



Southern Hills Christian Church (DOC)

The Sharing Tree

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FOLKSONGS AND FELLOWSHIP

All are welcome May 26, 2018, 6-8 pm the 5th Annual Folksongs and Fellowship Outdoor Concert, an evening of live acoustic music by the **One-Shoe String Band**, featuring James Powers, Ben & Lacie Bowlware, Dennis Marcha, Jarrett Austin and Chuck Marshall. This free, family friendly event will take place on the SHCC South Lawn, so bring your own chairs or blankets, and prepare to be entertained. Food will be available for purchase. Menu Items include soft tacos, bean burritos, chips with black bean/tomato/corn relish, cookies, brownies, and bottled water. Proceeds will help fund the Weekend Breakfast program to support the food-insecure population of Edmond.



STAFF JUBILACIÓN!

Jubilación is the spanish word for retirement. The literal translation is "to practice jubilee." What could be better than to spend the rest of one's life practicing jubilee?

On June 3, between the Traditional and Contemporary Services, we will celebrate Jubilación

with Amber Brooks, Pam Camp, Carolyn Lamiell and Cathy Schmidt, to thank them for their years of service to Southern Hills Christian Church, and Southern Hills Child Development Center. Bring your cards and notes of thanks and show them the love!

UPDATE FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Your Personnel Committee has been meeting regularly as we go through the process of finding new staff members that can fill our needs. We are thankful to Amber, Suellen, Carolyn, and Andrea for the time and effort they have put forth to make SHCC our church home. We wish them all the best in their future ventures and career/retirement directions.

One of the first duties of the committee is searching for and finding an Administrative Assistant/facility manager. The job description is posted on our website at <http://www.southernhillschristian.org/wordpress/available-positions/>. This will be a part-time position of about 24 hours/week. Your Personnel Committee will be accepting applications

and scheduling interviews in the next several weeks to find that special person to join our staff at SHCC.

During this time, we ask that any facility needs (pink sheets) be directed to both Chuck and Jenny's attention.

We would like to reach out to any and all that have the desire to volunteer to help during our new church business hours of 9 to 3 pm, Monday through Thursday. There will be a big hole to fill with Suellen's departure, and each of us can play a big part in making this transition a smooth one, just by lending a hand or two, or three!

WWW.SHCCEDMOND.ORG

FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

Summer Family Life Activities

The Family Life (Youth and Children) Program has a great bunch of activities planned for the kids this summer. Put these dates on your calendar, and check the Sharing Tree and Facebook for details on each event as it gets closer. Additionally, the Youth would love to help out anyone in the congregation with yard work or other odd jobs you may have. Contact Jill Hill for more information.

- Friday, 5/25 - Ice Cream Extravaganza @4:30
- Thursday, 6/7 - Family Fun Day: Wheeler Park @5:30 -- BYO picnic dinner
- Wednesday, 6/13 – Snow cones at Scooby Shack @7:00
- Saturday, 6/16 - Family Fun Day: Upstage Theatre presents "Shrek the Musical" @8:00
- Wednesday, 6/20 - Youth - Clue Quest @2:15

- Wednesday, 6/27 - Service Project Scavenger Hunt w/ dinner @5:30
- Sunday, 7/1 - Family Fun Day: The Incredibles Movie Marathon (time TBD)
- Friday, 7/6 - Underground OKC and lunch @10:00AM
- Saturday, 7/14 - Regional Food Bank (12:45)
- Wednesday, 7/18 - Mission Camp Craft time @6:00
- Friday, 7/20 - Family Fun Day: Upstage Theatre presents "Gypsy" @8:00
- Sunday, 8/12 - Laser Tag at Brickopolis (time TBD)

Camps begin in June. Watch upcoming Sharing Tree Newsletters for the names of campers and dates of their camps. They would love to get letters at camp from their church family!

MATS FOR THE HOMELESS PROJECT



People of all ages work together to make sleeping mats.

