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*Fall into Fellowship*

*Sunday, August 20*

*3207 South Blvd, Edmond, OK 73013*

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*9:30 Breakfast*  *10:45 Worship*

Fall into Fellowship on Sunday, August 20 at Southern Hills Christian Church with a pot luck breakfast at 9:30, followed by a combined service of worship at 10:45. We celebrate the assembly of our church family, along with visitors, as we come together to be present in worship during our fall kick off. Invite a friend! All are welcome at the table, everyone belongs!

The Fellowship Committee asks that you bring food items to share according to the first letter of your last name. If you are a visitor to Southern Hills, please don't feel obligated to bring a dish. Just come and enjoy the food, fellowship, and worship service!

- A-E: Breads/Muffins (gluten-free is welcome)
- F-J: Fruit
- K-O: Casseroles
- P-T: Sweets (e.g. donuts, pastries; gluten-free is welcome)
- U-Z: Juice (prefer quart size, variety of juices is encouraged)

Please feel free to bring your favorite breakfast/brunch even if it doesn't match up with your suggested category! Dishes should be cooked and ready to serve. Ovens will be available for warming. Please have items to the kitchen 15 to 30 min before start time.

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# CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY EVENTS



## SAVE-THE-DATES

- 8/12, 10am-11pm: Interfaith Picnic
- 8/13: Promotion Sunday
- 8/18: 1st Day of EPS and SHCC CDC
- 8/20: Fall Kickoff and CHAOS
- 8/23: Fun & Fellowship Begins

## BREAKFAST BUNCH & PROMOTION SUNDAY

On August 13th, will be celebrating Promotion Sunday, a day in which we will recognize our children and youth who are changing classes! Those entering 3rd grade will be moving up into the Faith Travelers class, this past year's Pastor's Class will be joining the youth group's Chi Rho class, and those going into high school will move up into the CYF class. This is an exciting time for all as we move, change, and grow together!

If you have any questions about your child or youth's new class, or to know how you can volunteer in these programs, please don't hesitate to call Amber!

## FUN & FELLOWSHIP AND CHAOS

We are making a couple of changes to the program this year! This will allow more time and attention to be given to each of the groups.

On Wednesdays, starting August 23rd, we will begin Fun & Fellowship again! It will run on the same schedule as last year, 5:30-7:00pm (with our meal from 6:30-7:00pm).

CHAOS will no longer be meeting on Wednesdays, instead we will meet Sunday evenings from 6-8pm, starting August 20th. We will not have a meal but will have snacks, so feel free to bring your favorites to share!

We are in great need of teachers and helpers for Bible class, Music class, Recreation, clean-up and more. Please contact Amber to sign up or for more information.

## INTERFAITH ALLIANCE FAMILY PICNIC

On Saturday, August 12th, from 11am to 1pm at All Souls' Episcopal Church (6400 N Pennsylvania Ave, OKC), you are invited to the Interfaith Alliance Family Picnic. This is a BYOB (Bring Your Own Basket of food for your family)! There will be activities for the whole family and donations for Infant Crisis Center will be accepted the day of the event. Needs include

- Diapers sized preemie to 4T
- Formula
- Blankets
- Bottles
- Toys
- Clothes sizes preemie to 4T
- Financial

For further information, please contact Julie Robinson, TIA Event Coordinator at 405-609-1009.

## CALLING ALL CREATIVE, CRAFTY, OR ARTISTIC PEOPLE!

Believe it or not, Alternative Christmas will be here before we know it. This year's event is November 12 and will help raise funds to support local nonprofit agencies as well as groups working around the world. If you would like to let

your creativity shine to benefit one of our partner agencies, we need YOU! You can create the cards yourself or work with a partner or group. Agencies still needing cards at this point are HOPE Center, Edmond Mobile Meals, Church World Service,

and Infant Crisis Services. We may also have a couple of others to choose from if you are interested. Please call Marilee Hattendorf for more information or to volunteer. Thank you!

## JENNY'S SABBATICAL

A reminder: Jenny's Sabbatical leave will continue until September 5. This is scheduled rest for her, established in her covenant of ministry with Southern Hills. Sabbatical time is intended for rest and renewal, personal study, reading and planning. It is a block of time that allows for dreaming and making creative connections for our shared ministry.

