

The Trumpet

CROWN HEIGHTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



PASTOR: REV. TRINA BOSE NORTH

It's Trina's 10 Year Anniversary at this church! We took time to celebrate her ministry on September 12.



Sunday Schedule

8:30am- Sanctuary Worship with weekly communion

9:45- 10:45am- Sunday School

11am- Sanctuary Worship with Children's Moment

Children and Youth Sunday Schedule

Nursery is available from 8:30am to 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 attend the 11am Service. In worship, kids are invited up for the Children's Moment and Children's Church.

Faithful and Wise with Our Money

This November, as we consider our pledge to the church and what it means to live generously, we'll have a special opportunity to think about how our faith and our finances can work together. We are called to see all that we have as a gift from God and to consider how we can faithfully give back to God. At the same time, being generous doesn't mean ignoring the practical realities of life. We have bills to pay, families and responsibilities to care for, and we should also make room for the joy and enjoyment that God intends for our lives.

So, how do we find that balance? How can we be both wise and generous, thoughtful and faithful with the resources God has entrusted to us?

Alan Herndon from the United Methodist Foundation will join us to explore these questions and offer practical, smart ways to manage our money while keeping generosity and faith at the heart of our financial decisions. This is an opportunity to think not only about how much we give, but also about how our understanding of money reflects our values, our priorities, and our relationship with God.

Whether you are thinking about your pledge for the coming year, looking for better ways to manage your finances, or simply interested in what it means to live a generous life, we hope you'll join us for this conversation.

Sunday, November 8 during Sunday School

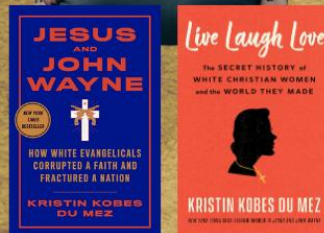
9:45-10:45 a.m. in the Parlor

Come join us for a thoughtful and practical conversation about money, generosity, and faithful living. We'd love to have you with us!



Coming to Crown Heights UMC...
Holland Lecturer

Kristin Kobes DuMez
March 20-21, 2027



Kristin Kobes DuMez is a professor of Christian history at Calvin College and is an expert on the Evangelical movement. The book *Jesus and John Wayne* traces 50 years of the rise and mainstream integration of extreme views on militant masculinity and feminine submission within white Evangelical spaces to the place where sexual abuse is rampant in the church, cover-ups are the norm, and victims are blamed and harassed.

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Coming Up

Covenant Group— every Saturday 9:30- 10:30am,
in the Youth Activity Building, enter through the Garden Room.

October

Sunday October 4— New Sunday School series: Deconstruction & Reconstruction

Wednesday October 7— MRT on Zoom, 7pm

Sunday October 11— Jr High Launch Night, Hideaway Pizza, 5pm

Saturday October 17— OU Little Event, 9:30am- 12:30pm

Sunday October 25— Fundraiser Soup Dinner for UCO, 5pm

Saturday October 31— Halloween, trick or treat at the church or help hand out candy, 6-9pm

Sundays October 18, 25, and November 1 — Sermon series on the Kingdom of God, Rev. Carlos Ramirez

November

Sunday November 1— Charge Conference at OKC FUMC, 4pm

AND Young Adult lunch at Jinya Ramen, 6800 N. Western, at 12pm

Friday November 6— Open Mike Night, Fellowship Hall, 7-9pm

Sunday November 8— Sunday School, "Making a Giving Plan" with Alan Herdon, 9:45am AND Crafternoon from noon to 2pm

Wednesday November 11— Retiree Lunch at Mezzo Bakeshop, 1100 N. Walker (where the old Brown's Bakery was)
- meet at 11:30am

Sunday November 15— A "Real" Thanksgiving Potluck, noon

Friday- Saturday November 20-21— Sr. High Youth & College Lock-In

Sunday November 22— Thanksgiving Bags due

Thursday- Friday November 26-27— Thanksgiving Holiday, office closed

Coming up...

Sunday December 6— Christmas Offering Focus on Skyline Outreach

Thursday December 24— Christmas Eve Worship, 7pm

Sunday December 27— ONE SERVICE at 10am



Covenant Group

Saturdays, 9:30- 10:30am

in the Youth Activity Building,
enter through the Garden Room.

Through group discussions, this group takes on topics to deepen our faith.

