

# PHUMC FOUNDATION 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY REPORT

2024



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*Special Thanks to those who provided assistance in the preparation of this report:*

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# From the Senior Pastor



One of the tremendous blessings we have as members of Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church is our Foundation. Your contributions and the funds generated enable us to accomplish so much good for so many people in the name of Christ that we would most likely not be able assist if it were funded solely by our annual ministry budget.

The PHUMC Foundation contributes to mission opportunities, special projects, unique programming, as well as several requests that are a part of our ministry goals as a church. The oversight of all funds distributed is the responsibility of the Foundation Board, made

up of members of our congregation.

Enclosed is the Annual Foundation Report. Please read it carefully and celebrate the way God has blessed this faith family. If you need additional information, or if you are interested in contributing, please contact Virginia Porta, Director of PHUMC Foundation at [vporta@phumc.com](mailto:vporta@phumc.com).

In the name of Christ,

Dr. John Robbins, Senior Pastor

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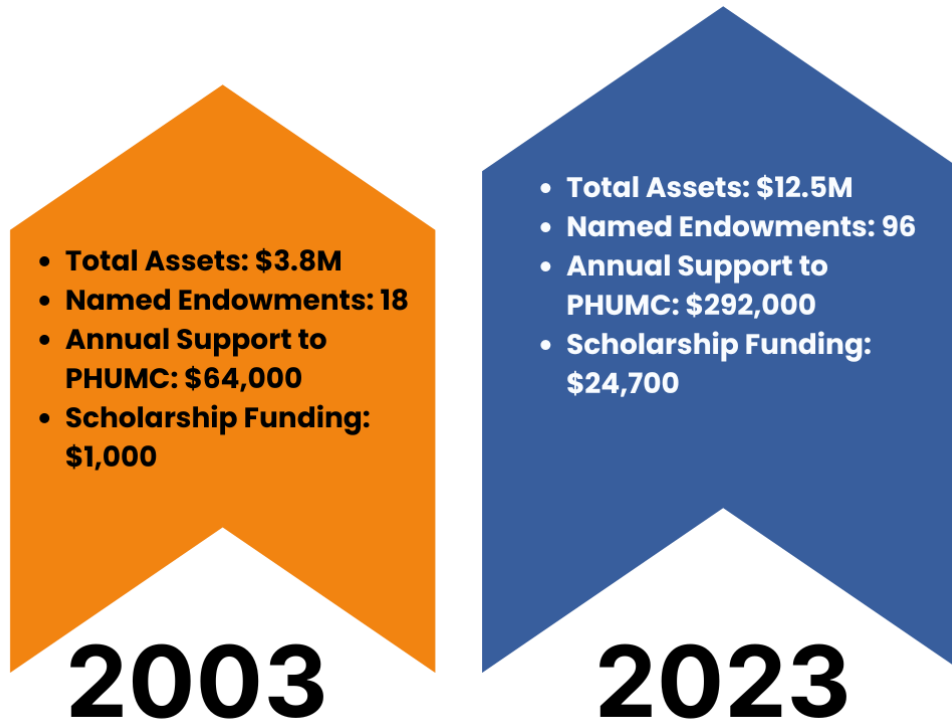
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## History & Highlights

Thanks is given to the foresight of historic leaders of Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church for their work to establish the PHUMC Foundation to support the ministries and missions of PHUMC. Today's Foundation is possible because of all who have given. In 1985, the late Alton Raney made a gift of \$50,000 to PHUMC. Rather than simply adding those funds to the annual budget, the Board of Trustees used this gift to establish the PHUMC Endowment Fund, the forerunner of the Foundation. Since 1985, the principal value of gifts and bequests has grown from \$50,000 to nearly \$13 million at the end of 2023. The establishment of the PHUMC Foundation provides the opportunity to assist PHUMC members as they make both lifetime gifts and bequests to further strengthen PHUMC into perpetuity.

