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T.J. AND INEZ RANEY LECTURES

featuring

Bishop William Willimon



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
(COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED) PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY MARCH 21
TO PHUMC.COM/RANEY OR CALL 664-3600 - ALL ARE WELCOME!

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 9 & 11 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

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.



T.J. AND INEZ RANEY LECTURES

You are cordially invited to a

PRESENTATION & COMPLIMENTARY LUNCHEON

with

Bishop William Willimon

Professor of the Practice of Christian Ministry
at Duke Divinity School

"Challenges of Preaching the Cross in a
World that Wants to Make God Great Again"

Saturday, March 24

Noon - Great Hall



RSVP at www.phumc.com/raney or by
calling 664-3600 by Wednesday, March 21.

Complimentary catered meal provided
by the Raney Lecture Series Endowment
Childcare available with registration

Worship Services

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

Called to Give • I Corinthians 16:1-3

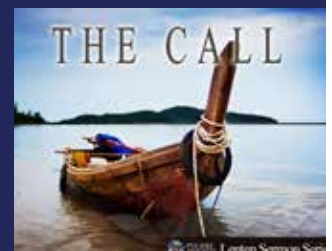
Friday, March 16, 6 pm - Sanctuary • Rev. Britt Skarda

Sunday, March 18, 9 & 11 am - Sanctuary • Rev. Britt Skarda

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

Sunday, March 18, 9 & 11 am - New Heights • Rev. Belinda Price

Sunday, March 18, 9:30 am - St. Luke Campus • Rev. Jeremy Pressgrove



You Go, Girl! Empowering Women for Philanthropy and Social Justice.

LOVE HEALS

The first "You Go, Girl!" Event was a Women's Luncheon held in April, 2012 and featured Kristen Kaufman, author of "Is This Seat Taken?" This year's women's lecture is the fifth event celebrating the role of women in working to support each other and resolve issues of daily living together.

The PHUMC Foundation is proud to announce that the Rev. Dr. Becca Stevens will be the featured guest at the "You Go, Girl!" Lunch and Lecture for Women to be held at PHUMC on Saturday, April 7. This will be Becca's second appearance at this event, having been our speaker in 2016. She became an instant "best friend," and many of us read her daily meditation and blog. Becca is an Episcopal priest, entrepreneur, author and social justice activist.

LOVE HEALS



After experiencing the death of her father and subsequent child abuse at age five, Becca longed to open a sanctuary for survivors offering a loving community. In 1997, five women who had experienced trafficking, violence and addiction were welcomed home to Thistle Farms in Nashville, Tennessee. Twenty years later, the organization continues to welcome women with free residences that provide housing, medical care, therapy and education for two years. Residents and graduates earn income through one of four social enterprises. The Global Market of Thistle Farms helps employ more than 1,800 women worldwide, and the national network has more than 40 sister communities.

Becca has been featured in the New York Times, on ABC World News and National Public Radio; was recently named a 2016 CNN Hero and a White House "Champion of Change". She was featured in the PBS documentary, "A Path Appears," named Humanitarian of the Year by the Small Business Council of America, and inducted into the Tennessee Women's Hall of Fame. Stevens attended the University of the South and Vanderbilt Divinity School. She has been conferred two honorary doctorates and was the keynote speaker at the 2017 commencement exercises at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

Her newest book, "Love Heals," was published by Harper Collins this past September. Becca lives in Nashville with her husband, Grammy-winning songwriter, Marcus Hummon, and their three sons.

Hear Becca at our "You Go, Girl!" Lunch and Lecture for Women in the Great Hall at Noon, Saturday, April 7. Tickets for the event may be purchased via the following link: www.phumc.com/becca or in the Welcome Center on Sundays during March.

She will also preach in the Sanctuary be and simulcasted in New Heights at 9 and 11 am on Sunday, April 8, as we celebrate United Methodist Women Weekend.

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

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Mark your calendars now for this outstanding opportunity to be challenged, educated, and inspired by one of the most incredible difference-makers in the United States today.

