

The Water Speaks Too!

In my June bulletin article, "The Stones Still Speak", I shared the inspiration Rose and I experienced while visiting Bible-related sites in Egypt, Jordan, and Israel. But another element spoke just as loudly as we crossed the arid, sunbaked landscapes: water, the ultimate symbol of life in the ancient Near East.

Throughout our journey, we saw how God consistently used water not just to sustain His people physically, but to rescue, call, and ultimately heal them.

Waters of Rescue When we looked out across the Red Sea, it was easy to imagine the desperation of the Israelites trapped between an impassable body of water and the charging Egyptian army. They seem doomed. Yet Yahweh turned the very water that blocked their escape into a weapon of mass destruction. He parted the sea and made the ocean floor a highway of deliverance (**Exodus 14:21-22**). God intended us to remember the waters of the Exodus—it's cited over 150 other times in the Old Testament—and when we are entirely out of options, Yahweh can still open a way to rescue us from our dread and enslaved pasts.

Waters of Calling. At the Jordan River, we stood near the place where Jesus was baptized by John, marking the official calling and launch of His earthly ministry (**Mark 1:9-11**).

Then we took a boat excursion on the Sea of Galilee. The shores of the north half of the lake are a panorama of the gospels—Tiberias, Magdala, Genesseret, Capernaum, Chorazin, Bethsaida, and Gergesa—all keen reminders that Jesus didn't build His ministry in the marbled halls of the elites. He went to the water's edge.

He called ordinary fishermen—Peter, Andrew, James, and John—into a simple covenant of transformation: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men" (**Matthew 4:18-19**).

It was on these same waters that Jesus calmed the violent storm, calling His disciples to a deeper, more robust faith (**Mark 4:39**). The waters of Galilee shout how God meets us in our daily grind and calls us to follow Him, not into comfort or secular success, but into a life of faith and the unknown.

Waters of Healing. My most intimate encounter with water came in the City of David (Jerusalem). After slogging through 600 yards of the pitch dark, ancient rock of Hezekiah's Tunnel, I was greeted by the Pool of Siloam. My mind flashed to the man born blind in **John 9**. Jesus put mud on his eyes and commanded him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam." The man did so and was healed. The water was not magic; it was his obedience to Jesus' word that brought his new sight and astounded the skeptics with his testimony, "I once was blind, but now I see".

The ancient stones of the Holy Land prove that God stepped into our history. But its waters remind us of *why He came. He is the living water (John 4:14), still working today to rescue the trapped, call the ordinary, and heal the broken.*

— Mark Miller

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, minister, or elders know how we can serve you.

C August
22 YU New Students Arrive
22 Ladies Crafting 2-8 pm in FH
24 YU Progressive dinner in FH
26 YU Classes Begin
30 YU Student Welcome Back Potluck

A September
4 Son Shiners at Chances "R" at 5:30 pm
5-7 Midwest Youth Rally at NYC
19 Men's Breakfast at 8 am alternate location TBA
19 Women's Heartfelt Brunch 9 am -1 pm in the fellowship hall

L Save the Dates:
Chili cookoff Oct 10, 5:30pm, FH
Fall Clothing Giveaway set up will be October 11-16 with the Giveaway on the 17th.

E East Hill's Women's Retreat is scheduled for the weekend of Oct 30-Nov 1

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

8/16 Brady Sikes
8/16 Aiben Kretz
8/16 Brianna Ulrich
8/16 JoAnna Johnson
8/17 Cosette Lotulelei
8/18 Joel Coehoorn
8/21 Hal Hockersmith
8/22 Harry Yunevich
8/22 Kylee Smith

8/17 Brent & Kay Magner
8/18 Jerry & Tana Albin
8/19 Ken & Jodie Yunevich
8/20 Larry & Kareen Light

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MINISTRIES & EVENTS

Coming up with York University: Many athletes are already her and the new students arrive at the University on Saturday, on August 22. The rest of the students will be arriving for the beginning of classes on Wednesday, August 26. We are looking forward to having all the student's who worship with us back on Sunday, August 30. Please see the announcements below concerning welcoming events for the various groups.

New Student Move-In: New YU students are moving on this Saturday, August 22. We want to have a team of people available to help with that from 9 am - 2 pm. If you are willing to help greet students and their families, hand out water, or help them move their things inside, please see Jared Pack.

Progressive Dinner: We will be hosting two stages of the progressive dinner on Monday, August 24, for new YU Students during Genesis week. We are doing an appetizer round and the dinner round, and will feed approximately 75 people each time. A sign-up list will go out in EHPN to assist with food or you can give cash donations to help with the meal to Jared or Karen Pack.

Potluck: We will have a potluck meal for the entire congregation to welcome our college students back on Sunday, August 30. The church is providing chicken and asks that the congregation bring sides and desserts.

Children's Bible Class Teachers and Helpers: The new quarter for children's classes begins on Wednesday, September 2. There is a sign up on the information table and at the QR code to volunteer to instruct our precious children in God's Word. A teacher and helper is needed for each classroom. We would like to have sign ups done by Wednesday, August 26 so there is time to get all the paperwork done and curriculum handed out.



Midwest Youth Rally: The 2026 Youth Rally at Nebraska Youth Camp is September 5-7. Youth in 6th-12th grades are invited. The theme is "High Tide" from Isaiah 43:2. Cost is \$40 and check-in begins at 10 am on Saturday, September 5, at Nebraska Youth Camp. See the flyer in the foyer for a QR code to the pre-registration. Contact Jay Roberts if you need a ride. He is willing to drive.

