

We are a community of believers whose purpose is to lead people to a saving relationship with Jesus Christ, our head, and to nurture these people to an abiding and maturing discipleship in His body through commitments, study, worship, and service.



## Messenger: News of the Church

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September 6, 2009

14th Sunday after Pentecost



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Little Ethan Lombardi  
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Angie Rippie & family  
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### For All Service Personnel & Their Families

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**MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT:** Todd & Kerri Sasnett - Wycliffe Bible Translators; Margaret Farnsworth – World Gospel Mission; Bill & Jerri Savuto; Albuquerque Rescue Mission; CareNet; Faith Comes by Hearing; Joy Junction; Light & Liberty Jail Ministry, The Storehouse; Noon Day Ministries.

**Prayer & Praise** is the time to pray for our church, our country, and each other. Help us pray each Wednesday at 7:15pm in the "Alpha" classroom. Remember: our healing team is always available.

**This is the day** that the Lord has made. Rejoice, and be glad in it! **We are glad** that you came to worship with us today and hope you will consider becoming a part of Paradise Hills UMC's family in Christ. We look forward to seeing you again. **Please join us** in the gathering area for coffee and fellowship following the 8AM and 9:30AM services.

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### LUNCH TIME COMMUNITY PRAYER

Wednesdays, 12pm-1:30pm

**Lunch-Time Community Prayer offers a quiet setting to present yourself to God and nurture the transformation process.**

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### Calling All Kids 1<sup>st</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade

**On Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**, from 1:30 - 3:30pm, we will have a Water Party to begin our year together at: Marilyn's home - 774 Ella Dr. Corrales - 898-9210.  
Wear your Bathing Suits - we will get wet!

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**Beginning Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**, the 9:30am Heritage Sunday School class will begin a study of the three Synoptic Gospels, Matthew, Mark and Luke.

The Heritage Class meets at 9:30am in Bldg. 4 in room 42 and is led by Al Jacobson and David Mueller. The format of the class is teaching, questions and discussion. If you have questions or would like more information about the class, please call Al at 898-1397 or e-mail him at [akjret@aol.com](mailto:akjret@aol.com). All adults are welcome, we have plenty of room.

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### To All the Volunteers who came on Saturday, August 29th for the Weeds, Webs & Windows clean-up - Thank You!

Did you all see the wonderful new grounds. More than 20 people spent their Saturday morning raking, hauling, pulling, pruning, washing, sweeping to make our Church Grounds welcoming and inviting. Please thank all those who came including Jerry & daughter, Kristan Parker (who came at 7am sharp), Becky Perando, Diana Fessler, Andy English, Dave & LeNien Mueller, Nina & Phil Rau, Dave & Ginny Hoyt, Brian & Teresa Harner, Darryn Rippie, Larry DuPont, Steve & Kari Vickerman, Scott Christian & Girlfriend, Laura, Sheli Snyman, Luay Ashoo, Kimberly Martinez, Penny Price, Colleen Guess & Friend, Patsi Hubbard & son, Dale, Sandy Parker & Son, Erik, Kay Griffin, Mollie O'Meara, Rick Crawford, David Stoliker and Jessica Ward. Some of these wonderful folks did the "Walk For Life" before coming to do the clean up!

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### SEEDS FOR FAITH – New Ideas for Ministry

In just a few short years, PHUMC will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Would you like to be a part of the party? Contact Kay at the Church Office as we begin to plan our celebrations.



## YOUTH NEWS

### R.U.1.2? YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

There is NO Youth Fellowship this afternoon due to the holiday weekend! See you all next Sunday at 4pm. Next Week:

### YOUTH COUNCIL

Youth Council will be held in the Youth Room at 11am TODAY!! Hope to see you there for Pumpkin Patch fun events planning!

### GIRLS ONLY BIBLE STUDY!!

Don't miss out! Come on over to the church (Youth Room) on Wednesday afternoons at 4pm for Bible study. This group is specifically for young women in 6-9th grades, but we welcome any young lady who would like to join us. Remember to bring your Bible. We'll be using it!

### 3D: YOUTH DISCIPLES DIGGING DEEPER!

We're starting a new study and we're excited about it. Our small group meets from 6:30-7:30pm on Wednesday evenings in the Youth Room. Bring your Bible. Come see how you can dig deeper into your faith through small group Bible Study.

### CONFIRMATION CLASS FOR 2010

Calling all 7th graders or others who are interested in the PHUMC Confirmation Class!!! We don't have a class together yet, because we only have one student!! In this class, we learn about the history of the church in general and our church. We also learn what it means to be a Christian and more specifically what it means to be United Methodist. Let Halecia know TODAY if you are interested!