As with all endowment accounts, the principal is never expended. Under guidance from the Methodist Foundation for Arkansas, the PHUMC Foundation allocates for expenditure roughly 4% of the value of the endowments. This standard allocation percentage allows for changing market conditions and provides stability in budgeting activities.

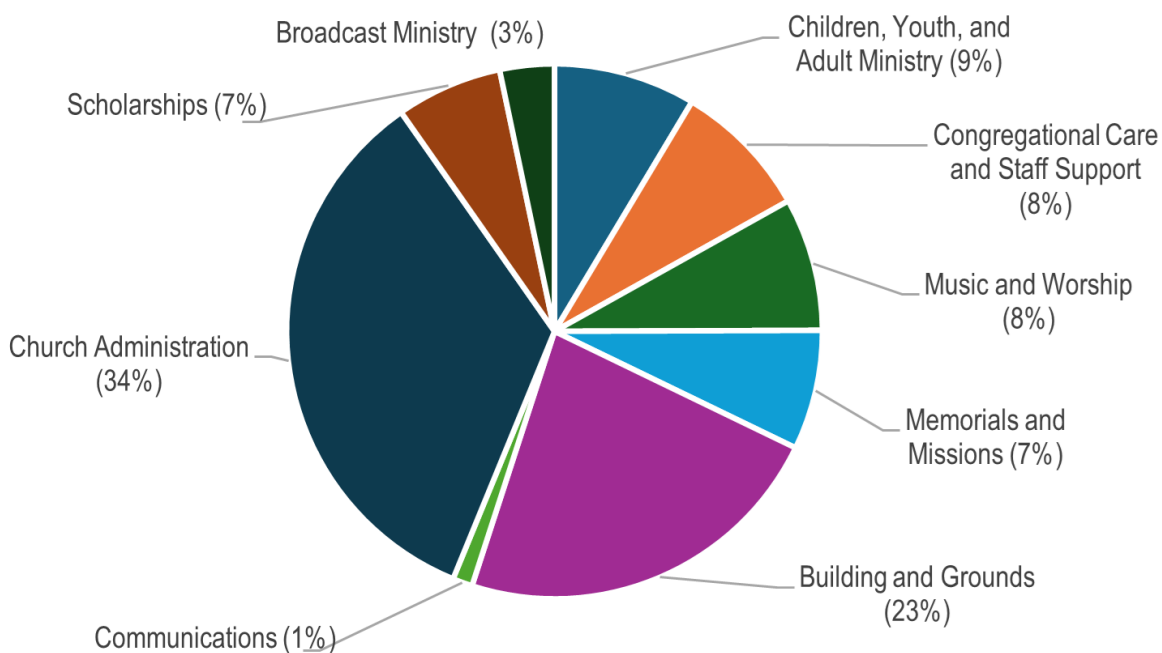


### Original PHUMC Endowments which created the PHUMC Foundation

- PHUMC General Endowment
- Claude Collie Endowment
- Ruby Hawthorne Morton Endowment
- Wellons Endowment
- Hoyt and Wanda Pyle Endowment
- Alice Faust Memorial
- Clay and Carrie Hansen Endowment
- Sybil Vinton Endowment
- Mission Endowment
- T.V. Endowment
- E. W. Copeland Endowment
- Loraine Cokenour Scholarship
- Johnnie Holcomb Endowment
- CTLC Endowment
- Organ Fund
- Matlock Educational Endowment
- PHUMC Maintenance Endowment
- Pulaski Heights UMC Trustees Fund

The mission of the PHUMC Foundation is to support the ministries and missions of Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. This 20th Anniversary Report provides context of how far the Foundation has come since its creation 20 years ago. More specifically, it shows the gifts received and distributions made over the past five years.

