

Hamilton Park United Methodist Church



January 5, 2024

News at the Park



Sunday Worship Celebration @ 10:00

Dr. Sheron C. Patterson - Sr. Pastor

Let's have a conversation about...

MENTAL HEALTH & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Sunday, January 28, 2024 / 10:00 am
Special Guest—Lynn Richardson

CHANGE



Change is coming our way. I will retire from Ministry on March 31, 2024. In a matter of weeks the names of an Interim Pastor and new pastor will be determined by the North Texas Conference Cabinet, in consultation with our church's Staff Parish Relations Committee, and shared with the church. Whew!! That is a lot of change but, guess what? The goodness and greatness of God does not change.

As you know, I've been an itinerant United Methodist pastor for 35 years. Over that time, change was constant. I found myself moving to seven different assignments, and believe it or not, I came to embrace change.

I believe that you can embrace change too. Please pray for yourselves, the church and the incoming pastors. As we know, prayer changes things and prayer changes us. Below I've listed three quotes on change that personally helped me. I pray they help you too.

"At any given moment we have two options: to step forward into growth or step back into safety." — Abraham Maslow

"The only way to make sense of change is to plunge into it, move with it and join the dance." Alan Watts

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 New International Version

A Time for Everything

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace."

Your pastor, Dr. Sheron C. Patterson

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www.theparkumc.org

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3. Choose "Donate Today"
4. Enter your donation amount

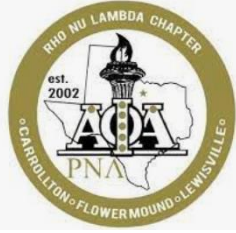
An Opportunity to Serve!!!

Path 2 Nourishment
Saturday, January 6th
@ 10:00 am (CLC)

Altar Flowers for 1/7/2024

The flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of his parents, **Paul and Florine Drayton**, by Frank Drayton.

Project Alpha Offers a Conference on Sexual Responsibility for the Youth



Local youth will have the opportunity to talk about issues of sexuality and male responsibility as they take part in a workshop sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. The Project Alpha conference will be held on Saturday, January 13, at the Crosby Recreation Center in Carrollton, TX. The conference will run from 1:00PM-3:30 PM. Project Alpha is a national program, designed to help young men make better and more informed choices about their sexual behavior. Since 1980, Alpha Phi Alpha and the March of Dimes have been working together to help young men make the right decisions about the complex issues surrounding sex. This is a unique mentoring program which offers African American men as positive role models for the next generation. Topics to be covered during the conference sessions may include abstinence and the consequences of early sexual activity; peer pressure; HIV/AIDS; teen pregnancy; STIs; relationships; being responsible parents. Project Alpha seeks to create a safe environment where teens can learn about and explore their sexuality and relationship issues. The program's three goals are:

- 1) **Sharing Knowledge:** combating ignorance and fear with information
- 2) **Changing Attitudes:** providing youth with the motivation they need to make positive changes in their sexual behaviors
- 3) **Providing Skills:** creating a sense of empowerment and self-esteem

The workshops are free and open to youth ages of 12 through 18. Pre-registration, however, is required for attendance.

To register, please complete the consent form on the link below by January 6. For more information, call Myron Brown at 513 477-6846. Registration Link- <https://www.jotform.com/build/211233391345044>

2024 Summer Internships

Thank you for your interest in our 2024 Internship Programs for students interested in pursuing a career in Healthcare!

- Most of our internships are targeted for current undergraduate college Juniors that will be 'rising Seniors' the Summer of 2024 with an expected graduation date between December 2024 and June 2025.
- HCSC is actively recruiting to fill intern positions for next summer.
- All current open positions are available on our [HCSC.com/Careers website](https://www.hcsc.com/careers) and applicants should continue to check back to see new positions as they become available.
- If you have questions, please reach out to Michael.Gaston@bcbsstx.com or University_Relations@bcbsil.com

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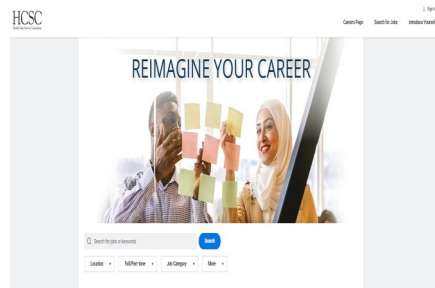
Applying to HCSC Intern Positions

Finding Positions: On our [Careers](#) website you can locate our Intern positions by:

Searching by Keyword: 'University'

- **Intern roles** all start with 'University Relations'

Also, we encourage you to join our [Campus Talent Community](#) to get updates on new positions and stay in touch with us.