### WEEKLY YOUTH CALENDAR:

- September 6 - 11am Youth Council  
**NO Youth Fellowship**
- September 9 - 4pm Middle School Girls' Group  
6:30pm Small Group Bible Study
- September 13 - 2pm Not for Sale Bible Study  
4pm Youth Fellowship

### The Seeker's Bible Study

Ladies, would you like to be a woman living a simple life? Come and join the Seeker's Bible Study on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month starting September 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.

We are a loving and caring group who share, pray and study together. Please contact Martha Messerli at 896-3705. All ladies are welcome.

LADIES: bring your favorite dish & come join us as **United Methodist Women (UMW) will be having a potluck on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> 12:30pm in Fellowship Hall. ALL WOMEN** are invited to attend! This promises to be a great time to meet other women in the church, as well as get info about opportunities to become involved with Women's Ministries at our church. We look forward to seeing you there!! If you have any questions, please contact Erin Benavidez at 897-1190.

We are excited as God has called us to put together a church-wide mission project for Cuidando los Ninos! This is an organization that supports homeless families in Albuquerque. They provide things like educational services, meals for children, and a weekly on-site health clinic for the entire family. We hope all of you will join us in our efforts to support this organization in the Month of October! There will be more details to come. Erin Benavidez, UMW President

### The Women's Monthly Bible Study

Please put this info on your calendar: September 14<sup>th</sup> 9:30am in Fellowship Hall. This class meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month.

We will begin a study of cults (as per your suggestions this past May). The study will be led by Colleen Reed. The books will cost \$10 for those who want to pay (not a requirement). We need a count of those who plan to attend to order the books, please call Dawna (898-9704) or Ruby (898-0208) to tell us if you plan to attend or have any questions. We are looking forward to see what God has in store for us in this study!

### Asbury Café State Fair 2009

We still need one more worker at the café for: Tuesday, September 15, 6:45 - 11pm. FREE ADMISSION for the worker!

Thank you to all for signing up to work or bake. I will have more pie tins for Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> after the 8am and 9:30am Worship Service on Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. Lisa Kindley 321-7669

## THIS WEEK AT PHUMC

### **Ladies in the Monday Night Women's Bible Study**

We will begin our study of Beth Moore's "Esther - Its Tough Being a Woman" on September 14<sup>th</sup> at 6pm with a potluck supper followed by the study's introductory video. We will meet in the Library.

Please bring your own beverage and a dish to share. Call Joanna Hasegawa - 554-3997 or email her at [whasegawa@comcast.net](mailto:whasegawa@comcast.net).

The study will begin on September 28<sup>th</sup>. We will be meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays for 10 sessions. Please plan on coming at 6:20pm for us to have time for the videos and discussion. We will end at 8:30pm.

The participants' books can be picked up in the church office during office hours or on the night of the potluck. The cost is \$15. I know this study will be a blessing for all of us.

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**New Beginnings** – A Basics Refresher is an exciting 'New Class' that will be offered during the 11 am hour starting Sunday Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>. The first two series will be 3 sessions each. Led by Erin Benavidez & Dave Hoyt.

**Series 1.** God, how can I be sure?

- Is Jesus of Nazareth the true Christ of God?
- Is forgiveness complete when I still sin?
- What's happened to me? Am I really saved?

**Series 2.** Is the Bible holy? Begins Sun. Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>

- What are the true origins of the Bible?
- Is the Bible trustworthy and the only holy book?
- How and why should I read and study the Bible?

These series and the ones that follow will answer critical core questions. Come and see!

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### **Thank You!**

A Big Thank You to each one who participated in any way in the CareNet "Walk For Life" May God Bless you for supporting this Christian Agency and saving lives. Martha Messerli

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### **RECYCLING!**

The youth continue recycling on the second Sunday of each month. Aluminum cans should be in bags separate from other recycling. Paper and plastic are now accepted in the new bins. If you need help getting your recycling to the church, let Halecia know and we will schedule someone to pick it up for you.

### **BRING YOUR ALUMINUM CANS NEXT SUNDAY!!**

The Batteries Recycle Bucket is inside the Church Office Entrance.

### September 6th Sunday

Weekly Sunday Schedule

1p ~ Men's Small Group - Library

1:30p ~ Water Party at the Schaedla's home

3p ~ Youth Council

**NO Youth Fellowship Tonight**

6p ~ Evening Small Group - Conf. Room

### September 7th Monday

**Labor Day**

*Office Closed*

### September 8th Tuesday

**Preschool Starts**

9:30a ~ Preschool - F2 - Nursery - Room 42 - F4

11:30a ~ 1st Place Bible Study - Library

6:30p ~ Karate for Christ Class - F4

7p ~ Trustees Committee Meeting - Conf. Rm.

