

THE TOWER NEWSLETTER

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Love God, Love Neighbor, Change the World

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The Best of Us Can be the Worst of Us

I first heard those words from Susan Stabile about two years ago, and I initially thought she was a little crazy. How could the best parts of me possible also be the worst parts of me? I thought she was crazy until an example from her own life was offered. She talked about the how the best parts of her were how she was kind, generous and willing to help anyone. Those were also the worst parts of her because it led to trying to fix things that people did not want her to fix, trying to solve a problem instead of listening, and sometimes even meddling or butting in, as we called it in my house. Her desire to help, which was the best part of her, also led to crossing lines and hurting feelings. The best parts of her could also be the worst parts of her.

We are studying Paul for Lent and I can see these same things in his life. Paul had a fierce determination and a strong sense of right and wrong. His determination led him to go on missionary journeys, walking hundreds of miles to spread the gospel. He endured shipwrecks, was arrested, thrown in jail, beaten and ultimately died for his faith. His fierce determination and passion led him to face all of those things bravely and to endure them without losing hope. Paul's strong sense of right and wrong also helped him write some beautiful letters and spell out a lot of our theology about the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We often turn to his letters and his explanations in Romans, Galatians and Corinthians, because he cared so deeply and went to great lengths to explain theology to the early churches. These were the best parts of Paul.

These could also be the worse parts of Paul. His determination could turn into stubbornness, and his high sense of right and wrong could lead to his being unforgiving. We see this in Acts when Paul and Barnabus split up over John Mark. John Mark had deserted Paul and Barnabus during their first missionary journey. Barnabus wanted to give him a second chance, but Paul did not. We do not know exactly what happened, but we do know that the disagreement was serious enough that they split up. Paul took Silus and Timothy on his second journey, and Barnabus took John Mark and went on a different journey. It seems that they eventually made peace, because Paul mentions John Mark and his valuable service in his First Letter to Timothy. The same determination and sense of right and wrong that led to Paul being able to accomplish all he did for the Gospel also played a role in Paul's disagreement and unwillingness to initially forgive John Mark. The best of us can be the worst of us.

Lent is meant to be a time of intentional reflections, so I invite you to consider a few questions. What are the best parts of you? Can you think of any times that they have also been the worst parts of you? What can you do to help you not cross those lines? The line between being helpful and meddling for Susan, or the line between determined and stubborn for Paul. I pray that God will be with you and the spirit will guide you on your journey. Paul certainly grew and matured as a Christian over the course of Acts — just think of his journey from being there when Stephen was killed, to being willing to die in Rome. The Holy Spirit works in us, and I pray that you will be aware and grow in faith and love this Lent.

Jeremy Pressgrove
St. Luke Campus Pastor

Worship Services

Sermon Series: The Call: Paul's Journey From Darkness to Light

Called to Love • I Corinthians 13:1-13

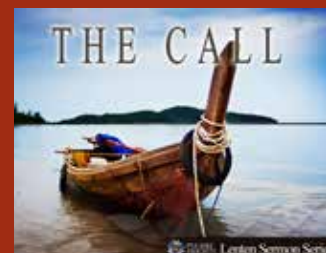
Friday, March 9, 6 pm - Sanctuary • Rev. Betsy Singleton Snyder

Sunday, March 11, 9 & 11 am - Sanctuary • Rev. Britt Skarda

(9 am service is broadcast Sunday on KATV, Channel 7 at 10:30 am)

Sunday, March 11, 9 & 11 am - New Heights • Rev. Betsy Singleton Snyder

Sunday, March 11, 9:30 am - St. Luke Campus • Rev. Jeff Hampton





Scout Sunday Annual Chili Luncheon

March 11
GREAT HALL
After
10:00 AM

Dine In or Take Out!



Bowl Of Chili **\$7**

Loaded Baked Potato



\$5

Loaded Nachos

\$15

Quart "To-Go"



Dine In includes a dessert and beverage!

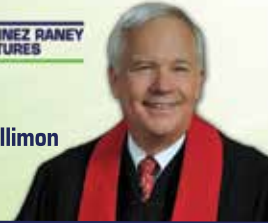
Thank you for supporting the scouts of Troop 12. Your contribution helps defray costs for Summer Camp, equipment, and other activities of Troop 12.

For more information about scouting, please contact PHUMC at 501.664.3600.

To-go chili will be available in the Gathering Hall from 10:45 am - 12:15 pm



featuring
Bishop William Willimon



Bishop Willimon is the professor of the Practice of Christian Ministry at Duke Divinity School. He is a former dean of the chapel at Duke and is regarded as one of America's foremost preachers. He is also a retired bishop in the United Methodist Church and the author of 60 books.