### Foundation Distributions (2019-2023)



**Total Distributions (2019-2023): \$1,635,545**

### PHUMC Foundation Assets as of December 31, 2023:

<b>Unrestricted Endowments</b>	<b>\$6,709,549</b>
<b>Restricted Endowments</b>	<b>\$5,864,947</b>
<b>Spending Accounts</b>	<b>\$381,938</b>
<b>Other (Discretionary and Donor-Advised)</b>	<b>\$75,591</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,032,025</b>

## New Endowments (2019-2023)

There are myriad “WHYs” for individuals to establish and support endowments. Planning giving provides multiple paths for donors to set and communicate investment priorities, honor or memorialize loved ones, show support for ministries of the church, and in some cases provide a financial benefit to the donor. Over the past five years, the Foundation has established nearly 20 new endowments—all because of the generosity of the members and friends of PHUMC.

Gifts in memory of John N. Roberts were the basis of the **John and Kathy Roberts Endowment** established in 2019. John was a faithful servant of God through his leadership of Men Alive, the Koinonia Dialogue Sunday School Class, as a member of the Sanctuary Choir, and many other ministries at PHUMC. The Children, Youth, and Music ministries benefit from the earnings of this endowment.

Other endowments established in 2019 include the **Michael R. Smith Family Endowment** supporting local missions, the **Cathy Couch Good Samaritan Endowment** for the Caring Ministries of PHUMC, and the **Richard Knoll Music Endowment** to support the music ministry at PHUMC. Richard “Ritchie” Knoll made plans for his estate, and established the Knoll Music Endowment whose earning will benefit the PHUMC Music Ministry. Ritchie has been a long-time member of the Sanctuary Choir and is a member of the Masters of Illusion, a local group of magicians. Ritchie has entertained the PHUMC Helping Hands Respite Care Program many times over the past several years.



In 2020, four separate endowments were funded. **The Carolyn and Joel Henslee Mission Endowment** was established by an estate gift provided by the Henslee family upon Carolyn’s death. Earnings from this generous gift support PHUMC mission activities—specifically our adopted Afghan family.

Lisa Booker established the **Robert Chancellor Hoover Memorial Treatment Center Endowment** in her son’s memory. It provides support to the Hoover Treatment Center which played an important role in Robert’s life. Unlike other endowments, the annual earnings are remitted directly to the Treatment Center to provide support to for many community members.



The **Chris and Pam Hunter Children’s Bible Endowment** provides future funding of Third Grade Bibles presented each fall. Chris and Pam met as third-grade Sunday School teachers. Pam continues to be a regular teacher in the Koinonia Dialogue Class. Georgiana Gunn was a faithful member of PHUMC; served with the Altar Guild for many years; and was a faithful volunteer in the Helping Hands Respite Care Program. Upon her death, memorials and her estate gift provided the funding for the **Georgiana Gunn Endowment** whose earning support those program ministries at PHUMC.

Five more endowments were established for the PHUMC Foundation in 2021. The **Luna and Douglas Craver Children’s Endowment** was funded through earnings from an endowment established by the Craver family at the Methodist Foundation of Arkansas. Andre and Louise Rollefson were proactive when they created the **Andre and Louise Rollefson Caring Ministry Endowment**. This is a “living” endowment for the benefit of the PHUMC Caring Ministries such as Cancer friends and congregational care. Andre and Louise are both long-time members of the Sanctuary Choir, the Roundtable Sunday School Class, and the PHUMC Cancer Friends.

Former Chairperson of the PHUMC Building Committee, Jim P. Spradley oversaw the design and execution of the building master plan and was a proponent for the preservation and maintenance of the entire campus. Through memorials and family gifts, Mrs. Carolyn Spradley established the **Jimmy P. Spradley Facilities Maintenance Endowment** which provides funding for ongoing building maintenance repairs.

