

PROMOTION SUNDAY

Sunday, August 14th, we will be celebrating Promotion Sunday in both worship services. We will recognize children that are 5 years old that are going into Pre-K and those that are going into 3rd grade. We will also be recognizing youth going into 6th grade (Chi Rho group), going into 9th grade (CYF group), as well as our youth who have graduated and will be transitioning into the Young Adult/College ministries.

Please join us as we celebrate the advances in these young people's lives as well as celebrating the growing youth and children's ministries we have at SHCC! Also, if you would like to help or volunteer in any of these groups or areas, please let Jenny or Amber know, as we have places for all different volunteer passions and gifts.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR ORVIS RISNER

Southern Hills is excited to partner with Chick-fil-A on 33rd & Broadway for the school supply drive benefiting Orvis Risner! Present your school supplies to the cashier when you come into the dining room at Chick-fil-A on 33rd. Aug. 1 - 20 receive your choice of one FREE Large Ice Cream Cone or 1 FREE Chocolate Chunk Cookie.

Chick-fil-A invites the Southern Hills Christian community to a Back to School Bash, Tuesday, August 16 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM. There will be Mona Lisa's Face Painting and the Cows will be on hand, as well as a bounce house and more for families to enjoy.

WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT FISHING CLINIC

Free fishing clinic put on by the Wildlife Education Department led by Darrin Hill and team! We will meet at the church and take the van and carpool as necessary to the clinic. Any children in 5th grade or younger will need to bring a non-youth adult with them. All of our families are welcome! RSVPs are necessary and needed by 8/10 so that we can make sure we have enough rods and supplies for everyone! Meet at SHCC at 5:30 pm.

You can RSVP via SHCC Facebook event page, through Sign-up Genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d48aaaf28a5f58-wildlife>, or by emailing amber@southernhillschristian.org with the number of people in your group.

Date: 08/13/2016 (Sat.)

Time: 5:30pm - 9:00pm CDT

Location: Lake Arcadia Wildlife Conservation Education Area



THANK YOU

HUGE thanks to everyone who helped with making VBS an AMAZING epic ride! It is a true labor of love and I can't thank enough Janee, Amber, Jenny, the youth, my mom, and every single person who committed their time and talents to helping children grow in the community of faith. They had a great time, and the support in making it happen is appreciated beyond words! Thank you!

Brooke Plumlee



THANK YOU, JANEÉ AUSTIN

I wanted to share with you Janee Austin's resignation letter. Janee has been a blessing to all of us here at Southern Hills, particularly to our children. She has done an amazing job creating a safe place for our children to worship and helping them to learn what it means to be followers of Christ. She has gone above and beyond the duties that we put forward in her job description. Just as I am thankful to have had this opportunity to serve in ministry with her, I know each of you in the congregation are thankful as well! While Janee will no longer be on staff, she will still be with us at SHCC. I know it is her nature to find ways to be involved in the life of the church. I am looking forward to serving in new and exciting ways in ministry with her! You are invited to join us in thanking Janee for all that she has done for us here at SHCC on August 28th at a reception in the gathering area between services.

*Dear Jenny,
I have loved working as the Children's Director at Southern Hills Christian Church. My time as the Director has been filled with blessings for which I will always be grateful and will carry with me. As you know I have started the accelerated BSN program at OU. Unfortunately, I am unable to continue working and keep up with the demanding nature of the nursing program. Therefore, I am submitting my resignation effective August 28th.*

I look forward to continue watching my children grow in the church's programs. I will miss being involved in all aspects of the programming, but know that the programs and children will continue to grow and thrive with the love and support of this amazing Southern Hills Church family!

*Blessings,
Janeé Austin*

KID'S CORNER

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As Janee has announced her resignation from directing the Children's Program, we are still in need of volunteers for our fall programming. Please contact Amber or Jenny to find out how you can help! We have all different types of volunteer spots and activities from weekly teachers to once a quarter organizers to table parents. We have a place for everyone!

JANEÉ AUSTIN

Office Hours: Mondays, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

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On Sunday September 11, Southern Hills will be celebrating its 50th anniversary. There are lots of things to look forward to as we approach the anniversary.

Ongoing Activities

- Starting this Sunday you are invited to bring your 50—pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, half dollars, and dollar bills (we like dollars) and place your multiples of 50 in the big orange bucket to help with the cost of the anniversary.
- Soon we will put up a time line. In the meantime, start thinking about important dates for your family in the life of the church. Some of those dates may include, the date you joined the church, married in the church, sang in the choir, you were an elder, Stephen Minister or other important events. You may even want to share a photo or two on the time line.
- In the coming weeks we will have SHCC T-shirts for sale. Also there are still plenty of SHCC cook books for sale if you haven't picked one up yet.
- Of course the 50 days of prayer is still on going. If you haven't picked up a prayer sheet, those are available in the gathering area. Don't forget we will have another 25 hour prayer vigil starting Sept. 9th at 3 p.m. in the chapel. Be watching for the sign up in the gathering area. We will need in-



dividuals who would be willing to help chaperon the event as well.

