

## No Greater Joy

My parents, Jack and Robbie Sikes, had a crazy dream of Biblical proportions: they wanted to raise a dozen children for the Lord before the age of 40. My dad came from a big family as he was #8 of 12, so he sort of knew what he was getting into. My mom was the youngest of 3 girls. She was a nurturer, a people-person.

They were married on December 30, 1947. My oldest brother Stacy arrived 9 months later, my sister Sharon... one year after that in 1949. Steve was born in '52, Sharla '53, Stanten '55, Shelly '56, Shawna '57, Sherena '58, and Stewart in '60. Nine kids before the oldest was 11. I know — insane. They were well on their way to accomplishing their dream. My foster sister Joyce was added to the family in 1961, and I came into the world in '63. Shanon made 12 in 1967; my mom was 38... they did it! And for good measure, my parents adopted Stafford (b. 1973) a few years after that to make it a baker's dozen.

One of mom's favorite verses was 3 John vs 4, "I have no greater joy than to hear my children walk in truth." She could have died penniless, but would still be content knowing that Joyce, Stacy, Sharon, Steve, Sharla, Stanten, Shelly, Shawna, Sherena, Stewart, Steddon, Shanon, and Stafford were following Jesus.

As you know, Robbie passed away 2 months ago at the age of 97. She was eager to join my dad who died in 2013. We'll be celebrating her life on March 14, and that has had me reflecting a lot on all the Tuesday lunches we had together, the Wednesday game nights at her house after Bible class, the impact she has had on me and my family — her legacy.

Twenty years ago, my daughter Cassie interviewed Mama Sikes for a 5th grade school assignment. She asked questions about what it was like living in the Depression and through WWII. What she remembered about John F. Kennedy's assassination and when the first man walked on the moon. I've read through that interview and mom's answers many times and find it to be priceless today. Cassie's final question of my mom was, "What is your best advice for me as I grow up?"

**"Study the Bible and always be sure the Lord would agree with what you are doing, where you are going and what you are saying. Never let the world and popularity rule your decisions."**

During her sophomore year at York University, my niece, Brianna (Bailey) Smith, asked Mama Sikes about her faith and how it grew to being so strong. Mom wrote her a lengthy 4-page letter in reply that concluded that at the age of 84, she never stopped.

**"Blessings, challenges, answered prayers and my faith is still growing. Pattern your life after Jesus, and try to do and speak as He did. The blessings are awesome on this earth, and we have an assurance that it will be awesome for eternity."**

Great words to live by, and even better, to die pursuing.

~Steddon

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** February  
21 Ladies' Day 9:30 am in FH  
24 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am  
in south parking lot
- A** 27-28 Father-Son Camp-In
- M** March
- L** 6 Son Shiners at Chances "R" at 5:30  
7 Men's Breakfast at 8 am in FH  
7 Ladies Crafting at 2 pm in FH  
8 Daylight Saving Time begins  
spring forward
- E** 9-13 YU Spring Break  
14 Celebration of Life: Robbie Sikes
- N** 16-17 YU Equip Conference  
24 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am  
in south parking lot
- A** April
- D** 1 LTC Practice Night  
n Lieu of Bible Classes  
3 Son Shiners at Chances "R" at 5:30
- A** 3-5 LTC's KC event  
11 Men's Breakfast at 8 am in FH
- R** 19-24 Clothing Giveaway Set-up  
25 Spring Clothing Giveaway  
28 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am  
in south parking lot

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

2/15 Barbara Swenson  
2/18 Ken Van Gomple  
2/20 Wesley Tandy

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**Prayer Pals:** Thanks to everyone who signed up to be a prayer pal! If you didn't get a fridge magnet last Sunday, there is one in your mailbox to help you remember to pray for your student. (Thanks to Michele and Tera, and Brenda Reicheneker and the Encouragers for putting these together). It has their birthday and parents or grandparents listed as well. If you haven't touched base with your student yet, please try to find them today if possible. Thank you for praying!

**Not Your Birthday?** The encouragers did a special round of encouragement this last week! Please check your mailbox. (If we are missing a box for a member, please let us know in the office. If we have left one out it is because we are unaware, please make us aware!)

**Ladies' Day:** All the ladies, including 6th to 12th graders, are invited to join us in the fellowship hall from 10 am-3 pm on Saturday, February 21. We will enjoy fellowship, singing, encouraging speakers, and of course, chocolate! Please feel free to invite anyone who could use some extra joy and sunshine in the middle of winter. If you have any questions please contact Julie (Tremaine) Stachura. If you would like to help with the event by providing a soup or side for the lunch or muffins or fruit for the welcome snack, please see the sign up through meal train at the QR code.



**The Father-Son Camp-In Is Coming!** Dust off your tent and sleeping bags and plan on joining us February 27-28 for a "camp-in" here at the building. See Mark Miller with questions or ideas!

