Now the Hard Work Begins

It’s hard to believe that I’ve already been home for a whole month! It seems like yesterday that I was still in Bossey, Switzerland, living and studying with 34 other amazing pastors and church leaders from different denominations and different countries all over the world. Our five months together were filled with challenges – opposing theologies and cultural values, language barriers, and personality differences. But they were also filled with great joys – learning more about the Roman Catholic Church, Orthodox Christianity, and other branches of our Protestant family tree, learning how to communicate in “ecumenical English” and celebrating what we all have in common (it’s more than you might think!), and getting a glimpse of the unity of all believers for which Jesus prayed to God in John 17.

But as challenging as my five months at the Ecumenical Institute were, now that I have returned home the hard work truly begins. Our little campus in Switzerland was a safe environment to try out this experiment in ecumenical living. We affectionately called it our “laboratory.” Now, myself and my fellow students are tasked with the responsibility of figuring out how to live out this ecumenical calling – the calling for all Christians to journey together, united even in the midst of our diversity, on a pilgrimage of justice and peace – in the various places to which God has called us.

I want to express my immense gratitude to Rev. Skarda and Rev. Clark for allowing me a leave of absence to study with the World Council of Churches at the Ecumenical Institute. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity that will shape my professional ministry for years to come. And I want to express my immense excitement at partnering with you all – Pulaski Heights UMC – in continuing this ecumenical experiment, this holy challenge of Christian unity.

Blessings,

Rev. Katye Dunn
Associate Pastor with Youth and Families

It’s time to SPRING FORWARD! Don’t forget to set your clocks up one hour before going to bed Saturday night!
SCOUT SUNDAY LUNCHEON

MAR 12

After 10 am
See you in the Great Hall!

$7 gets you a Bowl of Chili OR Loaded Baked Potato (with beverage and dessert)
$ 5 for Loaded Nachos (with beverage and dessert)
$ 15 can get you a Quart of yummy Chili!

Eat in or take out. Support Troop 12 and join us anytime after 10:00 am in the Great Hall. Your contribution helps buy equipment and defray costs for summer camp for the Troop. Thank you for your patronage!

PHENOMENAL WOMEN: Remembering Our Stories Retreat

Led by Martha Sharp
AT SUBIACO ABBEY

Contact Rev. Belinda Price, bprice@phumc.com for more information or sign up by Connect Card during worship.

$200 per person, double occupancy
$75 deposit due by March 12.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12
4:00 PM, WESLEY HALL
Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church
4823 Woodlawn • Little Rock

MUSICAL
A Wesley Kids Performance

PHkids Rotation Sunday School 2nd graders with Shelly Gentry participated in a Seder Meal Sunday, March 5. The children learned about the Passover, Seder meal, and the new covenant of Communion.

Mark Kroos  Sunday, March 19th

New Heights Worship Services
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
Wesley Hall
Pulaski Heights UMC
4823 Woodlawn Dr
Little Rock, AR 72205

Scan this code with your smartphone to watch
Mark & J's guitar necks at the same time!

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If you are a member of our PHUMC family and you haven’t utilized our convenient trolley shuttle, please consider doing so during the season of Lent. The trolley will pick you up on the west side of War Memorial Stadium and deliver you to the front door of the church. It will return you to your vehicle in like manner. The trolley runs continuously from 7 am to 1 pm on Sundays. This will allow our honored guests easier access to the church through up front parking. Who knows? You may entertain angels unawares!

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**United Methodist Women Group Meetings**

- **Circle of Hope UMW** will meet Monday, March 13, 11:45 am in the Parlor. Program by Rev. Katye Dunn telling about her Switzerland experience. All UMW members are invited to attend! Contact Juanita Patton at 661-0841 for more information.
- **Ernestine McKinney UMW** will meet Monday, March 13, at Mary Boyce’s home, 1009 Mellon at 7 pm. Devotional by Dixie Fair and program is on Cooking Matters. Contact Beth Page at 664-4177 for more information.
- **Mary & Martha UMW** will meet Monday, March 20, 1 pm, Rm. C135. Contact Linda Todd at 666-1249 for more information.
- **Women of Faith UMW** will meet Sunday, April 9, 9 am, Rm. M314. Contact Jennifer Gadberry at 223-3932 for more information.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**HILLCREST BEAUTIFICATION - SATURDAY, MARCH 11 BEGINS AT 9 AM - MEET AT ROSALIE’S BAKERY**

Planting trees, raking leaves. Bring shovels, garden rakes, heavy-duty gloves, flat shovels, and hand trimmers. City provides trash bags, latex gloves, and t-shirts.

**STANLEY & ARMINTA BERRY MUSIC AND ARTS SCHOLARSHIP**

Applications are now being taken for the Stanley and Arminta Berry Music and Arts Scholarship for the 2017 – 2018 school year. PHUMC and Adventures in the Arts students planning their undergraduate studies in any of the music and arts fields are encouraged to apply for this annual award. The application is posted on the PHUMC website or in the music office, or can be obtained from Bev Villines, Executive Director of the PHUMC Foundation. The application deadline is March 13 with awards to be announced on April 14. For more information contact Jim Maase or Bev Villines, 664-3600.

**THERAPY DOG TRAINING ORIENTATION AND INFORMATION SESSION.**

**Tuesday, March 14, 6 pm, Parlor** (please no dogs at orientation). **Training sessions will be on Tuesdays, March 21 - May 2, 6 pm, in the Great Hall.** Therapy dogs visit facilities and can also help in Mission projects. Dogs must be at least 1 year old. Contact Gayle Fiser at 766-3810 or Gaylefiser@att.net for questions.

