

What is the Clothing Exchange?

If you didn't know yet, twice a year the East Hill fellowship hall, foyer and auditorium become a free shop for clothes, shoes, and linens for the people of the York area. On a Sunday evening, we move out the regular furniture, set up large homemade clothing racks, and move in a few of the 50 and more industrial size totes full of clothing from our storage building to be sorted, hung up, and replenished until it is all done. Over the next five days we clear out the storage building. Monday through Friday morning we sort clothes by type and size and hang them up in labeled sections. Friday, when the piles are gone, we clean up all the debris of going through more than 2 tons of clothing and invite the church family to come share in our efforts on Friday evening. On Saturday morning we give away clothing and shoes for men, women and children as well as bedding, and other linens. Somewhere in the neighborhood of 500-600 people come through that morning usually shopping for more than themselves. Saturday afternoon we clean it all up and move the regular furniture back in and if you weren't here between Sunday worship services you wouldn't know anything had happened. (There was that time a toddler got hold of a permanent marker, and the other year when the trash cans disappeared, but usually it just looks little less cluttered since we clear out the lost and found.)

When this event started, more than 15 years ago, it was quite a bit smaller. We really exchanged clothes; it was what we brought ourselves with a few community donations added in. Everything was displayed just in the fellowship hall, we only sorted Wednesday through Friday, and our big numbers through the door on Saturday were "almost 100!" While I felt it was a big deal and a little intimidating then, what we do now, would have been downright overwhelming. I point this out to recognize that if I was new to East Hill or just now thinking about getting involved in clothing exchange it would seem like an overwhelming beast. However, if

that is what you are feeling, I want to encourage you, "Do not be afraid!" We have regulars who can help you find a spot you are comfortable with and there are no bag sorting requirements for just walking through the door. You can leave anytime you want!

Tonight is that Sunday evening for this spring and we are always eager to induct new members. There is an ebb and flow to the availability of those regulars I mentioned, but also, that week of sorting and hanging is a wonderful family building time for our church. You never know who you will see and get to spend time with when you come for a morning, an afternoon, an evening or just a spare hour. There are really two parts to what the clothing exchange is. The most obvious physical blessing is the clothing giveaway to our community on Saturday morning. The second part is the blessing we experience all week as we share ourselves with each other.

Over the years there are two verses that keep coming back up as the clothing exchange grows and changes. They speak to our purpose and our method.

*Therefore, as we have opportunity,
let us do good to all people,
especially to those who belong to the family of believers.*

~Galatians 6:10

*For Scripture says,
"Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain,"
and "The worker deserves his wages."*

~1 Timothy 5:18

We desire for this event to be a blessing to our church family and our community as it brings glory to God. We would love to share the blessing of clothes and fellowship with you this week!

~Michele Briggs

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.

MINISTRIES & EVENTS

- C** April
- 7 Elders and ministers meeting
 - 7 Deadline for MSCH food drive
 - 7 Deadline for Deposit for Youth Mission Trip
- A**
- 7-13 Clothing Exchange project
 - Set Up—Sun 5:30 pm
 - Sorting & Hanging—Mon-Thu 9 a- 9 p
 - Final set up—Friday 9 am to done
 - Clean Up—Sat noon to done
- L**
- 10 Devotional in lieu of Bible Classes
- E**
- 12 East Hill night at CE 5 to 8 pm
 - 13 Community Clothing Giveaway 8 am to noon
- N**
- 14 Deacon Meeting 2 pm in Youth Room
- D**
- 19-20 Men's Retreat at NYC
 - 20 Ladies' Craft Day 8 am-6 pm in fellowship hall
 - 21 Mission Sunday
- A**
- 21 Elders and Ministers meeting
 - 21 Bridal Shower for Mallory Myers
 - 23 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot
- R**
- 27 Graduation at YU
 - 28 Bridal Shower for Ellee Tandy

- 4/7 Noah McNeese
- 4/7 Lexi Lacina
- 4/8 Allan Huskins Jr.
- 4/9 David Kretz
- 4/9 Bladen Flynt
- 4/10 Lisa Bonde
- 4/11 Candi Woods
- 4/11 Marilyn Brown
- 4/11 LaRee Eckman
- 4/11 Allison Mogul
- 4/12 Jerald Bennett
- 4/13 Rachel Odom
- 4/13 Laura Cole

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Mailboxes & Lost and Found: Remember to check your mailbox, and lost and found above the mailboxes and on the coat racks as they will be cleared for the Clothing Exchange.

Clothing Give-Away: We open up the give away on Friday night from 6 pm to 8 pm for our church family. Please come and share in this with us. If you have community friends, please invite them to come on Saturday between 8 am and noon to be blessed.

Wednesday Evening: there will be a short devotional in lieu of Bible class on Wednesday. Everyone is invited to stay after for a few minutes to help with clothing exchange if you are able.

Youth Mission Trip: The youth mission trip will take place May 22-27 to the Shults-Lewis School and group home in Valparaiso, IN. They will also go to the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum. The cost has been set at \$250 with fundraisers planned to help. Scan the QR code to register! A \$100 deposit is due by TODAY. Please see Garrett or Jenna Schwarz with deposits or questions.



Deacon Meeting: The deacons will meet next Sunday, April 14 at 2:00 pm in the Youth Room.

Men's Retreat: The 2024 men's retreat at Nebraska Youth Camp runs from 7 pm to 7 pm Friday, April 19 to Saturday, April 20. Theme this year is, "Christ...Is Our Life!" See the flyer in the foyer for more information.

