



**PULASKI
HEIGHTS**
United Methodist Church

THE TOWER NEWSLETTER

INSPIRE LOVE, EMBRACE CHRIST, ENGAGE THE WORLD **OCTOBER 2024**



PHUMC.COM/TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Join us on **Sunday, October 27th from 3-5PM** in the Lower Parking Deck (off Lee Avenue) for our annual Trunk or Treat! We are looking for Sunday School classes, small groups, and individuals to open their "trunks" and distribute candy to children who stop by to trick-or-treat! To sign up, call the church office at 501-664-3600 or go to phumc.com/trunk-or-treat! There will be games, lots of candy, and tons of fun!

We are also asking for **Candy Donations!** We need individually-wrapped candy to give out. You can donate candy at the Donation Station outside of Entrance 9 or bring it to the Welcome Desk inside of Entrance 1. Prefer to give money for candy? Just go to phumc.com/candy! Questions? Contact Pam Lentz at plentz@phumc.com!



We had such a fun time at our block party last month! We ate delicious hotdogs thanks to First Service Bank, ate popsicles thanks to Carter Ford - State Farm Agent, and listened to music from our Modern Worship band. Thanks to Staley Electric for providing water and keeping us hydrated! We can't wait for our Block Party next year!



In early September, we gave out Bibles to over 30 of our third-grade students. This symbolic event begins their journey towards Biblical literacy and responsible interpretation of our Holy Bible.

These students were also joined by their parents for a "Reading my Bible" class in Sunday School throughout the month. There is no greater gift to a budding Christian than the Word of God in a safe and inclusive environment to learn how to make it come alive.

Afghan Family Update



Time flies when we see our Sadiqi children grow. Aruzu, our little girl, turned two on September 9. She's a lively dynamo, ruling over her three brothers. After a summer of fun, school has begun, and education remains a top priority. Hussain just started his first year at Horace Mann middle school, and though it was a big adjustment, he's thriving with the help of weekly tutoring, funded by our church members. Sajad entered 3rd grade, Amir 1st, and both are adjusting well at Williams Magnet elementary. Mohammed now works the late

shift at Baptist Hospital while attending daily English classes at UALR, striving for independence. Salima, talented in needlework and baking naan, teaches her skills to others, including some of our team. The Sadiquis' journey is inspiring, and working with them is a true blessing for us all. To learn more about the Sadiqi's story and how to help, go to phumc.com/afghan-refugee-updates.

SPirit of ARKANSAS DIAPER DRIVE

Ends October 11!



Drop off diapers to
Edward's Food Giant
& Cash Saver
locations or PHUMC!

phumc.com/diaperbank



Last month our Diaper Bank distributed diapers to 319 children in 218 families. This included 28 new families! There is still time to donate to the Spirit of Arkansas Diaper Drive. We partner with KATV and Edward's to collect 90,000 diapers. Go to any Edward's Food Giant location and purchase diapers to donate to the Central Arkansas Diaper Bank. You can also bring donated diapers to the church by October 11.

PHUMC FOUNDATION MEMORIALS & HONORARIA

The following gifts were received for these endowments: Barnwell Holloway Medical Studies Scholarship Endowment, Centennial Preservation Spending Account, Brent Coker Memorial Endowment, Robert Chancellor Hoover Treatment Center Memorial Fund, Villines Family Endowment, and the glory of God.

Memorials

Bob Baine by Beth Baine
Brian Coker by Judy and Jim Irwin, Dickie Lunsford, and Anonymous
Thurman Couch by Kathleen Crain
Pat Fulmer by Anonymous
Susanne Harrelson by Jill and Ted Penick
Bonnie Jean Kelley by Anonymous
Joyce Logan by PHUMC Tower Class
Betty Mabry by Anonymous
Jerry Matthew by Rhonda and Bob Bolls, PHUMC Tower Class, and Anonymous
Virginia Lee Cox McCastlain by PHUMC Tower Class
Mike McGibbony by PHUMC Tower Class
Lucky Meinholz by Anonymous
Reita Walker Miller by Anonymous
Barbara Mulkey by Anonymous
Brian Noland by Nancy and Boo Jennings, and PHUMC Tower Class
Norris Ragan by Sandra and James Bush, and Galen Cobert
Dora Lee Showalter by Cindy and Kevin Burns, Virginia and Mike Porta, and Skip and Billie Rutherford

Birthday Club

Mary, Charlotte, and Gus Powers by Robert Powers
Bill Hawkins by Drake and Misty Hawkins

New Members

Angeline Button and Elisa Guess, JulieAnn and Jim Chavez, Ronnie Cook, Jean Jordan, Mary Ann Lee, and Bob and Carolyn Nelson by Anonymous

Baptisms

Eloise Bates by Susan Dunn, and Anonymous
Liza Doramus by Anonymous
Jesse Harbison by Anonymous
Ashley and Archer Roy Tribett by Anonymous

2025 PHUMC YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Registration Open



Register at phumc.com/basketball

Registration for the 2024 Youth Basketball League is now open! Our youth basketball league is open to all students who do not play on their inter-scholastic basketball team. To register or find more information, visit phumc.com/basketball or contact hdoherty@phumc.com.