The making of the mats out of used plastic shopping bags, is not hard, but does require investment of time and busy hands. The bags are prepared by cutting strips and joining the strips and rolling them into balls called "PLARN" (PLastic yARN). The Plarn is then crocheted or woven into mats.

If you would like to help, we still need clean plastic shopping bags, which you may drop off at the church. You may also like to attend

one of the "Plarn Workshops" scheduled on the church calendar (Bring your own scissors, please). Plarn Workshops are held most Monday nights at 6:30 in Boka Keene. (Will not meet on Memorial Day) We plan to meet all four Mondays in June, as well as Wednesday, June 6 at noon.

Please contact Beth Gerardy with any further questions.

Thank you,
Beth Gerardy

SHCC DAY AT JOHNNIE'S

Johnnie's is hosting Southern Hills fundraisers on the first Saturday of each month in June, July and August. Beginning Saturday June 2. Eat at Johnnie's for lunch or dinner and 20% of your purchase will be donated to Southern Hills Christian Church. Don't forget to

mention when you order you are with Southern Hills. Proceeds from this fundraiser will support the Weekend Breakfast program. Contact Georgia Shaw for more information.

**Beginning in June - SHCC Office Hours will be:
Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING



"Planting a church can make a huge and lasting impression in the community it serves," says Terrell L. McTyer, minister of New Church Strategies and church planter. "By empowering the oppressed, praying for the disenfranchised, caring for the poor and promoting hope in a fragmented world, the church can literally help change the world," he adds.

Each year, half of the Pentecost Offering is designated to the local Christian Disciples Region/Area in an effort to start and sustain new churches. The other half is used by Hope Partnership to support the recruitment, assessment, training and coaching of new church leaders at events like Leadership Academy.

Disciples are on course to starting 1,000 new churches by 2020. For additional information visit www.hopepmt.org.

"DID YOU KNOW?" - FROM THE VISION TASK FORCE

The senior minister's salary has not increased since she was hired in September 2015. When our health insurance provider changed a year and a half ago, the premiums went up. The senior minister contract includes the church covering health insurance and Jenny's monthly check was increased to cover the additional insurance cost. Jenny pays the health insurance company directly.

The last pay raise other SHCC staff had was a small one in 2016.

Leadership Council approved new office hours that will go into effect on June 1: 9:00-3:00 Monday through Thursday.

We now have a different postage meter which will save

SHCC around \$150-\$200 per year.

A new janitorial service is under contract and begins June 1. The new service will save \$4,000 each year. Jill Hill will serve as Interim Family Life (Children and Youth) Director this summer as a search committee looks for a new director.

A suggestion box is in the Gathering Area to collect questions or ideas for the Task Force. Please drop your thoughts inside or e-mail your ideas to taskforce@southernhillschristian.org and we will continue to provide updates with each addition of the Sharing Tree.

Your Vision Task Force

UPDATE FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

During the past 6 weeks, the Stewardship Committee has been planning for SHCC's future bookkeeping and record keeping needs. With Suellen Caywood's departure goes the knowledge and expertise that we have been fortunate enough to have for the past 29 years. Merely trying to replace Suellen would be a futile effort.

The committee has put requests out to outside financial organizations to find the right

fit for our accounting needs.

We received 3 bids for the position. One organization stood out to us as having the experience and knowledge to take on our accounting needs. The opportunity has been awarded to the offices of Kathryn J. Green, CPA. The firm is located in Midwest City.

Payroll will be the first and most important setup as we transition into this outside accounting service.

Please understand that this is a big transition, and there may be a few bumps along the way, but we are confident that this is one of many important steps that SHCC will be taking to appropriately update our business model.

Your Stewardship Committee

COMMUNITY AND OUTREACH

CAMINANTE REPORT

I recently had the good fortune of participating in a trip to learn about the Caminante program in the Dominican Republic. Caminante, initiated by a Catholic nun—Sister Denisse—in the 1900's, serves children in the Boca Chica area who often worked the beaches selling trinkets and candy to the tourists which made them vulnerable to prostitution and drug trafficking.