Through a gift from Helen Hall's family, two endowments were established in her loving memory. Helen was a long-time member of PHUMC and served on the Altar Guild and in other worship and welcoming capacities for many years. Earnings from the **Helen Hall and Family Endowments** will support the Altar Guild, provide scholarships for Adventures in the Arts (now the PHUMC Music Academy), and help support Foundation activities as determined by the PHUMC Foundation Board.



Finally, an anonymous donor offered a matching gift up to \$3,000 to establish a new food pantry endowment. Within weeks, the donor's gift was 'matched' by another member and other gifts were also received. Ultimately, the original donor provided a second \$3,000 and the **Lovers of the Food Pantry Endowment** was established with a total principal of over \$16,000. Earnings support the Judy Huddleston Strohm Food Pantry serving more than 100 families each month.

Moving into 2022, the **Tom and Dot Moore Family Endowment**, the **Villines Family Endowment**, and two endowments by John and Sylvia Borchert were established. The Moore Family Endowment was established by Mr. Tom Moore in memory of his beloved wife, Dot, and his son, Russell. The Villines Family Endowment was established by Bev and Buddy Villines. Both the Moore and Villines endowments are unrestricted. Their earnings are combined with earnings from other unrestricted accounts to help offset the PHUMC Operating costs and Discretionary Grants. The **two Borchert Endowments** serve two purposes: one is to provide discretionary spending capacity for the Senior Pastor and the other is an unrestricted endowment.



In 2023, there were four restricted endowments finalized. The **Hodges Family Columbarium Garden Maintenance Endowment** was created through memorials and family gifts in memory of Mr. Tommy Hodges. The earnings from this fund help offset annual maintenance costs related to the Columbarium Garden. As an avid historian, Tyler Thompson sought to provide ongoing support to document and preserve the archives of PHUMC through the **T. T. Tyler Thompson Digital Archive Endowment**. Expected uses of these funds include ensuring the older archives are preserved in a stable format and to provide electronic storage for materials in digital formats. The **Barnwell Holloway Medical Studies Scholarship Endowment** for students seeking education assistance for a broad spectrum of medical professions and the **Randy and Gay Wyatt Youth Endowment** to benefit youth ministries at PHUMC were created in 2023.

At the close of 2023, your PHUMC Foundation managed over 150 specific endowment and related spending accounts. We are both very blessed and very pleased to include these endowments by providing a means for people to honor and memorialize their friends, families, and loved ones.

## Ways to Support the PHUMC Foundation

- Take advantage of educational opportunities offered by the Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church Foundation with the Methodist Foundation for Arkansas.
- Donate to an existing PHUMC endowment to honor or memorialize someone
- Serve on the Foundation Board of Directors
- Join the Birthday Club and make an annual gift on your or others' birthdays
- Become a Willing Friend by including PHUMC in your plans
- Consider establishing an endowment or scholarship fund in honor of in memory of a special person
- Plan your Legacy through a Charitable Gift Annuity, Charitable Remainder Trust, or Life Insurance

Through YOU we can see the future of the Foundation in our present.

# Current PHUMC Foundation Endowment Funds

## Children, Youth, and Adult Ministry Endowments

- Wenona Fox Endowment
- Cecil and Betty Malone Older Adults Endowment
- Vivian and Edwin F Meyer Adult Ministries
- Minton Family Endowment
- Robert N. and Rose A. Berry Children's Endowment
- Luna and Douglas Craver Children's Endowment
- Kearney and Floy Jean Dietz Memorial Children's Endowment
- CTLC Endowment Fund
- Georgia and Bob Sells St. Luke Learning Center Endowment
- Betty Meyer Youth Mission Endowment
- PHUMC Youth Endowment Fund
- Garth and Joann Martin Local Youth Ministry Endowment
- John and Kathy Roberts Endowment
- Hunter Children's Bible Endowment
- Smith Family Endowment
- Wyatt Youth Endowment

