



The Good News

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Photo: TMR

The formal portraits of Dr. and Mrs. Hunter have been returned to their traditional locations in Hunter Hall. Thanks to André Guerrero for this!

PHCC is a Hillcrest community church affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). It has been at the corner of Spruce and Hillcrest since 1927. Our email is lrphcc@gmail.com.

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Did You Notice?

Rev. Marilou Coins

My, oh my. Here we are entering the half way mark of the year. Have you noticed all the changes that took place these past six months?

We went from winter's cold to summer's warmth. We went from nature being dormant to being in full bloom. Also, no more BIG YELLOW BUSES! School is out now. Vacation time is here! So much change going on that we wonder where the time has gone.



Is that how your life is going? Is it just marching on without any thought of where you have been (winter) and where you are now (summer)? Have you taken any special time to stop and "smell the roses"? So many of us just ramble through life with no real looking at what we have done or are doing. Too many just forget that there is more to life than just working for a living. Sometimes we need to live to enjoy life.

If we look at our Bible and notice what God did then we need to take heed and do likewise. God "worked" for six days and then on the seventh day God rested. If God rested then so should YOU! Wow! Let's take a break and praise God for our time of rest and

relaxation.

Now, if we look at the life of Jesus we see He also rested and relaxed. Take all things in stride and enjoy your life. Work? Yes! We all need to do that. Play? Yes! This is our rest and relaxation time.

That brings me to: where is your prayer time? Where is your church time? God misses you when you have no time for Him. God wants us to remember to talk to Him and rest in Him for the comfort of your soul.

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

Stop ignoring prayer time and church time.

Look at what you miss when you don't spend time in prayer or church.

Listen to the ache in your heart when you haven't spent any time with God in prayer.

Now is the time to start the next six months towards a better self and a better relationship with God. God hurts when you ignore Him. Don't you hurt when someone ignores you? We have six months to change our attitudes and get in the groove of a real life. Work hard and pray hard and play hard. We all need those ingredients to make for a happy, healthy and successful life.

Best of the Roads and All Gears Forward in Jesus.



This is the bus that Rev. Coins drives during the school year. Every morning and every afternoon. But during the summer, it sits parked. (photos: Marilou Coins)

Upcoming Pulpit Schedule

June 3, 2018—Rev. Odette Woods
June 10, 2018—Rev. Linda White
June 17, 2018—Rev. Carol Miles
June 24, 2018—Dr. Scot Crenshaw
July 1, 2018— Dr. Scot Crenshaw
July 8, 2018—Dr. Nadine Burton



Pastoral Search Update

We're in the process of discerning God's will for our church. That's what Rev. Dr. Nadine Burton told the pastoral search committee, in so many words, when she gave an orientation to the search and call process last March. I came away from that meeting with a different perspective of what my role was as a member of the pastoral search committee.

The search for a pastor involves several steps. The ones we've completed so far include:

- ❖ Updated our congregational profile. This is a document that describes the makeup of the congregation, the ministries we participate in, what we value and what we can afford to pay a pastor. This is reviewed by prospective candidates to help them understand us and our needs.
- ❖ Reviewed profiles of available ministerial candidates. The regional office gathers and circulates detailed profiles of pastor candidates, which include background details, qualifications, desires and references.
- ❖ Conducted phone interviews with several candidates. Individual members of the pastoral search committee spoke with candidates about their calling and talents.
- ❖ Selected a few candidates to interview with the whole committee.

Now we're in the process of interviewing those candidates to determine if one of them would be a good fit for our congregation, and if that person feels led the same way. We plan to have the interviews wrapped up by next month.

We don't yet know whether one of these candidates will be a finalist recommended to the congregation, so we may interview more candidates. There's a poster in the main hallway that we keep updated with our progress.

Your continued prayers would be much appreciated!

Image credit: <http://www.intermediachannel.it/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Incontro-Meeting-Tavola-rotonda-lmc.jpg>

News of the Wider Church

Christian Church Foundation

Pulaski Heights Christian has money *invested* in the Brown Fund. This investment fund is one of four administered by the Christian Church Foundation. We *receive* money quarterly through the generosity of Sue and Lynn Jenkins. The disbursements come from their Sue and Lynn Jenkins Steward's Bank Account at the Christian Church Foundation.

The mission statement of the CCF is "Our mission is to support and expand the ability of all Disciples ministries to worship, witness and serve. We do this by identifying and resourcing donors who desire to make a difference through planned gifts, and by assisting Disciples ministries to be good stewards of their gifts through sound policies and prudent investment services."

A few years ago, following some market downturns, the Board of the church elected to move our funds from the moderately aggressive Beasley Growth Fund to the more conservative Brown Income Fund. The results have been positive and consistent for Pulaski Heights Christian.

Week of Compassion

In February of each year we collect a formal Special offering for the Week of Compassion ministries. You are aware from articles featured on this page in the past couple of years the WoC works day and night, year-round in providing assistance and disaster relief both at home and around the world.