Honoring our History

- Banquet and Program on Saturday Night, September 10 at 6:00 pm
- Tickets will be on sale from now until September 4
- Adults \$7.00 and Children \$5.00 (cash, check, or credit card. if you want to pay by credit/debit you can do so in the front office of the church during the week or see Sue Dowler on Sunday mornings.)

Dreaming of our Future

- Sunday, September 11
- 9:30 Sunday School
- 10:20 Fellowship in the Gathering Area with cake
- 10:45 Worship
- 12:00 All Church Photo

ADULT EDUCATION NEWS

The adult education committee will be attending the Interfaith Fair at the University of Central Oklahoma on Thursday, August 25th from 11:00am - 2:00pm. We will pass out popsicles and information about SHCC's fall education events for young adults.

On September 11th, two new Sunday School classes will begin - a young adults class and Church 101. Watch for details including descriptions and study topics coming in future newsletters.

CAREGIVERS' SUPPORT

The Stephen Ministers regret that the wrong date was given in the last newsletter for the first meeting of the Caregivers' Support Group. The correct date is Tuesday September 20th at 7:00 pm in the Parlor, and continuing to meet on the third Tuesday of each month.

The Stephen Ministers visualize this as an on-going

group with the capacity to welcome any length of needed support. We emphasize that there are no limitations about what specific types of care are being provided. The group will be supportive for those who have lost a loved one they were caring for, as well as those in a current care giving role. The point of contact is Art Christie, 405-478-5284.

CONNECTIONS

COME
Join us

Dinner

AUGUST 28, 5:30 - 7:00 PM
BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!



Join us in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, August 28th from 5:30 to 7:00 pm for a light supper and conversation in small groups. Please RSVP to frontoffice@southernhillscristian.org or call 405-341-0766. Child care will be provided for children under 12.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Meetings for August:

- **8/9 - Stewardship Meeting** – 6:00 pm in the Boka Keene Room
- **8/11 - CROP Meeting** – 7:00 pm in the Boka Keene Room
- **8/16 - Outreach Committee** – 7:00 pm in the Boka Keene Room
- **8/21 - 50th Anniversary Committee** – 4:00 pm in the Boka Keene Room
- **8/23 - Adult Education Committee** - 1:30 pm in the Boka Keene Room
- **8/28 - Elder's Meeting** - 12:30 pm in the Parlor
- **8/28 - Leadership Council** - 4:00 pm in the Chapel
- **8/28 - Connections Dinner** - 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

YOUTH NEWS

POKEROMP

8/10, 6-9pm, gotta catch 'em all! Meet at the church, we will take the van or carpool as necessary to downtown Edmond. We will meet at Katiebugs (food truck in downtown Edmond) at 7:30 for shaved ice treats and frozen hot chocolate. This is an all-church event: any children in 5th grade or younger must have a non-youth adult with them.

WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT FISHING CLINIC

8/13, 5:30-9 pm - Free fishing clinic put on by the Wildlife Department led by Darrin Hill! Be at the church at 5:30 and we will take the van or carpool as necessary to the pond. This is an all-church event: any children in 5th grade or younger must have a non-youth adult with them. WE MUST HAVE RSVPs BY WED. 8/10 so that we can make sure to have enough rods and supplies for everyone. You can RSVP on the SHCC or CHAOS Facebook page

DISCIPLES WOMEN

Activities for August:

- **WOW Lunch** - Wednesday, August 24th, 12:30 pm (Pepperoni Grill, 1000 W. Covell Road).

REFUGE FELLOWSHIP

Many, many thanks from the outreach committee to those who provided wonderful food for Refuge Fellowship on Monday August 1st. Also the same thanks to those who went to serve. Many hands made an easy and successful mission. Until next time -

Jan Little

events, or by contacting Amber at amber@southernhillscristian.org, or through sign-up genius here <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d48aaa-f28a5f58-wildlife>. Please note the number of people you will have in your group.

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8/14 - We will recognize those youth who are moving up into 6th grade (into Chi Rho) and those moving into 9th grade (into CYF), and those youth moving out of the youth program into our young adult ministries, as well as children's programming promotions. All will joining their new Sunday school classes this day as well.

