

A Message from The Pastor



We are blessed this month to have a number of baptisms. Baptism is one of the 2 sacraments which the United Methodist Church celebrates; the other is Holy Communion. A sacrament means that God's grace is present in that ritual. It is a mystery that God is present in baptism and Holy Communion in a way that we cannot understand. As those babies are baptized, God will be present with us and especially with those families. Baptism will be a start for those babies in this life of faith. The vows made their parents and our congregation make clear our responsibilities to nurture the children in faith. We are blessed to have Sunday School classes for the children, so that they can learn and grow in their discipleship.

It is also our responsibility to take an interest in those children, encourage them as much as possible, and model in our own lives how to be a Christ follower. We know that baptism is not a "ticket to heaven", but we recognize that it bestows a relationship with God and with God's followers that can never be taken away. We welcome these children into God's family; they become part of OUR family. Please pray for all the children and youth in PHUMC that they may grow to become the disciples Christ calls them to be!

Blessings,
Pastor Margery