The T.J. & Inez Raney Lectureship, established in 1951, was primarily endowed by the late Mr. & Mrs. Alton B. Raney in memory of T.J. & Inez Raney, consecrated leaders in Arkansas Methodism. Members of the Lectureship Board of Directors warmly welcome you to the 2018 Lectures.

PALM & PASSION WEEKEND • MARCH 23-25

"THE CRUCIFIED GOD: WEIRD, WONDERFUL GOOD NEWS"

FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 6:00 PM • SANCTUARY

"THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY"
PREACHING FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION AND BOOK SIGNING
IN THE GATHERING HALL

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, NOON • GREAT HALL

"CHALLENGES OF PREACHING THE CROSS IN A WORLD THAT WANTS TO MAKE GOD GREAT AGAIN"
PRESENTATION & LUNCHEON FOLLOWED BY BOOK SIGNING (RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)
PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY MARCH 19 TO PHUMC.COM/RANEY OR CALL 664-3600

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 9:00 & 11:00 AM • SANCTUARY & SIMULCAST IN NEW HEIGHTS

9 AM • "WHICH PARADE?" 11 AM • "GETTING READY FOR JESUS"
10:10 - 10:50 AM • BOOK SIGNING IN THE GATHERING HALL



PALM/PASSION WEEKEND
MARCH 23 - 25
T.J. & Inez Raney Lectures with
Bishop William Willimon
(See info above)

Sunday, March 25
10:10 - 10:50 am, PHkids Palm
Sunday Re-enactment

MAUNDY THURSDAY
March 29, Noon
Sanctuary Worship
(30-minute worship service
followed by a light lunch)
5:30 - 6:30 pm
Community Meal & Worship
St. Luke Campus Fellowship Hall

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES
March 30, Noon & 6 pm
Sanctuary Worship

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP
APRIL 1
(Services will be broadcast on KATV
Channel 7 at 7 & 10:30 am)
7 am - 30th Annual Community
Easter Sunrise Service
First Security Amphitheatre
8:30, 9:45 & 11 am
Sanctuary & New Heights Worship
9:30 am
St. Luke Campus Worship
9:45 am
Sunday School



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

PHUMC
ANNUAL
EASTER
EGG
HUNT
Saturday, March 31

Allsopp Park Pavilion
Kinders Concert @ 10:30 am
Hunt begins @ 11 am
For children 5th Grade & under
Bring a snack item for
Food Pantry Mission

Optional Extra Activity!
Bring a picnic and enjoy some
fun family fellowship time after the hunt.
In case of rain hunt will be in
Great Hall (Gym) @ PHUMC!

A Concert with
The Kinders
will be at the
Pavilion at 10:30 am!

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

- Pick up Easter egg kits to take home and fill with wrapped candy and provide Bible scriptures.
- Or donate plastic eggs and/or bags of candy.

Please bring donations by Sunday, March 25.

Egg kits and return locations are:
Church Welcome Center
Children's Welcome Center
Connect Point in Wesley Hall

PULASKI HEIGHTS
Parenting Classes

PREVENTING POWER STRUGGLES
Wednesday, March 14 • 5-8 pm

SETTING LIMITS WITHOUT GUILT
Wednesday, May 9 • 5-8 pm

BULLY PREVENTION
Wednesday, April 11 • 5-8 pm

10 STEPS TO POSITIVE DISCIPLINE
Tuesdays • September 4, 11, 18, and 25
5:30-7:30 pm

Classes are free, open to all parents and will be held in D371. Childcare available.
Register at phumc.com/parenting, by Connect Card, at the Welcome Center or Connect Point.

Cooking Matters



Cooking Matters at Bale Elementary School, a partner of our St. Luke campus, has been in full swing on Thursdays since February 15, continuing to March 15. There is a great group of volunteers teaching 12 students in grades 3 – 5 how to make healthy food choices using the MyPlate food template. The students are also learning knife skills, teamwork and how to read labels. They take home ingredients for the recipes made during the class sessions to share with their families. The graduation dinner will be celebrated with the students and their families Thursday, March 15 at 5 pm in the Bale Elementary School cafeteria. The students will be presented with a take-home bin of cooking and kitchen utensils to help them continue to develop as young chefs! Thank you, PHUMC, for helping make this program a success for these young people.

LOVE HEALS

Becca Stevens

Episcopal Priest,
Author, & Founder
of Thistle Farms



Thistle Farms is a community of women who have survived trafficking, prostitution & addiction. Becca has been featured in the NY Times, ABC World News, NPR & PBS. She was a 2016 CNN Hero, a White House "Champion of Change" and the 2017 U of A Commencement Speaker.