### September 9th Wednesday

9:30a ~ Preschool - F2 - Nursery - Room 42 - F4

12p ~ Community Prayer - Sanctuary

4p ~ Middle School Girl's Bible Study - Youth Room

4:30p ~ Good News Singers - Rehearsal

5:30p ~ Voices of Fire - Rehearsal

6:30p ~ Instrumental Ensemble

6:30p ~ Youth Small Group - Youth Room

7:15p ~ Prayers & Praise

### September 10th Thursday

9:30a ~ Preschool - F2 - Nursery - Room 42 - F4 6:30p ~ Adult Choir Rehearsals

### September 11th Friday

9:30a ~ Preschool - F2 - Nursery - Room 42 - F4

4p ~ Leslie Mattern's Bible Study - F4

### September 12th Saturday

10a ~ National Federal of the Blind - Room 42

### September 13th Next Sunday

**Weekly Sunday Schedule**

12:15p ~ UMW Potluck & General Mtg

## Come Play With Us!

The Nursery is requesting help from the congregation to fill a special need. On occasion, we have multiple infants and older children that require additional adult attention. We would like to have a list of volunteers that would be available to assist with Nursery curriculum or to hold a baby. We would need you to carry a pager for the 9:30am service on a Sunday morning so that we can contact you if we need your help. For the safety and well being of all concerned we are requesting on-call Safe Sanctuary certified volunteers (youth 14 yrs and older are welcome). Please contact Lysa Wilkes at 792-1644 or [lysa51@msn.com](mailto:lysa51@msn.com) or Carol Sandoval at 898-1327 or [csandoval@cybermesa.com](mailto:csandoval@cybermesa.com).

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### Wow! Thank you to everyone who supported Children's Ministry Backpack Drive for Joy Junction.

You were very generous in your giving to underprivileged school children. You have made a huge difference in a child's life. To feel equipped with the supplies that every one else has is so important for children's developing self-esteem. "The King will reply 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'" Matthew 25:40 NRSV

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### Learning to Use My Bible begins September 20<sup>th</sup> thru November 8<sup>th</sup> during the 9:30am Sunday school hour.

Parents of 3<sup>rd</sup> graders: Bible Sunday will be September 13<sup>th</sup>. PHUMC will present bibles to all 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and older elementary children who have not received a bible. This is a significant event in the life of a Christian child.

In order for our children to successfully use their bibles, it is important to build a foundation of basic bible knowledge. Following is an eight week class "Learning to Use My Bible" September 20<sup>th</sup> -November 8<sup>th</sup> in Room 43 of the Education Wing. The 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will then join their new class of 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders.

Contact Carol Sandoval, Children's Ministry Director at 898-1327 or [csandoval@cybermesa.com](mailto:csandoval@cybermesa.com), if your child has not received a bible or you are unable to attend the presentation.

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I just wanted to let you all know that there is a **Casting Crowns concert** on September 17th at 7pm in Rio Rancho. Tickets are \$15. I need to know **TODAY!!** I will get the tickets ordered. Youth will need to find their own ride to and from Santa Ana Star Center in Rio Rancho the night of the concert. **YOU** are more than welcome to join us!!

Thanks, Halecia

## Teachers for the 2009-2010 school year:

**Preschool:** Anja Wriston, Colleen Guess, Hazel Goetz  
**1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:** Dick and Rita Lindberg, Ruby Whittington  
**3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>:** Mike Wells, Sandy Parker and Faye Pecille  
**6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Bill Schaedla  
**9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Jan Gimar and James Welch

**11am:** Jeanne Vosburgh and Clint Robbins

### Sunday School Shepherds:

Peggy Hutchison, Anne Bennett, Cassie Ringham-Chavez, Patsi Hubbard

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### Dear Summer and Fall Sunday School Teachers, Helpers and Substitutes:

Wow! You are an amazing group of volunteers. Thank you for your desire to mold the lives of our children. The time, dedication and enthusiasm that you put into teaching are absolutely beaming from the children's and your faces. You are a tremendous asset to PHUMC's Children's Education team and our congregation!

In addition to being our congregation's "teachers", you are teaching the children that adults are wonderful role models and can be friends as well. Some of my favorite memories of childhood are from Sunday School, and many of those teachers are dear friends in my adulthood. Thank you for forming these important relationships with our children.

Please let your friends and others in the church know what a wonderful experience you have working with the children of our church, and help pass the spark of fun along.

Thank you again for your enthusiasm and for helping our children build a closer relationship to Christ.

Carol Sandoval - Director of Children & Family Ministries - Halecia Scott - Youth Director

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**A HUGE THANK YOU** to the Hospitality Team who helped in the kitchen and those who helped set up and clean up for our wonderful Pot Luck Hospitality Luncheon. Also, thank you to all who brought such a wonderful variety of delicious entrees and desserts? It was just so bountiful, we had to add two extra tables to serve it all. **Wow, isn't God good!**

Now it's time to fill your spirit with a ministry. In the next few weeks we will be calling on you to step up.

God bless, Carol Telesco, Hospitality Team Leader