



THE TRUMPET

CROWN HEIGHTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH — LEAD PASTOR: REV. TRINA BOSE-NORTH



These carrots were grown in our church garden, planted and harvested by our youth, and given to our Mobile Meals clients with their lunch on August 23, 2021.

Through the Fall, we will offer Sanctuary Worship at 8:30am and Outdoor Worship at 11am. Masks are highly recommended in the church building and when gathering in groups outside.

GATHER US IN

BY TRINA BOSE NORTH

As life moves back into something more familiar, there have been more opportunities to gather. Our souls come to life in the midst of family, friends, and community. I can feel life come back into our church, in worship and in each gathering. It feels like an awakening. I feel God drawing us in and calling us to our particular rhythm and purpose.

Our church does have a particular calling in our community. We believe in God's unconditional love and strive to spread God's love to others. Our church has done this in so many ways for so many people, and we are always looking for our next avenue to show God's love. As Oklahoma City prepares for 1,000 Afghan refugees, I pray God pulls together our church in mission, to serve those who need God's welcome and love most in this moment. Our church is primed for this undertaking. We have been blessed and strengthened through our time together. And we believe God gathers us in, only to send us out again.

Marty Haugen in the song "Gather Us In," writes,

*Gather us in, the lost and forsaken
Gather us in, the blind and the lame
Call to us now and we shall awaken
We shall arise at the sound of our name.*

May we hear God's call upon our hearts, awakening us to spread the love of God to those who need it most on this day.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 am-- Sanctuary Worship
with weekly communion

9:45- 10:45 am-- Sunday School

11 am-- Outdoor Worship
Bring a lawn chair.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SCHEDULE

Nursery is available from 8:30am-12:15pm.

Children and Youth Sunday School is from 9:45-10:45am.

Meet in the Fellowship Hall, for breakfast, then a lesson.

Children and Youth are encouraged to attend the **11am Service**.

In Worship, kids are invited up for the Children's Moment, after which they can leave for Children's Church time.

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER CALENDAR

WORSHIP SCHEDULE —

8:30AM—SANCTUARY WORSHIP

9:45-10:45AM—SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR

11AM—OUTDOOR WORSHIP

October

Oct 3, Sunday— Memorial Marathon, ONE SERVICE 9:30am, outside worship, walk to Classen to cheer on runners

Oct 6, Wednesday— Ministry Resource Team Mtg, 5:30pm

Oct 13, Wednesday— Retiree lunch, 11:30am

Oct 14, Thursday— No Whiz Kids, Fall Break

Oct 24, Sunday—Blessing of Animals, 11am Outdoor Worship

Oct 30, Saturday— Youth Day Trip to Dallas, 9:30am- 6pm

November

Nov 6, Saturday—Flower Arranging with Corinne, 9:30am

Nov 7, Sunday— Fall Time Change, All Saints' Day

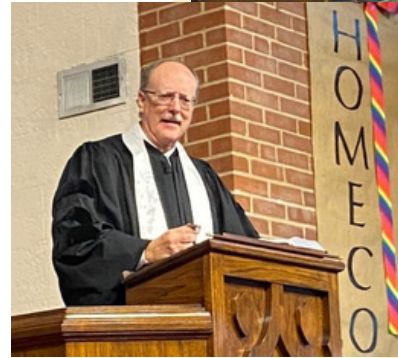
Nov 10, Wednesday— Retiree Lunch, 11:30am

Nov 11, Thursday— Young Adult dinner at Tucker's, 5:30pm

Nov 14, Sunday— Youth Gathering, noon to 2:30pm

Bishop Nunn's Visit

Bishop Jimmy Nunn of the Oklahoma United Methodist Church led worship on September 19, 2021 as part of our Homecoming celebration. He was available during the Sunday School hour for an informal time of questions. Bishop Nunn talked about the wait we are in for the next General Conference and the need to address the division with our denomination. But he also said, he hopes that in the "meantime," United Methodist churches will continue to do the work of God in their communities and live into their passions and vision.



Memorial Marathon, October 3, 2021

On **Sunday October 3**, we will have ONE SERVICE outside at 9:30am. Bring a lawn chair. After worship, you are invited to make a sign and walk to Classen to cheer on the marathon runners. Crown Heights UMC is located inside the marathon route. It is tricky to get here on race day but possible. Try to come in from the southeast and take the main roads, like Classen (if open on one side) and 36th, but avoid Western north of the church. Give yourself a little extra time.

