

# THE TRUMPET

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



## Rev. Trina Bose North



The Old Testament is full of powerful stories and deep truth—and three of my favorites are Ruth, Esther, and Job. These aren't just old stories; they're full of heart, hope, and faith. Ruth shows us what loyalty and love look like when things get tough. Esther is all about courage—about stepping up when it counts, even when the cost is high. And Job... well, Job doesn't shy away from the hard questions. It digs deep into pain, justice, and what it means to trust God when life doesn't make sense.

Starting in September and going through November, we're going to spend time in each of these books together on Sunday mornings. I hope you'll join us—week by week—as we walk with these incredible people and see how their stories can shape our own.

Let's get ready to be encouraged, challenged, and reminded of God's faithfulness.

### 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.

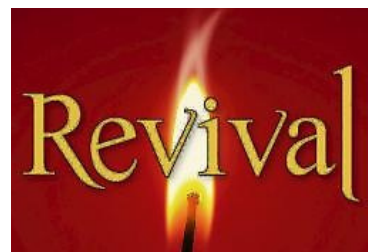
## 6-Week Study on John Wesley's Faith

Join us for a 6-week study to explore the contributions of John Wesley to Methodism. Trina Bose North will be traveling to England to learn more about the Wesleys firsthand. Bringing her newfound knowledge, we will follow Adam Hamilton's series called *Revival: Faith as Wesley Lived It*, in which he chronicled his trip to England, following the life of John Wesley and exploring the defining characteristics of a Wesleyan Christian. Wesley's faith continues to speak to 21<sup>st</sup>- century Christians—

calling for a revival of our hearts and souls so that our world might be changed. Wesley's story is our story. It defines our faith and it challenges us to rediscover our spiritual passion.

"This is a gracious gift that we will benefit from reading. The commentary is written by a superb preacher who has a pastor's heart and knows how to make the past come alive to strengthen our own experience. Prepare to be transformed."  
*Richard P. Heitzenrater, Professor of Wesley Studies at Duke Divinity School*

**Sundays, August 17- September 28  
(no class on August 31)  
at 9:45am in the Parlor,  
Sunday School will focus on this  
book. Join us for a video segment  
by the author discussion to follow.**



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## Mark your calendars

**Covenant Group** meets every Saturday 9:30- 10:30am in the Youth Activity Building, enter through the Garden Room.  
The purpose is to deepen our faith through group discussions.

### August

August 3, Sunday— Rev. Alex Jackson preaching  
August 6, Wednesday— Youth Group, 5:30- 7:30pm  
August 10, Sunday— Rev. Alex Jackson preaching  
August 13, Wednesday— Retiree Lunch, 11:30am  
August 15- 16, Friday to Saturday— Youth Overnight,  
Friday 7pm to Saturday 8am, Escape Room  
August 17, Sunday— Sunday School series on John Wesley begins,  
Parlor 9:45- 10:45am AND Crafternoon noon- 2pm  
August 20, Wednesday— Youth Group, 5:30- 7:30pm, Bracelet making  
August 31, Sunday— OUTDOOR WORSHIP 9:30am, one service.  
No Sunday School, bring a lawn chair, dogs welcome!

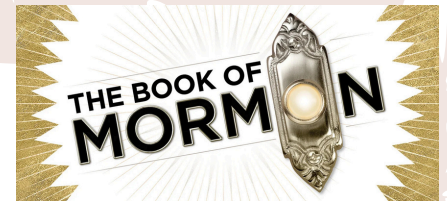
### September

September 3, Wednesday— Youth Group, 5:30- 7:30pm  
September 4, Thursday— Whiz Kids begins, 3- 5:30pm  
September 7, Sunday— Young Adult dinner and go-karting, 5pm  
September 10, Wednesday— Retiree Lunch, 11:30am  
September 11, Thursday— Arts Academy begins, 5:30- 6:30pm  
September 14, Sunday— Celebrate Mariann's 25<sup>th</sup> year at CHUMC  
September 17, Wednesday— Youth Group, 5:30- 7:30pm  
September 21, Sunday— All-Church dinner at Fassler Hall, 5pm



## Crafternoons

Enjoy sewing, quilting, knitting, scrapbooking, painting? Join the crafters on Sundays, August 17 (noon to 2pm) at the church. Bring a snack to share.



