



PULASKI  
HEIGHTS  
United Methodist Church

# THE TOWER NEWSLETTER

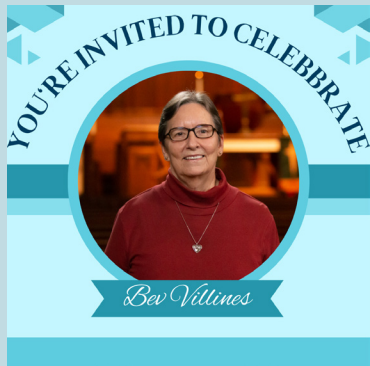
INSPIRE LOVE, EMBRACE CHRIST, ENGAGE THE WORLD

JULY 2023



## Holy Land Adventure Vacation Bible Camp

June 19th-23rd, rising Kindergarteners-4th graders participated in Vacation Bible Camp! Each morning these kids got to play games, sing songs, and make all sorts of different crafts. Through each of these activities, they learned about the birth of Christ and traveled through the city of Bethlehem. Thank you to all of the parents and youth volunteers that helped make this week a great one!



You're invited to join us in the Gathering Hall on Sunday, July 9th at 10:00am as we celebrate Bev Villines and her ministry at our church.



**JUNE DISTRIBUTION**

**FOOD PANTRY**

**153**  
Bags of  
Food

**385**  
People

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Jo Knight is a dedicated volunteer at Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church, making a significant impact on her church community. Starting in the kitchen and caring ministries, Jo's commitment and passion led her to prominent roles within the church. Today, she can be found volunteering at the Welcome Desk, serving food, or assembling worship packs every week for children.

After her husband passed, Jo began her volunteer work, encouraged by Lucy Foster. She began working in the church's kitchen and caring ministries, serving meals and providing support to those in need. Dr. Hampton recognized her dedication, and she was appointed as the head of the Society of St. Stephen, leading outreach programs to help the less fortunate. Later, she became the chair of the Caring Ministries Committee, expanding the church's impact.

Jo sees serving as a way to give back to a church that has meant so much to her life. "Serving just reinforces my belief"

Her work in the kitchen, caring ministries, and leadership positions has touched many lives, spreading love and care. Jo's dedication inspires others, reminding us of the transformative potential of small acts of kindness. Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church is fortunate to have Jo Knight as an integral part of our church. To learn more about how to get involved, contact Rev. Kathleen McMurray at [kmc Murray@phumc.com](mailto:kmc Murray@phumc.com) or 501-664-3600!

# YOUTH WORSHIP CAMP

August 8th-10th, 2023  
9:00 AM- 3:30 PM  
Wesley Hall  
8th-12th Grade

Register here!



# CONNECT FAIR

August 13th, 20th, & 27th  
Great Hall

Learn about the ministries and groups that PHUMC has to offer!

Begins September 6th

## Wednesday Nights at PULASKI HEIGHTS

[PHUMC.COM/WEDNESDAYNIGHTS](https://phumc.com/wednesdaynights)

Mark your calendars for a Block Party to kick off Wednesday Nights at Pulaski Heights this Fall! Wednesday, September 6 from 5-7pm on Woodlawn, there will be food trucks, games, and fun for all ages. Make plans to come, invite a friend, and start off the Fall with the PHUMC community.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

# BLOCK PARTY

Wednesday, September 6th  
6:00-8:00PM

Thank you to everyone that donates food to the Food Pantry each month! These donations allow us to keep our spending low, which has led to us to being able to purchase more specialty items such as meat and vegetables!



To learn more about the food pantry visit <https://phumc.com/foodpantry/>.

**August 10, 2023**  
**6:00-8:00 PM**  
**Wesley Hall**

# YOUTH PARENT FELLOWSHIP

If you have any questions contact Ellen Rowland at [erowland@phumc.com](mailto:erowland@phumc.com)

We are overjoyed to announce that Virginia Porta will be joining the PHUMC staff as the new Executive Director of the PHUMC Foundation! We are so thankful for her and her ministry. Make sure to tell Virginia congratulations next time you see her!