Children attend the government school 4 hours a day, either morning or afternoon. Sister Denisse began establishing "homework rooms" for these children in their off-school time. College educated teachers, psychologists, and social workers serve over 300 children annually in these homework rooms.

Our group visited all 5 of the current homerooms, helped 350 children make God's Eye ornaments and learned how to make coconut jewelry with the students.

Sister Denisse also created a vocational school supported by local businesses and former recipients of Caminante's programs. Skills which lead to good paying jobs are taught: sewing, cooking, baking, computer technology, pharmacy tech, cosmetology, plumbing, electricity and others as they are needed.



The Oklahoma Disciples of Christ churches support this program with annual contributions. It is a worthwhile cause. If you are inclined to give, designate your check to Christian Church in Oklahoma --Caminante, 301 NW 36th St., OKC, OK 73118.

Contributions help provide supplies for the homerooms (about \$10/person per year), and supplies for a summer community fair program that will serve over 800 children (patterned after a vacation Bible School).

Thanks for reading,
Floydette Seal



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FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY

Georgia Shaw is spearheading a new program at SHCC to provide weekend breakfasts to the food insecure population of Edmond. Such a program would supplement the Breakfast on Boulevard program of FCC Edmond, which provides weekday meals. As part of the process, she is researching the need for food assistance for people in Edmond, and sharing that information with our congregation. The results of Georgia's research will be published here through a series of Sharing Tree articles. For info on Edmond Child Nutrition Services, Point in Time Screening, SNAP, and Project 66, please see the articles in the April 10, April 24, and May 9 issue of the Sharing Tree Newsletter at <http://www.southernhillschristian.org/wordpress/newsletters/>

The HOPE Center, (Help Our People in Emergencies) The Edmond HOPE Center, located at 1251 N. Broadway has been providing assistance to members of the Edmond community since 1984. The center was developed by the Edmond Ministerial Alliance, volunteers and a grant from the Edmond Women's Club. They have grown through the years in services, budget, facilities, volunteers and the number of people they have helped.

The HOPE Center provides food, clothing, rent and utility assistance and a prenatal clinic to Edmond residents. In 2017 they gave 650,000 pounds of food to 4,102 families. Clothing and household items were given to 8,405 people and \$325,000 was paid out to help with rent and utilities. Their prenatal clinic had 17 healthy births.

How are they funded

HOPEfully yours, their resale store on N. Broadway, provided the biggest source of income, \$510,000 in 2015. That year they also received \$332,000 in contributions and grants, \$251,000 in Federal awards, \$192,000 in City of Edmond grants and \$228,000 worth of food, clothing and household goods donated by the public. The samaritan fund drive sponsored by the Edmond Sun in December is their only fund raiser.

In 2017, Southern Hills gave The HOPE Center .0090% of its outreach monies, or \$3,901.46. We also have a food drive for the agency each July. Many of our members and groups "adopt" a family at Christmas. Toys and clothes are bought and wrapped for the whole family.

How much they spend

Their 2015 budget report shows that they spent \$860,000 on food, clothing, utility and rent assistance that year. Other expenses for 2015 was \$254,000 for their Women's, Infants and Children's Programs and \$28,000 for their Clinic programs. They spend very little for administrative costs and use 200 volunteers a week to do most of the work. Many Southern Hills Christian Church members have volunteered at the HOPE Center through the years.

Georgia Shaw

THANK YOU, ONE AND ALL!!

A big thank you from the outreach committee to all of you for supporting our service at **Refuge Fellowship** on May 14! Twelve SHCCers and friends served a delicious meal (and seconds) of ham, mac and cheese, green beans, salad and dessert to around 50 guests.

