

And He Will Establish Your Plans

I was recently asked the question: “How do I know that what I am contemplating doing with my life is in accordance with God’s will? That’s a particularly good question and one worth pondering. In my bedroom at home, I have a plaque on the wall that quotes Proverbs 16:3 – *“Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and He will establish your plans.”*”

In a world that thrives on self-promotion and personal ambition, Proverbs 16:3 offers a countercultural truth. Instead of committing to what I want to do, commit what I want to do to the LORD. This can be seen as a great blueprint for living a life that pleases God.

We must understand that when Scripture tells us to *commit our works to the Lord*, we can know this as more than a vague spiritual suggestion. It is a call to action rooted in obedience, humility, and trust.

Commitment Begins with Surrender. To “commit” in the biblical sense means to entrust, to roll over, to hand over control. It is the same kind of surrender Jesus modeled in the garden when He said, *“Yet not my will, but yours be done.”* – Luke 22:42. When we commit our work—our plans, our service, our daily labor—to the Lord, we acknowledge His sovereignty and seek His will above our own.

Works Must Align with the Word. We emphasize that faith must be accompanied by action (James 2:17). But not just any action – works that are in harmony with God’s revealed Word. Whether it is teaching, serving, or whatever work we are doing, our efforts must be rooted in Scripture, not tradition or personal preference.

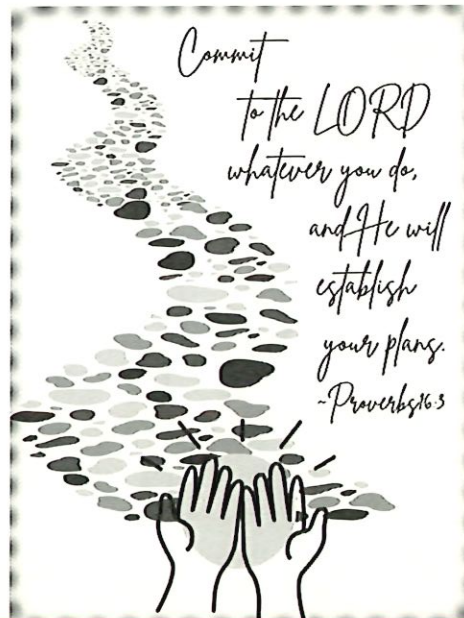
God Establishes Our Thoughts. The promise of Proverbs 16:3 is profound: when our works are committed to God, He brings clarity and stability to our thoughts. In a time when many are overwhelmed by anxiety and indecision, this verse reminds us that peace of mind is a byproduct of spiritual alignment. God does not just guide our steps—He settles our hearts.

Practical Application. As we are making plans on what we are to be doing with our lives, let us ask: *Are we committing these works to the Lord?* Are we seeking His guidance through prayer and Scripture? Are we working not for recognition, but for His glory?

Let this verse be a reminder that success in the kingdom is not measured by numbers or applause, but by faithfulness. When we commit our works to the Lord, He establishes our thoughts—and that is the foundation of a life well-lived in Christ.

In HIS Mighty Name,

~Ron Kretz



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.

C August

- 24 YU student welcome potluck
- 24 2026 Adult Ecuador Trip meeting
- 24 Elders' Meeting
- 24 Youth Group Fun at Van Gomples
- 26 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot
- 27 2026 Adult Ecuador Trip meeting
- 30 Crafting 2-9 pm in FH

L September

Weekdays—Meals on Wheels Deliveries

- 4 Women's Thursday Bible Study resumes 10-11:30 am in FH
- 4 YU Fall Speaker Series 7 pm
- 5-7 Dads 'n Lads at NYC
- 12 Son Shiners at Chances "R" at 5:30
- 13 Men's Breakfast in FH at 8 am
- 20 NYC Annual Dinner in FH at 5:30
- 22 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot
- 27 Dads 'n Daughters at NYC
- 27 Women's Heartfelt Breakfast 9-11 am in FH

A Save the Date

Clothing Giveaway—October 19-25

Chili Cook-off—November 1

EH Women's Retreat—November 7-9

FriendSpeak: Do you know someone who would like to have conversational English lessons? Have them call our FriendSpeak hotline: 402-710-0042

- 8/24 MaryAnn Case
- 8/24 Britney Phan
- 8/24 Eloise Lotulelei
- 8/25 Daniel Stewart
- 8/27 Patricia Jaekel
- 8/28 Sidney Leinen
- 8/29 Virginia Holland
- 8/30 Steve Eckman
- 8/30 Sara Leetch
- 8/30 Vivian Mogul

CELEBRATE

MINISTRIES & EVENTS

Church Potluck—Today: Bring your favorite dish and join us for a shared meal. We're also celebrating the return of our university students.

Story of Redemption - The College & Young Adult Class has resumed. Often when we talk about redemption, we start our story at the cross. This class calls us to reorient our perspective. We will begin not with the cross, but rather, look at how the cross was seen from before the foundations of the earth. We need to see the story of redemption in its fullness, because the story of redemption is really the story of Scripture.

The church office is closed on Monday, September 1, for Labor Day.

Mission Trip to Ecuador – 2026 If you're interested in joining our 2026 mission trip to Ecuador—or would just like more information—please attend one of our two upcoming information meetings. We'll share trip details, answer questions, and explore ways to get involved. Join us today, after services at the front of the auditorium or Wednesday, August 27, after class in classroom A in the fellowship hall.