## Congregational and Staff Support Endowments

- Johnnie Holcomb Endowment Fund
- Jan R. and Charles D. Sullivan Family Endowment
- Joe and Sally Crowder Caring Ministry
- Andre and Louise Rollefson Caring Ministry
- James Hal Beard Stephen Ministry Endowment
- Prayer Shawl Ministry Endowment
- Borchert Family Endowment
- Georgianna Gunn Endowment
- John & Sylvia Borchert Special Use Endowment

## Worship and Music Endowments

- Georgianna Gunn Endowment
- Alice Ann Adams Beard Alter Guild Endowment
- Betty Moore Brown Music and Arts Endowment
- Elise and James B. Argue, Jr. Choral Scholars
- John and Maxine Fortenberry Music Endowment
- Richard K. Knoll Music Endowment
- Jack T. Fryer Music Ministry Endowment
- Sanders Music Endowment Fund
- Ballard Music Endowment
- PHUMC Organ Fund
- James and Mary Collins Worship Endowment
- John and Kathy Roberts Endowment
- Helen Hall & Family Endowment

## Mission Endowments

- Couch Good Samaritan Endowment
- Wade Good Samaritan Endowment
- St. Luke Mission and Ministry
- Carolyn and Joel Henslee Mission Endowment
- Mission Endowment Fund
- Robert Hoover Chancellor Treatment Center Memorial Endowment
- Bishop Kenneth Hicks Peace Endowment
- Bess and George Campbell Food Pantry Endowment
- Clyde and Mary Jo Horton Food Pantry Endowment
- Lovers of the Food Pantry
- Smith Family Endowment

## Communication Endowments

- Copeland Journalism & Communication Endowment
- T. T. Tyler Thompson Digital Archives Endowment

## Broadcast/Television Endowments

- Mary Jane See Adamson TV Ministry Endowment
- Jack E. Hill TV Ministry Endowment
- PHUMC TV Endowment Fund

## Building and Grounds Endowments

- Centennial Preservation Endowment
- Jimmy P. Spradley Facilities Maintenance Endowment
- Betty Glasscock Landscape Ministry Endowment
- Hodges Family Columbarium Garden Endowment

## Scholarship Endowments

- Stanley and Armintha Berry Music Scholarship
- Loraine Cokenour Scholarship Fund
- Faulkner Basketball Scholarship Endowment
- Little Joe and the BKs Fund
- Barnwell-Holloway Medical Studies Scholarship