**IMMERSE ARKANSAS.** PHUMC’s For the Love of a Child Ministry provides assistance to Immerse Arkansas, an organization that responds to the needs and obstacles of kids aging out of foster care. Household items are needed such as towels, bedding, cookware, etc. For a complete listing go to phumc.com/immerse. Please bring donations to the Welcome Center or email Janna Knight at daknight6@comcast.net for more information.

**AMAZONSMILE PROGRAM.** Did you know that by signing up for AmazonSmile a portion of your purchase goes toward supporting UMCOR and disaster relief all over the world. Go to org.amazon.com to register TODAY!
**DEATHS:** Our Christian sympathy is extended to Emily Roberson and family in the death of her grandmother, Janice Elizabeth McNuttle McNee; to Marsha Allbritton and family in the death of her aunt, Nancy McNeil McCuin; to Sam Allbritton and family in the death of her grandmother, Janice Allbritton; and to Rev. Ed Matthews and family in the death of his brother, Stephen Matthews.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Who Cares? We Do!**

*In-Touch Ministry*

Report Joys/Concerns

Hospitalizations, Surgeries, Deaths, Births, Prayer Requests, Etc.

Call church office: 501.664.3600

Text: 501.529.0323

Email: phumc@phumc.com

Connect Card: Complete in worship

Emergency Pager: 501.688.9533

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**SAVING THE DATE**

**Thursday, March 23**

11:30 am, Great Hall

Primetimers Luncheon

“Critiquing the Movies” featuring Philip Martin, Arkansas Democrat Gazette MovieStyle Editor/Columnist

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**WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES**

**SUNDAY**

Baptism Orientation (Sanctuary): 10:10 - 10:50 am (1st Sun.)

PHkids Open Gym *(Great Hall)*: 12:30 - 2:30 pm

**MONDAY**

PHkids Open Gym *(Great Hall)*: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Midday Prayer (Chapel): 11:00 - 12:00 pm

**TUESDAY**

Helping Hands (Wesley Hall): 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

PHkids Open Gym *(Great Hall)*: 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Yoga (Rm. C236): 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Memory Loss Caregivers (C135): 5:30 - 6:30 pm (2nd Tues.)

1:00 - 2:00 pm (3rd Tues.)

**WEDNESDAY**

Cancer Friends Support Group (C236): 5 pm (2nd Wed.)

Al Anon (C237): 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M110): 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

**THURSDAY**

Labyrinth (Wesley Hall): 8:00 am - 8:00 pm

Men’s Al Anon (C237): 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Primetimers Luncheon (Parlor): 11:30 am - 1:00 pm (4th Thurs.)

**FRIDAY**

PHUMC Book Club (C239): 7:00 - 8:00 am

PHkids Open Gym *(Great Hall)*: 3:00 - 6:00 pm

Parents’ Night Out (Children’s Building): 6:00 - 9:00 pm (4th Fri.)

**SATURDAY**

Youth Basketball League (Great Hall): 8:00 am - 10:00 pm

The Chapel is available Wed. - Fri., 8:30 am - 4:30 pm for personal prayer time.

*PHkids Open Gym is subject to change if other activities are scheduled.*

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**HILLCREST LENTEN SERVICES**

**Theme:** #Blessed

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**Sunday School - Get Connected! 10:10 am**

**All Things Considered,** M314 (all ages)

**Argue** *(Named for Dr. James Argue), (reconciling)* M318 (ages 45+) “Creed,” by Adam Hamilton

**Beatitudes,** M316 (ages 30-45+)

**Bible Study,** C239 (all ages) “Genesis,” Tim Fox

**Coffee Talk,** M313 (women all ages)

**Dietz Dialogue,** C135 (ages 70+) “The Faith of a Mockingbird,” Kearney Dietz

**Fathomers,** C235 (ages 55+)

**Foundations,** C236 (couples ages 20s-40s)

**Journey,** D366 (ages 20s-40s)

**Koinonia,** M307 (ages 50+) “Creed,” by Adam Hamilton

**Newton Good News,** M301 (ages 50+) “Half Truths,” 2nd Chapter

**New Class,** M308 (all ages)

**Pairs and Spares,** D277 East (young couples/young singles)

**Roundtable,** M312 (ages 50+) “God’s Overflowing Love,” Lyndal York

**Tower,** C237 (ages 40+) “Creed,” by Adam Hamilton

**Wesley** *(reconciling)* M320 All are welcome. Please come share your views.

**chapel** *(named for Dr. James Argue)*, (reconciling) M318 (ages 45+) “Creed,” by Adam Hamilton

**Confirmation, 6th Grade,**phyouth Assembly Area, Rev. Jay Clark

**Early Christian Awareness (ECA)** Infants/Toddlers, Norma Story Bldg.

**March Lessons:**

- Insects - Lady Bug, Butterfly, Honey Bee
- Preschool Lions *(age 2-3)*, Tigers *(age 3-4)*, Bears *(age 4-5)*
- K-4th Grade *(ages 5-6)*, Rotation Sunday School
- 7-8 Grades *(ages 7-8)*, D377 Youth Bible Study
- 9-11 Grades *(ages 9-11)*, D379 Youth Bible Study
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**Fellowship Stations for Coffee & Refreshments**

Sundays from 8 - 11 am | Gathering Hall & New Heights Lobby