Bev Villines
Director of PHUMC Foundation



The Membership Matters Class scheduled for this Sunday, March 18, has been rescheduled to **Sunday, April 15, from noon - 2 pm in the Parlor**. If you are interested in knowing more about PHUMC or becoming a member, this class is for you! Lunch and childcare is provided. Sign up by emailing vlewis@phumc.com or Connect Card during worship.

Members and Friends of PHUMC:

Rev. Jeremy Pressgrove has accepted an appointment to First United Methodist Church in Newport, Arkansas, effective July 1, 2018. Rev. Pressgrove was an invaluable part of our transition team on the merger with St. Luke, and his spiritual leadership will be missed at PHUMC. Please join us in wishing Jeremy good luck in his new position and support he and his family in your prayers as they make the move to Newport.

Gena Gregory
Chairperson, PHUMC Staff-Parish Relations Committee





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

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

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

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS!

Annual Community Easter Sunrise Service at Riverfront Park
Sunday, April 1 • 7 am

The Annual Community Easter Sunrise Service is an ecumenical worship service sponsored by Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church.

Three ways to help with the Community Easter Sunrise Service:

1. Pick up yard signs from the Welcome Center
2. Contact Rev. Belinda Price at 978-0522 to volunteer
3. Give - Make checks payable to PHUMC with "CESS" on the memo line or contribute at phumc.com/give

Parent's Night Out **FRIDAY, MARCH 23**
6 - 9 PM
CHILDREN'S BUILDING

Pre-registration required.
Cost: \$20 per child or \$40 for families with three or more children.
Call 666-5683 for more information.
 (Ages 6 weeks - 5th grade)

UPCOMING EVENTS
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. Trip dates: July 28 - August 5.

PHKIDS



VBS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!
phumc.com/vbs2018
 Now with TWO dates and locations! July 15 - 19 at PHUMC or July 20 - 21 at the St. Luke Campus. Free at both locations!

PHUMC FOUNDATION

AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE
Monday, April 23, 9 am - 1 pm, C236
 Attendees will learn defense driving techniques, proven safety strategies, new traffic laws and rules of the road. Upon completion, you could receive a multi-year discount on your car insurance. Cost: \$15 for AARP members or \$20 for non-members. To register, call 664-3600, visit aarp.org/drive or email bvillines@phumc.com.

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.



PHUMC members Cate Hollingsworth and Jessalyn Hoskyn received the C. R. Bates Award from the Kiwanis Club of Pulaski Heights for being an example of honesty, integrity, & vision — especially in their faith community. Congratulations to Cate and Jessalyn!

RECENT BAPTISMS



Logan Steven Hankins with his parents **Chris and Jennie Hankins** and brother **Caiden Hankins**

PULASKI HEIGHTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Parenting Classes

BULLY PREVENTION
 Wednesday, April 11 • 5-8 pm

SETTING LIMITS WITHOUT GUILT
 Wednesday, May 9 • 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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

DEATHS: Our Christian sympathy is extended to Lupita Chavarria and family in the death of her brother, Jesus Chavarria Garcia; to Mallory Van Dover and family in the death of her grandmother, Lucille Tillman Van Dover Bratcher; to Beth Page and family in the death of her mother, Mary Ellen Wade; to Frederick Gentry and family in the death of his grandmother, Loyce Miller; and to Patricia Blick and family in the death of her father, Robert McCloskey.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS to Ashley Pond and Dustin Capps on their marriage.

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.

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 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.

Sunday School - 10:10 am, Get Connected!

All Things Considered, M314 (all ages)
Argue Named for Dr. James Argue reconciling, M318 (ages 45+) "Tom Burnett Bible Study"
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," Pat Crane
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+) "The People Gave Thanks to God," André Rollefson
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) "Jesus Breaks the Bread"
Grades K-4th, Rotation Sunday School
5th Grade, Bible Study

Malone Phone Class: Sundays at 3 pm by phone at home
Shepherd's Cove: Joe Teeter

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