

TOWER NEWSLETTER

VOLUME 167, NUMBER 6 LOVE GOD, LOVE NEIGHBOR, CHANGE THE WORLD JUNE 2021

THANK YOU SARA!

In 1999, Sara Harrison moved back to Little Rock and made PHUMC her church home. She began her church work, as most do, by volunteering, serving our church first by working in our library prior to its move to the Nixon Disciple Building. In 2000 she became a PH staff member, first as secretary and then in charge of the Clarise Johnson Library until 2011. She continues to serve as the volunteer in charge of our church library by receiving, cataloging, shelving, organizing the famous annual library book sale and tracking down missing materials (you know who you are!). She is also active with the recruiting of Sunday Morning Van Drivers, Family Promise and small group study.

Sara began her love of library work following her graduation from Hendrix College when she worked for the Pulaski County Library, helping to stock the newly opened Jacksonville Elementary school and riding the bookmobile thoughout Pulaski County. She moved to Texarkana, raising her three children and working at the local Junior High and High School Public Schools while earning her Masters in Library Science.



When asked what the congregation needs to know about our library, Sara says that she wishes they would use the library not only for its rich study resources, but for their reading pleasure. Members may not be aware that the library has many wonderful adult non fiction and fiction, Juvenile, and Easy books that are available to check out. She notes that the library has a modest budget which is supplemented by the Annual book sale. If like Sara Harrison you have a passion for books, are well organized and looking for a way to serve our PHUMC families this might be just the opportunity you are looking for! We are looking for someone to continue Sara's legacy and library training is helpful, but not absolutely necessary.

WELCOME NEW STAFF MEMBERS!



Brooke Hobbs

Welcome to our new Administrative Assistant to Children & Youth, Brooke Hobbs! Brooke comes to us from Elm Springs United Methodist Church in Northwest Arkansas! She is originally from Hot Springs Village and graduated from the UofA. She is driven, talented and is a blessing to our PH staff. Earlier this month, she led worship at Annual Conference! We are proud to have Brooke on our team! Feel free to reach out to her at bhobbs@phumc.com!



Patrick Shownes

Welcome our new Technology & Systems Coordinator, Patrick Shownes! Patrick has been working the tech booth for the contemporary service and brings a boatload of skills. Patrick currently works at CWP Productions and before that Good News TV. GNTV has been the production team for general conference as well as other global United Methodist events. Feel free to reach out to Patrick at pshownes@phumc.com

Goodbye Cindy!

Cindy Bowden was the Executive Assistant to the Senior Pastor, but on June 4 she retired after 26 years! She's done a little bit of everything at the church (except iron and yes, there is a story there)! She will stay on staff as our Wedding Coordinator. Cindy loved working at Pulaski Heights because she just fell in love with the people! We are going to miss seeing Cindy every day!



2021 Confirmation Class!



WORSHIP UPDATE

Dear Congregation,

Throughout this pandemic, we have been adhering to the latest CDC guidelines and recommendations. Our lead staff met last month to review and discuss the most recent CDC announcement. As a result, effective immediately, we will no longer require pre-registration to attend worship. We will also no longer have assigned seating and are making masks optional for worship beginning this weekend. The CDC continues to recommend unvaccinated people wear masks, and we suggest this too, but at this point, you must make that decision for yourself and those around you.

Adult Sunday School classes may begin meeting at the church at their leisure. To reserve and confirm a meeting space, please contact Stacey Hightower at **shightower@phumc.com**. This will allow us to equip the rooms to your needs as best we can. At the moment, we are working on getting PHKids and PHYouth Sunday School volunteers and anticipate beginning those programs July 11th. We are beginning to offer childcare during our worship services at 9AM and 11AM. Registration is now open at phumc.com/childcare and will close on Thursday, June 3rd. We will be consistent with the CDC recommendations for our childcare and require masks for staff, volunteers, and children 2 and older.

