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CROWN HEIGHTS United Methodist Church

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ROLL DOWN, JUSTICE

Lent is the season before Easter. It is forty days long because that's how long Jesus went into the desert and was tempted by Satan. Lent is our time to be in the desert, surrounded by our temptations and faults, with the hopes that we, too, will emerge and stand ready for true ministry and joy.

This year as we visit the desert, along with accompanying Jesus, we will also go to the deserts of the Old Testament. We will focus on the exiled prophets, who cried out in the wilderness for justice in their world. We will hear the words of Amos, who called the exiled Israelites to let "justice roll down like waters."

This Lent we pray we see all the ways we fail short as individuals and a society. May we spent this season examining ourselves and our world, longing for the world God promised.

Ash Wednesday



Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us to begin our Lenten journey with a solemn service of scripture and administering of ashes on our forehead.

*Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.*

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT by Trina Bose North

Throughout Lent, we will gather each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. for prayer and an introduction to a spiritual discipline. Our tradition has some timeless practices to experience God. Join us each week for short time to center on God. Our guest leader will be Dr. Amy Oden.

- March 1 Ash Wednesday, led by Trina Bose North
- March 8 Service, led by Trina Bose North
- March 15 Taize worship- Examen/ Listening, led by Amy Oden
- March 22 Lectio Divina, led by Amy Oden
- March 29 Breath Prayer, led by Amy Oden
- April 5 Silence, led by Amy Oden
- Holy Week (No Wednesday worship)
- Maundy Thursday worship, 6:30 p.m.

Allow me to introduce you to Dr. Amy Oden. Amy was my undergraduate religion professor while I was a student at Oklahoma City University. She lives out her spirituality in beautiful and practical ways. I remember walking into one of her classes with her. I commented, "Oh good, I thought I was late for class." She said, "We are, but for Lent, I gave up rushing and worrying if I'm running late." She embodies her faith and brings that into every room she enters.

Presently, Dr. Oden is Professor of Early Church History and Spirituality at Saint Paul School of Theology at OCU. Teaching is her calling, and she looks forward to every day with students. For 25 years, Amy has taught theology and history, pursuing scholarship in service of the church. Most of her work has been an effort to make ancient voices, especially women's, accessible to current audiences. Born and raised on the prairies of Oklahoma, she currently lives in Oklahoma City with her husband, who is a United Methodist pastor. She is also the niece of Bishop Bill Oden, who served Crown Heights UMC in the 1970's.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wednesdays of Lent
Prayer and Practice at 6:30 p.m., sanctuary
- March 1 Ash Wednesday worship at 6:30 p.m., sanctuary
- March 12 Time Change – Move your clocks forward 1 hour.
- March 22 Ladies’ Day Out at 11 a.m., meet at the church office. Lunch at Lido’s
- March 25 Movie Night at 6:00 p.m.
- March 26 Youth – Dodge ball at Edmond UMC
- April 1-8 We will be collecting either pre-filled eggs or bags of candy (we have quite a few plastic eggs, ready to be filled). Eggs will be used in the Easter Egg Hunt the next week.
- April 1 Trustee Workday
- April 2 Trustee Meeting at noon
- April 12 Finance Meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- April 13 Maundy Thursday worship at 6:30 p.m.
- April 16 Easter Sunday, Egg Hunt at noon
- April 19 Dinner at Members’ homes, sign up through the office
- April 23 Administrative Council at noon.
Youth – Mission Project
- April 26 Ladies’ Day Out at 11:00 a.m.
Arts Academy Celebration 4:30 p.m.
- April 29 Worship at 10:00 a.m.
- April 30 **No Church** – Memorial Marathon
- May 13 Mother’s Day Tea, 4:00 p.m.
Guest speaker Linda Amick Dodson

HOME DINNERS

April 19, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.
R.S.V.P.

- When:** Wednesday April 19th, 6:30 p.m.
- Where:** different church families will host about 8 people for dinner
- Who:** Everyone is invited to attend! Simply R.S.V.P. to the office, and we will assign you a place for dinner.
- Why:** We want our members to know each other better. Groups will be loosely organized by proximity, while striving for compatible, diverse groups.

There will also be a missional component for each dinner group. Projects will be easy to complete during our time together.