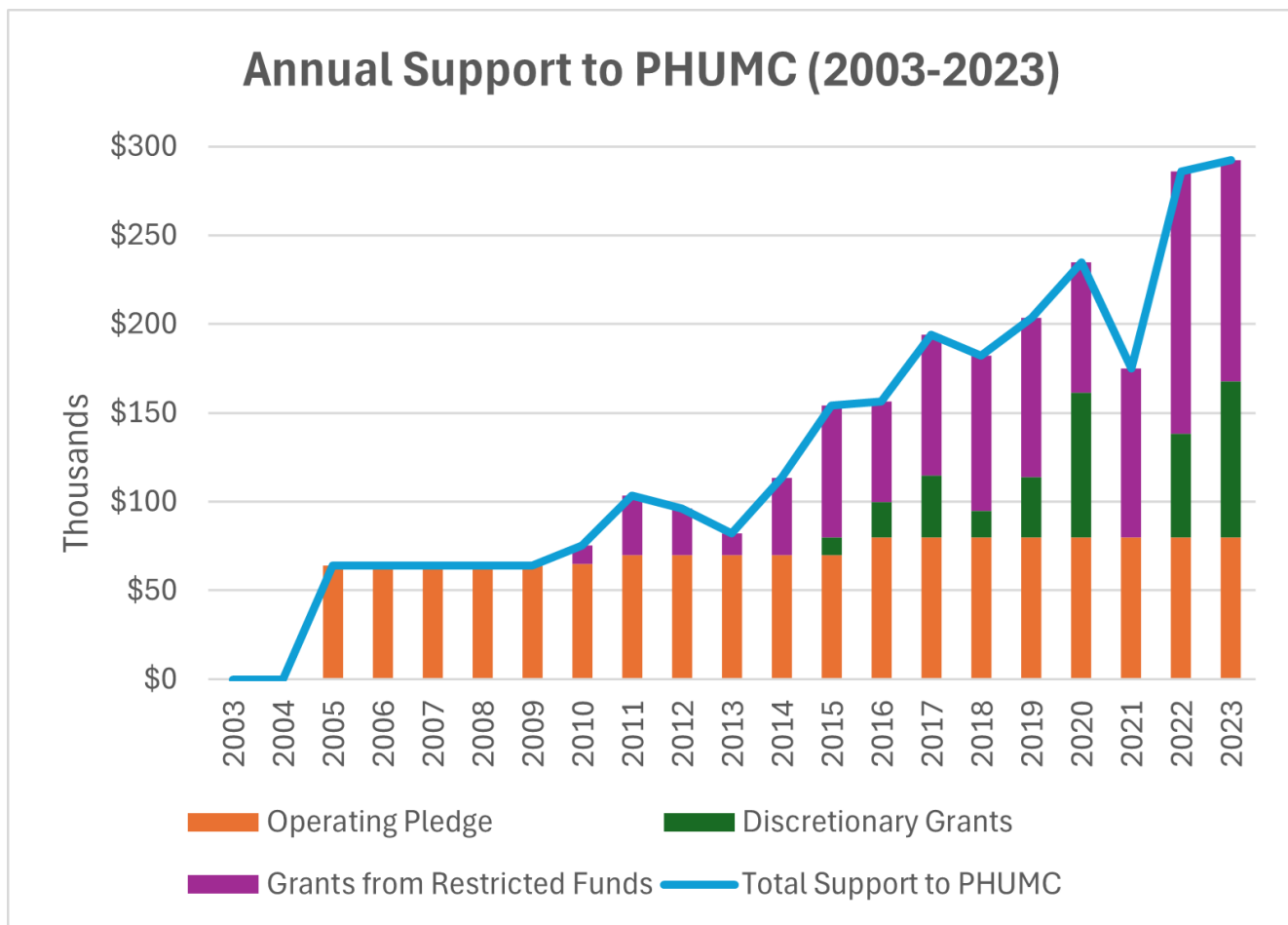
## General Church Ministries Endowments

- Dorothy Stout Aldridge Endowment
- Dr. John Clement Baber Endowment
- Chloe Deane Branscum Endowment
- Betsy Branton Family Endowment
- William Elmo Browning Endowment
- Gilbert and Helen Buchanan Endowment
- Brent Edward Coker Memorial Endowment
- Collie Endowment Fund
- James C. and Billie A. Davis Endowment
- Dot and Louis East Endowment
- Engstrom Family Endowment
- Alice J. Faust Memorial Fund
- Gaston Family Endowment
- PHUMC General Endowment Fund
- John and Marjorie Dunn Gilleland Endowment
- Helen and Vernon Giss Endowment
- Helen Hall and Family Endowment
- H. Clay and Carrie Boyd Hansen Memorial Endowment
- Harrison Family Endowment
- Hawthorne Family Endowment
- Margaret Houston Endowment Fund
- Hudson Family Endowment
- Mary Lou and Brooks Jackson Family Endowment
- Lynn and Wayne Lindsey Family Endowment
- McClearly/Monk Family Endowment
- Maurice H. and Elizabeth Stockley Mitchell Endowment
- Jejo Mobley Endowment
- Moore Family Endowment
- Victor H. and Frances "Freddie" Henley Nixon Endowment
- W.K. and Elizabeth Palmer Memorial Endowment
- Pyle Endowment Fund
- Josephine Lewis Renshaw Endowment
- PHUMC Trustees Fund
- Villines Family Endowment
- Sybil Naylor Vinton Trust
- Wellons Memorial Endowment Fund
- Borchert Family Endowment
- Tom & Dot Moore Family Endowment



# Legacy of Support

The current success of the PHUMC Foundation would not have been possible with the planning and execution of those who have gone before us. Because of their insight, in the past 20 years the PHUMC Foundation has been able to provide more than \$2,669,000 to support the ministries and missions of PHUMC. That is something we can all support. Note, in 2021, there were decreased funds distributed due to decreased activities on the PHUMC campus related to COVID-19.



