

Why Are You So Afraid?

Mark 4:37–40 – *“A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, ‘Teacher, don’t you care if we drown?’ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, ‘Quiet! Be still!’ Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. He said to his disciples, ‘Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?’”* (NIV)

When Jesus asked his disciples why they were afraid, I don’t think he was condemning them. I believe he was doing what he so often did: teaching them.

To understand their reaction, we have to remember how 1st Century Jews viewed the sea. In ancient Jewish thought—rooted in the creation story of Genesis 1 and scriptures referencing Leviathan—the sea represented the chaotic abyss and the realm of hostile spiritual powers.

So picture the disciples: stuck in a small boat over the abyss during a violent storm. The wind is howling, the boat is swamping, and in their minds, spiritual forces of chaos may very well be trying to destroy them. Of course they were afraid! Yet Jesus was asleep. Seeing him do nothing, they assumed he didn’t care.

Isn’t this so often how we react? When trouble strikes or opposition mounts, we look around, see no immediate solution, and ask: “Where is God? Does He even care about what I’m going through?”

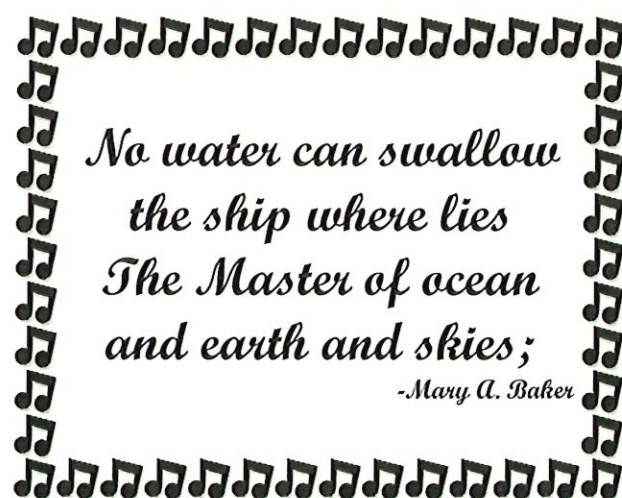
Jesus’s response—“Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?”—was not a rebuke of their human feelings, but an invitation to look at who was in the boat

with them. He was teaching them that God’s presence transcends the storm.

As followers of Jesus who carry the indwelling Holy Spirit, he has promised to be with us in every trial. He is the Sovereign Lord of the Universe—his power created all things, and his love has already secured the ultimate victory.

Paul reminds us of this same truth in 2 Timothy 1:7: *“For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline.”* When life’s storms feel overwhelming, our faith doesn’t rest in the calm of the water, but in the presence and sovereignty of the One who rules over it.

~Keith 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 A L E N D A R	October
	11 Clothing Giveaway set up 5:30 p
	12-15 Sorting for Clothing giveaway 9 am to 9 pm
	16 Clothing Final Set-up 9 am Open to church family 6-8 pm
	17 Clothing Giveaway 8 am-noon
	23-25 YU Homecoming
	26 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot
	30-1 Women's Retreat Timberlake Ranch Camp
	November
	1 End of Daylight Saving Time fall back one hour
	6 Son Shiners at Chances "R" at 5:30 pm
	6 Fun and Fellowship 5-9 pm in FH
	8 LTC meeting after worship at the front of the auditorium
	8 Baby Shower for Mallory Tremaine 2 pm in FH
	12 Women's Christmas Crafts night
	14 Men's Breakfast at 8 am in FH
	24 Food Distribution 10:30-11:30 am in south parking lot
	25 Devotional in lieu of Bible Classes

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

10/14 Rose Cuyler-Glassburner

10/17 Glenn & Heidi Dallmann

CELEBRATE

MINISTRIES & EVENTS

Clothing Giveaway preparations will begin tonight! In addition to helping hands throughout the week, we can also use donations of 13 gallon, drawstring trash bags (unscented please!) Please see the list below of opportunities to help throughout the week.

- This evening at 5:30, a good sized crew is needed to put away our regular furniture, set up clothing and shoe racks and sorting tables, post directional signs, and get out the first totes of clothing to be sorted.
- Beginning on Monday and through Thursday, from 9 am to 9 pm, volunteers are needed to sort clothes and shoes by size and hang clothes on the appropriate racks. However much or little time you can offer during this time is greatly appreciated.
- On Wednesday we will have a devotional at 6:30 in lieu of classes. Afterward, we will have large piles sorted and ready to hang. We will also set up a few more racks and get out the bedding and coats for sorting.
- On Friday morning, a medium sized crew is need to clean up and put on the finishing touches. There is a sign-up sheet on the information table to let Michele know you are planning to come for this.
- Friday evening from 6-8 pm, the church family is invited to come and shop.
- On Saturday morning, greeters are needed to welcome people in, hand out bags, and help with directions. There is a sign up sheet on the information table to sign up for this so that we know we have the whole morning covered. It is listed in one hour increments but you can come for the whole morning or come for part of one or another, just note on there when you will be there.
- At noon on Saturday, we will have pizza available for anyone who will be helping with clean up. Please sign up for the pizza if you plan to eat so we will have enough. (Specialties like gluten free are available, just note your need on the sign-up.) The sheet is on the information table.
- From noon until we get done on Saturday (usually the 2:30 to 4:00 range), a large army is needed to bag up the leftover clothes, put away all the racks and tables, vacuum the floors, and put all the regular furniture back in place.