We appreciate your donations, time, energy and dedication to this project. We also took snack packs, hygiene packets and placemats to distribute. Our next service opportunity will be August 13.



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June 2018

Location Key:
 BK Boka Keene
 BV Bradford Village
 C Chapel
 CR Conference Room
 P Parlor

S Sanctuary
 YR Youth Room
 GA Gathering Area
 FH Fellowship Hall
 TR Toddler Room
 WW Worship & Wonder

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Staff Jubilación! 9:00a Traditional Worship (S) 10:15 Sunday School 11:15 Contemp Worship (S) 3:30p Communion Service (BV) 4:00 Vision Task Force (BK)	4 6:30 The People (P) 6:30 Plarn Workshop (BK)	5 3:15p Tai Chi (GA) 6:30 Souttending(P)	6 Newsletter Published 11:00a Overeater's Anon (C) 12:00p PLARN Workshop (BK) 5:30p Praise Team (S) 5:45 Southern Bells (MR) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	7 5:30 Family Fun Day Picnic (Wheeler Park)	1	2 Johnnie's Day Eat at Johnnie's on 33rd, and 20% will be donated to SHCC for the Weekend Breakfast Program!
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24 9:00a Traditional Worship (S) 10:15 Sunday School 11:15 Contemp Worship (S) 12:30p Elder's Meeting (CR) 3:30 Communion Service (BV) 4:00 Leadership Council (C)	25 6:00 Big Theological Questions (The Patriarch) 6:30p The People (P) 6:30 Plarn Workshop (BK)	26 3:15p Tai Chi (GA) 6:00 Lectio Divina (C)	27 11:00a Overeater's Anon (C) 5:30p Praise Team (S) 5:30 Youth Scavenger Hunt 5:45 Southern Bells (MR) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	28 3:15p Tai Chi (GA) 7:00 Stephen Min. (P)	29	30

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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

- 5/26 - Folksongs & Fellowship - 6:00 on SHCC South Lawn
- 5/28 - Memorial Day - Office Closed
- 6/02 - SHCC Day at Johnnie's on 33rd
- 6/03 - Staff Jubilación - 10:00 in the Gathering Area
- 6/04 - The People - 6:30 in the Parlor
- 6/04 - PLARN Workshop - 6:30 in Boka Keene
- 6/05 - Souttending - 6:30 in The Chapel
- 6/06 - PLARN Workshop - 12:00 in Boka Keene
- 6/16 - Family Fun Day - Shrek the Musical at Upstage Theater
- 6/19 - Caregiver's Support Group - 7:00 pm in the Parlor
- 6/23 - Churchwide Garage Sale
- 6/24- Elder's Meeting - 12:30 pm in the Conference Room
- 6/24 - Leadership Council - 4:00 pm in the Parlor

SHCC STAFF

Senior Minister:

Interim Dir. of Family Life Ministry

Choir Director:

Interim Contemp. Music Directors:

Business Administrator:

Dir. of Communications & Tech:

CDC Director:

Family Life (Children & Youth) Intern:

Rev. Jenny Wynn

Jill Hill

Andrea Hanson

Ben & Lacie Bowlware

Suellen Caywood

Chuck Marshall

Carolyn Lamiell

Morgan Gregory

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School 5/13	71
9:00 AM Traditional 5/13	107
11:15 AM Contemp. 5/13	42
Total Worship 5/13	122
Sunday School 5/20	87
9:00 AM Traditional 5/20	118
11:15 AM Contemp. 5/20	64
Total Worship 5/20	182

PRAYERS

Marie Byrkit; Mona Baird; Cathy Rains;
Nolan & Barbara Pierce; Shirley Bibb;
Susie Park; Daphne Johnson; Rick
Brewster; Barb Livingston; Karon
Gregory, Ellen Beer, Joe Jones; Elsie
Knight; Joan Hagar; Fred McCullough,
Jeanne Parsons; Alice Smith; Steve
Bowlware

