



# The Trumpet

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



## SUMMER FUN AT THE CHURCH

REV. TRINA BOSE NORTH

As the temperature rises and the days grow longer, it's time to gear up for an exciting season of fun and fellowship at our church! With children eagerly anticipating their break from school, we have an opportunity to engage them in activities that strengthen their faith and create lasting memories.

One highlight of our summer calendar is Vacation Bible School (VBS), a 4-night adventure where kids dive into the Word of God through interactive lessons, stimulating science projects, engaging crafts, and outdoor recreation. This year, VBS is from June 23-27, and we invite all children to join us for a week of faith, friendship, and fun! Our theme for this year is **VBS @ the Beach**. And on Sunday August 4 after church, all the kids are invited to Trina's house for a Pool Party (noon- 3pm).

We are also working on an exciting summer for our youth. Sr. High youth will kick off summer with a Lock-In the last weekend of May. July 11-13 we will take a **mission trip** to Goodwell, OK, where we will take on a volunteer project on the church grounds and end with worship with their church. Join us for these activities, plus our regularly scheduled Sundays and Wednesdays!

Parents, mark your calendars and have your children and youth participate. We want this time to nurture and love on our younger members. Let's make this summer a time of growth, joy, and spiritual growth for our kids and adults!

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 am-- Sanctuary Worship  
with weekly communion

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

11 am-- Sanctuary Worship  
with Children's Moment

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH SCHEDULE

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

Children and Youth Sunday  
School is from 9:45-10:45 am.  
Meet in the Fellowship Hall for  
breakfast then a lesson.

Children and Youth attend the  
11 am Service. In Worship, kids  
are invited up for the Children's  
Moment and Children's Church.

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### June

June 2, Sunday— Pride on 39th Parade, 6pm

June 5, Wednesday— Project Transformation reading, 10am-noon  
AND Youth, 5:30-7:30pm

June 6, Thursday— Crafternoon, 3-5pm

June 12, Wednesday— Project Transformation reading, 10am-noon

June 13, Thursday— Crafternoon, 3-5pm

June 19, Wednesday— Project Transformation reading, 10am-noon  
AND Youth, 5:30-7:30pm

June 20, Thursday— Crafternoon, 3-5pm

June 24-27, Monday through Thursday, 5:30-8pm— VBS

June 26, Wednesday— Project Transformation reading, 10am-noon

June 27, Thursday— Crafternoon, 3-5pm

### July

July 3, Wednesday— Project Transformation reading, 10am-noon

July 7, Sunday— ONE service, Outdoor Worship at 10am

July 11-13, Thurs- Sat— Youth Mission Trip to Goodwell UMC

July 10, Wednesday— Project Transformation reading, 10am-noon

July 17, Wednesday— Project Transformation reading, 10am-noon  
AND Youth, 5:30-7:30pm

July 21, Sunday— Crown Heights' Night Out at Barrios, 5pm

July 24, Wednesday— Project Transformation reading, 10am-noon  
AND MRT meeting, 5:30pm

July 31, Wednesday— Youth Fun Night, 5:30-7:30pm

### August

August 4, Sunday— Kids' Pool Party at Trina's house, noon- 3pm

## Crafternoons

Are you a crafter?

Do you want to be?

We have a group who enjoy sewing, quilting, knitting, scrapbooking, painting, and calligraphy, who want a social place to practice their craft.

Join the crafters each **Thursday afternoon from May 30 to July 11 from 3- 5pm.**

Bring any supplies you need.

This is open to everyone. Come to work on anything you want to do OR come to do nothing!

## Outdoor Worship

For the holiday weekend, on July 7, we will worship in the front yard of the church. There will be ONE service at 10am. Bring a lawn chair if you have one. Dogs welcome.

## PROJECT TRANSFORMATION READERS



Our church has been asked for volunteers to read with kids this summer. Project Transformation is a summer program in UM churches that commits daily one-on-one reading time for each child. Crown Heights UMC is asked to send 6 volunteers each Wednesday in June and July from 10am- noon. Are you available to volunteer? We will meet at Southern Hills UMC in SOKC, 8200 S Pennsylvania Ave.

**Fun Facts:** our own Pat McGarrity helped bring Project Transformation to Oklahoma 20 years ago. She helped build the foundation in UM churches and worked tirelessly to get it off the ground.

Carter North is working at a Project Transformation site at Muskogee UMC as the STEM coordinator.

The new pastor at Southern Hills UMC is Rev. Roger Parker. We will get to say 'hi' to him each week!



**SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES****Monthly Missions**

**VBS** is June 24-27 (Mon- Thurs). We need all hands on deck! Please consider: Volunteering with dinner from 5:15-6:15pm.

Baking: we need 30 dozen cookies (350).

Donating items from your houses, see the list on Page 7.

Shopping our "Amazon Wish List:"

[www.amazon.com/registries/gl/owner-view/3EC8NA8Z0Z7O5?ref=registries\\_subnav](http://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/owner-view/3EC8NA8Z0Z7O5?ref=registries_subnav)

**Skyline Urban Ministry** reports a 60% increase in clients needing food. They say the most helpful donated items are **cereal, canned meats, and macaroni & cheese.**

Let's stock their shelves! Bring these items to church throughout the month of July.

**Ways to help:**

- **Read with kids at Project Transformation**
- **Bake cookies for VBS**
- **Provide dessert for 15 Mobile Meals clients, Mondays June 17 or July 22**
- **Mobile Meals driver needed-- one Monday a month, from about 10 to 11am. We need a volunteer to drive 7 meals to clients.**

**FIND YOUR PEOPLE****Young Adults, 20s- 30s+**

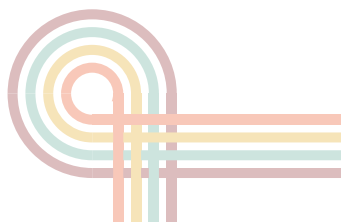
Pic: April 7, Young Adults cleaned the Fellowship Hall & toured the entire church. Next gathering will be in Sat August 10 at 11am for a pool party at Trina's house.

**Retirees, retired or soon-to-be**

Pic: April 10, Mama Roja's. Next lunch, August 14 (11:30am) at Whiskey Cake.

**Gen Xers, basically 40-60+**

Pic: May 19, New State Burgers & Spirits

**Crown Heights' Night Out, everyone**

Mark your calendars for Sunday July 21 at 5pm. Meet at Barrios.

**Look at what we did together in April & May...**

We opened up our building to be used to benefit our community: allowing a member to teach piano, storing furniture for a young adult member waiting on an apartment, permitting a local film to shoot in our building, and hosting a piano recital in our sanctuary.

We worked with an unhoused couple to supplement initial rent to get them in housing(\$100 total).

Our church provided partial rent money to keep a man housed (\$80).

Our youth cooked tacos for the UCO Wesley on April 18, 2024.

In honor of the women in our church, we donated \$250 to Skyline Urban Ministry.

We provided candy to all the staff & faculty at Putnam Heights Academy.

**Need office space?**

For those officing out of our building, we want it to be a comfortable, kind environment. We only advertise through the church so we attract people who desire community as they work.

We have offices available for rent in the east Youth Activity Building. The rooms rent for \$300 monthly for the offices. Talk to Trina to discuss your needs.

The rooms have WiFi, light custodial, and are furnished.

**FINANCIAL UPDATE****BY LEE ENDICOTT**

As Crown Heights heads into the summer vacation months, I am happy to announce that the church is doing well financially. We are close to breaking even and doing a good job staying within our budget. Although our non-pledged giving was less than we had hoped, our pledging members are 107% ahead of the amount we had anticipated at this point in the year in our budget. This is outstanding! We have paid \$4500.00 of the \$5138 we had budgeted for mandatory apportionments through April, but still have a long way to go. Remember, you are always welcome to make a special gift, over and above your pledge, directly to apportionments by noting that on the memo line of your check.

The Finance Committee would also like to thank our members for the unbelievable job they did surpassing our goal for the Capital Improvements Campaign. Thanks to your giving, the church is more beautiful and functional than ever. We already have a resurfaced parking lot (that was in dire need of repair), our heat and air units are working and the water damage in the front of the church has been repaired and painted. None of this could have been done without you.

Don't forget that even though you may be out of town on vacation, you can continue to make your pledge payment or contribution through our website (<http://crownheightsumc.org>). To donate, simply click the "donation button" in the upper right corner of the opening page. The Finance Committee thanks you for all that you do for our church.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NUMBERS****BY LEE ENDICOTT**

The Finance Committee wants to express its appreciation for our church congregation's support of the Capital Improvements Campaign, which raised funds to keep our church building and grounds operational, functional, and beautiful!

**Together we raised \$164,000.** For a church whose annual budget is about \$300,000, raising an additional \$164K is amazing. Special thanks to our neighboring businesses, who donated \$16,000.

