

Remembering Bob

Today we are remembering a dear friend, Bob Lawrence. I would like to offer my contribution to the others that will be shared. I came to know Bob shortly after I moved here with my family in 1992. I began my work as a teacher at York College after almost a decade in fulltime ministry. As a new teacher fresh from the pulpit, I struggled to make the transition to the classroom. As I tried to understand the needs of students and how to communicate meaningfully, I came to know Dr. Lawrence.

What he taught me, that has stayed with me to this day, can be summed up in one word, passion. He was a senior professor of English with a reputation for loving both his students and great works of literature, in that order. I soon learned of his loves for gardening and clocks, and the Master's Apprentice Program. My entry into Bob's world was aided by the discovery that I made that his beloved wife Ruth was a cousin to a dear friend of our family from our years in ministry. This provided the occasion for many conversations. Along the way I discovered that Bob had been told that he was a descendant of Lawrence of Arabia. I told him that my grandmother was also a Lawrence and had been told the same thing. We laughed and continued a friendship that would last as long as he lived here. I miss being able to talk to Bob, but more than that, I miss listening to him.

We both preached at area churches on most Sundays, but on Sunday nights Bob would often preach for the group that meets at the building. I have never heard anyone talk about a text of scripture like Bob did. His sermons were not exactly expositions of the text. I would say that in Bob's sermons he used the text as a window on the mind and ways of the God who inspired it. Bob would situate himself in the world of the text and

invite you to join him there. He would look at the world depicted there and gain a clearer vision of God and himself. What made Bob's sermons so effective is that every word was full of love for both God and those with whom he was speaking. I will never forget those moments when Bob would invite his audience to enter the world of scripture with him and observe the way God works in the lives of sinful people. My faith in God and love for His word is still strengthened from those moments with Bob. He was always kind and encouraging to me and would challenge me and others to think about the texts we were studying in deeper ways when he could. Classes were always interesting when Bob was present, whether as a student or as a teacher.

The passing of our dear friend should remind us, as he did so many times, that life here is temporary. Our brother spent his life teaching others to love the God who gave life, and all His good gifts, and especially the people who journey with us into eternity. I think a fitting tribute to Bob today would be to tell the person sitting next to you how much they mean to you, and to look at an "ordinary" blessing and see the handiwork of God. Let us think about what Bob sought to teach us as we say goodbye to our dear friend.

~Michael Case

The lips of the righteous nourish many,

Proverbs 10:21a

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.

CALENDAR

August

- 20 Celebration of Life 2pm
for Bob Lawrence
- 21 YU Genesis Meal for new students
- 22 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30
in South Parking Lot
- 23 YU Fall semester begins
- 26 Ladies Craft Day 8 am-6 pm
in Fellowship Hall
- 27 Sunday Bible class begins for
College age students
- 27 Potluck to welcome University
Students after service
- 27 Leaders meeting
- 27 Knapp anniversary celebration
in Fellowship Hall 3 -4 pm
- 27 Leaders Meeting
- 30 Jump Up Celebration 5:30 pm
South Parking Lot

September

- 1 Son Shiners meet at 5:30
at Chances "R"
- 3 Fall Bible Classes Begin
- 9 Men's Breakfast 8 am
in Fellowship Hall
- 16 NYC Annual Dinner, afternoon
at Nebraska Youth Camp
- 26 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30
in South Parking Lot

- 8/21 Hal Hockersmith
- 8/22 Harry Yunevich
- 8/23 Jake Schmid
- 8/23 Connor Leetch
- 8/23 Noah Fifield
- 8/24 MaryAnn Case
- 8/24 Britney Phan
- 8/24 Eloise Lotulelei
- 8/25 Daniel Stewart

- 8/20 Larry & Kareen Light

CELEBRATE

MINISTRIES & EVENTS

The Celebration of Life for Bob Lawrence is today here at East Hill at 2 pm. There will be coffee and deserts following the Celebration of Life service.

The Sunday Evening Building Group will not meet tonight due to the celebration of life for Bob Lawrence.



Childrens Ministry: The sign up for teachers and helpers for the fall quarter is now available. The plan is for kids to meet their new teachers at the Jump-Up event on Wednesday, August 30, so getting the sign up all filled out this week would be appreciated.

Genesis Meal: Tomorrow night, August 21, East Hill will be hosting York University freshmen for two legs of a progressive dinner. We are still needing volunteers for hosting and providing dishes, please sign up on EHPN or at the office.



The Food Distribution is this Tuesday, August 22.

Please spread the word that the food distribution will be from 10:30-11:30 am in the south parking lot.

Attention Men: Saturday, August 26 you're invited to a men's griddle breakfast in Henderson at 8:00 am. RSVP to Tommy Carr. The address is 951 14th Street in Henderson. Hope to see you there!

Ladies Craft Day: Bring your crafting supplies to work on your projects Saturday, August 26, in the Fellowship Hall. (Please note the date change.) It is a come-and-go event, from 8 am-6 pm. Please bring a snack to share and call Tera Knapp with questions. Anyone, especially the teen girls, are invited to come help assemble and make cards for the Encouragers' Ministry.

College-age Class to Start: Young adults are encouraged to join us starting Sunday, August 27, at 9:00 am, in the fellowship hall for a time of connection and reflection on God's Word. Glenn Dallmann is teaching.

Welcome Back Potluck for YU Students: East Hill is hosting a potluck meal on Sunday, August 27 at 11:30 for all YU students and young adults. We need East Hill members to RSVP with Glenn Dallmann if you plan to attend and let us know what food you plan to bring. You can use the form at the QR code to RSVP.