Good luck to Ken Tillotson, running the full marathon, and Ashley Hafemann, Mackenzie Tulliet and Hannah Wilkes-Ball, running the half!



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



Bring your pet to Outdoor Worship on **Sunday, October 24 at 11am**. We will bless each and every animal present. If your pet is not up for the crowd, Trina can come to your house to give blessings. Just let her know.

FLOWER ARRANGING

One of members let slip that she used to arrange flowers, and we jumped on it! Join us for a hands-on tutorial on flower arrangement by Corinne Heynam.

Bring your own flowers and vase to the backyard of the church on

Saturday, November 6 at 9:30am.

Special invitation to Gen Xers & anyone interested

RENTAL ROOM UPSTAIRS

Need office space?

We have a large room available in the administration building with space for two to three people.

The entire room could be rented for \$500 monthly OR could be rented as shared space, \$250 monthly for half the room.

Talk to Trina to discuss your needs.

The room has WiFi, light custodial, and is furnished.



SPECIAL GIVING

GATHER US IN



CROWN HEIGHTS
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2021 SPECIAL
GIVING

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ADOPT AN APPORTIONMENT

Camps & Conferences — \$347.00
Hispanic Ministries — \$277.00
World Service Fund — \$4,552.00
Black College Fund — \$613.00
Africa University — \$137.00
Campus Ministry — \$1,335.00
Circle of Care — \$1,344.00
Cookson Hills Center — \$132.00
Criminal Justice & Mercy Ministry — \$712.00
Neighborhood Services Organization — \$26.00
Office of Mission Programming — \$497.00
Oklahoma City University — \$1,387.00
Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference — \$316.00
Project Transformation — \$13.00
Restore Hope — \$185.00
Skyline Urban Ministry — \$185.00

Please mark my donation in the amount of:

to go toward :

If your designated ministry has been funded,
your donation will go toward another ministry.

UPDATE FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE BY LEE ENDICOTT

Crown Heights UMC has a strong history of supporting the connectional ministries throughout the city, state, nation, and world through the gifts made through the apportionment process. Currently, our church has two sets of apportionment payments to support the Oklahoma Conference. The first set requires an annual payment of \$28,044 for various UM-related ministries and programs such as Hispanic Ministries, Black College Fund, Ministerial Education Fund, and administrative expenses. We are encouraged to pay 100% of these ministries. The second set of apportionments is "connectional opportunities" involving ministries within Oklahoma such as Campus Ministry, Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministry, Skyline Urban Ministry and Oklahoma City University. During the next few months, the Finance Committee will leave donation cards for these ministries in the back of your pews. We encourage you select one of these organizations or ministries and make a specific gift that will be applied to our church's suggested payment for that ministry. Your gift will allow you and Crown Heights to extend God's grace to others in our community and state.

It is also time for our annual pledge campaign. This year's theme will be "Gather Us In." Please be looking for the letter from Trina and me kicking off this year's campaign. The pledge campaign is one of the ways the Finance Committee can budget for 2022's expenditures, so please be sure to timely return your pledge card. Thank you!

Thank you!

This special giving card lists the amount of money our church has committed to give to support the ministries beyond our local church. It is through our Apportionments that the United Methodist Church is able to have such an impact for good around the world. If any of the ministries listed speaks to your heart, consider making a donation to it through our church of any amount. Use this card to tell us how to apply your gift.



Crown Heights UMC Cares About Refugees



As the United States ends the war in Afghanistan, many Afghans are fleeing their home country for safety and opportunity. At this point, our government has committed to allow over 50,000 Afghans under the Afghan Parolee Support program. Most of the Afghans left their homes with very few items. For 90 days, arriving Afghans will be provided core services like temporary housing, sourcing long term housing, immunizations, school enrollment, and acquiring identification documents. They will also receive \$1225 per person. Parolee status is temporary so Afghans must apply for asylum and proper authorization to work in this country. Oklahoma City is expecting 1,000 Afghan refugees to come.

Working through the Spero Project and Catholic Charities, Crown Heights UMC has committed to furnish and supply three homes for arriving Afghans. We join three other United Methodist churches in this work (Wesley UMC, St. Stephens UMC, Tulsa First UMC). Together we want to be God's welcome and love in Oklahoma for these displaced people, relying on the kindness of strangers to make Oklahoma home.

Estimated cost to ready a home:

Furniture (for used items) -- \$1080
 Household items -- \$377
 Cost for mattresses/ pillows/ sheets -- \$1,011
 Giftcard for groceries -- \$150
 Rental assistance (if needed) -- \$1,000

TOTAL -- \$3,618

Costs will be lowered by any material donations (used or new).

