

The Good News

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Eric Compton, Sam Ellis, Carolyn Miles, Evelyn Behrle, Pamela Mason, Rebecca Frazier and John Graves gather at the potluck luncheon table on February 25, 2018.

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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Every Drop of Water You Spread

By Rev. Marilou Coins

We've all heard stories that start out "Once Upon A Time." Well, here is another one of those famous stories but with a very meaningful conclusion:

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It all starts with this woman and two buckets. Every day she would carry these two buckets down to the river and fill them. Then on her way back home, she trod the same path carrying these water-filled buckets. Oh, but that's not all! Along the way, one of the buckets on her right side had a hole in it and dripped water all along the path.



The daily watering on her right side produced a nice array of flowers. Oh, so pretty! And the fragrance just filled the air. Then someone said to her, "Why not get rid of that leaky bucket? It does no good to drip water and lose it all along the way."

She said, "Oh, look at all those pretty flowers! They bloom and grow from the drips of my bucket. Now look at the other side of the road. That bucket kept all its water, so nothing grew or blossomed along the pathway there."



Now you may wonder what all this story means and how it affects you.

Well, let me tell you what you can gather from this. That leaky bucket is YOU! Yes, you "drip" all along the pathway of your life. Every good thing you do, whether it is to help someone or just doing your daily job, is like a drop of water along the way of your life. You touch someone daily by your actions. You can transform someone who just may be having a very bad day or a very tough time by a smile or kind word. We may not even notice what we have done but someone along our pathway notices and it produces a plant that will blossom some day.

We watered someone's life. Have you ever thought that your " drop of water" is a blessing to another?

We all travel the road of life carrying our buckets of water. Do you drip water along the way? Or do you keep your water to yourself?

Christ said all who come to Him will never thirst. Christ put living water in each of us. We all need to have a hole in our bucket and drip along the way. In dripping our water on other's lives, we share Christ and His grace for all. Look at what Living Water does in our lives: It Cleanses, Heals, Redeems, Inspires, Saves, Transforms. Those letters spells C H R I S T.

And GRACE is God's Riches At Christ's Expense.

Count your blessings by every "drop of water" you spread along your daily path.



The Pastoral Column Will Continue!

We are entering an interim period while we select our next minister. No one knows how long this will last. We will have pulpit supply for the Sunday Worship function of our church, but we wanted this lead column for each month's newsletter to remain a pastoral column. Thanks to Marilou Coins, Carol Miles, and Phillip Bayne we will have a pastoral column written by an ordained minister in rotation each month while we await all the eligible candidates and the final choice of the Search and Call Committee.

---TGN editor



2018 Hillcrest Churches Lenten Worship Series Dates and Locations

All services begin at Noon on Friday.

March 2

Host Church: Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church

Preaching: Father John Marconi

March 9

Host Church: Pulaski Heights Baptist Preaching: Rev. Britt Skarda

March 16

Host Church: Our Lady of the Holy Souls Catholic Church

Preaching: Rev. Lynn Worthen

March 23

Host Church: Pulaski Heights Baptist Church

Preaching: Rev. Ruskin Falls



Great River Region co-Hosts unConference

What are you doing St. Patrick's Day this year? You could spend March 17, 2018 helping to figure out ways to lead our GRR churches over the coming year. Pastor Stacy Spencer of New Direction Christian Church in Memphis, TN will lead a conversation. Discussions include church growth and revitalization, community development, justice, or a topic that you choose!

From 9a-3p including lunch, this carries a \$10 registration. See you at Park Hill Christian Church, 4400 JFK Blvd, North Little Rock, AR 72116.



Little Rock Marathon 2018

We received a letter this year from the organizers of our city's annual marathon race event. "We know that, as a church or place of worship, Sundays are a big day for you. We hope this letter and attached course map will be a helpful resource for you to plan your Sunday services on March 4, as well as to communicate the best travel route and parking for your members. We ask for your continued understanding and support by cheering on the athletes as they conquer the course and complete their quest to cross the finish line."

Please allow yourself some extra time to get to church on March 4th. Usually there are officers to allow people to cross northbound on Beechwood St. during the Marathon, but you may have to wait several minutes. They don't stop the runners! The event is rain or shine.

