

THE TOWER NEWSLETTER

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New Worship at St. Luke





Before being appointed to Pulaski Heights as the campus pastor of St. Luke, I received a phone call from Rev. Skarda. One of the goals that he expressed was for St. Luke to become a vital worshipping community. Kay Kotan in her recent article, "A Church Optimized for the Mission" stated, "A church is renewed with a new life cycle where relationships with new people in the community become a priority, and internal relationships take a backseat."

I am excited to say we have a team of twelve individuals who make up a diverse group of people who will ultimately mirror our new worshipping community! The team continues to grow as I meet one-on-one with individuals who want to join! As we work together to develop a new way of worship, our end goal will be to reach new people who currently are not attending church, those

who have left the church and those who are over-churched.

On March 2, members of our newly formed team attended the Fresh Expressions Conference at Trinity United Methodist Church. Fresh Expressions explores new forms of church that reach individuals not currently attending church. On March 15, seven members from our team attended the first official launch meeting over dinner to help set the vision for the launch of a new worshipping community. We met again on April 12 and planned for summer and fall events geared towards reaching our city, developed a survey that will help us to get to know what people are looking for in a church, and we chose a name for this new worship! More information about these events will be coming soon as well as a monthly update as we journey through our launch.

As we look towards a successful launch this fall, we ask for your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness! For more information about how you can be a part of what God is doing, please feel free to join me over a cup of coffee, tea, or happy hour to see how God might be calling you to serve by email andrea.cummings@arumc.org or by phone 501-568-2651.

#itshappening

God Bless, Rev. Andrea Cummings **Meanwhile, please mark your calendars for Saturday, June 8.** From 9-11 am, we will be canvassing neighbors around the St. Luke Campus. We need your help with placing door hangers on doors. No knocking on doors required. The door hangers will include information about St. Luke's worshipping community and the St. Luke Children's Learning Center. If you cannot canvass, we still need your help with refreshments, logistics or driving vans around the neighborhood. Please sign up by June 2. To sign up, please contact Monica, St.Luke's campus administrator, at 501-568-2651.

WORSHIP WITH US "WHO WE ARE"

May 17 & 19 Inclusive

Acts 11:1-18

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Worship Services

Friday, May 17, 6 p.m. - Sanctuary · Rev. Betsy Singleton Snyder Sunday, May 19, 9 & 11 a.m. - Sanctuary · Rev. Betsy Singleton Snyder

Sunday, May 17, 9 & 11 a.m. - New Heights · Rev. Belinda Price

Sunday, May 19, 9:00 a.m. - St. Luke · Rev. Philip Hathcock

MAY SERMON SERIES "WHO WE ARE"

Each member feels a connection to PHUMC. So do others in the community. How can we share our Church identity in Christ with guests and neighbors? Join us throughout May as we continue a new sermon series about **Who We Are.**

FRIDAY 6PM SERVICE CANCELLED ON MAY 31

In lieu of Friday worship, clergy, lay members and others will be at Annual Conference in Hot Springs on May 31, for the ordination service for **Katye Dunn Chambers.** Those of you who can make it are invited to attend the service at Hot Springs Convention Center.

Congratulations 2019 CONFIRMATION CLASS



SPECIAL THANKS TO JULIE JACKSON FOR **20** YEARS OF WORSHIP!





Pictured above is Julie with her three daughters and a performance at PHUMC in 2008!

For the past two decades, Julie Jackson has been leading our Children's Choir Ministry. On behalf of the entire Worship team at Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church, we wanted to thank Julie for all of her hard work and effort in spreading the love of Jesus Christ through this very important ministry!



Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church just formed a diaper bank in order to help families in central Arkansas. Reports show that 1 in 3 American families reports experiencing diaper needs. Furthermore infants require up to 12 diapers a day and disposables cost \$70-\$80 per month per baby.

DIAPER BANK NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Please consider helping hand out diapers during PHUMC Food Pantry Distribution. IT IS SUPER EASY! Diapers will be handed out the first Wednesday each month from 8:30 – 9:30 am and 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. A list of dates available for sign up are below:

Wed., June 5 Wed., July 3 Wed., Aug. 7 Wed., Sep. 4

If you are willing to help please contact Erin Hawley at hawleyerine@gmail.com or call the church at 664-3600.



YOU CAN ALSO HELP WITH FOOD PANTRY BY FILLING BROWN PAPER BAG

If you can't sponsor a community meal, maybe consider supporting the food pantry by grabbing a brown bag and filling it with Canned Meat, Cereal, Rice, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Mac & Cheese, Dried Beans, Spaghetti Sauce & Pasta, Canned Vegetables and Fruit.

