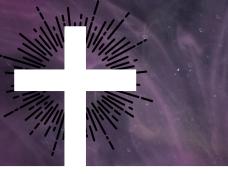
## PAID IN FULL FREED FOR NEW LIFE



Dear PHUMC Family:

At the end of 2021, six families reduced PHUMC's debt from \$955,000 to \$317,000. PHUMC has been in debt since 2014 and since that time has paid over \$300,000 in interest alone. As we prepare for the season of Lent, which begins Ash Wednesday, March 2nd, we have set a new and easily attainable goal to be debt-free by Easter. For that to happen, we need the full participation of our membership. If at least 635 giving units (families, couples, individuals) give on average \$500 by Easter, we will have *Paid in Full* our debt for the One who *Paid our Debt in Full*.

Our intent is for all of us to make a sacrifice during Lent for the One who made the greatest sacrifice for all of us. We are asking that every family, couple, or individual prayerfully consider what she/he can sacrifice during this time leading up to Easter. Our goal is two-fold:

- 1. Have our whole congregation participate in a unified spiritual practice of sacrifice for the One who **Paid in Full** for our sin. This communal effort can bring us together in so many ways, particularly since this pandemic has kept us apart for so long.
- 2. Give your sacrificial funds enabling us to Pay in Full our \$317,000 debt.

For example, if you give up chocolate for Lent, please contribute what you would have spent on your favorite treat to our **Paid in Full** cause. If you are a teenager who babysits, please consider donating your earnings to our church-wide effort. We would like to publicize the creative ways in which you are being sacrificial. Let us know at <a href="mailto:phumc.com/paid-in-full">phumc.com/paid-in-full or share on social media with #phpaidinfull</a>. We will highlight your offerings every way we have available to us, including in worship.

If we have **Paid in Full** our debt by Easter, PHUMC can save our debt and interest payments and use it instead to start innovative ministries, feed more hungry people, and find new and creative ways to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with even more people.

Thank you for being a special part of our church-wide **Paid in Full** spiritual discipline. The One who **Paid in Full** for our sins will be very pleased with our desire to make a sacrifice in return that enables the Body of Christ called Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church to achieve even greater things together. I can't wait to see how creative and sacrificial we can be together!

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