### The Book of Mormon

is coming to the OKC Civic Center. We have a group of 45 people attending on **Sunday, October 12, at 1:30pm.** Tickets are purchased at \$32.50 each. If you're going, please pay the church, labeling the money "Book of Mormon."

## Join Us...

### Covenant Group

*Saturdays, 9:30- 10:30am in the Youth Activity Building,  
enter through the Garden Room.*

This is a new group that formed at the beginning of the year to deepen own faith through group discussions. Join us as we take on a topic and hear each person's experience, wisdom, or uncertainties on that topic. You are welcome to come when you are available, or maybe you want to commit to attending every week. Participants will be asked to bring forward a topic and/or lead a meeting, or there will be devotion materials available to start the conversation.

So far, our topics have been understanding what God wants us to do, courage to act, and the how to pray for our enemies. Seriously, this group brings the insight!

#### Guidelines for the meetings:

Be on time, plan for meetings to last no longer than one hour.

Turn off your phone.

Treat people's comments as confidential.

*Coffee AND Tea*



**DOGS  
WELCOME**



## Finance Update

by Lee Endicott

As Crown Heights enters the middle of summer vacation months, I am happy to announce that the church is doing well financially. Through June, we are operating at a profit of almost \$40,000.00! We have also raised over \$9,000.00 by renting unused parts of the building for office space. The rent monies we receive are specifically designated to use for building repairs, which is an ongoing issue with our old building. This year, the Trustees are addressing multiple repairs, including sign repair (\$ 3,900.00), parking lot pothole repair (\$ 2,300.00), HVAC repairs (\$8,000.00), and gutter repair (\$6,000.00). Without the "Future Repairs" Fund and this year's income, it would not be easy for the church to pay these bills.

We are doing a great job of staying within our budget. We are actually under budget on our expenses and are on track to pay 100% of our mandatory apportionments by year's end, if not before.

The Finance Committee would also like to thank the congregation for keeping their pledged and non-pledged gifts up to date. 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. Go to [crownheightsumc.org](http://crownheightsumc.org), look for the "Donate" link in the green box to make one-time donations or set up monthly giving. The QR code below takes you to our church webpage, as well.



Just to let you all know how it works—

- There is a 2.75% fee for all credit and debit card transactions.
- There is a 1% fee for all transfers of money from personal banking accounts. (To transfer money from your account, we will ask you to fill out a form.)

The Finance Committee thanks you for all that you do for our church.

## ROOMS FOR LET

For those officing out of our building, we want it to be a comfortable, kind working 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.



## Find your people

### Young Adults, 20s- 30s+

Join us at Andretti Indoor Karting and Games, 8300 Broadway Ext., on Sunday, Sept 7 at 5pm. Dinner, go-karts, and time to socialize, all on the agenda!

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

Join us on August 13 (11:30am) at The Red Cup, 3122 N. Classen Blvd, OKC. Meet at the restaurant. On September 10 (11:30am), we will meet at Cava in Classen Triangle, 6150 C NW Grand Blvd. Meet at the restaurant.

### Crown Heights Night Out, everyone

On Sunday, September 21 at 5pm, the whole church is invited to Fassler Hall. This restaurant is ideal for groups and families with kids. Join us for food, drinks, and conversation. Address: 421 NW 10<sup>th</sup> #201