HCSC

Saturday, January 20, 2024 @ 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM in the CLC
Hamilton Park Leadership Gathering

“Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
 Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
 where there is injury, pardon;
 where there is doubt, faith;
 where there is despair, hope;
 where there is darkness, light;
 where there is sadness, joy;
**O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be
 consoled as to console;
 to be understood as to understand;
 to be loved as to love.**
**For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are
 pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.**
Amen.”
 —Francis of Assisi



Altar Flowers for Sunday, December 24, 2023
 Are given in loving memory of S. W. “Jack”,
 Jessie, Jackie & S. W. “Junior”, Waiters by
 Denise Waiters-Mitchell, Jessica Mitchell and
 Michael Waiters

Thank you for participating in **Kroger Community Rewards**. As a result of our participation in this program, Kroger has donated approximately \$500 to *Hamilton Park United Methodist Church*. If you shop at Kroger and have not linked your *Kroger Plus Card* to HPUMC, please follow the steps below.

Go to: www.kroger.com/communityrewards

1. Sign in or create your digital account.
 2. Search for your organization.
 3. Enter the name or NPO number of the organization you wish to support.
NPO# QU468 - Hamilton Park United Methodist Church
 4. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click “Save”.
- Your selected organization will also display in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always do so under your Account details.
- Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper’s Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at no added cost to you. Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations.

College & Career Devotion



Praise and Prayers to the events on Wednesday evenings? These are mostly those who are age 25 and younger who have graduated from our Ignite Youth Ministry. We meet each Wednesday evening from 8:30-9:00pm via zoom. Please contact Kathy via email or text for zoom address.



- Prayer REQUEST**
- Andrekia Chandler
 - Jody Livingston
 - Pam Williams
 - Roger & Shirley Bouyer
 - Shirley Pleasant
 - Herman & Linda Manning
 - The Stanley family

- The Slatter family
- Mable Hilburn
- Cathy Parker
- James White
- Joan Humphreys
- Kathy Turner
- Caroline Ramos (child)
- The Robertson family
- Geraldine Vine
- Ellen Long
- Shirley Dillard

- Shaun Martin (H)
- Breheha Jones & family
- Doris Vance - (Family Death)
- Pam Polk
- Eartha Walls
- Kathy Turner
- The Wright-Sanders family
- Celia Reece (Family Death)
- Jason Harkey
- The Nash family
- The Booker family

This is a prayer request and sick & shut in list (Hospital)

EVENTS

The Right to VOTE!!!

January 1 is the first time that voters can submit the applications for ballot by mail – a task that needs to be done every year. I have attached an application for your benefit. You will notice that a lot of information is required and there are lots of options which we are ready to clarify. LWV Texas also has a great webpage on voting by mail <https://lwvtx.clubexpress.com/votebymail> which has some very helpful videos for how to fill out an application and also how to complete a ballot by mail.



In-Person

Join Zoom Meeting
[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89703618452?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89703618452?pwd=bUpoS2E5UIQzZEloMXpuMVRQTHpxQT09)
pwd=bUpoS2E5UIQzZEloMXpuM
VRQTHpxQT09

Meeting ID: 897 0361 8452
Passcode: 874995

STAY CONNECTED:

- Senior Bible Study - Wednesday @ 10:00 am in the church library.
- Wednesday Night - Faith & Family
- Thursday Prayer 4:00pm-5:00pm - Beverly Galimore (605-475-3200 / Code: 168 199)
- Worship Service - 10:00 am (in person, Facebook or Website)

Church Family, we experienced a very meaningful Charge Conference on Sunday night. Our District Superintendent- Rev. Edlen Cowley explained that our annual conference- the North Texas Annual Conference has five Strategic Priorities, and he asked that we make those five Strategic Priorities ours. Additionally, Rev. Cowley asks that we prioritize them for our church. They are listed below. Please take the time to study them and envision them here at The Park.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



MULTIPLY
JESUS
FOLLOWERS



CHAMPION
CHILDREN
AND YOUTH



MAXIMIZE
CARE AND
HEALING



PURSUE
AND
EMBRACE
DIVERSITY



TELL OUR
STORY

Swing Dance

Hamilton Park UMC CLC
11881 Schroeder Rd - Dallas, TX 75243
Friday's @ 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Contact Kathy
for additional info
972-768-0116

**FREE
Lessons**

[Men of The Park!](#)

Join us each Sunday Morning at 9 am for Sunday School in Rm 111. We study the Word of God each week from our Echoes Sunday School Book. All are welcome!