ST. LUKE COMMUNITY MEAL AND FOOD PANTRY NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

Without sponsorship, St. Luke will have to cut down serving meals to our community to two Thursdays a month. The St. Luke Community Meal is in need of 2nd, 4th & 5th Thursday sponsors beginning June 13th. If you or someone you know is able to sponsor one or more of these community meals, please contact Monica at at 501-568-2651 or stluke6@att.net.

Last Thursday the meal provided food for 97 people, many of those children, and we anticipate that number increasing as the summer months come upon us.

COMING UP @ PHUMC



BOARD OF STEWARDS MEETING

Monday, May 20 5:45 p.m. – Dinner 6:00 p.m. - Meeting - Wesley Hall

Reservations for dinner and childcare have passed but those of you still interested in meeting are more than welcome to attend!



PRIMETIMERS MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Thursday, May 23 11:30 a.m., Great Hall

This month will feature team members from PHUMC Guatemala Medical Mission. The medical team is asking for donations of reading glasses, sunglasses, lip balm and ball caps. Cost of lunch is \$8 or bring your own sandwich. Please make your reservation by noon Tues., May 21.



NEW BOOK STUDY

Sundays starting May 19 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in Parlor

Come join us for a new study!! Flash, the Homeless Donkey Who Taught Me About Life, Faith and Second Chances, led by Annie Lankford. Books available at Welcome Center.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church 4823 Woodlawn Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

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10:10-10:50 am

All Things Considered, M314 (all ages) Argue Named for Dr. Argue M318 (ages 45+) **Beatitudes**, M316 (ages 30-45+)

Bible Study, C239 (all ages)

Coffee Talk, M313 (women all ages)

Deeper Connections, D371 (ages 20s-30s)

Drop-In Class, Wesley Hall Fathomers, C235 (ages 55+)

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

G.I.F.T. Class, M308 (all ages) **Journey**, D366 (ages 20s-40s) Koinonia Dialogue, C135 (ages 50+) Newton Good News, M101 (ages 50+) G.I.F.T. Class, M308 (all ages) Pairs and Spares, D277 East Pop-Up Class, M304 (all ages) Roundtable, M312 (ages 50+) **Tower**, C237 (ages 40+)

Turning Point, M311 (Young adults)

Wesley M320 (all ages)

Early Christian Awareness (ECA) Infants/ Toddlers, Norma Story Children's Building Preschool Lions (ages 2-3), Tigers (ages 3-4), Bears (ages 4-5)

Grades K-3, Rotation Sunday School

4th Grade-Bible Adventures 5th Grade-Bible Study

Grades 6-12, phyouth Sunday School

(All youth meet at 10 a.m. in the phyouth Assembly Area.)



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Contact Information

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Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The church is also available seven days a week, beyond regular office hours, for special events or meetings.

St. Luke Campus - 6401 W. 32nd St. - Little Rock

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

VBS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN. Sign up now for the "Best week of the year!" 2019 Vacation Bible School will take place from July 21-25 at Pulaski Heights UMC. This year's theme is "To Mars and Beyond!" You can register your pre-k 6th grader online at phumc.com/VBS2019.

GENEALOGY 101. 2nd Thursday each month from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Parlor. Do you want to find out more about your heritage and history? Join Nancy Bartlett, facilitator, for new and interesting class - Genealogy 101. The class will meet monthly on the second Thursday. All are welcome!

MAC-N-CHEEZ MANIA NEEDS HOMESTYLE TEAMS. For those of you with a great mac-n-cheese recipe, the time is now to enter in our Mac-N-Cheez Mania food festival competition. Sign up anytime at PHUMC Welcome Center! Sponsorship packets with Rules and Regulations are also available. The festival will be held at War Memorial Stadium in the concourse, Sat., September 14 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.



TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS 2 - 2:45 PM • GREAT HALL

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Donations are encouraged

GET THE SCOOP ON UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP

Joys and Concerns

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED

to Martha Chisenhall and Eve Yancey and families in the death of their mother, Jane Hall Shackleford; and to Paige Rystrom and Courtney CarlLee and families in the death of their father, John Lester; And to the family and friends of Marsha Harrison in her recent death.

WE REJOICE IN THE BIRTH of Katherine Mae Boyette, child of Jordan and Gerald Boyette and great niece of Theresa Hodge.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS to Lindsey Horton and Justin Carney in their recent marriage.

INURNED IN THE PHUMC COLUMBARIUM GARDEN

Michael Hubert Oakley

April 7, 2019

Tommy R. Polk

May 14, 2019