

# GROUP SERVING IDEAS

## IN THE CHURCH

### **Jesters, HPUMC's theater troupe comprised of teens and adults with special needs**

Jester's is ramping up for the fall semester! Jesters could not happen without its faithful helpers from HPUMC and the surrounding community. Those who serve participate in different ways at rehearsal, including running lines and scenes with the actors, practicing choreography, and acting as buddies with some of the actors. The action really gets going when the February performances approach as the helpers assist with costume changes, man props tables, and manage the stage. Serving opportunities for your group include helping at weekly rehearsals, bringing breakfast or lunch on longer rehearsal days for the directors and helpers, set building, and ticket sales. Contact **Cheryl Vandiver**, [vandiverc@hpumc.org](mailto:vandiverc@hpumc.org) for more information.

### **College Lunch Host Team**

Does your group love to host events? This is a great opportunity for your group to get to know college students. On Sunday mornings from 11:30-12:10, we need a group to either pick up food or meet the deliverer of food at the church. Then, set up the lunch in Cornerstone Cafe with plates, drinks and food. At noon be ready to welcome college students as they come into the space. For more information contact **Sarah Beard**, [college@hpumc.org](mailto:college@hpumc.org).

### **Blessing of the Animals**

Calling all animal lovers! Blessing of the Animals will take place on October 4 at 4pm. Last year more than 300 people were in attendance and more than 125 animals were blessed, including a turtle named Bob (he was adorable!). There are multiple ways your group can serve on October 4th, help with set up/tear down, welcoming, corralling the animals and assist with handing out the certificates of blessing. For more information, please contact **Leslie Watson**, [watsonl@hpumc.org](mailto:watsonl@hpumc.org).

## IN THE COMMUNITY

### **Carpenters For Christ, House #99**

HPUMC has started and will continue working on finishing home #99 throughout the fall. In November work will begin on house #100 and #101. Be a part of history as we complete our local commitment to Habitat for Humanity just before HPUMC's 100th Birthday! Sign up, [hpumc.org/carpenters](http://hpumc.org/carpenters).

### **CitySquare Cottages Housewarming - Make A House A Home Outfit a cottage now via an online registry or financial donation October 25th 12:30 - 3:30 Housewarming/Cottage Put-Together**

HPUMC is excited to welcome the new residents of the CitySquare Cottages at Hickory Crossing. 50 of Dallas' most chronically homeless neighbors will be moving in this fall! Join us to outfit the cottages to make a house a home for our new neighbors. Shop for all the supplies needed on the Target Registry or donate online and we'll do the shopping for you!

Then, join HPUMC & CitySquare on October 25th as we decorate the cottages with the items from the registry. This housewarming party will be complete with activities for kids, snacks and drinks, and an opportunity to hear from Rev. Paul Rasmussen and Rev. Larry James about CitySquare, The Cottages, and the HPUMC partnership. Learn more, [hpumc.org/citysquare/cottages](http://hpumc.org/citysquare/cottages).

### **Meals on Wheels**

Route drivers are needed to deliver meals to senior citizens in our community who are homebound and unable to access food pantries. A friendly smile, a word of encouragement, and a hot meal enable many seniors to safely remain in their own homes. To find out more email **Olivia Turner** at [turnero@hpumc.org](mailto:turnero@hpumc.org) or call **214.523.2165**.

## GLOBALLY

### **Mission Trips**

Another way to get involved is by serving on a mission trip with all or part of your group. HPUMC offers meaningful and transformative mission trips across the globe. You are sure to find one that inspires you. Our 2016 Missions are in the final stages of planning, learn more at [hpumc.org/mission-trips](http://hpumc.org/mission-trips).