*Then Jesus said to all of them, "If anyone wants to come after Me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."*

*East Hill 2026 Theme Verse—Luke 9:23 (NIV)*

## BODY LIFE & PRAYERS

### Prayers:

**Kaden Albin** has continued to make small improvements throughout the week since his motorcycle accident. He had improved enough to move out of ICU into the next lower level of care on Tuesday. He had surgery on Thursday for a rod and bone grafts in his leg. Please continue to keep him in prayer as it is likely to be a long recovery from everything. The plan is to move him to a rehab facility sometime soon.

**Dawson Alley** was in an ATV accident last weekend and fractured his forearm in two places. He's had two surgeries so far, and should have one more this week. He remains in the hospital.

**Nancy Buckley** requests prayers for her daughter-in-law, Tara, (Kris Van Patten's Mom). They found 2 tumors in her thyroid and they are doing biopsies to see if they are cancerous. Tara was released to return home last Wednesday.

**Eldsworth Cleland** continues on hospice at Hearthstone.

**Erin DeHart's** grandmother, Phyllis Beske, passed away on February 3 in Waupun, WI. The funeral was on February 7. Please keep Erin and her family in your prayers.

**Virginia Holland** is requesting prayers for the family of Doris Klaus, her sister-in-law. Doris passed away last Sunday. Virginia's grandson, Luke Stahl, had been hospitalized with his Crohn's disease. He did mention that he was doing better earlier this week.

**Praise: Peter Dallmann** was baptized at the end of service last Sunday. Please pray for his continued walk with the Lord.

### 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.

**Youth Updates:** To stay current with Youth Group activities, sign up for the "Band" announcements.



**Women's Thursday Class** meets on Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 in the fellowship hall. Deloris Hartman is bringing a study on Anxiety.

**Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion**  
Willingness to Work—*Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.* ~Colossians 3:23

### Daily Bible Readings

**Sun, 2/15** Deut 1-3; 4:1-40

**Mon, 2/16** Deut 4:44-49; ch 5-8

**Tues, 2/17** Deut 9-11

**Wed, 2/18** Lev 19-20:5; Deut 5:5-10, 12:1-31; 13:6-18; 14:1-2; 16:21-22; 17:2-7

**Thu, 2/19** Ex 31:12-17; 34:19-21; Lev 19:23-25; 20:27; 24:10-23; Num 15:32-36; Deut 13:1-5; 14:22-29; 18:1-22; 26:1-15

**Fri, 2/20** Ex 23:14-17, 34:24; Lev 16; 23; Num 28:26-31; 29:1-38; Deut 16:1-17

**Sat, 2/21** Lev 1-2; 6:8-23; Num 15; 28:1-8

**Sun, 2/22** Lev 3-5; 6:24-30; 7:11-36; 17:1-7; Num 15:29-31

## 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:	February 1, 2026
Weekly Attendance:	280
<u>Weekly Giving</u>	
Budgeted:	
Actual:	\$5,843.15
Children's:	\$67.56
<u>Year to Date</u>	
Budgeted:	
Giving:	\$40,376.80
Children's for Ecuador:	\$295.69

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Preaching Minister  
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 Children's Ministry - School Age  
 Tana Albin  
 Children's Ministry - Preschool  
 Jodie Yunevich  
 Youth Ministry - Coordinator  
 Dan & Julie Goodwin  
 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  
 Trent Hinton -----Livestream  
 Larry Light -----Single Seniors  
 Jeff Shafer-----Worship Support  
 Ken Van Gimple -----College Ministry

## CAMPUS CONNECTION

**College age Class:** Dr. Pack's college age class meets in the fellowship hall in room A-B. The topic this semester is "Parables of Jesus".

**Sunday evening group:** You are invited to a small group that meets in Henderson on Sunday nights at 6 pm (this week it will be at 1000 17th St). There is fellowship, food and fun. It is a great time to connect to God's word and meet other college students.

You can scan the GroupMe QR code to get updates regarding this group or to reach out if you need a ride.



## Order of Worship

Glory to His Name

**Worship Leader:** Jared Pack

*578 We Will Glorify  
 77 Glorify Thy Name*

**Prayer of Worship:** Bryan Becker

**Scripture Reading:** Troy Flynt  
*Matthew 17:1-9*  
 The Transfiguration

**Welcome**

*484 You Are My All in All  
 337 Hallelujah! What a Savior*

**Communion:** Joshua Rinard

**Children's Offering**

*230 Worthy Art Thou  
 Magnificat*

**"Jesus in His Glory"**

*Mark 9:2-8*  
 Glenn Hawley

**Invitation for Prayer**

*475 Glory to His Name*

**Body Life:** Titus Robison

**Memory Verse:** *Luke 4:18-19*

**Shepherd's Prayer:** Steddon Sikes