Our prayer is that Jenny will return to us refreshed in mind, body and spirit, eager to share her thoughts and ideas. During this time, Rev. Allison Longman is sharing with us in worship leadership and covering pastoral care needs. If you have pastoral care needs please contact the church office, or call Allison directly at 316-617-9328.

## REFUGE FELLOWSHIP

Refuge Fellowship is a ministry of the OKC area Disciples of Christ churches. They meet on Monday nights, and their minister, Noel Gray, provides the worship service. Area churches provide a dinner after the service as well as hygiene supplies, etc. for people

living on the streets or in sketchy housing situations. Our next turn to serve dinner is Monday, August 14, and that's where YOU come in! We are in need of easy to serve desserts, bottled water, and donations to purchase salads from Sam's. If you can bring food,

donate, or would like to go and help serve the meal, there will be a sign up sheet in the Gathering Area on Sunday. Please call Marilee Hattendorf if you have questions. Thank you!



## LITURGISTS NEEDED

Sunday morning Liturgists are needed for August and September. In traditional service the role of the Liturgist is to read scripture and lead the Call to Worship. For Contemporary Service the Liturgist only reads the scripture. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Area near the front office window.

## BTQ AT THE FOOD BANK

On Thursday, July 27th, Our Monday Night Fellowship, Big Theological Questions group took 7 people to the Oklahoma Regional Food Bank for their Rock-n-Box Karaoke night. We filled bags for the Backpack program for Oklahoma school children. At

the end of the night, we had packaged 6,412 pounds of food, supplying 1,710 backpacks worth, for a total of 5,344 meals! We even sang a few songs while we were at it! Over all it was a great night of fellowship, service, and fun!



## WHIZ KIDS

Western Oaks Christian Church has reached out to Southern Hills to see if we might be willing to help with Whiz Kids. Western Oaks Christian Church partners with Western Oaks Elementary School to provide one on one tutoring in reading with a number of children through the Whiz Kids program.

From Western Oaks:

We pick them up from school on Mondays at 3:00 pm and bring them to church for a hearty meal. There is a community time to highlight their achievements as well as a Club Time to tell Bible stories and share the message of God's great love. Then tutors spend 45 minutes to an hour reading and listening to the children read and helping them to improve their reading ability. This event has been more than a blessing to the children, it blesses each one of us involved in the program.

However, we can't do this alone. There is a waiting list of children who are struggling to learn to read and desperately want to learn. They just need

someone willing to give a couple hours each Monday from 3:00 till 5:30 to spend time helping them. We can even be a little flexible on the time if you can't arrive until 3:30 or a little later this is the time the kids are being picked up and fed.

The greatest need is to have dedicated tutors to work with these children. A secondary need is transportation to pick them up from school and then to take them home after Whiz Kids. We always pair our tutors up to transport them home which gives tutors an opportunity to meet parents and become familiar with the students home life. We currently have one bus that we can transport 13 students at a time.

We greatly look forward to the possibility of partnering with Southern Hills Christian Church to continue to provide this great service to these children. If you are interested in helping in this important ministry please contact Western Oaks at (405) 789-8812.

## THANK YOU!

Dear Church Family,

We want to say a huge thank you to our amazing church family that prayed and took care of us following Kai's traumatic birth three months ago. We have never known such a stressful time, and I don't think we would have made it through without your love and support. We cannot thank you all enough for everything you've done. From providing meals or gift cards, babysitting Lilly when we had to be with Kai, sending countless emails, texts, and cards to show your support, and even mowing our lawn all summer long; you allowed us to focus on the challenge at hand and spend much needed time with Kai and Lilly. You helped ease the stress and provided words of encouragement when we needed them most. They say it takes a village to raise a child, and we are so blessed to be part of the Southern Hills village!

Love,  
Holly, Cole, Lilly, and Kai Abbott.

Dear friends,

Many thanks to our Church Family, Elders and staff for the cards, prayers and offers of help during the past months as I experienced medical issues. Our family continues to feel and appreciate your love and support.

Love,  
Karon, Amzi & family



## YOUTH AND CHILDREN NEEDS YOU!

As Fall is upon us, so is the need for Sunday school teachers, Fun & Fellowship Bible class teachers, CHAOS helpers, Cooks, Table Parents, and more!

If you have never helped out in these programs, we would be happy to answer any questions you have! If you have helped out before, we would love to have you back!

All of our curriculum is provided for you and is very user friendly!