## July Primetimers Luncheon

Featuring Skip Rutherford

Thursday July 27                      RSVP:  
11:30AM                                  PHUMC APP  
PHUMC GYM                      Call 501-664-3600  
\$10    Front Desk

[phumc.com/primetimers](https://phumc.com/primetimers)

## Young Adult Ministry Summer Calendar

### JUNE

- Tuesday 6/6 @ 6 pm - Allsopp Park
- Wednesday 6/14 @ 7 pm- Little Rock Rangers Game
- Tuesday 6/20 @ 6 pm - Hill Station
- Tuesday 6/27 @ 6 pm - Agasi 7 Rooftop Bar and Kitchen

### JULY

- Wednesday 7/5 @ 6 pm - Creating CALS Care bags
- Friday 7/14 @ 5 pm - 2nd Friday Art Night/Hop Off
- Tuesday 7/18 @ 6 pm - Professor Bowl

### AUGUST

- Tuesday 8/1 @ 6:30 pm -Travelers Game
- Tuesday 8/8 @ 6 pm - Fassler Hall
- Wednesday 8/16 @ 6 pm - Railyard
- Friday 8/25 @ 8 pm - Argenta Vibe Music Series

# PHUMC AND FOUNDATION MEMORIALS/HONORARIA

**The following gifts were received for Afghan Ministry, Altar Flowers, Broadcast Ministry, Cancer Friends Ministries, Caring Ministries, Good Samaritan Fund, Guatemala Surgical Mission Fund, Habitat for Humanity, Mission Life Committee, Music Ministry, UMCOR-Tornado Disaster Relief, UMCOR-Ukraine, Youth Ministry, and the glory of God.**

## Memorials

**Wayne Buckley** by Kathryn Beaird, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bruce, Mary Ruth Price Brown, and Andy and Beth Guinn

**George Campbell** by Elaine McNiece

**Harold Campbell** by The Argue Class, Gisele and Steve McGuire, and Susan and Sid Wood

**Lyda Campbell** by Bill and Jane Arthurs, and Barbara and Mack Moore

**Gloria Cleveland** by Mary Andries, and Dial-In Sunday School Class

**Sharon Kay Cooper** by Mike and Patsy Brown

**Dovie Davis** by Danna Davis

**Moffett and Dovie Davis** by Danna Davis

**Gene and Gwen Efir** by Kris and Mac Huffman

**Gwen Efir** by Barbara and Mack Moore

**Neill Hart** by Jerry and Vera Bowie, Collins Chiropractic Center, Bobbye Dennis, Susan O Heily, Kris and Mac Huffman, and Garth Martin, Jim Morse, Jack and Judy See, Thomas and Paula Worniak,

**Trenton Thomas Hendrix Byrd** by Martha Hendrix and Bill Byrd

**Peggy Hundley** by Mildred Alston, Cindy and Kevin Burns, Cindy Conger, Jamie Dickson, Laura and Mark Doramus, Mildred Heyman, Sarah McKay, Betty Moore, Ann and Jonathan Page, Cathy and John Slater, Beverly Sullenger, and Lucy Wall

**Earl Jones** by Dan and Louise Dennis

**Dan Kennett** by Marcia and Jim Darr

**Richard Henry Kuonen** by Mike and Patsy Brown

**Joyce Massey** by Carol Ann McAdams

**Mary Lee McHenry** by Jennifer, Todd, Helen, and Mark Ferguson

**Jim Monk** by Barrett Norton

**Vic Nixon** by Linda and John Albers, Mary Cantwell and Steve Bledsoe, Dr. Robert and Susie Carter, John and Norma Farthing, Sandy Haden, and Brenda Mize