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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

Prayer Requests:

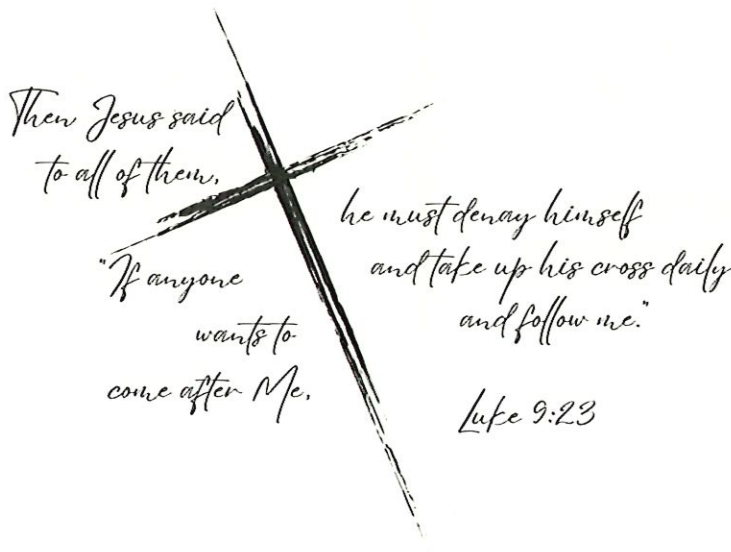
Dawn Sikes will be finishing up her cancer treatments soon. Please continue to keep her and Stewart in your prayers as this has been a long road. They have greatly appreciated the love, support, and prayers along the way.

Lynda Smith had a biopsy on a mass on her thyroid last week. She is scheduled to speak with the surgeon this Tuesday, August 18. Please pray for her as she awaits the results.

Alice Yunevich is now at the Good Samaritan rehab center in Osceola. She is supposed to have antibiotics administered intravenously for about 4 more weeks. Although she is still on bedrest due to the hip infection and back trouble, they will try to move her more to counteract the pressure ulcers she has developed. Visits and calls are welcomed.

Body Life:

Jim and Cristy Hansel's contact information is available in the directory, or you can contact the office



The congregation here does not pass a plate for your offering each Sunday. Should you choose to honor God by sharing in His work, there are offering boxes on the back wall of the auditorium and in the foyer.

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 will resume Thursday, September 10, from 10:00 AM to 11:30 am.

Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion

Humility – In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." ~I Peter 5:5

Daily Bible Readings

Sun 8/16 - Ezekiel 8-11

Mon 8/17 - Ezekiel 12-14

Tues 8/18 - Ezekiel 15-18

Wed 8/19 - Ezekiel 19-22

Thu 8/20 - Ezekiel 23

Fri 8/21 - 2 Kgs 25:1; 2 Chron 36:13; Ezekiel 24

Sat 8/22 - Jer 21; 22:1-9; 32; 33:1-9; 34:1-7

Sun 8/23 - Jer 30; 31:1-26; 33:10-13

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:	Aug 9, 2026
Weekly Attendance:	235
<u>Weekly Giving</u>	
Budgeted:	\$7,482.33
Actual:	\$6,140.95
Children's:	\$69.01
<u>Year to Date</u>	
Budgeted:	\$239,434.56
Giving:	\$224,068.10
Children's for Ecuador:	\$1,514.65

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Glenn Hawley

Children's Ministry - School Age

Brittany Kretz

Children's Ministry - Preschool

Jodie Yunevich

Youth Ministry - Coordinator

Dan & Julie Goodwin

Administrative Assistants

Michele Briggs 11:00 am—2:00 pm

Tera Knapp 2:00—5:00 pm

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

Trey Colle -----Emergency Meals

Troy Flynt -----Treasurer

Dan Goodwin-----Youth

Trent Hinton -----Livestream

Casey Kinnison -----Facilities

Larry Light -----Single Seniors

Jared Pack---Fellowship & Involvement

Titus Robison-----Benevolence

Jeff Shafer -----Worship Support

Kyle Stewart-----Media

Ken Van Gompel-----College Ministry

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Elementary Girls

Encouragement Project: This semester, the elementary girls will be learning about encouragement by creating cards and small gifts for people who are going through difficult times. As part of this project, we are looking for donations of card-making supplies that are no longer being used, such as stamps, stamp pads, scrapbook paper, envelopes, and other crafting materials. We would also appreciate donations of jewelry-making supplies that could be used to create small gifts. If you enjoy making cards and would be willing to help teach the girls different card-making techniques, please contact Brittany Kretz. Thank you for helping us encourage others and serve our church family!

Mountain State Children's Home Fall Food Donations:

Food donations for the Mountain State Children's Home in Longmont, Colorado can be made now through October 18. There is a flier on the information table with items that are most needed and a few that they have plenty of. Please remember that due to Colorado Health Regulations they cannot accept items that have reached the expiration date. Please be sure that close dated items will not run out before they get it.

Order of Worship

The Good Shepherd

Worship Leader: Jared Pack

10,000 Reasons

Scripture Reading: Timothy Briggs

Psalm 23

Prayer: Bryan Becker

Welcome: Jared Pack

134 The Lord's my Shepherd

533 I am a Sheep

176 Lamb of God

Communion: Ivan Keller

Children's Offering

83 God is so Good

410 He Leadeth Me

"Leading and Chasing"

Psalm 23

Glenn Hawley

The Goodness of God

Shepherd's Prayer: Tim Carr

Body Life: Titus Robison

Scripture Memory: *Ephesians 4:26-27*