Africa University	\$139.00
Black College Fund	\$619.00
Board of Ordained Ministry	\$538.00
Camps and Conferences	\$680.00
Campus Ministries	\$1,639.00
Circle of Care	1,586.00
Coalition for the Cent	\$156.00
Criminal Justice and Merc	850.00
Hispanic Ministries	124.00
Lydia Patterson Institute	82.00
Ministerial Education Fund	53.00
Neighborhood Services Organization	28.00
New Faith Communities	\$2,799.00
New People/New Faces	\$3,500.00
Office of Missions	\$8.00
OK Indian Missionary Society	\$0.00
Oklahoma City University	\$1,700.00

Easter Offering for United Methodist Missions throughout Lent and Easter.

**TIME CHANGE
MARCH 12
MOVE YOUR CLOCKS
FORWARD ONE HOUR.**

OKC MEMORIAL MARATHON WEEKEND
Worship on **Saturday**, April 29 at **10:00 a.m.**
No services on **Sunday**, April 30



SUNDAY SCHOOL OPTIONS

Our church has some wonderful Sunday School classes meeting weekly. Especially throughout Lent, consider if one of these classes is right for you. In between the worship services, we offer Sunday School classes for all ages. They meet from 9:45- 10:45 a.m. each Sunday.

1. **The Fishermen Class** meets in the Youth Activity Building. They follow the adult Sunday School curriculum by Cokesbury Publishing House. They share leadership responsibilities.
2. **The Pyramid Class** also meets in the Youth Activity Building. They rotate topics, often discussing books or video series. Right now, they are in a series on Christian architecture. Their teacher is Elizabeth Anthony.
3. **The Journey Class** meets in the Parlor. They enjoy discussions based on books, video series, and Bible studies. As Lent begins on March 5th, they will read Joan’s Chittister’s book called *In Search of Belief*. Trina Bose North teaches this class.
4. **The Discovery Class** meets (3 of the 4 Sundays per month) in the Library in the Youth Activity Building. Recently they have been reading “*Letters on Christmas*” and are enjoying that topic. Janet Basler leads this class.

MOVIE NIGHT

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Russian Revolution, this March CHUM Movie Night presents...

COMRADE X (1940)
starring Clark Gable and Hedy Lamarr

Saturday, March 25 @ 6:00pm

Clark Gable plays an American journalist toying with hearts in Moscow while uncovering political intrigue at the Kremlin in this spirited satire of Soviet Russia, full of fun, droll dialog and fantastic farce.

As usual, this screening will feature an introduction by me and is appropriate for ages 10+. Drinks and popcorn are provided. Other pot-luck movie snacks are welcome.

A WORD OF THANKS FROM OUR JUDGE

Judge Amick turned 94 on January 31. Many of our members sent him greetings. This was his response:

My Dear Friends, *February 5*

I want to thank the Lord for permitting me to live long enough to read all of the beautiful incredible birthday cards and messages I received, and was able to read the sentiments therein expressed. I wish I had the energy to respond to the sentiments expressed by each sender. These sentiments moved my heart in such a way that I can hardly described. I love each and every one of you.

Sincerely, John M. Amick



EASTER FOR OUR KIDS

by Katie Langer

April 1 – 8

We will be collecting either pre-filled eggs or bags of candy (we have quite a few plastic eggs, ready to be filled).

Eggs will be used in the Easter Egg Hunt for our kids.

**WHIZ KIDS**

by Janet Basler

We keep getting new tutors and new Whiz Kids this year !! Since January we have added 4 new students to begin reading with the 4 new tutors who have volunteered. It is awesome to see new people come into this tutoring program with excitement and joy on their faces.

This year Pastor Trina has brought much excitement and great storytelling to the Bible ClubTime at Whiz Kids. The kids are learning Bible stories about people who have their own names: Josiah, Rebecca, Nathan, Noah, and Priscilla. Their pride and excitement in learning that their names are in the stories of the Bible is wonderful to see.

During our 'Star of the Week' this year we have learned that several of our Whiz Kids want and plan to be doctors when they are grown. They want to help others as they or someone in their families have been helped. We've also learned how hard each of our Whiz Kids are working to learn to read better. Some are getting to the point where they are enjoying the books they're reading so much they look for new ones to read outside of Whiz Kids - a first for them in their lives.

Thank you for your prayers and support of the Whiz Kids and their tutors. Lives are truly being changed through our Whiz Kids.

YOUTH SCHEDULE**March 26** 3:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Dodge ball at Edmond United Methodist Church

April 23 Noon – 3:00 p.m.

Mission project at Skyline Urban Ministries

**ARTS ACADEMY PREPARES FOR SPRING RECITAL/SHOWCASE**

by Janet Basler

Mark Your Calendars for Wednesday, **APRIL 26th**.