Ways to help:

- Donate cash, label gift "missions"
- Make in-kind donations
- Help coordinate effort and track donations
- Sort and assemble donated items
- Shop for items not donated
- Pick up furniture and other larger items
- Set up apartment days prior to move in
- Spread the word regarding our needs through networking and social media
- Let Catholic Charities know if you are aware of any affordable apartments or rental homes available in the OKC area.

October Care Project

We are collecting new or gently used items for our three homes. Items needed to furnish a home:

- Furniture (sofa, loveseat, chair, small dining room table and chairs, bed frames and box springs, end tables- new or good used condition)
- Other household items (lamps, linens, storage pieces/ bins, microwave, kitchen items- new or good used condition)
- Toiletries and personal items (men, women, children)
- Cleaning supplies
- Non-perishable food

November Care Project

We will need to raise money to fulfill this commitment. Raising money for:

- Household items not donated
- Mattresses, pillows, sheets (must be new)
- Gift cards to Walmart, Target, etc. for groceries
- Money to help with rent after the 90 days

FIND YOUR PEOPLE!**Young Adult Group***20s- 30s+*

Thursday, November 11, let's meet at Tucker's Onion Burgers (23rd St, eat outside) at 5:30pm. Bring family and friends! Ask Trina to join the Young Adult Group on Facebook for connection and information.

Gen Xers

born between mid-1960s and the early-1980s+
Saturday, November 6 at 9:30am, join us at the church as Corinne teaches us how to arrange flowers. Bring your own flowers and vase.

We will set up tables in the backyard.
For Xers and anyone interested.

Retirees*retired or soon-to-be retired*

We are planning monthly lunches on the second Wednesdays of the month. Join us on Wednesdays, October 13 and November 10.

Either meet at the church at 11am to drive together OR meet at the restaurant at 11:30am.

For real, find your people! We are offering generational opportunities for fellowship and getting to know one another. Every gathering has been wonderful!



Sept 23-- Young Adults at The Big Friendly. Very relaxing place to gather with friends and kids.

Aug 8-- Gen Xers at the Jones's Assembly, reminiscing on favorite songs, like "I'll Make Love to You," "The Sign," and "This is How We Do It."



Sept 8-- The Retirees have taken to patio lunching at Pizzeria Gusto. It really is picture perfect!

LOOK WHAT WE DID TOGETHER

In August & September, our church served our community in various ways.

Members gave cards and gifts to our postal carriers.

We bought living room furniture for one of our refugee families.

We provided breakfast for the teachers at Putnam Heights Academy.

We donated \$200 to Harding Fine Arts Academy for school supplies.

We gave \$320 worth of produce to Skyline Urban Ministries.

Our youth harvested the garden and prepared food for Mobile Meals.

Our youth sold meals and cupcakes, earning \$1000 for our refugee families.

Whiz Kids are back in the building, with 20 tutors reading with 20 students each Thursday.



WHIZ KIDS IS UP & RUNNING

BY JANET BASLER

Running, giggling, non-stop talking, along with smiles and shyness in some filled the church last week at Whiz Kids. Fourteen Whiz Kids and fourteen tutors first greeted each other at Wilson Elementary School; amazingly managed to get each Whiz Kid strapped into the new booster seats in the cars, and finally made their way to our church's fellowship hall. There they were greeted with colorfully set tables, delicious ham and cheese sliders, jello, fruit, chips, and apple juice. Sally Hayes served her food to each Whiz Kid with a welcoming smile and a good word for each one. Mike Brown's donuts were a hit with both kids and tutors. Soon the kids and tutors were off to their reading time together. At one point Pastor Trina took the kids to our beautiful backyard for a Bible story and a little running-around fun time. That's when the tutors had a chance to ask questions of our reading specialists for help in reading with their new Whiz Kids. When the whistle blew signaling the end of our time together, many of the tutors and kids were amazed their time together had passed so quickly. Kids again were strapped into the seats and left for their homes. Within an hour of the children reaching their homes, our Wilson teacher got a call from another parent asking if her child could be in Whiz Kids. Their family had heard from one of our first grade Whiz Kids about how much fun it was.

We continue to pair children with tutors who will be starting in the next few weeks. Our teacher at Wilson tells us she has even more kids who need a Whiz Kid tutor. So much learning is needed to help kids 'catch up' from last year's virtual learning. It's very difficult to teach kindergarten kids to read and write without being with them. So our tutors are helping tremendously to give 1st grade kids what they need to learn the very basics they missed last year.