This past month our Food Pantry received a check from the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance. Rep. Tippi McCullough selected our food pantry as her district's recipient as a part of the Alliance's annual fundraiser, Serving up Solutions. We are so grateful for this partnership with the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance as well as our continued partnership with the Arkansas Foodbank. Together we are working to alleviate hunger in Central Arkansas!



It's time for our annual Socktoberfest. We are looking for BRAND NEW socks for all ages which will be distributed to local homeless shelters and other non-profit agencies during this cold winter season. Bring socks to the Gathering Hall, Wesley Hall Reception Area or the Donation Station outside Entrance 9.

For more information, email Rev. Katy Chambers at kchambers@phumc.com.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS!

Special thanks to Lee and Nancy Archer who are caring for the flower bed on the Norma Story Playground. If you are interested in helping maintain this space, please contact Emily Stotts at estotts@phumc.com or by calling the church at 501-664-3600.

DINNER & WORSHIP

YOUNG ADULT NIGHT

FEAT. DR. JOHN ROBBINS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 6:00 - 7:30 PM SANCTUARY

Young and young-ish adults. Join us for our first Young Adult Night at the church! There will be a time of worship led by our senior pastor, Dr. John Robbins followed by a free dinner and fellowship! Childcare will also be available. Contact Brooke Sanchez-Hobbs at bhobbs@phumc.com or call the church office at 501-664-3600 for more information.

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 18TH

Wednesday Nights at PULASKI HEIGHTS

Adult Classes

Fall Term 1-2 (10 weeks | Sept. 18-Nov. 20)

- **Book of Hebrews**- Dr. Robbins+
- **What We Believe Adult Confirmation** - Rev. McMurray

Fall Term 1 (5 weeks | Sept. 18-Oct. 16)

- **Balancing Act: Caring for the Whole Family** - Rev. Curry

Fall Term 2 (5 weeks | Oct. 23-Nov. 20)

- **The Gospel of John by Amy Jill-Levine**- Rev. Clark
 - **Caring Assertiveness: Relating Directly, Honestly, and With Respect** - Dr. Hampton
- * Dr. Robbins' Bible Study will also occur in-person on Wednesdays at 10AM in the Mirror Room & stream live on Facebook & YouTube at 6PM

- 5:00-5:50: Meal
- 5:00-6:45: Midyouth
- 6:00-6:45: Classes, Children's Programming, Youth Study Hall
- 6:30-8:00: Chancel Choir
- 6:45-8:15: Modern Band Rehearsal, Youth Bible Study

Children & Youth

- **Childcare for parents in classes** - 6:00-6:45PM (Infants & Toddlers) Room D271, (Preschool) Room D267.*
- **Children's Activities** - 6:00-6:45PM -K-4th Grade - M119 (Room S357)*
- **midyouth (5th-7th)** - 5:00-6:45PM - 5th-7th grade youth - Argue Great Hall
- **phyouth Study Hall** - 6:00-6:45PM - 8th-12th grade youth - Youth Lounge
- **phyouth Bible Study** - 6:45-8:15PM - 8th-12th grade youth - Youth Lounge

*Registration for children is requested. go to phumc.com/wnkids

Music

- **Chancel Choir** - 6:30-8:00PM - Choir Room - Interested in joining the choir? Contact Frode Gundersen at fgundersen@phumc.com
- **Modern Worship Team** - 6:45-8:15PM - Wesley Hall - Want to get involved with A/V or music? Contact Trenton Teegarden at tteegarden@phumc.com or Brooke Hobbs at bhobbs@phumc.com

WANT MORE INFO? GO TO PHUMC.COM/WEDNESDAYS



All Saints

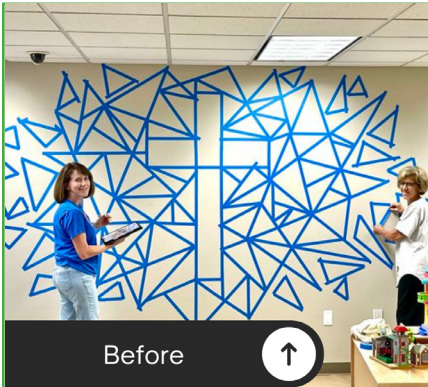
SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

COLUMBARIUM | SUNDAY, NOV. 3 | 5:30-6:00PM

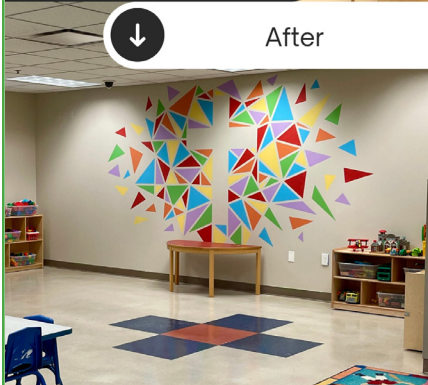
In addition to honoring all of the saints who have passed and joined the Church Triumphant during Sunday morning worship services for All Saints Sunday, we will have a Service of Remembrance in the Columbarium.

