



### Plug into Power

One of my earliest memories involves Ruth Ball. Ruth was the first Sunday school teacher that I remember having. Along the way there were many other women (and a few men as well), but Ruth, a dear Christian woman from Arkansas, was the first. The thing is, all I have is a few scattered images. I don't consciously remember one thing I learned in that class. Not one! Yet I am certain that I would not be the same man I am today without that early Sunday school class.

Our children's classrooms downstairs are filled with Ruth Balls waiting to touch the hearts and minds of children with the gospel message. I would love for every

family with children in this church to take advantage of the opportunities our children and teens have to learn about Jesus from these servants.

Sunday school (and Wednesday night classes, for that matter) is a hard ministry to pin down. On the one hand, all children's ministry is a great luxury that the church affords. We could work and worship without it; we did for a year during COVID. We certainly aren't required to have a children's ministry of any kind to be a church that worships and serves Jesus.

On the other hand, I believe that our children and adult education programs provide the backbone of our teaching. I grew up thinking that the

sermon in worship held this place, but over the years I have come to the conclusion that it is our teaching in classrooms and living rooms that does the greater work.

A good sermon teaches, inspires, and provokes, but it is largely one-way. Classroom teaching provides the opportunity for questions to be asked and answered, for deeper explanations to be offered, and for assumptions to be challenged by the students.

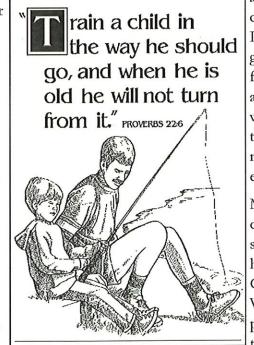
The Barna Group regularly studies trends among churches throughout the United States. They have found that 2/3 of all Christians came to faith before the age of 18, and that 43% came to faith by the age of 12. Childhood and adolescence is the time when most Christians will place their faith in Jesus if they do it at all.

When asked "Who helped you come to Christ?" the

answer "Children's Ministry Leaders" came second only to "Parents." I wish I could give you the magic formula that guarantees that your children will be faithful to Christ when they become adults, but no one can do that. If you want to give them the best chance though, model your faith for them and make sure that they are in Bible classes every Sunday.

Many years after I moved on from her class, I stood in Ruth's hospital room, surrounded by her family, as she took her final breath. We sang Amazing Grace as she stepped into eternal life. We were sad, but joyful. I was privileged to witness the fruit of the things she taught me all those years

before in Sunday School. Thank you, Ruth.



~ Glenn Hawley

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.

#### September

- 21 Women's Heartfelt Brunch fellowship hall, 9:30-11:30 am
- 21 Ladies Craft Day noon-6 pm in fellowship hall
- 22 Elders Meeting
- 22 Bridal Shower for Holly Sobetski in fellowship hall 2-4 pm
- 24 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot
- 28 Dads-n-Daughters at NYC
- 29 Secret Sister sign-ups due

#### October

- 4 Son Shiners at Chances "R" at 5:30
- 5 Men's Breakfast 8 am watch for venue
- 6 Set up Clothing Give-away 5:30 pm
- 7-11 Clothing Give-away sorting 9 am to 9 pm daily
- 11 Church Family Clothing night 6-8 pm
- 12 Clothing Give-away 8 am-noon

#### 18-19 YU Homecoming

Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot

#### 9/17 Camryn Cole

9/18 Jenna Schwarz

9/19 Susan Becker

9/20 Barb Athey

9/21 Faith Ortega

9/16 Jeff & Becky Shafer

9/17 Scott & Kim Van Esch

# CELEBRATE

# **MINISTRIES & EVENTS**

**East Hill Welcomes** College Students to make East Hill your home church away from home. When you place membership, we can include you more in the church's life. All we need you to do is sign the attendance book as it crosses your aisle on the white member sheet and add your email address. We'll follow up with an email requesting a little more information and a picture. See one of the Glenns with any questions.

**Ephesians Class:** Jared Pack's class on Ephesians will not meet today. It will resume next week.

Women's Heartfelt Brunch: All women are invited again for our Heartfelt brunch on Sat, Sept 21, from 9:30 to 11:30 in the fellowship hall. There will be an opportunity to sign up for the Heartfelt ministry (smaller groups meeting monthly for brunches or meals and encouragement,) but it is also a stand alone event of fellowship, prayer, singing, and encouragement. Ana Carvalho will share from her faith journey. If childcare is a barrier for you being able to attend, the women's ministry would like to pay for your sitter. Please contact Kay for information on reimbursement. East Hill women are also encouraged to invite friends to the brunch. It is appreciated if you RSVP at the QR code but the registration is to get an estimate; if you only find out at the last minute that you can come, or you just forgot to do it, still come! We also don't want anyone to feel pressured or burdened to help, but anyone

Nebraska Youth Camp's Annual Dinner will be this Saturday, Sept 21 at the McPherson Ave Church of Christ in Counsel Bluffs. The dinner features session and financial reports as well as election reports for the board. Anyone interested in Nebraska Youth Camp is welcome to come eat, fellowship and be informed. You can see board members, Michele Briggs, Jay Roberts, or Eric Tremaine if you have questions.

who is willing and able to help with food, set-up and clean-up is asked to

sign up on the link in the EHPNs or by calling the office.