**Over the last five years, the PHUMC Foundation has provided \$1,635,545 for the ministries and missions of PHUMC:**

- New Hand Chimes • New Paraments • Vacation Bible School • Building Repairs • Social Media Platforms • Video Studio Buildout • A/V equipment • Lunch Bunch • Veteran Celebration Luncheon • Kids Holiday Activities • Landscaping • Older Adults Lunch Bunch • Back-to-School • Afghan Family • Camp Scholarships • Hunger Missions • Camp Aldersgate • Ozark Mission Project • Project Transformation • KidSPonsor • Staff Continuing Education • Sunday School Materials • Adult Education • Building Preservation • Petting Zoo • Piano • Roof Repairs • Air Conditioning Repairs • Afghan Family Summer Camp • Youth Bibles • Stephen Minister Training • Afghan Family Vehicle • Interfaith Center • Stop the Violence • Jericho Way • Community Easter Service • Mourner’s Path Training • Printing Equipment • Building Security • Mobility Devices • Spanish Language Lessons • Philander Smith University • Older Adults to Crystal Bridges • Church Vans • Hunger Relief • Classroom Equipment • 200,000 Reasons

# Message from the Executive Director

While preparing this 20th Anniversary report I was struck by all the people who have made the Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church Foundation what it is today. We are so blessed by the foresight of those who made the decision to create the Foundation to support the mission and ministries of Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church.

Commitments made by our very faithful friends have allowed the Foundation to expand the breadth of support provided. As Rev. Lynn Lindsey mentioned in one of the Foundation's early reports, the second verse of "What Gift Can We Bring?" reminds us of those who came before us and their work to lay the groundwork for the Foundation.



*"Give thanks for the past, for those who had vision,  
who planted and watered so dreams could come true.  
Give thanks for the now, for study, for worship,  
for mission that bids us turn prayer into deed."*

We are forever indebted to those pioneers of the church, and we strive to follow in their footsteps. At the end of 2023, the PHUMC Foundation had total assets of over \$13 million from nearly 100 separate endowments. This has allowed the Foundation to support PHUMC with over \$2.67 million to PHUMC over the last 20 years.

We are all blessed beyond measure. It is our turn to honor those innovators, those who have entered the church triumphant, and those still to come. Please join me as we strengthen and fortify the Foundation so that it will be a blessing for generations to come.

Virginia Porta  
Executive Director  
PHUMC Foundation

*2 Corinthians 9:8*

*And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance,  
so that by always having enough of everything, you may share  
abundantly in every good work.*

## Giving to the PHUMC Foundation

If you have designated the church in your will – or would like more information about planned gifts of any kind – you are encouraged to contact Virginia Porta, PHUMC Foundation Executive Director at the address listed below. Requests and plans will be kept in confidence unless your permission is given to acknowledge them.

How can you give to the Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church Foundation?