**Boogie Norton** by Barrett Norton

**Lucy Owen and Melanie Owen Webre** by

Tommy Owen

**Brent Renaud** by Michelle Purifoy

**Dan Robinson** by Bonnie, Paula, and Fuller Bumpers, and Judy Burns, Stacy and Tom Jones, and Wes McHan

**Melissa Ann Griffith Stanley** by Dr. J Scott Stanley

**Jess Wilkins** by Sandy Haden

## Honoraria

**Kendal Byrd and Lane Phillips** by Martha Hendrix and Bill Byrd

**Rev. Jay Clark** by Freddie Nixon

**Dr. Jeff Hampton** by Freddie Nixon

**Rod and Gail Hocott** by Mark and Rebel Wilson

**Abigail Howe** by Marsha and Jim Allbritton

**Dr. John Jones** by Barbara and Mack Moore

**Ted and Jill Penick and Family** by Ashley Anderson

**PHUMC Staff** by Ozark Mission Project

**Dr. John Robbins** by Freddie Nixon

**Jack and Roselyn Stanley** by Dr. J Scott Stanley

**Thelma Spencer** by Mary Spencer

## PHUMC Foundation

**The following gifts were received for Broadcast Ministry Endowment, George Campbell Caring Ministry Endowment, Kearney and Floy Jean Dietz Children's Endowment, Robert Chancellor Hoover Treatment Center Memorial Fund, Clyde and Mary Jo Horton Food Pantry Endowment, Mission Endowment, Vic and Freddie Nixon Endowment, John and Kathy Roberts Endowment, Villines Family Endowment, and the glory of God.**

## Memorials

**Bob Baine** by Beth Baine

**George Campbell** by Daryl Coker

**Robert Chancellor** by Lesa Booker

**Gene Efir** by The Argue Class, and F Gladwin Connell

**Rosemary Hubbard** by Judy and Jim Irwin

**Dan Kennett** by Peter Kumpe, Bud, Glenda, Byron and Tricia Phillips, Jack Scovoronski and Mike Taylor, Donald and Sandra Smith, and John and Vivian Williams

**Rev. Vic Nixon** by Simon and Paula Bookout, Jeannie Botts, Jerry and Vera Bowie, Mary Ruth Price Brown, Chuck and Barbara Bryden, Cindy and Kevin Burns, Emily L and Jim Burrow Family, Mary Beth and Jack Caldwell, Doris Clark, Martha and Ron Clark, Daryl Coker, F Gladwin Connell, Chuck and Kay Cook, Clay and Cindi Cooper, Tamey and Michael Craig, Melanie Dancy, Bonnie Dark, Marcia and Jim Darr, Francis and Rosemary Davis, Darren Mary Storey, Jack and Roselyn Stanley, Penny and Gordon Wilbourn, and Summer, Allen, and Julie Decker, Laura and Mark Doramus, John and Norma

Ann Ferrill, Annadell and Fred Fowler, Glenda and Marshall Gazette, Jane and David Gearhart, Maxine Gentry, Corinne Gilbreath, Dr. and Mrs. David Hall, Margaret Hatchett, Fred and Sandra Haustein, Bo and Sunny Hawk, Helen-Ruth Hendon, Barbara Hoover, Kris and Mac Huffman, Judy and Jim Irwin, Katherine Jefferson, Carolyn and Richard Johnson, Stephanie Kyser, Mark and Cathy Lay, Bill and Idalene Lyford, Robert and Nell Lyford, Garth Martin, Mary Lou Martin, Shelia McAdams, Gisele and Steve McGuire, Barbara and Mack Moore, Kathy Moore and Donna Larkin, Jim Morse, Newton Good News Class, Dottie Patterson, Juanita Patton, Richard and Jann Pence, Dave and Linda Peresko, Kay Perry, Audrey Powell, Robert and Mary Powers, Carole Ann Provin, George Regan, Beth and Ted Ride, Bobby and Kathy Roberts, Barbara Ruble, Lee and Kim Rush, Sabbath Christ Care Group, Judy and Jack See, Britt and Karen Skarda, John and Cathy Slater, Libby and Gary Smith, Bud and Tristram and Henley Wright

