Worship

Custodian—Christopher Morgan

11:45 a.m.—Fellowship

Ministers—The Whole Congregation

Pastor's Contact Information

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Website: www.newhorizons-umc.org

weddings, baptisms, pastoral care, etc.

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