Bridal Shower for Mallory Myers: Sunday, April 21, come and go from 2-4 pm in the fellowship hall. Mallory and Simeon Tremaine will be married in Wisconsin this summer and will be back as students at York University this fall. They are registered on Amazon. Contact Jenny Tremaine or Rena Miller with questions about Mallory's shower.

Mission Sunday is scheduled for Sunday, April 21, and we want to be in prayer for God's blessing on the work in Ecuador and the Marcum family. WE have set a goal of \$13,000 for the special offering: \$7,500 to help pay the salary of one of the teachers in the Quito School of Biblical Studies, \$2,500 to sponsor a Gospel campaign conducted by the QSOBS student body, and \$3,000 to aid those from East Hill going on a summer mission effort to Latacunga, Ecuador.

Bridal Shower for Ellee Tandy: Sunday, April 28th, come and go from 2-4 pm in the fellowship hall. Ellee and Harley Williamson will be married here on June 1. They are registered on Amazon. Contact Michele Briggs or Sheila Tandy for questions about Ellee's shower.

*Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy;
without holiness no one will see the Lord.*

East Hill 2024 Theme Verse—Hebrews 12:14 (NIV)

BODY LIFE & PRAYERS

Prayer Requests and Updates:

The memorial for Marilyn Peabody, the mother of **Lynda Smith and Nancy Phan** and grandmother of **Heidi Mader and Fenton Phan** was yesterday in Chadron. Please keep the family in prayer as they mourn and finish travels from the event.

Barbara Hood will have surgery on her back on Monday, April 8.

Thank You:

Thank you to everyone for the prayers, cards, meals, texts, phone calls, and love you have shown to me and the kids. The more I reflect on the last 18 months, the more I realize Marty living for 16 months past his diagnosis was a miracle, and that is because of the prayers of so many faithful Christians.

Love to you all, **Meghan, Ciaran, and Adalynn Salisbury**

A big thank you to everyone who helped with meals on wheels in March! I appreciate all the help that happened every day. God bless each and everyone.

Susanne Keller

Congrats to **Boe Fraser** for being selected as part of the high school "royalty court" for prom! May you continue using your influence for good.

Prayer Focus:

In Jesus' parable of the Sheep and the Goats, he praises those who serve the poor and hurting. Among other blessings, he blesses those who provide clothing to those in need. Jesus then amplifies his teaching by saying "In as much as you have 'clothed' the poor, you have clothed me." He takes our ministry to the poor very personally. In another parable, he calls the poor "your neighbor." May we recognize that clothing others is part of what it means to be followers of Christ. Jesus cares for the soul AND the body. So, let's pray for every person that enters our doors this weekend, that the love of Christ will influence them through us.

Weekly Events

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

Service at Legacy Square: There is a service for the residents of Legacy Square in Henderson at 2:30 each Sunday. See Tommy Carr if you have questions.

Youth Updates: Contact Garrett Schwarz to get the Remind notices.

Wednesday Meal: No meal this week due to clothing exchange.

Women's Thursday Class will not meet this week due to clothing exchange.

Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion

A Heart for Missions – *Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!*

~Psalm 96:3

Weekly Scripture Memory

April 7-20 *But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.*

~1 Peter 2:9-10

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:	March 31, 2024
Weekly Attendance:	269
<u>Weekly Giving</u>	
Budgeted:	\$7,143.85
Actual:	\$4,915.18
Children's:	\$39.51
<u>Year to Date</u>	
Budgeted:	\$92,870.05
Giving:	\$90,253.67
Children's for Ecuador:	\$464.42

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Children's Ministry - School Age

Tana Albin

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

Ron Kretz

Keith Miller

Mark Miller

Todd Sheldon

Steddon Sikes

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

Larry Light ---- Single Seniors, Facilities

Garrett Schwarz -----Youth

Jeff Shafer ----- Worship Support

Lonnie Shafer -----Elder/deacon liaison

Ken Van Gomple -----LTC

Clothing Exchange: TONIGHT

we will begin the set up for our biannual clothing exchange. Please see the schedule below for opportunities to participate. We have collected plenty of regular hangers over the years, but we can still use more of the clip style hangers for pants. The kind that come with your clothes from the department store are the easiest for us to use and store. We reuse the trash bags the clothes come to us in for passing on to the mission at the end but we appreciate new 13 gallon drawstring bags to hand out for the giveaway. Due to the number of bags we get out all at once, unscented is preferred.

Sunday 5:30-8:00ish

Set up for clothing exchange

Monday-Thursday 9 am to 9 pm

Sorting and hanging clothes

Donations can be dropped off

Wednesday after the devotional

A few more things to set up

Friday beginning at 9 am till done

Tidy up for the Give-Away

Friday evening 6 pm to 8 pm

Church Family Give-Away

Saturday 8 am to noon

Community Give-Away

Saturday noon to done

Clean up

We will have Tandy Pizza available to fuel our clean up crew at noon on Saturday. Please sign up on the sheet on information table today or in the fellowship hall this week or call or text Michele or the office by Wednesday to get on the list.

Order of Worship

High and Lifted Up

Welcome: Steddon Sikes

*3 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah
You're Worthy of My Praise
100/101 Holy Ground*

Prayer: Mark Briggs

John 20:19-31

Reading: Hosea Kiptoo

*269 Thomas' Song
Come to the Table of Mercy*

Communion: Tommy Carr

Children's Offering

Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord

The Way of the Cross

Luke 9:23

Glenn Hawley

674 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Shepherd's Prayer: Eric Tremaine

Body Life: Glenn Dallmann

Behold Our God