**Bridal Shower -** Ladies are invited to a bridal shower for Holly Sobetski on Sun, Sept 22 from 2-4 pm in the fellowship hall. We will have refreshments, fellowship, and a time of prayer and blessing. Holly and Josh will wed in October and have a few things registered on Amazon, but there will also be a money tree at the shower to bless the couple.

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# 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:**

Rose Cuyler-Glassburner had a set back on Friday with her heart going back into a fib. She is expected to stay in the hospital through at least Saturday (yesterday.)

Heidi Dallmann had surgery on Thursday. It went well, and she was able to return home on Friday. Please pray for healing as she recovers.

Eddie Kennedy had surgery to remove the mass in his bladder on Thursday. It went well, he is staying with a friend in York for recovery and will hopefully be home soon.

Molly Kinnison's surgery went well on Wednesday, she will remain in the hospital through the weekend as the swelling reduces.

Roni Miller will have surgery on Wednesday this week to remove part of her kidney in order to remove a growth.

Carol Shafer is on hospice. Please keep the family in prayer.

#### Up coming surgeries:

Meghan Salsbury will have laparoscopic surgery on Sept 25.

Thomas Tandy will have partial foot amputation on Sept 25.

#### **Body Life:**

**Michaela Hartman** has been a member for a while, but she recently moved. Contact the office for her new address here in York.

Today we are welcoming some new members at East Hill. Nancy Buckley and her grandson, Kristopher Van Patton, Michael Church, Tayha Eppens, JoAnna Johnson, Abbey Powers and her children; Hailey, Dalton and Nevaeh, Brian and Mandy Smith, Holly Sobetski, and Ellee and Harley Williamson.

#### **Prayer Focus:**

September is the month that thanks to Nebraska Youth Camp, relationships between dads and sons and dads and daughters is highlighted. This week, let's pray for God's blessing between fathers and their kids.

#### 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: The meals will resume in the fall.

#### Women's Thursday Class

Delores Hartman is teaching on "Favorite Verses." Class will be 10-11:30 and is available via Zoom. Child care can be available, please contact Rose Miller.

#### Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion

Compassion —Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.

~Colossians 3:12

# Scripture Memory For Sept 15-28 Psalm 121:1-4

I lift up my eyes to the hills — where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not let your foot slip — he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord watches over you—the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all harm—

#### 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 (livestream-East Hill's Facebook) Children's Class 6:30 pm (drop off 6:20, pick up 7:15) MS & HS Huddle 6:20-7:20 pm

| For the Record:         | September 8, 2024 |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Weekly Attendance:      | 243               |
| Weekly Giving           |                   |
| Budgeted:               | \$7,143.85        |
| Actual:                 | \$5,771.20        |
| Children's:             | \$25.52           |
| Year to Date            |                   |
| Budgeted:               | \$257,178.60      |
| Giving:                 | \$238,088.60      |
| Children's for Ecuador: | \$1 490 46        |

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#### Ministry Staff:

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Glenn Dallmann

Children's Ministry - School Age

Tana Albin

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Hannah Sikes

Youth Ministry - Coordinator

Garrett Schwarz

Administrative Assistants

Michele Briggs 9 am-noon

Charlene Huskins (summer) 1:00-4:00

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.

| DeaconsArea of Service                |
|---------------------------------------|
| Marty Barrett Benevolence             |
| Trey Colle Emergency Meals            |
| Robert Cunningham Son Shiners         |
| Troy Flynt Treasurer                  |
| Jansen Fraser Grounds                 |
| Trent HintonLivestream                |
| Larry LightSingle Seniors, Facilities |
| Garrett Schwarz Youth                 |
| Jeff ShaferWorship Support            |
| Lonnie Shafer Elder/deacon liaison    |
| Ken Van GompleLTC                     |
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Dads-n-Daughters is a day camp on Sat, Sept 28 with an opportunity for fathers and daughters to spend time together at Nebraska Youth Camp with some of the same activities as dads-n-lad. See the Dads-n-lads website for more information and registration.

#### Adult Classes for the Fall Quarter

Ephesians - taught by Jared Pack in the fellowship hall rooms C/E

Bread of Life - led by Tim Carr in the fellowship hall rooms D/F

Sermon on the Mount for College and Young Adults- taught by Glenn Dallmann in the fellowship hall rooms A/B

Genesis - taught by Glenn Hawley in the auditorium

Wednesday Women's class Cheryl Couch just began presenting a study of Eternal Identity. The class is for women of all ages interested in exploring their purpose, vision, and passion for God's calling for their lives to help embrace life's transitions in light of God's word. The class will consist of a devotional and prayer time focusing on one's identity in Christ and a personal application section for reflection and prayer to step out in confidence of God's will for you. The study will begin with a focus on scriptural truths. For more information, please see Cheryl Couch.

# Order of Worship

You Alone Are Worthy

Worship Leader: Steddon Sikes

Welcome

James 3:1-12

Scripture Reading: Jim Ulrich

You're Worthy of My Praise 100/101 Holy Ground

Prayer: Joel Coehoorn

Great Are You Lord 524 I Know Whom I Have Believed

Communion: Ken Van Gomple

Children's Offering

543 Wonderful Words of Life

"Do You Want to Go Away As Well?"

John 6:60-69 Glenn Hawley

**Invitation for Prayer** 

544 Without Him

Shepherd's Prayer: Mark Miller

Body Life: Glenn Dallmann

His Mercy is More