



# Mothers are the Necessity of Invention

Mothers have a way of taking what's on hand and forging amazing results. In fact, if you need to create something out of nothing, go find a mom. Want a new, innovative solution to something? Get some moms on the project! Mothers are the necessity of invention.

Mothers understand resources are limited, and that they are limited. They know when to accept "good enough" and move on, they know when to be picky, and they know when to draw a line in the sand, lower their bayonet and charge. They personify resourcefulness and unlock creativity in those around them.

We've all been bailed out by a mom ... probably a thousand times. We've all been nurtured by a mom. We've all been redirected from untold life perils by a mom. We've all been blessed. For some of us, it was by our biological mother; for others, it was by someone whose heart was moved to step into that role. Praise God for all the ways that motherhood transcends genetics.

"We were gentle among you, like a mother caring for her little children. We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us."

— 1 Thessalonians 2:7-8

One mother I know recently described spiritual motherhood as "investing." Yes, spiritual mothers listen empathetically and offer sage advice, but they don't stop there. They invest. You become dear to them. They are with you in your mess and with you through your mess. They invest time and energy. They invest resources even more precious: Their own lives, their vulnerability, their own life's victories and defeats.

Everyone has or had a physical mom. If possible, I pray that today you're able to speak to her in her love language. A call, a warm hug, flowers, or chocolate!

Everyone needs a spiritual mom (or two or three). Someone as invested in you as Paul was to the apostate Galatians, "My dear children, for whom I am again in the pains of childbirth until Christ is formed in you" (Galatians 4:19). He had labored for their new birth in Christ, but they had returned to their old way of thinking, toyed around with the gospel, and lost their bearings (Galatians 5:2-4). Paul was again in labor for their rebirth. Spiritual mothers are the necessity of reinvention.

Every Christian should be growing in their spiritual motherhood. Let moms be our model in care, concern, and long-term investment in the lives of others. Share your life, your real self, your wins and losses on life's battlefield— so that others at least will make new mistakes, but not repeat yours. Are you anyone's go-to friend?

One last word to men: Uplift the "moms" in your life. Express (guys, that means using real words!) what they mean to you. Husbands, pray with your wife and for your wife. Affirm her, know what's happening in her walk with Christ, and be her higher call in service, prayer, and reverence for God's Word.

Moms, please know you are wonderful and that you are enough. Today, we salute and honor you in the Lord for who you are and all that you do and stand for every day.

Mark 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.

May Mother's Day 21-27 Round Up at YU

Sojourners arrive at YU will be here through June 7

**Food Distribution** South Parking Lot

Youth Mission group leave for Ecuador

#### June

- 2 Son Shiners meet 5:30 at Chances "R"
- Youth Mission Group returns home
- Men's Breakfast at 8 am Fellowship Hall
- 11-17 Soul Quest at YU
- No Bible Classes Soul Quest evening chapel
- 18 Father's Day

#### **Nebraska Youth Camp Summer Sessions:**

Beginner Sessions (K-3rd grade) June 12-14 and June 15-17 Junior Sessions (3rd-6th grades) June 18-24 and June 25-July 1 Intermediate Sessions (6th-9th) July 2-8 and July 9-15 Senior Sessions (9th-12th) July 16-22 and July 23-29

5/14 Emma Tremaine 5/14 Athena Keller 5/15 Ciaran Salsbury 5/15 Luke Case Molly Tandy 5/16 5/16 Robbie Sikes 5/16 Lorelai Fifield 5/16 Elliot Dallmann 5/17 Kara McNeese 5/18 Tonya Carr 5/18 Robert Tandy 5/20 Michele Briggs 5/15 Tim & Michele Briggs Noah & Kara McNeese 5/20 David & Rachel Odom

# MINISTRIES & EVENTS

Attended Nursery Help Needed: Talk to Rachel Odom if you are able to serve in the attended nursey that helps out with our babies and toddlers during worship service.

The Sunday Evening Building Group will meet in the auditorium next Sunday, May 21, to have plenty of space for the Round Up crew and Sojourners who will be arriving for YU events.

**Food Distribution**: With the new schedule for the food distribution we wanted to make sure everyone noticed that it is the 4th Tuesday and NOT the last Tuesday. It hasn't made a difference yet, but this month has 5 Tuesdays. As you are spreading the word please make sure people know it is May 23, the 4th Tuesday.

The Youth Mission Trip has another item to add to their wish list for the care packages they will be handing out. They would like boxes of "snack pack" size fruit snack or gummy candy. They are also still in need of men's socks. They leave on Monday, May 29 and need time to pack, so asap would be appreciated.

The Summer Quarter begins the first Sunday of June. Teacher sign up for the children's classes will run by the month. You can do all of them if you want, but they are separated to better fit busy summer schedules.