Young Adult- Pool party

Retiree- Lunch at Flip's

All-Church- Chicken N' Pickle





## Service opportunities

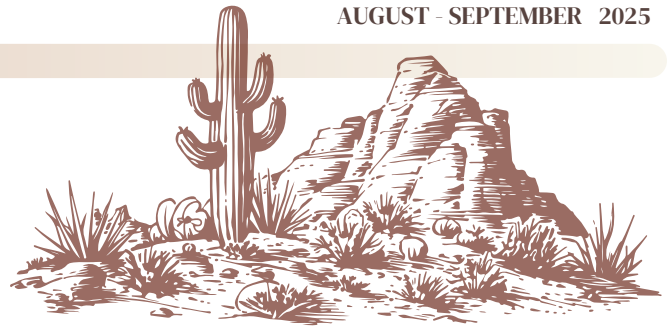
### Monthly Missions

#### August

Putnam Heights Academy is our nearest OKCPS neighbor. Heidi Jackson is their librarian, and she asked the teachers what they needed for their classrooms. On July 27, we raised enough to purchase every item the teachers asked for, and we could also purchase items off Amazon teacher lists for members of our church. Stephanie Skidmore asked if we would provide breakfast or snacks at her school, and we said, of course! Well done, church! We nailed it!

#### September

Neighborhood Services Organization's Palo Duro provides housing for people on disability for mental health. They are remodeling and adding a coffee bar. Our church has volunteered to set up the area and stock it. We committed to providing a Keurig machine, 3000 K-Cups, and coffee fixings. If you see a sale, grab some K-Cups! And bring us your second-hand mugs. Let's fill their cabinets!



### Calendar of Giving

We want you to know what extra giving opportunities are on the horizon.

**October**— Special request to support our OK UMC Apportionments

Please, bring all your second-hand coats and warm clothing before winter hits.

We will be collecting new towels & new XL Comforter Sets for the Carolyn Williams Center.

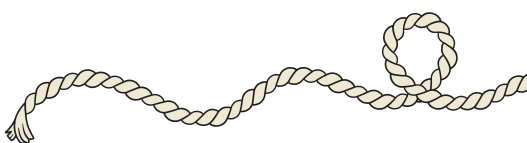
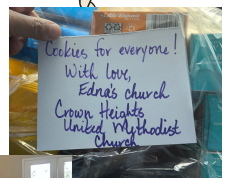
**November**— Thanksgiving grocery bags for Skyline Urban Ministry

**December**— Our Christmas Offering will go to rental assistance and missions at CHUMC. Thursday, Dec 18, will be the Christmas meals for NSO Palo Duro and Whiz Kids.

## Look What We Did Together

### June and July, this is how we served our neighbors:

- In June, we paid \$1000 for a member's utility bill, helping to get the power restored.
- For PrideFest, we were Sequin-level sponsors (\$2000) in a year when they were behind on sponsor money.
- Our church members worked tirelessly in our church yard to keep it beautiful.
- Our church provided a \$185 deposit for a man moving from homelessness to an apartment, and we sent him off with bedding and dishes to make it a home.
- On behalf of our church, Trina gave Girl Scout cookies to an assisted living home where a member now resides.
- On July 17, Jennifer Sahmaunt gifted Epworth Villa's chapel service with song, and Trina preached.
- On July 18, Trina and Pat McGarrity attended the Project Transformation dinner, celebrating the staff who carried the summer reading program throughout OK.
- We are so thankful to add more drivers, shoppers, and cooks to our Mobile Meals crew.





VBS was fantastic....

## VBS June 15-18, 2025 Broadway on Western

We had a show-stopping time during VBS this year! The church was alive with song, laughter, bottle rockets, and fun! Bravo to our Children's Director, Hannah Jackson, who transformed the building into her Broadway vision with help from Bridgette Gean, Che Caine, and so many others who cooked, cleaned, and donated to make our kids feel like stars.

'Movies make you famous, TV makes you rich, Broadway makes you GOOD!'





## Whiz Kids

by Bruce Pitts



# WANTED: Whiz Kids tutors!



For the 23rd year, Thursday afternoons at Crown Heights UMC will once again be rockin' this fall with the sounds of happy elementary school kids reading, enjoying a snack, playing games, and learning about their community on one of our many field trips. We will be one of 34 sites across the Oklahoma City area that will provide tutoring for elementary school kids from our local public elementary schools. And for the 23rd straight year, we will be partnering with members from Mayflower Congregational Church to provide volunteer mentoring that focuses on reading for first through fourth-grade students from Wilson Elementary School.