If you would like to help a kid by reading with them each week for forty-five minutes and becoming one more adult in their world who cares about them, please call Janet at 405 229-3041. Also, please keep the tutors and Whiz Kids in your prayers as we keep 'running' through this wonderful new Whiz Kids year.

ARTS ACADEMY IS READY TO ROCK & ROLL THIS YEAR!

Pianos are ready to rock the music, guitars are dusted off, violins have been arranged for, drum sets are arranged, art materials are being rolled out, and our teachers are SO ready to start. Now the applications for students at Wilson Elementary School are coming in. We are ready for lessons to begin on September 23.

Eleven music and art students from Classen SAS and McGuinness High Schools and two adults have agreed and been trained to teach up to twenty-five kids in the Arts Academy this year. We are so excited to begin to hear the music and see the art being created in our church again! Please keep us in your prayers as we personally introduce these children to the world of art and music.



THANK YOU FROM CASSIE AND TJ

Thanks to our wonderful church family at Crown Heights United Methodist Church for showering our family with all of the love and SO many diapers! We are beyond blessed to be part of such a loving community! We can't wait for you to meet this sweet miracle that you've been praying for.

Baby Henry is due to join us in mid-October.
We can't wait to meet him!

Picture: TJ, Cassie, and Grace on Sept 12

**BABY
BOY!**

Welcome, Ashley!

Ashley Fitzgibbon is our new Youth Coordinator. She and her six kids have been part of our church for years. Her kids participate in Sunday morning programming and Girl Scouts. Ashley's oldest daughter Jayden is now a youth, and her mom is excited to work with her and all our youth to build a loving community to grow their faith. Ashley is already working to establish a relationship with each youth and personally invite them to our activities.

Here's a little introduction to Ashley:

Where are you from? Where have you lived?

I was born and raised in Moore, Oklahoma. I'm a Sooner through and through!

I've lived all over the United States the past fourteen years and have come back home in 2014.

Since then I've rooted myself in loving the OKC Community in various ways including interning at Salvation Army Headquarters, various nonprofits including being on staff with The Comeback Kid Society, and helping start The Redemption House. I have a heart for our community and seeing Jesus's love shine through all things.

Tell us about your family.

My family is magic! We love to encourage, lift up, and make people laugh. We communicate, set up boundaries, and process our feelings together. Being the mom of The Fitz 6 is one of the best gifts I've been given!! My kids range in age from 13 to 7 years old.

What brings you joy?

Things I love include: Jesus, coffee, Paul Rudd, tacos, and Ted Lasso!

Ashley teaches Youth Sunday School each week from 9:45-10:45am. Then the youth attend the 11am Worship Service. We save them seats in the balcony!



YOUTH SCHEDULE

October 30-- **Youth Day Trip to Dallas**, meet at the Church at 8:30am. Eat at *In and Out* for lunch and shop *Ikea*.

Return to the Church at 6pm.

November 21-- shopping for a **service project**, noon to 2:30pm, lunch is provided.



YOUTH FUNDRAISER UPDATE

September 26, 2021

Thank you for bidding on the Dinner Auction and buying cupcakes.

Together we raised \$1035 for the refugee families at our church. The youth enjoyed decorating the cupcakes, working the sales table, and cooking the auction dinners. Claire was a great teacher in the kitchen. The food was delicious. Our auction winners would all agree!



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OUR BABIES

On September 5, 2021, we baptized Molly (with help from her brother Cooper) into our church family. At every baptism, the church promises to nurture and grow the child in the love of God. Take a look at the babies born in our church in the last couple of years. Truly, we love each one!

Pictured are children under 3 with their siblings. If we missed your child, next newsletter we will run a special on your baby! Tell Trina.



Quincy, parents
Mel and
Michael



Miriam and Miller,
parents Kyle and Robert



Cooper and Molly, parents Caroline and Evan



William and Sam,
parents Lane and Laura



**Arriving in
October—
Cassie and
Tj's baby
boy!**

Above: Aylana
born 8/15/21,
parents Christian
and Audrey

Right: Lilia born
6/22/21, parents
Sarah and Leo



Charlie, dad Bobby



Emma Rose,
mom Katie



Alex and Max, parents
Todd and Stephanie



Evie and
Benji,
mom
Erin



Ehnay Blu,
parents Mina
and Toe