2018 Lenten Series at PHCC

On February 23, 2018 our church hosted the Worship and Luncheon for the Hillcrest Lenten Series. Susan Miller anchored the service. Rev. Jay Clark of Pulaski Heights Methodist brought the message. Jeannie Cross brought music. 56 attended Worship with 45 staying to eat lunch. We had the help of six members to prepare and serve the luncheon.



Upcoming Pulpit Schedule

March 4, 2018 – Rev. Carolyn Miles March 11, 2018 – Rev. Alison Robuck March 18, 2018 – Sarah Bloom March 25, 2018 – Rev. Miles Cook April 1, 2018, Easter Sunday – Rev. Carolyn Miles April 8, 2018 – Rev. Scot Crenshaw

Farewell Luncheon for Susan

February 25, 2018 was Susan's last day as our pastor. To bid her a fond farewell we held our quarterly Potluck Luncheon a few weeks early, and in her honor. 16 stayed for the luncheon. There was plenty of food and Fellowship. People remained to visit for over an hour, including some visitors! Photos below.



A Recipe

CHICKEN CASSEROLE

We ate this on Feb. 25! It was really good.

8 oz. macaroni shells (uncooked)

2 c. diced cooked chicken

2 cans cream of mushroom soup

1 soup can of milk

1 c. chicken broth

1 2 oz jar pimentos

1/2 c. diced onions

8 oz. shredded cheddar cheese

In large bowl, combine all ingredients, mix well. Pour into greased 9 x 13 pan. Cover and refrigerate overnight. Remove cover and bake at 350° for 1 hour. Serves 8 to 10 people.

Recipe by Mary Ellen Keyser Supplied by Sam Ellis

Please Continue Prayers for:

Eric C's family; Martha C., the Perry Family, Ron C., Jean H., Kim P., Lynda C., Keith R., Dylan R., Glenna & Bill S., Julia C.; Wissam A.; 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; those worldwide being persecuted for being 'different'; please pray for the wounded; for reconciliation among the citizens and residents of the U.S.A., 28 - Justin Runnels VC3. for the millions who are still recovering from 2017 hurricanes, and others God leads you to know of.

January 2018 Stewardship Report

Jan. Budget Needs - \$8,125.00 Jan. Offering -\$5,981.00Other Income -\$3.529.50Total Jan. Actual Income – \$9,510.50

Jan. Budgeted Expenses – \$8,912.08 Jan. Actual Expenses -\$10,117.19Net Loss for Jan. -\$ - 606.69

Fiscal-Year-to-date through 1/31/18 Offering -\$48,438.00Other Income -\$28,176.47Total FYTD Income - \$76,614.47 Expenses FYTD - \$71,557.42 Net Result FYTD - \$ 5,057.05



Events in March 2018

- Birthdays in March 14 - Phillip Bayne; 23 - Rachel Smith; 24 - Carolyn Martin; 25 - Jean Hampton; 31 - Tom Ryan.

- Events of note

2 - Hillcrest Lenten Luncheon at Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. Fr. John Marconi preaching.

4 - Little Rock Marathon 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

9 – Hillcrest Lenten Luncheon at Pulaski Heights Baptist Church. Rev. Britt Skarda preaching.

18 - Sign April birthday cards.

19 - Third Monday Meal is served; 1101 W. Markham St.

14 - 6:00 pm scheduled Board Meeting

16 – Hillcrest Lenten Luncheon at Holy Souls Catholic Church, Rev. Lynn Worthen preaching.

23 – Hillcrest Lenten Luncheon at Pulaski Heights Baptist Church. Rev. Ruskin Falls preaching.

25 - Palm Sunday

30 - Good Friday

- Sunday School Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25



Events in April 2018

- Birthdays in April 15 - Sue Jenkins; 16 - Chet Chaney;

18 - Nathan Perry VC3; 23 - Grace Rehmert VC3:

- Events of note

1 - Easter Sunday 2018

11 - 6:00 pm scheduled Board Meeting

15 - Sign May birthday cards.

16 – Tax returns are due today

16 - Third Monday Meal is served; 1101 W. Markham St.

29 – Community Breakfast; 7:30 a.m. Quapaw Quarter UMC, 1601 S. Louisiana St.

- Sunday School Apr. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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