From the latest Week of Compassion update ([which you can view online here](#)): In South Sudan, IMA World Health staff member Matt Hackworth says, "Decades of civil war, economic and ecological strife keep South Sudan on the brink of famine. As this is the world's youngest country, it is critical now that caring people around the world- including donors to Week of Compassion - support the men, women and children at risk."

One of those children is named Teer Majak. He was brought to an IMA facility where he was diagnosed as severely malnourished with medical complications including convulsions, loss of appetite, high fever, sunken eyes, and yellowish skin. He was stabilized, his medical conditions addressed, and soon he began to

grow and gain weight. In just three weeks he showed significant improvement. Following a stay in an outpatient therapy and feeding program, he was able to be discharged with the hopes of now living a life not wracked with the effects of chronic malnutrition.



Photo: ACT Alliance

With your partnership and support, we will continue to help relieve the horrors of famine.

Mission First! Initiative

From the Spring 2018 *Covenant Journal*: "Beginning with an idea in 2014 and extending through the 2017 General Assembly, the Mission First! pilot project was a broad experiment.... [A] mission council was called together to hear the data from more than 80 Mission Gatherings that involved more than 2,600 Disciples from across the United States and Canada.... There was general agreement that the Mission Gatherings across the life of the Church were a point of joy in celebrating the mission that is occurring throughout the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). The connection among those who were able to spend several hours together in person was extremely valuable according to many on the General Board. Several suggested that gatherings be scheduled every several years to continue that sense of connection. The work was also inspiration for a planned Mission Fest at the 2019 General Assembly in Des Moines."

Some of our congregation took part in a Mission Gathering at Park Hill Christian Church during in early 2016. The information from that meeting was part of the data presented to the mission council mentioned in the article.

Garden Vegetable Soup

1 1/3 cup carrots, sliced
 1 cup onion, chopped
 4 cloves garlic, mashed
 ½ cup mushrooms, chopped
 Saute above 4 ingredients (over low heat) in 1½ tsp olive oil for
 apx 5 mins.

Add:

3 cans (6 cups) no fat stock (vegetable, beef, or chicken)(I used 2
 veg & 1 beef)
 1 cup water
 3 cups cabbage, chopped (apx ¼ head)
 1 cup green beans, cut
 ½ cup tomatoes, chopped
 1 tsp basil
 1 tsp oregano
 ½ tsp salt

Simmer, covered, until beans are tender—apx 15 mins.
 Add chopped zucchini to taste, and simmer til tender.

(source of recipe lost. Wendy Paquette found it, and printed it out, but
 Google couldn't find it again.)

Please Continue Prayers for:

Rev. Scot C.; Eric C's family; Lane B., Lydia K.; Angela's
 cousin Alania, Martha C., the Perry Family, Ron C.,
 Jean H., Kim P., Lynda C., Keith R., Glenna S., Eddie
 G.; Wissam A., Joe R.; our Church; the homeless of
 Little Rock; the Great River Region of the DoC; those
 struggling to do God's will; refugees who are fleeing
 the violence of war. Pray for peace as global tensions
 rise, pray for the grieving, that they may be comforted;
 pray for those impacted by trade wars; those worldwide
 being persecuted for being 'different'; please pray for
 the wounded; the citizens and residents of the U.S.A.,
 the many who are *still* recovering from hurricanes, and
 others God leads you to know of.

April 2018 Stewardship Report

Apr. Budget Needs – \$8,125.00
 Apr. Offering – \$7,191.00
 Other Income – \$4,384.00
 Total Apr. Actual Income – \$11,575.00

Apr. Budgeted Expenses – \$8,912.08
 Apr. Actual Expenses – \$4,906.54
 Net Result for Apr. – \$ 6,668.46

Fiscal-Year-to-date through 4/30/18
 Offering – \$75,907.14
 Other Income – \$30,748.03
 Total FYTD Income – \$106,655.17
 Expenses FYTD – \$89,730.27
 Net Result FYTD – \$ 16,924.90



Events in June 2018

– Birthdays in June 1 – Janette Groover; 1 – Kenneth
 Groover; 10 – Jamie Crockett; 25 – John Graves.
 – Events of note
 17 – Father's Day 2017; Sign July birthday cards.
 18 – Third Monday Meal is served; 2501 S. Arch St.
 28 – Thursday, 6:00 pm scheduled Board Meeting
 30 – Fiscal Year 2018 ends
 – Sunday School on Break for Summer



Events in July 2018

– Birthdays in July 17 – Angela Frazier; 23 – Greg
 Pendleton; 24 – Alex Perry; 31 – Betty Jo Thibault.
 – Events of note
 1 – Fiscal Year 2019 begins; new Board takes office
 4 – Independence Day (Church office closed)
 12 – Thursday, 6:00 pm scheduled Board Meeting
 15 – Congregational Meeting.
 15 – Potluck Luncheon
 15 – Sign August birthday cards.
 16 – Third Monday Meal is served; 2501 S. Arch St.
 29 – Community Breakfast. 7:30 a.m. at Quapaw Quarter
 UMC, 1601 S. Louisiana St.
 – Sunday School on Break for Summer

image: Father's Day at <http://www.coloringpages.co.in/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/Happy-Fathers-Day-Greeting-Card-to-Print.jpg>

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