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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

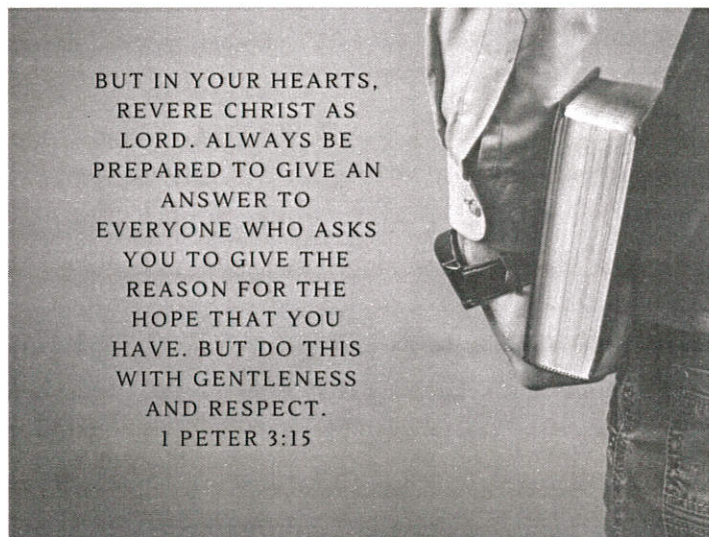
BODY LIFE & PRAYERS

Prayer Requests:

Carol Shafer was in the Emergency Room at York Hospital from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm on Wednesday, August 16. The diagnosis was another TIA (transient ischemic attack or mini stroke). All tests were good and she was released to go home. She will be having an echo bubble test on her heart as a follow up. This is the sixth episode on this nature in the last two years and no reason has been found for the cause. Prayers are appreciated.

Brenda Reicheneker has been having some testing for issues with her heart. They haven't found anything conclusive yet. Prayers would be appreciated as she has more tests coming.

Ron Shields' surgery went well last Monday. The device is working as intended and is already helping. He will have a few weeks of recovery from the surgery itself, so he is moving a little slow right now.



Prayer Focus:

York University will begin classes this week. As always, we are excited about the new opportunities that a new year brings. Please pray for us. We welcome a number of new faculty and expect over 400 students from many foreign countries and all over the U.S. The students will bring a great diversity of beliefs and lifestyles. Please pray that each person on our campus will come to know the love of Jesus in a deeper way. In our confusing and changing world, please pray that we can present the message of Jesus with clarity and conviction.

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 Wisdom –

*Fear of the Lord
is the foundation of true knowledge,
but fools despise wisdom and discipline.
~Proverbs 1:7*

Weekly Scripture Memory August 6-August 26 John 15:12-14

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. *You are my friends if you do what I command.*

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Worship 10 am, livestreamed on Facebook

Bible classes for all 9 am

Sunday evening 5 pm, communion available

Wednesday

Adult Class 6:30 pm

Adult class is livestreamed on Facebook

Children & Families event twice a month this Summer

For the Record: August 13, 2023

Weekly Attendance: 280

Weekly Giving

Budgeted: \$6,971.50

Actual: \$6,248.40

Children's: \$33.32

Year to Date

Budgeted: \$230,059.50

Giving: \$236,149.80

Children's for Ecuador: \$1,767.14

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Hannah Sikes

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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

Keith Miller

Mark Miller

Steddon Sikes

Eric Tremaine

Shepherd of the month is in bold font.

Deacons-----Area of Service

Marty Barrett ----- Benevolence

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Robert Cunningham ----- Son Shiners

Troy Flynt -----Treasurer

Jansen Fraser----- Grounds

Trent Hinton ----- Livestream

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Larry Light ---- Single Seniors, Facilities

Garrett Schwarz -----Youth

Jeff Shafer ----- Worship Support

Lonnie Shafer -----Elder/deacon liaison

Ken Van Gomple -----LTC

25th Anniversary Celebration:

Join us in the fellowship hall on Sunday, August 27, for a come-and-go celebration from 3-4 pm for Tera and Garrett Knapp. All families are welcome to attend. No gifts, please.

Jump-Up Celebration: All families with children in grades 5th grade through toddlers, are invited to a celebration on Wednesday, August 30, starting at 5:30, here in the East Hill south parking lot. Supper will be served. There will be many games and a bouncy house. Kids will meet their fall Bible class teachers and families will get a tour of the Children's Ministry wing. We hope you will come for the fellowship, fun, and the introduction of new Bible classes. Families are encouraged to invite their friends too.

Robison's Well Fund Raiser:

Thanks to those who have contributed to the water well project! We are at \$2,814 of our \$5,000 goal. Christian Relief Fund has a donor that will match our \$5,000 to make the \$10,000 necessary to dig a well. You can get your donations in until August 31 to participate in refreshing God's precious people! Please write checks to "Christian Relief Fund" and give them to Titus or Angela Robison.

Order of Worship

Our Help is in the Name of the Lord

Call to Worship: Steddon Sikes

Psalm 67: Brien Alley

144 O Worship the King
Wonderful, Merciful Savior
Cornerstone

Prayer: Garrett Schwarz

Had it Not Been the Lord

315 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Communion: Tim Mc Neese

Children's Offering

147 I Stand Amazed

"Habits of a Godly Life"

Hebrews 5:11-14

Glenn Hawley

Speak, O Lord

Shepherd's Prayer: Michael Case

Body Life: Ken Van Gomple

Behold Our God