Youth Group News: Tonight there will be a Scavenger Hunt & S'mores. Everything will begin at the youth room at 6:30, parent volunteers will help drive and everything will wrap up at the Van Gomples where kids can be picked up at 8 pm.

Midwest Youth Rally—Youth wishing to attend the rally at Nebraska Youth camp the weekend of Labor Day should register soon. Contact the office or Jay if you would like to sign up for transport with Jay Roberts.

Wednesday Event at the Yunevich home: Youth can meet at the building for transport to Ken and Jodie's in McCool.

Grief Share-Hope and Healing after the death of a loved one. Grief Share is the #1 grief recovery program in the world. If you or someone you know may be interested in participating in this program, contact Rose Miller.

Wednesday Event: This Wednesday everyone is invited to the Ken and Jodie Yunevich home (800 Spring Lake Rd, McCool Junction) from 4:30 to 7:30 pm for food, games and lake swimming! They will provide some light fair and the lake and you are invited to bring lawn chairs and yard games. This will be in lieu of Popsicles in the Park and Huddle.

Teachers for the Fall Quarter: The Children's Ministry Fall quarter will begin Wednesday September 3. We need many hands to train up the



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Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

East Hill 2025 Theme Verse—Hebrews 10:24 (NIV)

BODY LIFE & PRAYERS

Prayer Requests:

Pat Jaekel had surgery to remove a part of her colon which had a non-cancerous tumor, and it went well. Please pray for her recovery.

Taylor Nugen had her gall bladder removed on Wednesday, August 20, and it went well. Please pray for her as she heals.

Candy and Scott Battreall request prayers for wisdom for Candy's doctors and her treatment as she was recently diagnosed with liver failure. They would like to thank everyone for the recent food provided for them and all of the prayers.

Thank You:

"I just want to thank everyone who came out and helped my husband and I move into my mother's house. The turn out was amazing and the move went quicker than I thought it would. God bless everyone who came and made it possible." -**Heidi Mader**

Leo Miller sends his thanks for the meals and care shown to him at this time.

We are so grateful to everyone who helped with the York University **progressive dinner**. We had so much help that there are too many to name! The dinner went very well as we welcomed new students to York.

Body Life:

LaRae Melvin is looking for others who would be interested in a semi-regular evening of fellowship. She is thinking games or puzzles and a little singing maybe on a Saturday. If you would be interested, please contact LaRae by phone or leave a note in her church mailbox.

We welcome our new members to East Hill: **John and Carol Baker**, as well as **John Hartley**. Please give them a warm welcome.

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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: To stay current with Youth Group activities, sign up for the



"Band" announcements via text.

Women's Thursday Class will resume Thursday, September 4. Class meets 10:00-11:30 in the FH.

Praise in Motion plans to resume in September.

Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion

Love—Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. ~ Ephesians 5:1-2

Scripture Memory for 8/17-9/6

Job 23:10-12

But he knows the way that I take;

When he has tested me,

I will come forth as gold.

My feet have closely followed his steps;

I have kept to his way

without turning aside.

I have not departed

from the command of his lips;

I have treasured the words of his mouth more than my daily bread.

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:	August 17, 2025
Weekly Attendance:	319
<u>Weekly Giving</u>	
Budgeted:	\$7,319.72
Actual:	\$5,758.40
Children's:	\$163.55
<u>Year to Date</u>	
Budgeted:	\$241,550.76
Giving:	\$230,132.32
Children's for Ecuador:	\$1,619.80

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Tera Knapp 11:30-2:30
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Shepherd of the month is in bold font.

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Trey Colle-----Emergency Meals
Robert Cunningham -----Son Shiners
Troy Flynt -----Treasurer
Trent Hinton -----Livestream
Larry Light ----Single Seniors, Facilities
Jeff Shafer-----Worship Support
Ken Van Gomple -----

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next generation of the Church, so please consider signing up to teach or help in a classroom. There is a sign up sheet in the foyer and at the check in station in the basement, or use the QR code.



Small Group Ministry: Summer is nearly over and our small group ministry is set to resume. Every year we have a greater need for hosts and/or leaders. If you are willing to host a small group in your home, we need you. If you are willing to lead a Bible study with a group, we need you. If you have any interest at all, please let Glenn Hawley know.

Dads-n-Lads, the annual father-son retreat put on by Greg Clark at Nebraska Youth Camp, will be September 5-7. You can register online at dadsnlads.org. Please see the poster in the foyer for more information. (Got a daughter? Save the date for Dads-n-Daughters on Saturday, September 27.)

The Clayton Museum of Ancient History will host Dr. Greg Stevenson for the 9th Annual Fall Speaker Series event at 7 p.m., Thursday, September 4, in the Miller Room of the Mackey Center on the York University campus. His presentation Magic and Early Christianity will examine the magical practices prevalent in the ancient world and the ways early Christians navigated the challenges they presented. No tickets or reservations are necessary to attend this free event open to the public.

Order of Worship

The Unshakable Kingdom

Welcome: Simeon Tremaine

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Prayer of Praise: DJ Rager-Ridley

Reading: Andrew Van Gomple

Hebrews 12:18-29

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Communion: Shawn Smith

Children's Offering

Firm Foundation

"Disagreeing without Fighting"

Romans 14:1-23

Glenn Hawley

Invitation for Prayer

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Shepherd's Prayer: Ron Kretz

Body Life: Glenn Dallmann