Join us on Sunday, November 3rd from 5:30-6:00PM for an All Saints Service of Remembrance. We will worship together, recognize and remember all of those who have left us. Questions? Contact Brooke Sanchez-Hobbs at bhobbs@phumc.com.

COME JOIN US



Before



After

Our Children's wing of the Norma Story Building is getting a refresh! We're only in phase one, but you'll see new paint and art popping up soon!



BROADCAST MINISTRY



It's not often that the PHUMC Broadcast Ministry, established in 1966, has a first. Last month we had an all-youth camera crew for the first time in our history. These dedicated youth regularly volunteer with our Sunday morning broadcasts and do a wonderful job helping us air our worship service state-wide. The future looks bright for the PHUMC Broadcast Ministry! If you are interested in learning more about the Broadcast Ministry, contact Jacob Nolen at jnolen@phumc.com.

Veterans Celebration Luncheon

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17 @ NOON
IN THE ARGUE GREAT HALL

RSVP: WELCOME DESK, 501-664-360, OR PHUMC.COM/VETERANS

Join us at noon in the Great Hall on Sunday, November 17th for a veterans celebration! This free luncheon is open to all veterans, or family members of veterans! Let us know you're coming by calling the church office at 501-664-3600 or signing up online at phumc.com/veterans-lunch. Are you or a loved one a veteran? Let us know by calling the church office at 501-664 or going to phumc.com/veteran.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED to the family of Billy Moore in his recent death; to Jo Jones and family in the death of her son, Doyle Matthew Jones; to Bev Villines, Corey Brooks & their families, in the death of their sister-in-law and aunt, Sally Villines Linebarger; to Michele Purifoy and family in the death of her father Louis Renaud; to Vicki Saviers and family in the recent death of her brother, Tommy Van Zandt; to Zack Shearer and family in the recent death of his brother, Kody Taylor; and to the family and friends of Wanda Smith in her recent death

WE REJOICE IN THE BIRTH of Henry Armstrong Burns, child of Callie and Randy Burns and grandchild of Cindy and Kevin Burns; of Evelyn Grace Rogers, child of Kayla and Joel Rogers, grandchild of Carolyn and Rog Rogers and great niece of Barbara Hoover; of Alexander Dans Crane, son of Madison Crane and Ivan Dans, and great-grandson of Pat and Larry Crane; and of Brooks Harrison Parsons, child of Hannahbelle and Harrison Parsons.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS to Sally Naill and Jim Clark on their recent marriage; to Ashley Finney and Bailey Auerbach on their recent marriage; to Anna Wilbourn and Emma Price on their recent marriage; and to Natalie Clark and Will Reynolds in their recent marriage.



WE CELEBRATE THE BAPTISM of Winthrop Aldrich Rockefeller, child of Taylor and Colin Rockefeller and grandchild of Lissenne Rockefeller; and of Mary Catherine Marshall, child of Lauren-Blair and Lambert Marshall

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Sarah and Kent Woodard; Sue Mosenthin; Cathy Hall; Tom Tullos; Deborah Dockens

OCTOBER STAFF BIRTHDAYS

- KATYE CHAMBERS - 10/11
- FRODE GUNDERSEN - 10/12
- JOHN ROBBINS - 10/23
- THERESA SMITH - 10/25
- VIRGINIA LEWIS - 10/27
- JENNIFER SHANNON - 10/28
- STEVE BIFFLE - 10/30

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

October Primetimers Luncheon
 Matt McCoy, Dreamland Ballroom
 Thursday Oct. 24 **RSVP:**
 11:30AM **PHUMC APP**
 PHUMC GYM **Call 501-664-3600**
 \$10 **Front Desk**
[phumc.com/primetimers](https://www.phumc.com/primetimers)

Children's Worship & Arts
 (Children's Choir)
 Starting October 6
 Kindergarten - 4th Grade
 Sundays 4-5PM
 Room M101

Children in Kindergarten-4th grade, join us for Children's Worship and Arts (children's choir), Sundays beginning October 6th from 4-5pm. Children will sing, make crafts, and learn about dramatic speaking as they explore elements of worship and prepare for this year's Hanging of the Greens Service on Sunday, December 1st

SCHEDULE

TABLE FOR ONE SMALL GROUP SINGLES (35-70)

11.09 4:45-7:00PM **RANEY SERIES** Must have previously registered

12.20 5:30-10:00PM **ASO HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS** Call to sign up

TUESDAYS 5:30-6:30PM PARLOR **WEEKLY SMALL GROUP**

CALL 501-664-300 TO GET INVOLVED

PHUMC FINANCIAL UPDATE

Below is a summary of PHUMC operating budget for the period January-August 2024.

Member Contributions	\$ 2,546,257
PHUMC Foundation Contributions	\$ 143,934
Other Income	\$ 46,050
Total Income	\$ 2,736,241
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 3,338,098
Tithe Payment payable	\$ 154,121
Total Expenses	\$ 3,492,219
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (755,978)