This Spring we were able to renovate our building in some very important ways. Here is what we were able to accomplish:

1. We replaced 3 HVAC units for the Youth Activity building & replaced ductwork. Roofers waterproofed the connections into the building. COST: \$96,000
1. On the east exterior wall of the Sanctuary, the mortar was repointed and the wall was sealed. We painted the interior of that wall. COST: \$11,000 New lighting for the Sanctuary stained glass windows. COST: \$7,600
2. The large, backyard oak tree has come down. COST: \$5,000
3. We repaired (not replaced) the parking lot on Western. Potholes fixed. The whole lot is resurfaced. COST: \$28,000
4. We continue to work on the bathroom addition, just off the front of the Sanctuary. ESTIMATED COST: \$10,000

**CELEBRATING A SUCCESSFUL CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

*Thank you!*



On Sunday April 25th, we gathered to close out our auction and celebrate reaching our goals for the Capital Campaign. It took all of us supporting this campaign. So THANK YOU! Here's to us!



**CLARENCE FORD SCHOLARSHIP****BY COLLEEN BICKET**

The CLARENCE FORD SCHOLARSHIP Endowment was established in 1983 through the CHUM Endowment. Earnings from the investment of the original donation are used to fund the scholarships. Recipients are encouraged to contribute up to 20% of the proceeds back to the Fund following college graduation IF they are financially able to do so. The Crown Heights United Methodist Church Endowment is excited to announce the awarding of the CLARENCE FORD SCHOLARSHIP this year to **Nathan North**.

Nathan has been an active member of Crown Heights for eight years. He has been active in our youth group and attended several mission trips. He has helped move many pieces of furniture as the church has worked to supply home furnishings to the Afghan families and others in our church. For many years he waited with Trina at the end of the services to lock doors, turn off the sound system, and made sure the coffee was turned off. Most recently he has spent many hours working with Jim Rust on the new church restroom addition.

Nathan attended Trinity High School and has been in the National Honor Society for four years (president for 2 years). He has also been a member of the National Technical Honor Society at Metro Tech for 2 years. While attending Metro Tech he has worked on skills in construction. He used this to help Julie repair a table in the children's area and has worked on several additional projects here at the church. Jim Rust stated that Nathan's desire to learn and willingness to be involved has been a huge help as Jim has worked with him on projects.

Nathan plans to attend Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology in Okmulgee to study construction management. We are excited to present this scholarship to Nathan! Congratulations!

**Pictures:** May 19 during 8:30am worship, Nathan receiving the scholarship and Nathan & Sammy Neal serving communion

**CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES**

Cory Gross is graduating from Classen SAS High School, focusing on piano. She will be taking classes at OCCC come fall, working towards a child development degree.



Emmalyn McBride is graduating from Classen SAS High School and will be attending the US Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs.



Nathan North is graduating from Trinity School. He has completed an associates in carpentry at Metro Tech and is preparing to attend OSU Institute of Technology (Okmulgee, OK), majoring in Construction Management.

Adam Tyner is graduating from Classen SAS High School, playing the clarinet. In the fall, he will be at UCO as a history major.



Sarah Herring is graduating from Bethany High School. In the fall, she will be going to Southern Nazarene University to do discus (track and field) and will be studying kinesiology.



**not pictured:**

**Zoe Zimmerman** (Tara's daughter), OU graduate  
**Grace Jackson** (Heidi's daughter), UCO graduate



## WHIZ KIDS READING PROGRAM

BY BRUCE PITTS

How extremely fortunate we are to not only have had one of our most successful years ever, but to have had so many open-hearted tutors who hosted the kids on extracurricular field trips! There were specially guided tours at the Belle Isle Library and Full Circle Book Store, an afternoon at Wilson Elementary, and exceptionally fun Saturdays at Dynamo Gym and Science Museum Oklahoma. Along with our grand Christmas banquet complete with Santa Claus and a feast prepared and served by CHUMC members, we celebrated several special events such as Martin Luther King's birthday and Easter. We just found lots of reasons to celebrate, and the kids responded with joy and great attitudes.

Of course, there are lots of people to thank for making this year so successful, starting with the members of Crown Heights UMC. Thanks for being so supportive and for creating such a welcoming and accepting environment. And a warm, special thanks to **Trina** for her dedication as a full-time member of our leadership team, leading Club Time. Each week she unselfishly gives her time to get to know each of the kids and make them feel safe, welcome, and loved while they are Whiz Kids.