These Whiz Kids have been identified by their teachers as kids who are reading or comprehending below grade level and benefit most from some special attention from a caring adult. At Crown Heights, we have built an extensive library of age-appropriate books and educational games. Our experienced tutors and leaders are always on-site to help new tutors. You will find that tutoring these wonderful kids is structured, fun, and unbelievably rewarding. Last year, every one of our Whiz Kids raised their reading testing scores, some significantly. While their dedicated teachers at Wilson deserve most of the credit for those raised scores, we know our safe, structured program every Thursday afternoon with tutors who show kindness, love, and patience with the kids is making a positive difference in the lives of the kids.

As Trina has said many times, performing small acts with great love is what makes the difference in our lives and the lives of our loved ones. If helping a great kid boost their confidence and self-esteem, and having a rewarding and fun time in the process sounds like something you might like to experience on Thursday afternoons, please give me a call or text at (405) 837-9282 or email at [bruceapitts@gmail.com](mailto:bruceapitts@gmail.com) or contact Trina and we will be happy to give you all the information you need will need to be a part of this rewarding neighborhood outreach project. Thanks for your consideration.

**Tutors will meet for orientation on Thursday, August 28,  
with tutoring to begin on September 4th.**



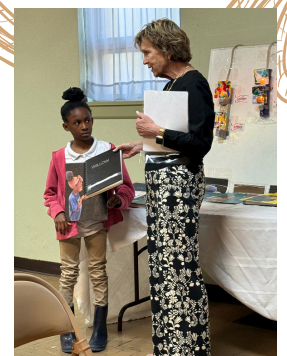
## Arts Academy

Arts Academy is a weekly, after-school program started at our church 15 years ago. It creates a space where elementary students are matched with high schoolers or adults to learn visual or performing arts. This year, we are hoping to recruit different church members to teach a visual art for one month (or whatever works with your schedule). If you can come teach woodworking, painting, jewelrymaking, or anything else, you would LOVE to talk to you!

Arts Academy meets during the school year on Thursdays, from 5:30-6:30pm. First day with students will be September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Let us know if you would like to help with teaching, serving snacks, or checking kids in. Always in need of more people to love on our kids.

by Jamie Gross





## Youth Programming

### YOUTH SCHEDULE

Typically, Youth Group meets the first and third Wednesday of the month from 5:30-7:30pm.



#### AUGUST

Wednesday, August 6 - Lesson and Games  
Friday 7pm to Saturday 8am, August 15- 16 -  
Youth Overnight with Escape Room  
Wednesday, August 20 - Jewelry making!

#### SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, September 3 - service project  
Wednesday, September 17 - Lesson and Games



In July our youth went to see *How To Train Your Dragon* and had a great time chatting and having drinks at Elemental Coffee.



**On the outside i'm hootin'  
On the inside i'm hollerin'**

*Join each Sunday at 11am 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.*



## Shout Out for Skyla Nelson



Skyla Nelson graduated from Epic High School in May and has already started classes in Cosmetology at Metro Tech. Our church awarded her Ford Scholarship money. Skyla has been active in our church for over a decade, and we are so pleased to support her in this next chapter.

**Good luck, Skyla!  
You can do it!**



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## Member Highlights

**So much to celebrate this summer!**

Allie and Andrew Fleet got married on May 25, 2025 at Will Rogers Gardens. The rain held off until just after the ceremony!

On July 20, Haley and Louis Fowler became members of our church. They are photographed below in their first week driving for Mobile Meals. (Meet Shawn, their adorable, beloved dog!)



On July 28, Claire was baptized at the 11am service. Claire's parents (Rob and Julie Crum) and brother (Russel) have been attending our church while Rob completed his residency. Now ready to get to work, Rob and Julie are packing up their family to move to Hershey, PN. They will be nearer to family, and we wish them well!