We have also transitioned to our Summer Sunday schedule. We will have Traditional services at 9:00am & 11:00am. We will have one Contemporary service at 11:00 am. Our Traditional service will stream on Facebook and YouTube at 9:00am and air on KATV at 10:30am. We will also stream our Contemporary Service on Facebook and YouTube at 11:00am. One more change to expect with our Sunday schedule, we will also not be wearing robes in the Sanctuary for the Summer. Learn more at **phumc.com/worship.**

We hope to see you in worship soon!

-PHUMC Clergy Dr. John Robbins Rev. Jay Clark Rev. Kathleen McMurray Dr. Jeff Hampton





Tuesday & Thursdays

2pm-2:45pm

ALL ARE WELCOME!

\$20/month!

We are re-starting the Zumba Gold program!! It will be in the Gym on Tuesday and Thursday from 2:00 – 2:45 starting June 8. The cost is \$20 per month All are welcome to participate in this FUN (and not too stressful exercise class!) No registration, just show up!

PHUMC Foundation

The following gifts were received for the Broadcast Ministry Endowment, Dietz Memorial Children's Endowment, Lindsey Family Endowment, Youth Endowment, Youth Mission Endowment, and the glory of God.

Memorials

Brenda Collier by Freddie and Vic Nixon
Dan Keeley by Julie and Wally Allen,
Brett Burch, Martha and Ron Clark, Daryl
Coker, Sally and Mel Davis, Don Deweese,
Evergreen Garden Club, Margaret
Hatchett, Sunny and Bo Hawk, Misty and
Drake Hawkins, Mary and Henry Hodges,
Judy and Jim Irwin, Janet and Bud Jones,
Nancy and Larry Lichty, Ann Bradley
McBryde, Katheryn McGuigan, Donna and
Mack McLarty, Jim Morse, Anne Robinson,
Billie and Skip Rutherford, Jan and Charles
Sullivan, Kirk Thompson, Linda and Fred
VanHook, Brock and Carter Whisenhunt,
Ellen and Jim Yeary

James Milton Kemp by Susan and Robert Dunn

Patsy Laker by Judy and Jim Irwin Wayne Lindsey by Judy and Roger Zachritz Lane Lovett by Jan and Charles Sullivan Jim Spradley by Lori Edelstein

Honoraria

Cathy Englade by Dunn Family, Freddie and Vic Nixon

Dale Garland by Billie and Skip Rutherford **Carole Ann Provin** by Sandy Haden **Booker Rodgers** by Billie and Skip Rutherford

The following gifts were received for Broadcast Ministry, Cancer Friends, Easter Service, Good Samaritan Fund, Music Ministry, Primetimers, Prayer Shawl/ Blanket Ministry, Youth Activities Fund and the glory of God.

Memorials

Dovie Davis by Danna Davis
Gary Davis by Rick Fleetwood
Claude and Betty Deaton by Susan Crosby
Anita Doyle by Danna Davis
Maurine Nevin Hale by Leighann Arthur
Dan Keeley by Karen and John Flake
Sandy Ledbetter by Jane and Bill Arthurs
Virginia Lee by Barbara Hoover
Donna Rhodes McAllaster by Argue Class,
Freddie and Vic Nixon
Cathy Davis Moss by Freddie and Vic Nixon

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N. Watson Redditt by Dee and John Ostner Will Thurmond by Janet and Bud Jones, Cindy and Burl Rotenberry Carolyn York by Rich Peters

Honoraria

Sydney Bain by Journey Class Marion Baker by Karis and Willis Alderson Rev. Jay Clark by Joy and Bud Dillahunty Ron and Judy Davis on the occasion of their 50th Anniversary by Danna Davis Pat Dillahunty by Joy and Bud Dillahunty Cathy Englade by Paula Watson Rilev Foster by Journey Class Judy Goss by Karis and Willis Alderson Rev. Jeff Hampton by Marsha and Jim Allbritton, Joy and Guy Dillahunty **Teddy Jones** by Journey Class Jim Maase by Barbara and Mack Moore Lawson May by Journey Class Prayer Shawl/Blanket Ministry by Joy and **Bud Dillahunty** Carole Ann Provin by Marsha and Jim Allbritton Susan Robbins by Marilyn and Stanley Ott

