



Southern Hills Christian Church (DOC)

The Sharing Tree

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THE HOPE CENTER IN JULY



July is SHCC's Month to Stock the Pantry at the HOPE Center. Each month the HOPE Center Pantry helps more than 550 Edmond families in need. With school now out for the summer, they really need our help! Please bring your items to the Gathering Area

beginning this Sunday, June 24, and throughout the month of July. A list of items need is below, or you may see the most up to date list at <https://hopecenterofedmond.com/>. Help us fight world hunger right here at home.

We have had wonderfully overwhelming response to the need for hygiene items. Thank you for your support! The list below represents the greatest current need for The HOPE Center.

FOOD ITEMS

- Peanut Butter
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Meat
- Canned Meals

PLEASE WELCOME JOHN GREER

If you happened to call the church last week, you may have heard an unfamiliar voice on the phone. John Greer, our new Office Coordinator is now on the job! John, comes to SHCC with a diverse background. He has degrees in Dance and Theater. After years of theater work in New York, John found

a home for several years in the banking industry as a mortgage underwriter. While he excelled in that field, John decided to return to one of his passions, music. He is currently working on his Masters in Music at UCO. Please make John feel welcome among us.

SAVE THE DATE FOR A BABY SHOWER!

We are so excited to share in the joy; Krystal Lovinggood is expecting a boy!

You are invited to share the love and excitement with Krystal and Jessica Lovinggood at a baby shower in the Parlor at SHCC. Save the date of Sunday, July 29, from 2-4 pm. The Lovinggoods are registered at Amazon.com.



LITURGISTS NEEDED

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

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FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

Summer Family Life Activities

Put these dates on your calendar, and check the Sharing Tree and Facebook for details on each event as it gets closer.

Many thanks to all of the volunteers that helped the youth in the Hope Center Scavenger Hunt! They had a great time and collected so many items that will benefit our neighbors in need! We still need nonperishable food items for VBS activities on Saturday. These donations will then be taken to the Hope Center.

VBS Abundance Orchard July 14 @9:30

Registration forms are on the SHCC website and in the gathering area. Each child should bring a nonperishable food or personal hygiene item to donate to the Hope Center and a serving of fruit to contribute to our meal.

Mission Stillwater Camper and Parent Meeting

July 18 at 6:00 pm - Parents/guardians and youth attending Mission Stillwater should attend this informational meeting in the gathering area!

Family Fun Day: Gypsy July 20 at 8:00PM

Mitch Park Amphitheater - See our own Janna Carr and Kaedyn Carr in this production!

Family Life Committee Meeting, July 31 at 6 pm

Please come if you are interested in helping us plan for fall semester programming such as Worship and Wonder, Fun & Fellowship, and CHAOS! as well as our Fall Kick-off.

Upcoming events:

- 8/1 Family Fun Day Splash Pad at Barnett Field 5:30 - 7:00 pm
- 8/11 VBS Abundance Orchard Part II
- 8/12 Laser Tag at Brickopolis (YOUTH + Pastor's Class)

FIGHTING HUNGER IN OKLAHOMA

SHCC is going to the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma on Saturday, July 14 for a shift from 1:30 to 4:00 pm. Sign ups for this trip are closed, as we have learned from the Food Bank that all spots are full. We are trying to coordinate this trip with VBS, to have families go to the Food Bank as a group. Being a Saturday during



summer, this is an ideal time for families with children to attend the Regional Food Bank. If you are not participating in VBS on the 14th, and/or have the flexibility to attend one of the upcoming weekday trips, please contact Laura Pollard if you have signed up, but would be willing to sit this one out.

WEEKEND BREAKFAST PROGRAM

We are getting closer to providing weekend breakfasts for the food insecure population of Edmond. On Sunday, July 29, you will have an opportunity to sample the breakfast items we intend to provide at

the Weekend Breakfast. During the gathering time between services, drop by the snack tables in the gathering area to see and taste what we will be serving to our friends in the community.

MAILDROP FOR THE FINANCE OFFICE

As we are implementing new procedures for handling money following Suellen's retirement and our use of an outside CPA, we will be keeping you informed of these changes.

A mail slot has been installed in the hallway, directly

across from the restrooms to offer a secure location to place any checks or cash that come in outside of the regular Sunday Offertory time. If you come in during the week with an offering check or any other financial material, John or Chuck will be happy to direct you to the new mail slot.

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. We plan to meet all Monday evenings in July, as well as Wednesday, July 11 at noon.

Please contact Beth Gerardy with any further questions.

Thank you,
Beth Gerardy

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

We have long said, "Southern Hills is Edmond's best kept secret." Let's not keep it a secret any longer!

The Communications and Technology committee is working on a comprehensive communications plan to be rolled out in the fall. We will be concentrating our efforts on three areas of focus for communications and marketing: Website, email, and social media (mostly Facebook, but also Instagram). All three of these will play a different role in our communications plan. While this plan is in progress, here are a few of the changes coming this summer.

We would like to increase our use of email to keep our church family informed of prayer concerns, promote upcoming church events, send out the newsletter, and issue important announcements. Please be sure that we have your current email address.

We will be making changes and improvements to our website, which is already very functional. We will be adding more photography, to better capture the spirit of Southern Hills, and show the world what we are

really all about. The Child Development Center has, for many years, had its own website. Soon we will be hosting their website with our own. The hope is to drive traffic to our website from theirs, and vice versa.



As social media continues to become a fixture of modern society, we will increase our presence on Facebook. According to Statista.com, as of 2017, 72.4% of the population of North America uses Facebook. Because advertising on Facebook is inexpensive, there is no better method to get our message to such a large audience.

Here's how you can help:

- Visit our website
- Follow us on Facebook
- Like and share our Facebook posts
- Update your email address & contact info

WOW LUNCH

WOW Lunch Group will be meeting this month at Taziki's Mediterranean Restaurant at 1389 E. 15th (15th & Bryant, west of Starbucks). All ladies of the church are invited. Please RSVP to Carolyn Christie, as she needs to confirm the number for the private room she has booked.

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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

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm



PRAYERS

Marie Byrkit; Mona Baird; Nolan & Barbara Pierce; Susie Park; Barb Livingston; Marge Cowperthwaite; Elsie Knight; Fred McCullough; Alice Smith; Elizabeth Gaughan; Joan Hagar; Joe Jones; Don Wiard; Jeanne Parson

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School 7/01	89
9:00 AM Traditional 7/01	108
11:15 AM Contemp. 7/01	66
Total Worship 7/01	174
Sunday School 7/08	79
9:00 AM Traditional 7/08	91
11:15 AM Contemp. 7/08	49
Total Worship 7/08	140

SHCC STAFF

Interim Director of Family Life Ministry
Family Life (Children & Youth) Intern:
Interim Contemporary Music Directors:
Director of Communications & Technology:
Church Office Coordinator:
Child Development Center Director:

Jill Hill
Morgan Gregory
Ben & Lacie Bowlware
Chuck Marshall
John Greer
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