Please see the Children and Youth Booth in the gathering area for available spots and contact me with any questions.

Thank-you in advance, we could not make our programs happen without you!

## MAKE YOUR OFFERING ONLINE!

Now you can give to the vision and mission of Southern Hills Christian Church electronically. Make a one-time donation or set up a weekly or monthly recurring e-tithe. It's safe and secure - and you will be supporting the vision and mission of SHCC.

Many feel that giving should be a participatory experience in worship. Since electronic giving does not lend itself to the physical act of giving, you will find Online Giving cards in the pew pockets. If you choose to give online, these cards may be placed in the offering plate to represent your gift that is taking place electronically.



For more information about online giving, visit the Southern Hills website at:  
<http://www.shccedmond.org/wordpress/giving/>

## \$20 FOR '20

Several years ago, the Stewardship Committee came up with a plan to pay off our mortgage early. SHCC introduced "\$13.33 Sunday," in which the congregation was invited to give an extra \$13.33 on the first Sunday of each month. Our goal of applying that extra gift to the early retirement of our mortgage debt has been very successful!

Recently, the Stewardship committee sat down to crunch the numbers once again. The committee discovered that by raising our \$13.33 gift to \$20, we may be able to pay off our mortgage completely by the year 2020.

The Stewardship Committee invites you to prayerfully consider increasing your \$13.33 gift to \$20 to be debt free by 2020.

## CAREGIVER'S SUPPORT

We invite you to be a part of our Caregiver's Support Group at Southern Hills Christian Church. We meet every third Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in the Parlor/Conference room. The group includes Stephen Ministers and Leaders in a "Care and Share" experience, emphasizing a listening ear to provide whatever support you need.

This group is focusing on a broad range of caregiver needs. If you are caring for a loved one, have done so in the past or anticipate doing this in the future, this is for you. We wish to include those who have cared for a loved one now deceased; those caring for the elderly; those caring for a loved one with special needs; or any other care needs.

Our next gathering will be at 7 pm, August 15. We hope you will join us. There are no requirements for attendance. Come by and check out the group. If the days and times need to be changed, we will do that. This is for you.

Your Stephen Ministry team.

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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

- 8/09 - Choir rehearsal - 7:00 pm (at Bowlware's this week only)
- 8/14 - Book Club - 12:00 pm in the Chapel
- 8/14 - Big Theological Questions - 6:00 pm at The Patriarch
- 8/15 - Caregiver's Support - 7:00 pm in the Conference Room
- 8/16 - Choir rehearsal resumes in Sanctuary - 7:00 pm
- 8/20 - Fall Into Fellowship breakfast and combined service
- 8/20 - CHAOS Resumes - 6-8 pm in the Youth Room
- 8/23 - Southern Bells resume - 5:00 pm in the Music Room
- 8/23 - Fun & Fellowship resumes - 5:15 pm in Fellowship Hall
- 8/27 - Elder's Meeting - 12:30 pm in the Conference Room
- 8/27 - Leadership Council Mtg - 4:00 pm in the Chapel
- 8/28 - Big Theological Questions - 6:00 pm at The Patriarch

## SHCC STAFF

Senior Minister:	Rev. Jenny Wynn
Pulpit Supply:	Rev. Allison Longman
Interim Dir. Children's Ministries:	Amber Brooks
Director of Youth Ministries:	Amber Brooks
Choir Director:	Andrea Hanson
Interim Contemp. Music Directors:	Ben & Lacie Bowlware
Business Administrator:	Suellen Caywood
Dir. of Communications & Tech:	Chuck Marshall
CDC Director:	Carolyn Lamiell

## ATTENDANCE

Sunday School 7/30	72
9:00 AM Worship 7/30	81
11:15 AM Worship 7/30	42
Total Worship 7/30	123
Sunday School 8/06	69
9:00 AM Worship 8/06	86
11:15 AM Worship 8/06	66
Total Worship 8/06	152

## PRAYERS

Dorothy Messenger; Mona Baird; Marie Byrkit; Ann & Dennie Hall; Alice Smith; Maureen Stickel; Denise Hill; the Abbott Family; Kyle Campbell; Karon Gregory; Andrea Hanson, Betty Marcha; Bonnie Pierce; Janeé Austin's Grandmother, Nolan & Barbara Pierce; Don Hirsch; Tambra Gray; Zoe Jones; Pat Fennell; Cheryl Aspy