Saturday, April 7th

A "You Go, Girl" Lunch & Lecture for Women
Great Hall @ Noon

Sunday, April 8th

Guest Preacher
PHUMC Sanctuary @ 9 and 11 am

Purchase Tickets Online @ phumc.com/becca

Sponsored by the PHUMC Foundation

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church · 4823 Woodlawn

PHUMC HONORARIA & MEMORIALS

The following gifts were received for the St. Luke Childcare Center, Youth Missions, Children's Ministry, T.V. Ministry and the glory of God.

Honoraria

Lauren Berry by Angie & Jordan Johnson
Dr. Nicklaus Clifford family by Carrie Clifford
Nora Grace Gattin by Katie Drummond
Cecil Malone by Sue Gill
Shepherd's Cove SS Teachers by Shepherd's Cove SS Class

Memorials

Todd Billingsley by Joann & Garth Martin, Irene Regnier
Betty Sue Bortz by Sara Harrison
Bruce Burton by Suzanne McGee
Dennis James by Julia Garcia
Charles Marak by Betsy Lewton
Dickie McKinney by Julie & Wally Allen
Walter Robertson by Betty Gene & Richard Mann
Inez Stuckey by Betty Gene & Richard Mann



Therapy Dog Training Classes Tuesdays, April 3 - May 15 6 pm, Great Hall

Sign up by Connect Card. Questions?
Contact Gayle Fiser at gaylefiser@att.net
or 766-3810.

Friday Sabbath Supper in the Gathering Hall Friday, March 9, 7 pm

The theme will be St. Patrick's Day!
A donation of \$5 is suggested.
All are welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS

PHUMC HIKING ADVENTURES

March 10 | 8 miles | Rating: strenuous

Hemmed in Hollow — This is one of the best and most scenic hikes. The group will stop by Granny Anderson's Cabin and the Goat Trail with a wonderful view down the Buffalo River. We will depart at 6 am and return after dark. For more information, contact George Regan at 835-7806 or gregan45@gmail.com.

MISSIONS

GUATEMALA MEDICAL MISSION OUTREACH

The team is in need of doctors, nurse practitioners, and nurses. Contact Holly Ross (hollyross1961@gmail.com) or Denise Johnson (pgirlsmom@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

PHUMC FOUNDATION

The following gifts were received for *Dorothy Stout Aldridge Endowment*, the *Fryer Music Endowment*, the *Sanders Music Endowment*, the *Adamson TV Ministry Endowment*, the *Faulkner Scholarship Endowment* and the glory of God.

Birthday Club

Sherry Bird
Halley Hamon
Peggy Perkins
Sarah Reddick
Charley Tanner on her birthday by Dottie & Ken Gill
Nena Valentine

Richard Blaine
Dickie Lunsford
Tommy Polk
Skip Rutherford

Honoraria

Hollace Beard-Hunting & William Beard by Halley Hamon
Mary Kay East by Juanita & Ken Patton
Suzanne McGee by Juanita & Ken Patton
Patty Smith by Juanita & Ken Patton

Memorials

Jo Clair Adamson by Suzanne McGee
Dorothy Aldridge by Mary Cantwell, Daryl Coker, Kearney Dietz, Sara Harrison, Koinonia Dialogue Class, Betty Gene & Richard Mann, Ernestine Martin, Joann & Garth Martin, Lynn & Jim Monk, James Morse
Mary Nell Armstrong by Sunny & Bo Hawk, Lynn & Jim Monk
Todd Billingsley by Daryl Coker
Carla Hill Boerman by Cathy & Tony Bozynski
Cathy Couch by Julia & Randy Garcia, Ellen Smith
Josephine Davis by Daryl Coker
Jack Fryer by George Campbell, Daryl Coker, Men Alive
Dickie McKinney by Juanita & Ken Patton
Lee Munson by Suzanne McGee
Judith Parker by Nancy Smith
Georgia & Bob Sells by Anita & Travis Tunnell
Inez Stuckey by Dickie Lunsford, Dixon Lunsford
Carolyn Wright by Daryl Coker

Primetimers and Friends Luncheon

Featuring the cast of

Mamma Mia

Arkansas Repertory Theater

Thursday, March 22, 11:30 am
in the Great Hall

Cost of lunch is \$8 or bring your own
Call 664-3600 for reservations by noon Tuesday, March 20

RECENT BAPTISMS



Welles Patrick McBryde with his parents
Michael and Mary Nell McBryde

Welcome NEW MEMBERS



Gerald and Christa Williams



Jeremy Gates, Candy and Steve Gates



Julianne Gates and Connor Olsen

PRAYER REQUESTS

DEATHS: Our Christian sympathy is extended to Jean Wallace and family in the death of her mother, Lillian "Lyn" Robinson; and to Terry Davis and family in the death of her mother-in-law, Goldie Aline Holladay Davis.