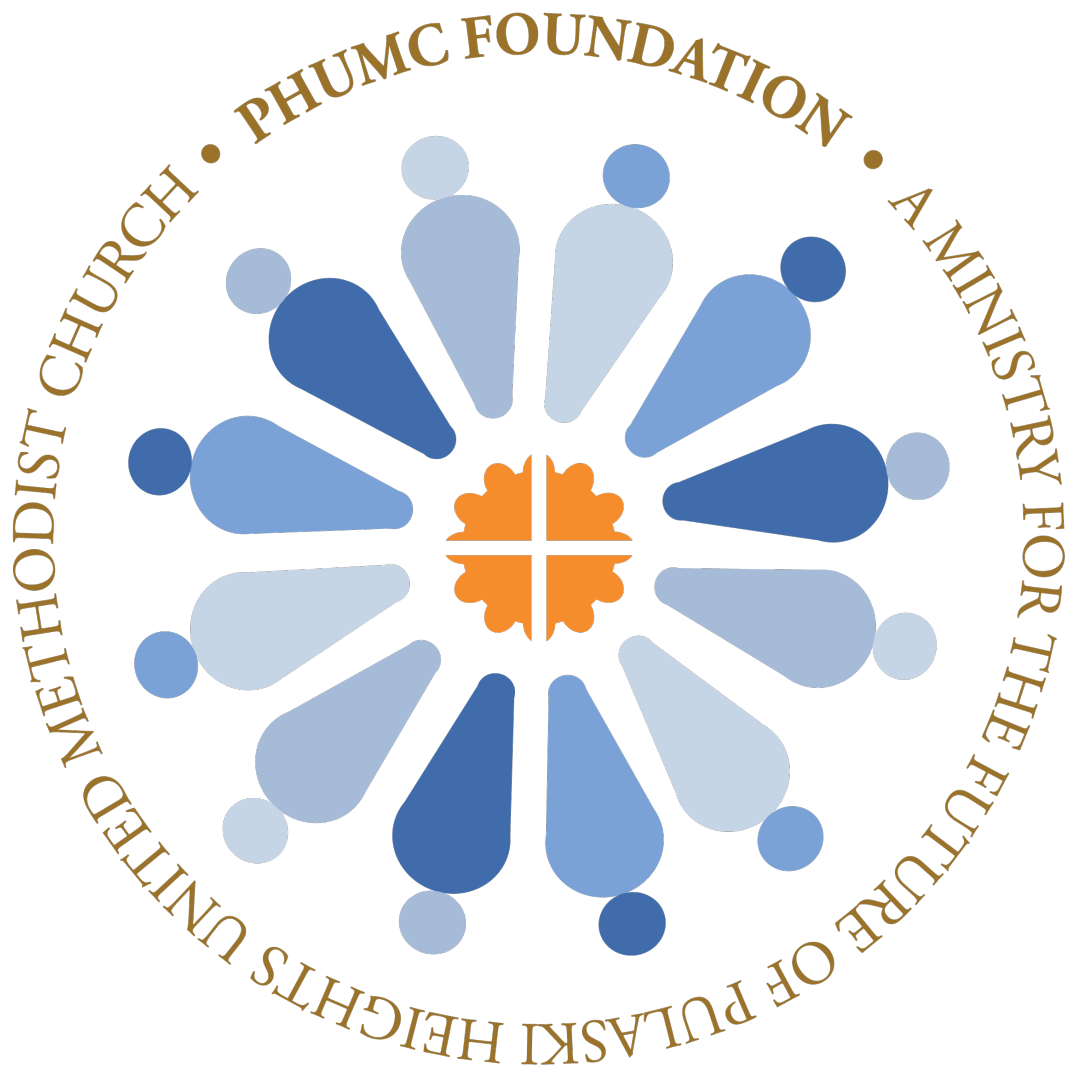
- Write a check payable to the Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church Foundation and mail to the address below or drop off at the church reception desk.
- Give electronically via the PHUMC app or the PHUMC website, being sure to specify the Foundation.
- Include the PHUMC Foundation in your long-term plans and become a member of the Willing Friends Society.
- Join the Birthday Club with an annual donation of you or a loved-one's age to celebrate the special day.

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The PHUMC Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization that serves the members, families, and missions of Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church through careful and successful management of financial gifts. The goal is to extend the blessings of our gifts and faith well into the future by planning legacies.



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