We learn from each person's experience, wisdom, or uncertainties. Participants are asked to bring forward a topic and/or lead a meeting. You are welcome to come when you are available, or maybe you want to commit to attending every week.

Guidelines for the meetings:

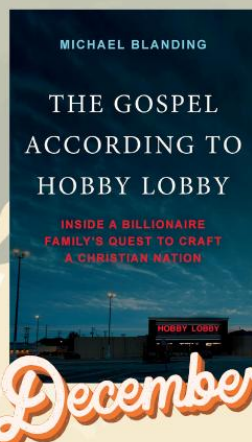
Be on time, we won't go over an hour.

Turn off your phone.

Treat people's comments as confidential.



Next Book Club Selection



"Michael Blanding chronicles the history of Hobby Lobby and its billionaire founder's campaign to promote conservative Christian values," writes the *New York Times*.

Let's read this book and discuss it together. It will add to our understanding of the Evangelical movement, giving us more Oklahoma history.

Due date: Sunday Dec 6

The Outsiders

On Sunday, August 30th, our church had a group of 30 see ***The Outsiders*** at the Civic Center.

We enjoyed a favorite Oklahoma book adapted into song, dance, and an incredible set.



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

Income from renting out these offices is set aside for use on maintaining the building and paying our property insurance. This is such a benefit to our church.

Office Space for Rent



Finance Update

by Lee Endicott

The Finance Committee thanks the congregation for keeping their pledges current. Our pledges are actually slightly ahead of where we budgeted them to be at this point in the year. Furthermore, in spite of our terribly hot summer, our utility bills are actually under budget, which is an amazing accomplishment that is probably directly related to the added efficiency from the air conditioning units the Trustees have had to replace in recent years. Although Crown Heights is running at a slight \$3700.00 deficit, it is primarily because it does not reflect over \$13,000.00 we have received in rent which is used exclusively for our "Future Repairs" Designated Fund. If that rental income was considered in the Profit and Loss Statement, we would have a profit of over \$10,000.00. To date, we have prepaid more than \$4,000.00 of our Apportionments that would ordinarily be paid through the end of August. Our hope is to pay off all of our Conference and District Apportionments in full so that we can be in a position to use our Christmas Offering for a special mission project.

Your continued loyalty and support to Crown Heights United Methodist Church is greatly appreciated!

Fabulous Guest Preacher Rev. Carlos Ramirez

Rev. Carlos Ramirez is the Director of Communications and Strategy for the Oklahoma Conference of the UMC. Besides communications, Carlos is interested in creative ministries. He started Tabletop Tavern (a gaming group that meets at our church every other Friday).

October 18, 25, & November 1, 2026

Sermon Series: "Out of This World"

In John 18:36 Jesus said,

My kingdom doesn't originate from this world. If it did, my guards would fight so that I wouldn't have been arrested by the Jewish leaders. My kingdom isn't from here.

So what exactly is the Kingdom of God?

If Jesus' kingdom is not from this world and if we (Christians) say that Jesus is our Lord, then our "allegiance" belongs to Jesus' kingdom and not any other rule on earth. We become citizens of God's Kingdom. We are to take on a new "Constitution" (*love God and love our neighbors*) and new values or laws (*There is no more man or woman, slave of free, Jew or Gentile, but one in Christ*).

Jesus' Kingdom is completely different from the one we face day-to-day in this world. It seems "out of this world" but our spirits long for the peace and joy of God's reign. Let's learn more about this other world!



Trina Bose North asked for co-signers from our church on a letter about ICE practices in Oklahoma. This letter was delivered to all OK State legislators as they are creating their agenda for the next term. We want this letter in their hands as they determine what will be heard in 2027.

Oklahoma United Methodists are working on another open letter to be distributed at the beginning of the 2027 Legislative Term in January.



Pic: Justin, Trina, Gerard, and Carlos, sight seeing in Oxford, England. The site we are seeing is the Lamborghini.

Worship +12
Besides
worship,
look for one
other way to
participate in
church!

We are invited to give more of ourselves
and step deeper into mission and
community by participating in one
additional activity per month. That's one
more **Sunday School class**, **Covenant
Group**, **missional opportunity**, or
volunteer action every month.

Let's give more of our lives and our
gifts with the hope of growing our faith
in community.



Crafternoons

Enjoy sewing, quilting, knitting,
scrapbooking, painting, or any
other kind of busy work?

Join the crafters on
Sunday, November 9 (noon
to 2pm) at the church.
Bring a snack to share.
All are welcome!