- ♪ Violins are making music now.
- ♪ Drums now have real rhythms echoing from them.
- ♪ Sculpted clay pots have been fired, glazed and fired again, to be admired by their creators and fellow students.
- ♪ Pianos have music flowing out of them that make feet start dancing to the sounds.
- ♪ Guitar players are becoming singers also as they accompany themselves in making music.
- ♪ Artists are hard at work drawing faces, and landscapes in ways that show much creativity.
- ♪ Photographers are finding different angles to things, and how to let the computer help them see things didn't realize were in their photos.
- ♪ Singers are memorizing lines, music, and beginning to learn some choreography to accompany their songs.

It is an exciting time at the Arts Academy! The young teachers are guiding their students toward the Recital/Showcase on April 26th. With 2 weeks off for Spring Break between now and then, perfecting their performances and artwork is becoming more and more the priority. Both teachers and students are anxiously preparing for the time they can show you and their families how much they've learned this year.

Please save the date - April 26th, 4:30-5:30 pm - and plan to come celebrate and encourage our young musicians and artists.

Crown Heights United Methodist Church

Beautiful, classic 1930's sanctuary with gorgeous stained glass windows and vaulted wood ceilings. Brick exterior with covered walkways perfect for photos. Conveniently located to downtown and restaurants and venues on 23rd Street, Paseo, and Western.



Photo by Aubrey Marie Photography

1021 NW 37th Street
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<http://crownheightsumc.org/>

Crown Heights UMC bought an ad in the Gazette. February 15th was their wedding edition, and we were advertising our beautiful church for weddings.

CHURCH STAFF

Trina Bose North, Lead Pastor

Stacy Gilbert Coombe	Administrative Assistant
Libby Campbell	Accounting Secretary
Mario Estrada	Custodian
Mariann Searle	Coordinator of Music Ministry
Jay Williams	Youth/Children Minister
Katie Langer	Nursery Coordinator
Keaton Langer	Nursery Assistant
Phoebe Butts	Nursery Assistant
Elijah & Sofia	Nursery Assistants

IMPORTANT PARKING UPDATE

In collaboration with our terrific neighbors The Vine Community Church, we are working together to reserve the small parking lot across 37th Street just south of our building for those with limited mobility. Please take care to park only in the general parking area on the west side of Western Avenue or on the street unless you have limited mobility. There is a very limited amount of



spaces in this small lot and we need to make sure that it is free to be used by those who need it. Thank you!

TRUSTEE WORK DAY

Church Workday, Saturday April 1, 2017.

Along with students from OU, we invite our members to work on improving our grounds.

There are plenty of unskilled projects on our to-do list.

- 1) Moving roof tiles into the building for storage
- 2) Painting 2nd floor classrooms
- 3) General grounds cleanup (leaves in parking lot, around AC units, etc)
- 4) Clean playground equipment and outdoor furniture

Thank you to all who can come and help!

PREACHING SCHEDULE

Lent

- March 1 **Ash Wednesday**, Amos 5:21-24, *Let Justice Roll Down*
- March 5 Roman 8:31-39, *You Are a Child of God*
Service with Communion
- March 12 Psalm 13, *God is Good All the Time*, Solo of "I Choose Love"
- March 19 Matthew 25: 31-40, *I See Christ in You*
- March 26 Luke 23: 32-43, *You Are Family*
- April 2 Isaiah 58: 6-12, *Let's Get to Work!*
Service with Communion
- April 9 **Palm Sunday**, Isaiah 35, *The Day is Coming*
Congregational song of "Roll Down, Justice!"
- April 13 **Maundy Thursday**, Matthew 26: 26-46, *Falling to Pieces -*
Somber worship with communion and special music, "I Believe"

Easter

- April 16 **Easter**, Matthew 28: 1-9, *All Are Welcomed*
Egg hunt at noon

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February Highlights



At our Souper Bowl party, our Girl Scouts sold cookies. Jamie Gross said, “They sold 81 boxes!!! It was so much fun, they really had a blast and they all got to do different jobs. Thanks for letting us sell - our church is so generous!”

A glimpse into Arts Academy— Each Wednesday afternoon about 35 kids come to sing, draw, and make music. At the end of each session, Janet Basler teaches quick Bible story or moral lesson, and boy, she is great!



February 12, 2017 Drew Southworth and Moriah Miller joined our church. In January, Kyle and Robert Hicks, Allie and Wesley Burkett, Crystal Wells, Randy Whiten, and Eva Whiten (Randy’s mom) also joined our church. Each of these people bring to our church their faith and gifts for God. We are so blessed. Make a special effort to get to know them.