



Our High Calling

I became aware of a scripture recently that I'd read before but the significance of which I'd never really noticed. The passage is in Paul's letter to the church in Ephesus and it goes like this:

> "His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord." – Ephesians 3:10-11

Paul is saying that one of God's purposes of the church is to teach celestial beings the wisdom of God.

This seems backwards. I'd always assumed that angels, seraphim, cherubim, and whatever other 'rulers and authorities' there are in the heavenly realms (I'm thinking this also includes Satan and his angels) knew far more about God than we possibly could while we're in this life. We know they're more powerful than we are (2 Peter 2:11). However, this passage says that God is using us to teach them. Astonishing. I'm still trying to get used to the idea. Clearly this is only

possible because of what Jesus has done and it's by his grace.

Paul begins the letter saying we've been blessed in the heavenly realms (1:3). He reminds us that God raised up Christ to be seated at his right hand (1:20). He says that those who no longer follow the ways of this world have been raised up with Christ and are seated with him (2:6). Finally, he says we're in a great struggle. Not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, authorities and powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms (6:12).

This is a calling we can't fulfill by our own power. Paul advises us to put on the armor of God: truth, righteousness, readiness, faith and salvation. Then take up the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, not failing to pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all manner of requests, staying alert against the devil and his schemes.

~Keith Miller

Welcome to East Hill Church of Christ, a place where you can discover the gospel! Please, don't hesitate to let any of the greeters or ministers know how we can serve you.

March Beginning of spring quarter Children's Bible Classes Men's Breakfast Fellowship Hall, 8 am 12 Daylight Saving Time spring forward one hour YU Equip Conference 19 Carr-Martens Shower Fellowship Hall, 2-4 pm Youth Trip Fundraiser Meal Fellowship Hall, after worship Areawide Singing Hasting C of C Food Distribution South Lot, 10:30-11:30 am Men's Breakfast Fellowship Hall, 8 am LTC Showcase night in lieu of Bible classes Son Shiners Chances R, 5:30 pm 7-8 LTC in Kansas City 16-22 Clothing Giveaway Sunday-load in 5:30p Mon-Thu-Sorting 9am-9pm Fri—East Hill night 6-8pm Sat—Giveaway 8am-noon Sat-clean up noon-done Mission Sunday YU Spring Graduation

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MINISTRIES & EVENTS

Food Distribution Date and Time Change: Beginning in March, the Lincoln Food Bank's food distribution from our south parking lot will be moved to the fourth Tuesday of each month rather than the first Friday. The time will also change. They will begin the distribution at 10:30 with the scheduled finish time of 11:30. This month the distribution will be on March 28. Please spread the news.

Carr-Martens Wedding Shower: There will be a come and go couples wedding shower for Sadie Carr and Chris Martens on Sunday March 19, 2023 from 2 pm to 4 pm in the fellowship hall. They are registered on Amazon. You can search them there or through "The Knot" website.

Mountain State Children's Home Spring Food Drive: Items to donate for MSCH's spring food drive can be placed in the cans behind the information center. Pick up will be Monday, April 10. A list of needed items is on the back page of the bulletin. Please be aware that they are not allowed to use outdated items, please check the dates before donating. They can also use gift cards to Walmart and Sam's clubs for house parents to purchase perishable items. Please turn those in to the office.

Teachers for Spring Quarter: The spring quarter started today! There were still a few openings for Wednesday nights at the time of printing. Please see Tana or Hannah if you are interested.

YU Equip Conference: Do you want to see God's church grow here in York? If you do, then plan to attend the inaugural Equip conference hosted by York University on Tuesday, March 14. The \$25 fee covers breakfast, lunch, and all conference resources, as well as admission to a Bible storytelling event on March 13.

Dr. Evertt Huffard, one of the featured presenters, will also speak at the annual *Ides of March* fundraising dinner for the Clayton Museum of Ancient History. Tickets for that event are \$25 while they last. We are blessed to have such extraordinary resources so easily available to us. See the posters on our bulletin board or go to York.edu/equip to learn more.

Fundraiser Meal for Summer Youth Mission Trip to Ecuador: Join us on March 26th after Sunday morning worship. Pancakes and breakfast casserole will be provided for a free will donation. We have more than a dozen students and sponsors who will benefit.

Daylight Saving Time: Don't forget to set your clocks forwards on Saturday night this week so you don't miss out next Sunday!

But in your hearts, revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.

I Peter 3:15 East Hill 2023 Theme Verse

BODY LIFE & PRAYERS

Prayers:

Marty Salsbury has been able to stay near home recently. There will be some testing coming up this week, on March 9 and 10, in Omaha. The next big step is that they are hoping to have his stem cell transplant in early April.

Scott Van Esch went to the hospital on Monday with a heart flutter. The treatment he has been given hasn't been as effective as they would like.

Greg Woods' back surgery on last Friday for nerve damage went well. He is off of work for two weeks while he recovers. Prayers are requested especially for recovered use of his left hand.

Thank You:

We've appreciated all the love and prayers that have been given to us during my cancer treatment. I start my second of four rounds of chemotherapy on Friday, March 3. We still need prayers for courage and strength. Please know that we're following along with the life of the church and are praying for you as we see needs arise. I always welcome emails, texts, and calls. Let me know how I can pray for you. ~Glenn Dallmann

Body Life:

Did you know that there was a homeschooler's melodrama this last week in Seward? The following people were part of the cast: Malachi Coppinger, Wesley and Dominick Tandy, Bella and Kaewyn Robison, Laela Stewart, and Emma Tremaine.

