

# The Good News

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PHCC (Pulaski Heights Christian Church)





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

### **PHCC Ministries of Importance**

#### Feed the Hungry

Every third Wednesday PHCC provides the boiled eggs, orange juice and human power to **Feed the Hungry at the Salvation Army** building in Little Rock. There is no need to peel the eggs, just boil 'em and bring 'em. The distribution begins promptly at 7:00 AM and ends promptly at 7:30AM. It goes on every weekday. We Help out on this one Wednesday a month.

Contact Tim Woodard, or Holly for information. More information is also available on the website under "Faith Opportunities."

**Arkansas Foodbank** is involved in disaster relief to those who are displaced by flooding all over Arkansas this Spring. They "work alongside the Red Cross, Salvation Army and other organizations that serve as first and second responders in times of emergency," according to the Foodbank newsletter.

## The Pastor's Musings



A few weeks ago in the middle of a sermon, I asked you all to share with me - "Where have you seen God this week?"

I cried when I read the responses. I am so grateful for each and every one of you — you bless my life incredibly. It was most interesting to me that the majority of the responses had to do with people.... Real, live, flawed, breathing human beings that reflect the love, the goodness, the caring, the joy, the faith that Christ instills in us when we are indeed **Abiding in God**...

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Summertime offers a special challenge for Foodbank. In a special memo, director Phyllis Haynes points out that "for many kids in central and southern Arkansas, the meals they receive through their school breakfast and lunch programs are the only ones they can count on." These are suspended when school is out, so Foodbank works through 350 partner agencies to provide food to these children and other struggling persons in the affected areas.

"Just \$1 provides enough food for three meals!" the memo points out. "Summer is no vacation when you're hungry."

The Arkansas Foodbank <u>has a website</u>. Please read about their programs on the linked page.

Family Promise – May 15-22, 2011



What a rewarding week for so many! PHCC had the privilege of hosting Crystal and her children Reese, Lexi and Sean. We were pleasantly surprised when they peeked in the sanctuary door during Sunday worship. They weren't expected until about 12:30 pm, but what a great treat for everyone to meet them early.

It was pure serendipity that the church was having a potluck that day, and more so that we had great Psalm 8 speaks of this:

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars...what are humans that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet....O Lord, our Sovereignhow majestic is your name in all the earth!

Remember this — that God has chosen you — to do the work of Christ — to care, to love, to heal, to work, to comfort, to share, to encourage —You have a unique purpose here on earth. Praise be to God!

God bless you all! Peace,

— Rev. Holly Patton

## New Member



#### Pulaski Heights Christian Church

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Sunday Worship ~ 10:50 a.m.
Rev. Holly Patton ~ Pastor
Music Director ~ Betty Jo Thibault
Musician ~ Bill Ward
Music Ministry ~ Stephen & Jeannie Cross

weather for eating outdoors. The family loved the meal - especially Lexi, who may have been spied making a return trip for her favorite dish (fried chicken). The occasion was perfect for many members to get to know Crystal a little better.

A special shout out for one host in particular this rotation. Although she would not want the acknowledgement, Jamie Tribo and her good friend Vanna have been such faithful hosts to families for several years now. Jamie and Vanna are in medical school. After the families settle down, they always whip out their laptops in their bedroom (the library) and get to studying! In addition to preparing Sunday dinner and spending Sunday evening this time, Jamie desired to spend more nights if needed. Lastly, Jamie said she has other friends who will volunteer in the future for overnight duties if openings exist. Jamie and Vanna, thank you for everything.

A few more highlights of the week...Clairetta Cogdell (one of our QQUMC partners) and her daughter Connie spent the night Tuesday. Clairetta discovered one of Lexi's hidden talents – playing the piano. Lexi was very impressive, in fact she is a multi-talented young lady.

Pam and Rita served a delicious pot roast on Thursday. What Reese enjoyed the most was the kickin' basketball game he and Rita got into (even though Rita bested him by two points). Reese spent every second he could shooting hoops.

Friday night was the scene for a fun game of Monopoly. At 11:30 pm, we were all pooped and called it a draw!

Friday night was also a shining example how the Family Promise program sells itself, once people see it in action. Matt McLeod (one of our resident artists upstairs) was having an art show that evening. Matt's sister was in attendance, and was so impressed with the program that she approached us about serving the next rotation.

Saturday was a blast as we all hiked from the church through the woods to Allsopp Park. Here are the kids playing with others in the stream – under Mama's watchful eye!

Sunday was a great ending for the week. It happened to be Lexi's tenth birthday and she was so excited and honored to be presented a birthday cake (complete with lit candles) during the service. Did anyone else about choke up when she said to the church, "Thank you for being so nice to us." As Crystal was getting into her car to go to the next church, she offered the exact same sentiment. Thank you, Crystal and family for allowing us to serve you.



PHCC FAMILY PROMISE VOLUNTEERS May 15-22, 2011

Sunday Dinner and Overnight: Jamie Tribo and

Vanna

Monday Overnight: Evelyn Behrle Tuesday Dinner: Alan and Bonita Johnson

Wednesday Dinner: Gena Wilfong

Thursday Dinner: Rita Jernigan and Pam Hendrick

Saturday Overnight: Tim Woodard, Jessica Mathews, Tammy Odom and Bart Newsom

# June 2011



Birthdays in June 1 – Lynn Sigmund; 6 – Gina Baity, Jada Webb; 12 – Tanner Summerlin; 13 – Sara K. Johnson; 24 – Marge LaPointe; 25 – John W. Graves.

Events of note 15 - 7:00 AM Feed the Hungry at the Salvation Army; 19 – Potluck Luncheon! Sign July Birthday cards!

Mark Bible Study concludes on June 12.

A 3-week study of **The Holy Spirit**: June 19, 26, July 03.

# **July 2011**





Birthdays in July 5 – Jan Painton; 6 – Shelbi Summerlin; 9– Robert Bacon, Susan Gordon; 10 – Linda Hampton; 12 – Cassie Tipton; 17 – Angela Frazier; 19 – Alex Summerlin, Jay Summerlin; 23- Alan Johnson, Greg Pendleton; 25 – Lori Smart, Gena Wilfong; 31 – Betty Jo Thibault.

Events of note 17 – Potluck Luncheon! Sign August Birthday cards! 19 - 7:00 AM Feed the Hungry at the Salvation Army.

Sunday School Study: The Psalms July 10, 17, 24



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### **Getting Connected with PHCC**

To the left is the sidebar menu that appears on each page of the PHCC website: <a href="mailto:phcc-lr.org">phcc-lr.org</a>.

Some links are not up to date, but we're trying to make everything up-to-the-minute. Already, the Calendar link displays everything that is in the Event List. When there is too much information, you get a link that will pop open a window with every event for a date, or with the information for an individual event.

The **Calendar** features all known birthdays, church events, Board meetings, Potlucks, Sunday School class information. Our aim is to make the website a clearing house for church information for those who have access to the Worldwide Web.

To the right is a miniature version of the present web page for July 2011 events.

You already know that each issue of The Good News <u>appears on the website</u> for reading or downloading (for four issues back).

You may also Hear Sermons on the website.

We ask that you use the website to keep abreast of what is happening, and for our members who don't have internet access, give them a call and keep them informed, too. It will build the PHCC community, and allow everyone who is a regular attender or a prospective member, to know what is going on in our growing church community.

Also, if you are on Facebook. Become a friend of PHCC and request to join the group PHCC Regulars to be kept abreast of the latest developments at our church.









Photo comparison...a year makes quite a difference!





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