**Kathie Osborne** by Jim and Martha Allbritton, Linda Butler Bishop, Rhonda and Bob Bolts, Mike and Sherry Bracy, Donna Bressinck, Dean Bryant, Emily L and Jim Burrow Family, Don and Sissy Cobb, J.W. Cooper, Scott and Terri Cooper, Dee and Susan Dietz, Dick and Kay Dietz, Laura and Mark Doramus, Susan and Robert Dunn, Bo and Sunny Hawk, Barry Heard, Judy and Jim Irwin, Deborah Jackson, Julie and John Jones, Nikki and Larry Lawson, Garth Martin, Linda McCarty, Barbara and Mack Moore, Ted and Sherrie Pollard, Mark and Angie Wood, Kevin and Janet Wood, and Gill and Tricia Wood, Shep and Ellen Russell, Billie and Skip Rutherford, Amanda and Joey Scott, Fae Seay, Cathy and John Slater, Beth and Jerry Sparks, and Former Miss Arkansas with Ashlen Thomason

**John Roberts** by Elaine McNiece

## Honoraria

**Mary Cantwell and William Bledsoe's Marriage** by Mary Ruth Price Brown

**Pat Dillahunty** by Juanita Patton

**Dr. John Robbins, Rev. Jay Clark, and Dr.**

**Jeff Hampton** by Stacy Campbell-Bright and Family

**David Rowe** by Joyce Oliver

**Bev Villines** by Rick Fleetwood, and Elaine McNiece

**Bev and Buddy Villines** by Jim Campbell

# JOYS AND CONCERNS

## OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS

**EXTENDED TO** Crata Castleberry and her family in the death of her sister, Letty McAdams; to Mitch Berry, Lauren Berry, and Mitchell Berry in the death of their father and grandfather, U.S. Representative, Marion Berry; to Robin Smith and family in the death of her fiancé, Fred Springstead; to Matt Buchanan and his family in the death of his father Rev. Dr. William Buchanan Jr.; to Kay Cook and family in the death of her sister Cindy Holiman Skaten; to Tracy Slabaugh and family in the death of her father, Randy Keiser; to Christopher Day and Christian Day and family in the death of their grandmother and great-grandmother, Mary Day Wilson; to Charles Brooks and family in the death of his grandmother Melanie Bergens; to Rebecca Miller-Rice and family in the death of her mother Patti Miller; to Susan Van Dusen and family in the death of her mother Sue Polk; to Mary Ann Burnett, Suzanne McGee and family in the death of their husband and brother John Len Burnett; to Geneva Beardsley and family in the death of her husband Wayne Beardsley; and to Rick Smith and family in the death of his aunt Carol Smelley

**OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO** Helen Hope and Clayton Getchell on their recent wedding

**WE CELEBRATE THE BAPTISM OF** Asher Lee Olsen, child of Juli and Connor Olsen; and Rylie Joan Chavez, child of Leila and James Chavez Jr.

**WE REJOICE IN THE BIRTH OF** Mark Miles Mathisen, child of Robin and Clayton Mathisen; Bowen Wilson McGrath, child of Anna and Cody McGrath; Grant Thomas Wynne Jr., son of Ann Elizabeth and Grant Wynne and grandson of Margo and Robin Wynne; Hudson Daniel Stover, son of Abigail and Peyton Stover, and grandson of Tom and Monica Mills.

**WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS** Gordon and Debbie Ford; Bailey Pollock; Devin and Laura Bates, Justice White; Susan and Johann Yang; Sara CarlLee Ragan

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



## PHUMC FINANCIAL UPDATE

Below is a summary of PHUMC operating budget through May 2023.

Member Contributions	\$ 1,464,827
PHUMC Foundation Contributions	\$ 40,000
Other Income	\$ 52,435
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 1,557,262</b>
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,737,255</b>
Tithe Payment Payable*	\$ 99,186
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,836,441</b>
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (279,179)</b>

\*Each United Methodist Church pays in a tithe or apportionment to its Annual Conference to help support the Annual Conference, the Jurisdictional Conferences, the General Conference, and other global ministries. The Arkansas Conference requires each United Methodist Church in the state to pay 10% of the income received in a month.