Find Your People

We want you to find your people in this church, those who know you and
love you. When church feels like home, that is a gift from God.
Consider putting yourself out there, say "yes" to one of these invitations!

Want a deeper spiritual life?

Sunday School meets in the Parlor every Sunday morning from 9:45-10:45am.

Covenant Group meets every Saturday from 9:30-10:30am in the Youth
Activity Building.

Generational Gatherings



Bojangles

Young Adults, 20s, 30s

Young Adults— **Sunday, November 1**,
lunch after church at Jinya Ramen,
6800 N. Western Ave.



Mens' Pancake Breakfast

Gen X. midlifers

Trina will be in touch to shop for
Palo Duro friends at Christmas.



Neighborhood Jam

Retirees

Wednesday November 11— Retiree
Lunch at 11:30am at Mezzo Bakeshop,
1100 N. Walker

Everyone

Friday November 6— Open Mike Night, Fellowship Hall, 7-9pm
Join to hang out, play games or Bingo, entertain at the open mike,
enjoy music

Sunday November 15— A "Real" Thanksgiving Potluck, noon
If you can, bring something yummy for the table. But no pressure!
Most important, join us!

Church Workday Saturday, October 17 from 9:30am to 12:30pm

We need volunteers to
supervise OU's Little
Event students. They
work in the yard and in
the building, making our
grounds SO much better!
Talk to Trina or our
Trustees to help out.

Monday Volunteers Mondays from 9:30-11:30am

Come, volunteer in the
Church Office.

Most Mondays, Trina has work
laid out for volunteers, like
decorating the sanctuary,
organizing missions, and
helping with Mobile Meals.

Our church is able to
accomplish so much more
because of these volunteers.
Any week you're available, talk
to Trina about the schedule.

CALL for VOLUNTEERS

Monthly Missions

OCTOBER

Throughout the month, we are collecting items needed for NSO Meal Kits. NSO provides these high protein bags for their distribution. See list to the right.

AND

Saturday, October 17, please join us to host OU's Little Event. We will do lots of yard work.

AND

Sunday, October 25, we need a few cooks to make the same soup for the UCO Wesley Fundraiser Dinner. We would like to support this event for Alex Jackson, Wesley Director, and David Pezant, chair of their Board.

NOVEMBER

Thanksgiving Bag Shopping List

Our church is collecting bags of food for families in need of a Thanksgiving meal. Our grocery list is all the non-perishable food items needed to feed a family of six, excluding the meat. See list to the right.

DECEMBER

Our Christmas Offering will go to support Skyline Urban Outreach's Food Resource Center. They identified food insecurity as the biggest need right now. We will give 75% of the offering to that agency and keep 25% at our church designated for missions.

AND

On Thursday December 17, can you help cook or serve lunch for Palo Duro or dinner for Whiz Kids?

JANUARY

Our Monthly Mission is diapers! We have 4 couples in our church expecting babies. We would like to shower each family with size 1 or 2 diapers, any brand.

Shop with love for:

Kayla and Dilan, Melea and Eric, Sophie and Garrett, and Lizzie and Jim

Shopping List

This is a list of items we are collecting
If you see a sale, stock up for us!

October

NSO Meal Kit items, **pick 1 item** to shop for, bring up to 60 of that item

- Protein/ breakfast bars
- fruit cups
- Protein items (Vienna Sausages, bean dip, Spam, Tuna, beef jerky, deviled ham)
- prepackaged snacks (chips, cookies, crackers)
- canned goods with a pop-top (Vegetables, soup, fruit)



November

Please **shop the list** below and deliver to the church.

- 2 boxes Stove Top stuffing
- 2 boxes scalloped potatoes
- 2 boxes of Macaroni and Cheese (no adding milk)
- 1 box pancake/baking mix 32+ oz (for biscuits)
- 2 cans green beans
- 2 cans corn
- 1 package cookie mix

You may donate the cost of a bag (\$23), and we will do your shopping (turn in money by November 15), or bring bags with items to the church by Sunday, November 22.

December

As we raise money for their Food Resource Center, we are also collecting for Skyline:

- gently used books for children & adults (for waiting room bookshelf)
 - New (unwrapped) children's toys, up to \$35.
- Think gifts for ages 1-18, all genders.

January

- Diapers, any brand, sizes 1 or 2

Putnam Heights Academy- delivery day for the teachers



Picking up furniture, will give to someone in need



Arts Academy

by Jamie Gross



Arts Academy is returning soon!