For the last two years, we have been truly fortunate to have **Stephanie Moore**, Librarian and Media Specialist from Wilson Elementary School, as our school liaison. She ensured that we would be provided with really deserving students who just needed help with reading and lots of confidence. Unfortunately, Stephanie's school duties have changed, so in the fall we will have a new liaison. We will miss Stephanie, but thank her for her many contributions and wish her the best on her new position. A big, big thanks to **Donna Halpin** our head coordinator and spirit leader and **Chris Shaw**, both coordinators from Mayflower Congregational Church. They planned, organized, and executed our weekly programs, provided continuing tutor training, and oversaw the business end of Whiz Kids. The new and longtime outstanding tutors from Mayflower and tutors **Taffy Fellingham**, **Linda Newhouse**, and **Melinda Norton** from Crown Heights continue to form the heart and soul of our Whiz Kids program.

We welcomed 7 extraordinary new tutors last fall, including **Kathe Bunce** and **Bob Eskridge** who grew up at CHUMC in the 1950's and 60's. Each of our tutors would be happy to share their tutoring experience with you if you are interested in being a part of our Thursday afternoon program. Substitutes are always welcome and a good way to experience Whiz Kids if you would like to learn about what it is all about. Long-term training and support are provided, and I guarantee you will look forward to your Thursdays with us. Thanks again to the members at Crown Heights United Methodist Church and everyone who has made this a such a successful community outreach. Wishing everyone a restful summer before we get back to work in September!



Thanks to Bruce and Steve for 20 years of volunteering with Whiz Kids!



## ARTS ACADEMY WRAPPED UP

BY JAMIE GROSS

**The Showcase of Talent** was on Thursday April 11 at 5:30pm. Our Arts Academy students and teachers proudly showed off what they've been working on this year. We are so proud of their amazing talents shining through, with the dedication of their amazing teachers.





**YOUTH PROGRAMMING-****YOUTH SCHEDULE**

1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30pm

Fri May 31, 7pm to Sat June 1, 8:30am-  
Sr. High Overnight

**JUNE**

Wed. June 5- French Onion Soup Night

Wed June 19- VBS Prep

Mon.- Thurs. June 24-27-

Help with VBS, 5:30-8pm

**JULY**

Wed. July 3, NO YOUTH

Thurs- Sat, July 11-13- Mission Trip to Goodwell  
UMC; 10 youth roadtrip to Goodwell, volunteer  
project at the church

Wed. July 17- Lesson and Games

Wed. July 31- Fun night

Join each Sunday at 10am for breakfast in the Fellowship Hall and a lesson in the Youth Room. Youth will attend 11am worship on the first Sunday of month (no phones). The other Sundays, youth will have a Bible lesson during worship.



Sunday May 26,  
youth went to the  
Paseo Art's Festival

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

BY HANNAH JACKSON & JAMIE GROSS

VBS is June 24-27 (Monday- Thursday), and we need all hands on deck! *Please consider:*

- **Volunteering** with dinner from 5:15-6:15pm  
OR helping keep track of kids.
- **Baking**: we need 30 dozen cookies (350).
- **Shopping** our "Amazon Wish List:"  
[www.amazon.com/registries/gl/owner-view/3EC8NA8Z0Z7O5?ref\\_=registries\\_subnav](http://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/owner-view/3EC8NA8Z0Z7O5?ref_=registries_subnav)
- **Donating** these items from your houses.  
Clear plastic to-go containers, need 5 more  
Newspapers  
Birthday candles, need 30 more candles  
Black and miscellaneous colored acrylic paints  
Large plastic tarp  
Baby oil

**Crown Heights  
UMC Presents...  
VBS @ the  
Beach**

June 24-27th  
5:30-8pm  
at Crown Heights United  
Methodist Church

Join us for a light  
dinner,  
a bible story,  
crafts, science  
experiments,  
and outdoor time!



Three of our children's ministry leaders (Hannah Jackson, Secretary, Che'leece Caine, VP, and Andrew Porter, President) won UCO campus leadership awards in April. All are officers on the Central Association for Responsive Educators (CARE), an organization committed to promoting the professional development of future educators. We are proud of our amazing Sunday school teachers and lucky to have them working with our children and their families.



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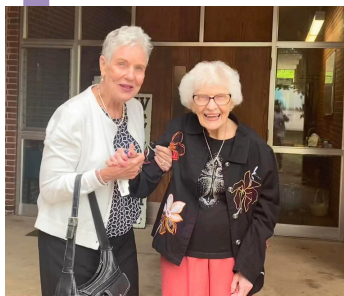
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