Adult Class Offerings for the spring:

Young Adults - Fellowship Hall (Coppinger and Kretz)

Daily Bread: The 24 Chapter Bible - Fellowship Hall (Carr)

1Timothy and 2 Timothy - Fellowship Hall (Miller)

The Book of Acts - Auditorium (Hawley)

Prayer Focus:

This week's prayer focus is aimed at parents of children who are living at home. Whether you're a parent or not, would you pray for our parents, that they would adopt or recommit to the responsibility they have to teach their children about Christ Jesus and the gospel? We know that no one is more important in their children's faith development than their parents. Some feel inadequate and don't even know where to start. Some are overwhelmed with the busyness of life and raising kids. But the starting point for all parents is that they would see themselves as the primary teachers. Let's pray that our parents will commit to having this mindset. Amen.

Weekly Events

Attended Nursery: You can drop off children ages 0 up to 2 years in the nursery during services.

Youth Updates: Contact Garrett Schwarz to get the Remind notices and stay connected on the latest news regarding the East Hill Youth.

Women's Thursday Class: Join women of all ages for a time of prayer and study. The class meets on Thursdays, 10 am to 11:30 in the fellowship hall and on Zoom.

LTC Practices

Choruses - 3rd-6th will meet today in the children's wing 3-4 pm. 7th-12th will not meet today.

Dramas will meet Wednesdays. 3rd-5th in the drama room in children's wing and 6th-9th in the auditorium from 6:20-7:30 and 10th-12th in the youth room 7:30-8:30.

Bible Bowl practice times are still to be arranged, participants will be informed by email.

Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion Mercy – Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. ~Luke 6:36

Weekly Scripture Memory
February 12-April 16— Rom 12:9-18
Never be lacking in zeal, but keep
your spiritual fervor, serving the
Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in
affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with
God's people who are in need.
Practice hospitality.

Schedule of Services

Sunday Worship 10 am, livestreamed on Facebook Bible classes for all 9 am Sunday evening 5 pm, communion available Wednesday

Bible Classes for all 6:30 pm Adult class is livestreamed on Facebook For the Record: February 26, 2023 339 Weekly Attendance:

Weekly Giving

TBD Budgeted Actual: \$6,153,50 Children's: \$71.35

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\$537.11

Year to Date

Budgeted: Giving: \$69,982.21 Children's for Ecuador:

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Children's Ministry - Preschool Hannah Sikes

Youth Ministry - Coordinator Garrett Schwarz

Administrative Assistants

Michele Briggs 9 am-noon Tera Knapp 11:30-2:30

Missionaries in Ecuador Joshua & Julie Marcum Michaela, Eliana, Jana, Enoch

Shepherds:

Tim Carr Michael Case Matt Coppinger Keith Miller Mark Miller (Feb) Steddon Sikes (Mar) Eric Tremaine

Shepherd of the month is in bold font.

Deacons----- Area of Service Marty Barrett ----- Benevolence Trey Colle -----Emergency Meals Robert Cunningham ----- Son Shiners Troy Flynt -----Treasurer Jansen Fraser----- Grounds Trent Hinton -----Livestream Ron Kretz-----Singles Larry Light ---- Single Seniors, Facilities Garrett Schwarz ------Youth Jeff Shafer ----- Worship Support Lonnie Shafer -----Elder/deacon liaison Ken Van Gomple -----LTC

Mountain State Children's Home Spring Food Drive List

* indicate high priority items Canned/Jarred items

Sauces—Worcestershire, soy, Heinz 57, A-1, BBQ, Mayonnaise & Miracle Whip, Nutella, Enchilada sauce (red and green), Canned fruit—pineapple, peaches, fruit cocktail, mandarin oranges, and pears. Olives, pinto beans, pickles, cooking spray

Personal/Household items

Allergy medicines, disposable razors, mouth wash (alcohol free), deodorant, face wash, face moisturizers, Q-tips.

Boxed/Packet items

Cereal, oatmeal packets, baking chips chocolate, white, butterscotch, Rice-a-Roni— all flavors, scalloped and au gratin potatoes.

Snack and Beverage items individual chips/snacks for lunches, *tortilla chips, *cookies, *nuts, *trail mix, *fruit snacks, *granola bars-Kind, Cliff, Belvita, *breakfast bars, *microwave pop com- kettle com, *crackers— Cheez-It, Club, Chicken n Biscuit, Gold Fish, Ritz, Saltines, Graham, *Carnation Instant Breakfast/ Breakfast essentials, 100% fruit juices, orange, prune, cranberry. *Capri Suns, juice boxes, Chocolate syrup/powder, Lipton Sweet Tea, herbal tea, tea bags, peppermint, sleepy time, Coffee, Kcups, Ground Espresso Paper goods/Plastic/Cleaning items Tall kitchen trash bags, carpet shampoo, laundry stain remover, *paper plates (no foam), Solo plastic cups, toilet paper, napkins, paper towels

Order of Worship

Jesus Christ Yesterday, Today, and Forever

Worship Leader: Steddon Sikes

Call to Worship

Scripture Reading: Timothy Briggs Psalm 121

226 O Thou Fount of Every Blessing 486 O Listen to the Wondrous Story

Praver: Garrett Schwarz

276 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus 363 Breath of Heaven 350 When My Love to Christ Grows Weak

Communion: Mark Briggs

Children's Offering

Speak, O Lord

"What Are You Doing Here?" I Kings 19:9-18 Glenn Hawley

478 Nearer Still Nearer

Shepherd's Prayer: Mark Miller

Body Life: Dan Goodwin

574 O How I Love Jesus