Meals On Wheels: East Hill will provide the delivery for Meals on Wheels for the month of October. If you would like to help, see the sign up sheet on the information table in the foyer or speak with Deena Tandy.

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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

Cheryl Booth's gall bladder surgery on Wednesday went well.

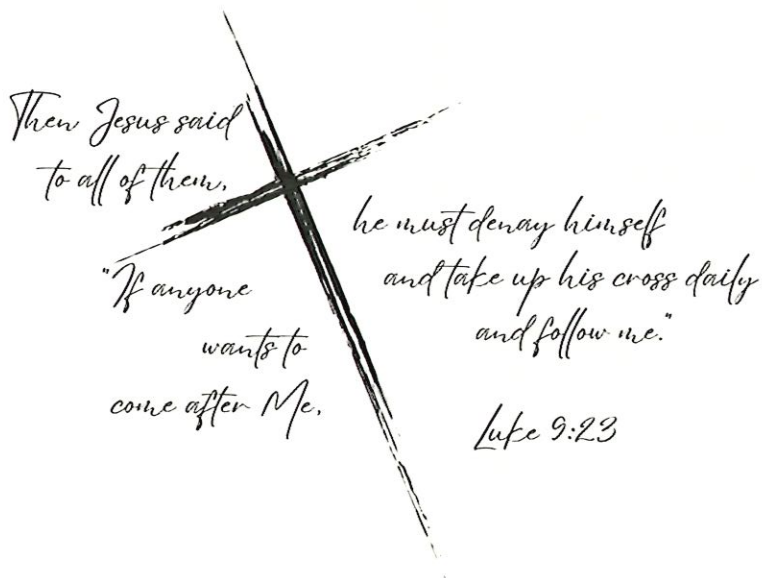
LaRae Melvin asks for prayers for her parents as they go through the transition of finding new help with caregiving as the family situation that has been in place wasn't working out

Body Life

We are looking for someone to do snow removal in the parking lots and for the sidewalks during the winter. This is a paid position. Please see Josh Rinard if you are interested or with questions.

A note of thanks for those who helped me move: Thank You to those who took time out of their day to help me move on September 28. Your help was invaluable. -Riley Hartman

A big THANK YOU to those who prepared food for the Chili Cook-off and to everyone who came. This is always a joyful part of our October!



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 meets in the fellowship hall on Thursdays from 10:00 to 11:30 am. The study is from "Committed to Listen" by Michelle Goff.

Weekly Prayer Pal Suggestion

Passion for God – *Do not be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically.*

~Romans 12:11

Daily Bible Readings

Sun 10/11 - Neh 8-10

Mon 10/12 - Neh 12:27-47; ch 13

Tue 10/13 - 1 Chron 1-2; 3:10-24; 4:1-23

Wed 10/14 - 1 Chron 4:24-43; 5:1-9, 11-17; ch 6-8; 9:1-34

Thu 10/15 - No Bible readings

Fri 10/16 - No Bible readings

Sat 10/17 - No Bible readings

Sun 10/18 - Mk 1:1; Jn 1:1-18; Lk 1:1-4

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:	Oct 4, 2026
Weekly Attendance:	265
<u>Weekly Giving</u>	
Budgeted:	\$7,482.33
Actual:	\$12,222.43
Children's:	\$27.50
<u>Year to Date</u>	
Budgeted:	\$299,293.20
Giving:	\$284,695.56
Children's for Ecuador:	\$2,036.50

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Administrative Assistants

Michele Briggs

11:00 am—2:00 pm

Tera Knapp

2:00—5:00 pm

Shepherds:

Tim Carr

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

College Ministry Team: Do you have a passion for college students? The college ministry team would like to add a few people to the team. If you are open to serving this way, please see Ken or Sarah Van Gompel.

YU Fall Workshop: The Kite Center for Ministry at YU is bringing Russell Epperson from Central Montana to speak on Community as Ministry. The seminar will highlight proven ways for churches to engage their communities. The free event will be on Thursday, October 22, from 8 am to 3 pm. A complimentary lunch will be provided. Registration is requested by October 15. You can find the registration at the QR code.



CAMPUS CONNECTION:

The Sunday night college small group meets at the Roseke home just outside of York. The QR code takes you to the GroupMe where you can reach out if you need a ride. We look forward to seeing you there for food and fellowship!



Save the Date for Pumpkins and Pizza! Students, on Monday, October 26 at 6:30 in McGehee come for pizza, fellowship, and painting pumpkins. There will be a contest!

Order of Worship

Choosing to Stay Close to God

Worship Leader: Shawn Smith

Welcome

768 Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You
837 I Need Thee Every Hour

Scripture Reading: Thomas Tandy
Romans 1:28-32

Prayer: Luke Case

410 He Leadeth Me
288 Fairest Lord Jesus

Lord's Supper: Tim Carr

Children's Collection

678 More About Jesus
609 I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord

Gospel Story: *The Need*
Romans 3:23

Glenn Hawley

Invitation for Prayer

947 Jesus Is Tenderly Calling

Shepherd's Prayer: Keith Miller

Body Life: Trent Hinton

Memory Verse: *1 Peter 4:9*