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NOTES OF THANKS

To all those who sent best wishes and prayers for my scheduled hot air balloon trip: I did not get to take the balloon ride due to the weather. But I feel like those in charge were looking out for our safety, and God knew best.

Mona Baird



Thanks so much for the best wishes and prayers for Mona Baird's big balloon adventure. We were happy that Mona was well and able to travel, and that the family arriving from out of state had safe travels. Weather seemed almost perfect, but winds were unstable, and our balloonist was cautious and wise. We are hoping we can re-schedule. Mona's 100th year celebrations are continuing.

Beth Gerardy

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL NEWS

The Leadership Council and Connections Groups did not meet in July. Instead, on July 31st we had unified worship in the morning and met at 5:30 that evening for a potluck supper and our quarterly congregational meeting. We heard the financial report (we are still doing well) and reports from Jenny and from the 4 ministry cluster conveners.

The next Council meeting will be on the regular 4th Sunday meeting date—August 28th—at 4:00 in the chapel. In addition to regular reports, the Council will have follow-up discussion on the suggested changes to the Ministry Covenant and we will talk about and

prioritize some property projects that need to be addressed.

The Connections Groups will meet on the 28th at 5:30 following the Council meeting. All are welcome to attend the council meeting and everyone is encouraged to participate in the Connections Groups.

As always, everyone is welcome to attend the Leadership Council meetings and any questions or concerns that need to be brought to the Council can be given to Myrna Ranney, Moderator, or Darrin Hill, Vice Moderator.

STEPHEN MINISTERS

When was the last time someone really listened to you? We're talking about the undistracted, full attention kind of listening. That's one of the ways Stephen Ministers care for others.

Stephen Ministers care for those who are making that long journey through the valley of a life crisis. People need this kind of care. Sometimes it's due to a major crisis like a death, a divorce, or cancer. Other times it's from being overwhelmed by many small things, all at once. During these times, people

need someone safe they can talk to, who will listen, care, and let them get it all out. That is our role as a Stephen Minister - to be there during those difficult times.

If this is where you are in your life please contact Pastor Jenny, Art Christie, or myself so that we can be that shoulder to lean on.

God's peace and blessings be upon you,
Sandy Jehle, Stephen Leader

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Norma and Andra Bradley came forward on July 31st during the Unified service to unite with our Southern Hills family. They have been attending SHCC for 2 years. Norma is a retired Risk Analyst from Plico. Andra

is an RN at OK Heart Hospital. Both are transferring membership from Westminster Presbyterian in Oklahoma City. Please continue to make them a welcome part of our church family.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Service Times

Sunday 9:00 am - Traditional Service

Sunday 10:15 am - Sunday School

Sunday 11:15 am - Contemporary Service

Sunday 3:30 pm - Communion at Bradford Village

IMPORTANT DATES

- **8/16 - Deadline for next Sharing Tree**
- **8/23 - Sharing Tree Newsletter Published**
- **8/28 - Reception for Janeé Austin** - 10:15 am in the Gathering Area
- **8/28 - Elder's Meeting** - 12:30 pm in the Parlor
- **8/28 - Leadership Council** - 4:00 pm in the Chapel
- **8/28 - Connections Dinner** - 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall
- **9/09 - 25 Hour Prayer Vigil** - begins at 3:00 pm in Chapel



SHCC STAFF

Senior Minister:

Minister of Congregational Care:

Director Children's Ministries:

Director of Youth Ministries:

Choir Director:

Contemp. Worship Music Dir:

Business Administrator:

Dir. of Comm. & Technology:

Accompanist:

Nursery Coordinator:

CDC Director:

Rev. Jenny Wynn

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Janeé Austin

Amber Brooks

Andrea Hanson

Jeanise Morton

Suellen Caywood

Chuck Marshall

Bryant Rains

Valerie White

Carolyn Lamiell

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School 7/24	81
9:00 AM Worship 7/24	113
11:15 AM Worship 7/24	37
Total Worship 7/24	150
Sunday School 7/31	72
Unified Worship 7/31	130
Sunday School 8/07	91
9:00 AM Worship 8/07	114
11:15 AM Worship 8/07	52
Total Worship 8/07	166

PRAYERS

Please hold in your prayers:

Dorothy Messenger; Mona Baird; Ann & Dennie Hall; Ed & Donna Huston; Valerie White; Maurice Friot; Kelly Johnson, Brandon Swanson and daughter Breanna; John Wallace; Bryant Rains' sister, Stephany; Alice Smith; Herb Wootten; Evelyn Elliot; Briane McClaine; Jenny Wynn; Gary Tears; Maureen Stickel; Barb Livingston; Kim Brown; Randy Park; Rod Marcha