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

COMMUNICATIONS REQUEST

If you would like to request publicity for an upcoming event, please complete a form at phumc.com/prrequest or contact Andrea Wymes at 978-0516.

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Church Office Hours:
Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

Midday Prayer (Chapel) 11 am - noon
PHkids Open Gym * (Great Hall) 11 am - 2 pm
Fit4Mom Fitness (C236) 5:45 pm

TUESDAY

Helping Hands (Wesley Hall) 9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Memory Loss Caregivers (C135) 1-2 pm (3rd Tues.)
Zumba Gold (Great Hall) 2 - 2:45 pm
Memory Loss Caregivers (C135) 5:30 - 6:30 pm (2nd Tues.)
Yoga (C236) 5:30 - 7 pm

WEDNESDAY

Labyrinth (Wesley Hall) 8 am - 8 pm
AI Anon (C237) 5:30 - 6:30 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M110) 6:30 - 7:30 pm

THURSDAY

Primetimers Luncheon (Parlor) 11:30 am - 1 pm (4th Thurs.)
Zumba Gold (Great Hall) 2 - 2:45 pm
Food Pantry & Community Meals (St. Luke Campus) 5 - 7 pm
Men's AI Anon (C237) 7:30 - 8:30 pm

FRIDAY

PHUMC Book Club (C239) 7 - 8 am
PHkids Open Gym * (Great Hall) 3 - 6 pm
Parents' Night Out (Children's Building) 6 - 9 pm (4th Fri.)

SATURDAY

Youth Basketball League (Great Hall) 8 am - 10 pm
The Chapel is available Mon. - Fri., 8 am - 6 pm for personal prayer time.

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

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HILLCREST LENTEN SERVICES 2018

DATE	LOCATION	SPEAKER
March 9	PH Baptist	Rev. Britt Skarda
March 16	Holy Souls	Rev. Lynn Worthen
March 23	PH Baptist	Rev. Ruskin Falls

All services are 30 minutes at participating churches on Fridays at noon, followed by a light lunch. Make plans to join us as we unite during the Lenten season!

Sunday School - 10:10 am, Get Connected!

All Things Considered, M314 (all ages)
Argue Named for Dr. James Argue reconciling, M318 (ages 45+) "The Faith of a Mockingbird"
Beatitudes, M316 (ages 30-45+)
Bible Study, C239 (all ages) "Genesis," Tim Fox
Coffee Talk, M313 (women all ages)
Deeper Connections, D371 (ages 20s-30s)
Fathomers, C235 (ages 55+) "Lenten Series," Rev. Vic Nixon
Foundations, C236 (couples ages 20s-40s)
Journey, D366 (ages 20s-40s)
Koinonia Dialogue, C135 (ages 50+) "Final Words from the Cross"
Newton Good News, M101 (ages 50+) "The Parables of Paul," Chapter 7
G.I.F.T. Class, M308 (all ages)
Pairs and Spares, D277 East (young couples/singles)
Pop-Up Class, M304 (all ages) "Thank God It's Friday"
Roundtable, M312 (ages 50+) "There is No God Like You," Joe Teeter
Tower, C237 (ages 40+)
Wesley reconciling, M320 All are welcome. Please come share your views.

(All youth meet at 10 am in the phyouth Assembly Area)

Agape Class, D385 Youth with Special Needs, Carol Blann
12th Grade, D368 Youth Bible Study, Leslie & Tim Taylor
Grades 9th-11th, D379 Youth Bible Study
Grades 7th-8th, D377 Youth Bible Study
Confirmation, 6th Grade, phyouth Assembly Area, Rev. Jay Clark
Early Christian Awareness (ECA) Infants/Toddlers, Norma Story Children's Building
March Lessons: Easter - Lamb, Bunny, Chicks/Egg, Donkey
Preschool Lions (ages 2-3), **Tigers** (ages 3-4), **Bears** (ages 4-5) "Bartimaeus Shouts to Jesus"
Grades K-4th, Rotation Sunday School
5th Grade, Bible Study

Malone Phone Class: Sundays at 3 pm by phone at home
Shepherd's Cove: Lynn Lindsey

M=Main Building
C=Christian Life Center (Great Hall)
D=Disciple Center (Wesley Hall, Youth)
S=Norma Story Children's Building

Fellowship Stations for Coffee & Refreshments
Sundays from 8 - 11 am | Gathering Hall & Wesley Hall Lobby