We are excited to have the building alive again with Whiz Kids and will soon add our Arts Academy students to the cacophony! We start back October 22 with music and arts instruction. We advertise for students at Wilson Elementary School and our church, and they are taught by Classen SAS students and our church members.

If you are interested in helping, contact Jamie Gross at 405.200.7597. Prayers for our kiddos and adults always appreciated!

Arts Academy is a weekly, after-school program started at our church 17 years ago. It creates a space where elementary students are matched with high schoolers or adults to learn a visual or performing art. This helps kids get an art or instrument background to apply for Classen SAS or Harding Fine Arts.

Whiz Kids Beginning its 24th Year at CHUMC by Bruce Pitts

We have started the new school year with 15 returning Whiz kids and 6 brand new first graders from Wilson Elementary School. Our 21 terrific kids are settling into a comfortable routine in our brand new Fellowship Hall with snacks, celebrations, burning stored up energy with Trina at club time while learning how to get along with others, and spending about an hour of individualized one on one time with their tutors reading, playing word games and, well, just having fun in a welcoming environment.

Coming up in October, we are going to have our Tutoring Day at Wilson, where we will meet and talk with teachers, get to experience our kids on their home turf, and let the kids show off their school. We take every opportunity we can to show our support for those hard-working teachers and staff and look for ways we can partner with them.

Also coming in October is our annual field trip to the Contemporary Art Museum in Midtown. Even though it's not a reading adventure, getting out in the real world is a worthwhile experience for the kids to see grown up art they would probably never get to see, and then to spend time with museum staff working on their own art projects. The kids respond very well to getting out in the grown up world and it is always a memorable outing.

Our Crown Heights/Mayflower Congregational partnership is going strong and we are blessed with many volunteers. So many in fact that we don't need any tutors at this time. However, we could use some subs who could fill in for a tutor when they are not able to attend. The really cool thing about being a sub is that you get to know some of these great kids, and only sub when it's convenient for you. If you are interested in having an experience helping out some good kids that need the time and attention of an adult for a couple of hours on Thursday afternoons, please let me or Trina know.

Our Whiz Kids program is making a positive difference in our community and we are very appreciative of the support and encouragement we receive from church members of both Crown Heights and Mayflower Congregational Church.



Crown Heights UMC Children, Youth, and College Programs

Sr. High Youth & College Group AND Middle School Group

Youth at CHUMC are middle school, high school, and some college-aged students who meet weekly on Sunday mornings (10AM-Noon) to eat, socialize, play games, and read and discuss Bible stories and current events. Youth Director Atticus Shires (they, them, theirs) is proud that this group is queer-friendly, diverse in faiths and beliefs, and governed by our shared values of humor, quality time, and kindness.

Mark your calendars

**Friday- Saturday November 20-21,
Sr. High Youth and College Lock-In**



Pool party at Katie's,
Game night at Trina's



Skyla's cosmetology career

Skyla is finishing up her Metro Cosmetology degree and is selling glue-on nails to our church. Check out the options in the coffee area, outside the Sanctuary. Cost is \$15 per set.



Happy Halloween

**TRICK
OR
TREAT**



Saturday, October 31 from 6-9pm
Come Trick-or-Treat at the church! We will be handing out candy from the portico facing Western.

Theme: Ghost Busters

August 2- Pool party at Trina's
Thanks to all the parents and adults who came as lifeguards.



MIDDLE SCHOOL Program

Introducing New Middle School Programming

Since our Sr. High Youth and College Group is functioning really well and we don't want to affect their chemistry, we decided to create programming just for our Middle Schoolers. We want our 6-8 graders to get to know each other and have the youth group experience.

They will meet once a month for a lesson, service project or fun. Sometimes they will do group activities with the Sr. High and College Group. We invite ALL Middle School Youth (and their parents) to a planning night. Let's create a schedule that gets these youth excited about church!

Join us for our planning night on
Sunday October 11 at Hideaway on
Western at 5pm.



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Fellowship Hall Renovation

On Sunday August 22, we had a Spaghetti Dinner to celebrate the completion of the renovation. We thanked all the people who made it happen, specifically Jim Rust, Van Kerns, and Carter North. We heard about the art work that hangs above the fireplace, painted by Andrea Phan. We also ate delicious food, prepared by Lisa and Kevin O'Nan and their baking crew. And together we raised the money needed to pay for the project.

Talk about a good night!