Use the QR code here, the sign up sheet is in the foyer, or see Tana Albin or Hannah Sikes.

For adults on Sundays, Glenn Dallmann will be teaching a class on the Psalms, Keith Miller's class will continue into II Timothy, and the 24 Chapter Bible Class will be taught by Tim Carr. On Wednesdays Glenn Hawley will continue the study of I Corinthians.



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**

#### **Prayer Requests:**

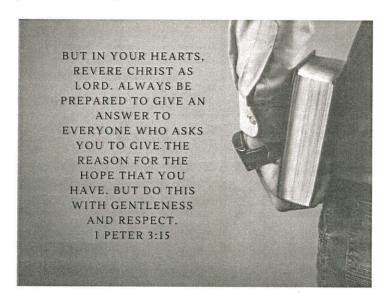
Todd Sheldon had a mild heart attack this week. He had a heart catheterization at Bryan where it was determined he didn't need a stent. He is home now.

Zoey Kinnison was recently diagnosed with Craniosynostosis, where the sutures on a child's head premature close. She will be having surgery on Wednesday, May 17, at Children's in Omaha to correct this. Casey and Courtney are requesting prayers that everything goes well with the surgery and recovery.

Samantha Jewell will have surgery on Wednesday, May 17, for her kidney stone.

## **Body Life:**

We missed Anthony White in our graduation list last week. He will be graduating from York High School.



**Prayer Focus: Families** 

When it is Mother's Day you can't help but think about families. At this time of year, with school ending, families get to spend more time together. But with togetherness comes more planning and often more stress. Vacations often mean stress on family finances. What should be a blessing frequently becomes a burden. This week, let our prayer be that quantity time for families may also be quality time. Pray that our families grow closer and stronger in the coming weeks.

## 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: The women's Bible study will resume after the summer break.

## Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion

Perseverance - Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for

~Hebrews 12:1

# Weekly Scripture Memory May 14-May 21

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

~2 Timothy 3:16-17

#### 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: May 7, 2023

Weekly Attendance:

Weekly Giving

Budgeted: \$6,971.50 Actual: \$6,929.73 Children's: \$63.37

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Year to Date

Budgeted: \$132,458.50 Giving: \$138,430.98

Children's for Ecuador: \$1,179.74

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#### Ministry Staff:

Preaching Minister Glenn Hawley

Worship & Family Minister Glenn Dallmann

Children's Ministry - School Age Tana Albin

Children's Ministry - Preschool Hannah Sikes

Youth Ministry - Coordinator Garrett Schwarz

Administrative Assistants

Michele Briggs Tera Knapp 9 am-noon 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

Steddon Sikes

Eric Tremaine

Shepherd of the month is in bold font.

Deacons Area of Service
Marty Barrett Benevolence
Trey ColleEmergency Meals
Robert Cunningham Son Shiners
Troy FlyntTreasure
Jansen Fraser Grounds
Trent HintonLivestream
Ron KretzSingles
Larry Light Single Seniors, Facilities
Garrett SchwarzYouth
Jeff Shafer Worship Suppor
Lonnie ShaferElder/deacon liaison
Ken Van GompleLTC

## East Hill In the Digital Age!

East Hill Prayer & News - Are you connected to our daily e-newsletter, EHPN? Typically we send out at least one email a day to share current prayer requests, needs, and activity announcements. This is a great way to stay informed and discover ways that you can connect with and serve the body of Christ. If you would like to get on the list just contact the office.

East Hill Digital Directory - Do you have our church directory downloaded to your smartphone or computer? The directory has all our contact information and pictures, which is a great tool for helping all of us get to know one another. The app and site are called "Instant Church Directory." Only East Hill members with their email in the directory have access to our information. Call the church office if you need help. You can also contact us for a paper directory, but it won't update itself:).

Online Giving - Digital options can make giving easier to manage too. We are signed up with a program called Tithe.ly to accept your giving online. If you are interested, go to the "Giving" tab on our church website (easthillcofc.org) and click the bright green "online giving" button. You can set your donation to be one time or recuring and made with a credit or debit card or through your bank account.

# Order of Worship

#### The Goodness of God

4 To God Be the Glory (Katie T)

**Call to Worship** 

Scripture Reading: Dan Keller Acts 17:22-31

Prayer: Jeff Shafer

480 Blessed Assurance (Chandra S)
In Need (Collette K)
In Christ Alone (Tania B)

Lord's Supper: Joel Coehoorn

Children's Offering

Surround Us Lord (Jenny T)
356 I Believe in the One They Call Jesus
(Tana A)

"Myth: Faith Must Be Blind" Romans 1:16-23 Glenn Hawley

415 Each Step I Take (Susanne K)

Shepherd's Prayer: Matt Coppinger

Body Life: Dan Goodwin

Paradise Valley (Loretta G, Melody C)