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Bev Villines by Joy and Bud Dillahunty

PHUMC Birthday Club

Drake Hawkins by Misty Hawkins
Martin Keller
Charlotte Powers
Gus Powers
Mary Powers
Cate Sink
Jordan Sink



Worship of the God we love can look many different ways. As PHUMC reopens it's doors, hospitality and showing love to others is an act worship to Jesus who welcomed all.

Ushers are needed to serve on Sunday a month in our 9 am & 11 am Traditional and 11 am Contemporary worship services. It is fun, simple, fulfilling!

Please contact Stacey Hightower, **shightower@phumc.com** or by calling the church office 501-664-3600.



PHUMC is participating in the Arkansas Food Bank Shop and Drop Pantry Store Match! Beginning June 4th, if you go to the Heights Kroger, you can "Shop & Drop"!

There is a bin by the entrance/exit nearest the produce where you can drop cereal you just bought! Also, for those who do not shop at the Heights Kroger, we are accepting donations of cereal during the week at Entrance 7 off Lee Avenue between 7:30 am and 7:30 pm AND at church on Sunday.



PHUMC PODCAST CHANNEL

You can now keep up with sermons, daily devotionals and more on our podcast channel straight from your phone or computer! Make sure to go to phumc.com/podcast to listen! You can also go to Spotify, iTunes or wherever you get your podcasts and search for Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. Subscribe and share with your friends and family!

JOYS AND CONCERNS

WE REJOICE IN THE BIRTH of Martin Isbell Grummer, child of Cory and Jacob Grummer and greatgrandchild of Joann and Garth Martin.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED to Virginia Buck and family in the recent death of her husband, Dr. George Buck; to Jim Monk and family in the recent death of his sister, Kay Goodwin; to Laura Doramus and family in the recent death of her mother, Patsy Laker; to Ann Hoy and family in the death of her brother, Jerry Burns; to Carolyn Stiles and family in the recent death of her brother, James 'Jim' Rea; to Sally Davis and family in the death of her father, Dr. John Wright; and to Jay Agee and family in the death of his mother, Beverly Agee.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS to Dixon Lunsford and Will Deering in their recent marriage.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Patrick Couch and Sam McSpadden

CENTRAL ARKANSAS DIAPER BANK

This month the Central Arkansas Diaper Bank served 119 children and 80 families! In addition, - We now give out wipes for every child.

A few exciting developments:

- We have also been able to increase the number of diapers families receive for many of the sizes.
- Thanks to the exceptional partnership with Ferncliff, we are able to give out overnight diapers and training pants *in addition* to daytime diapers. The numbers for overnight diapers/training pants are not included in the totals!
- Swim diapers were distributed last month and this month as a bonus.
- CADB was featured on Channel 11 on May 24th!

We are in need of Spanish translators for the first Wednesday of each month! Folks who are interested can email hawleyerine@gmail.com. Learn more about donation at phumc.com/diaperbank.

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

You are welcome to utilize our available spaces during the week for gatherings, as long as reservations have been made at **phumc.com/espace.** Masks are optional for all who enter.

BAPTISMS!

Lillian Jane Rockefeller, child of Caroline and Will Rockefeller



James Edward Wilkerson IV, child of Robyn and Edward Wilkerson.



PHUMC FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry has been hard at work! This month, we distributed 125 bags to 70 families! We also hosted a job fair at our food pantry, so we could match local businesses who are looking for workers with folks who may be looking for a job!

You can bring them to Entrance 7 off of Lee Avenue from 7:30am-7:30pm Mondays-Friday! Our Food Pantry currently needs green beans, corn, pasta, pasta sauce and soups.

