



Southern Hills Christian Church (DOC)

The Sharing Tree

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ONE SERVICE, SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

There is a lot happening this Sunday at Southern Hills that we're sure you won't want to miss. There's something for everyone this week! Our theme for this special service is "God's Banquet," and our VBS children will be sharing. Allison Longman will be preaching.

We will be having a combined service, which means Sunday School at 9:30 am, followed by a single service of worship at 10:45 am. It is Promotion Sunday, so several kids will be attending their current Sunday school class for the last time before moving up to the next age group next week. Third graders Sydney Austin, Shiloh Dailey, Evangelyn Hill, Roman Carr, Jacob Milner and Magdalena Murray will be receiving their Bibles.

Following the service, Kwan's Kitchen has graciously offered to provide samples of their Chinese cuisine in the gathering area as part of God's Banquet.

The Youth will be having a pizza lunch before taking the church van to Brickopolis for an afternoon of Lasertag. Please send \$20 with your youth for unlimited Lasertag and a drink.

Jill Hill's last day as Interim Director of Family Life Ministries is Sunday, August 12. Jill has done an amazing job this summer with Family Life, and we will miss her serving in that role. If you have the chance, be sure to thank her for working with our children and youth!

THANK YOU!

Thanks to everyone who has shared in worship leadership in the past few weeks. We've heard meaningful messages and the music is always outstanding! In the coming weeks we will hear from some more great preachers - Steve & Lisa Wynn, Rick Connelly, and staytuned for more in September. Your regular attendance in worship gives care for others, just by you being here!

REFUGE FELLOWSHIP

On August 13, a hardy group of volunteers will load our van and head to OKC to worship with the folks at **Refuge Fellowship**. After worship, we will serve a meal of chicken salad and croissants, pasta salad, and fruit salad, as well as the

desserts we have become known for.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area. We'd love to have you go with us to help serve, or to serve by donating money for

the salad supplies, making a cake, or donating other needed items. Please call Marilee Hattendorf if you have questions. Thank you!

EXTRA T-SHIRTS TAKING UP SPACE?

We would like to take some gently worn adult sized T-shirts to distribute at Refuge Fellowship next Monday night, August 13. If you can help out in this way, please drop them by the church or bring them on Sunday morning. Your closet will have more space, and our friends at Refuge will be grateful. Thank you!



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FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

Thank you for all of your support and prayers during Mission Stillwater. Our youth were amazing and helped many people through a variety of partner organizations. They also seemed to have grown closer to each other and hopefully closer to God as well. Thank you for being a congregation that values outreach and loving on people in need. Our kids are learning from the example you have set, and they are emulating your love for others.

VBS Abundance Orchard Part 2 August 11 at 9:30

No need to register if you attended part 1 of our VBS, but please let Allison, Morgan or Jill know if your child will attend. Centers will include bible stories, cooking, service projects, and recreation. Lunch is included.

Laser Tag at Brickopolis August 12 at 1:00pm

This is a youth event to welcome in the new members from the pastors class. we will eat lunch at church before boarding the van and heading to Bricktown. Please send \$20 for laser tag and a drink. We will return to the church at 5:00.

PROMOTION Sunday is August 12.

Please contact Janee Austin if you have a third grader and tell her how the child's name should appear on their bible.

CHAOS begins August 19 at 6:00 pm

If you are interested in helping with our Sunday evening youth program please contact Morgan Gregory. Jessica Lackey and Morgan will be our primary CHAOS coordinators.

Faith and Family Night with the OKC Energy August 25 at 7:30 pm

Tickets are \$9 and can be ordered through the SHCC Facebook page. Please select seats in section 4 when ordering so that we can sit together and enter SHCC Edmond when asked for church name.

Interfaith Youth Tour - September 16 at 1:00 pm

Traditionally this is a youth event (grades 6th-12th), and the church pays for and registers youth group members. However it is open to all. If you would like to attend, the cost is \$20.00. You can register at okchurches.org. Please let Morgan know by August 19 if your youth will be attending.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS SEMINAR

Sunday, we heard an excellent report from Ethan Carr about his experience at International Affairs Seminar this spring. This is a life changing experience for our

youth. Thanks for your support. More youth will be ready to attend in 2019 or 2020.

WOW LUNCH

WOW Lunch Group will be meeting this month at Kwan's Kitchen, just west of May Ave. at 3031 W Memorial Rd, Oklahoma City, OK 73134. All ladies of the church are invited. Please RSVP to Carolyn Christie, as she needs to confirm the number with the restaurant.

THE HOPE CENTER IN JULY

Wow! The response to the July HOPE Center Food Drive was exceedingly good. Seven full car loads of food and hygiene items were delivered and greatly appreciated.

Many thanks to all who contributed items and to the people who secured carts, the people who made the signs, the youth who gathered, sorted, packed and loaded, to the people

who made the signs, the youth who delivered, to the people who did the advertising, and to the people brought boxes and sacks. Great Job Southern Hills!

WHAT IS STEPHEN MINISTRY?

Stephen Ministry is needed more now than ever before. You ask "What is Stephen Ministry?" Well, here is an explanation. As more people experience greater stress and turmoil in life, congregations have a unique opportunity to reach out with Christ's care. Stephen Ministry empowers congregations to meet people's emotional and spiritual needs in an extremely effective way - through well-trained lay caregivers called Stephens Ministers.



Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN MINISTRY

that person once a week. This care is provided to individuals facing a variety of crises or life challenges - people who are experiencing grief, divorce, cancer, financial difficulties, hospitalization, chronic illness, disabilities, loneliness, a spiritual crises, or other life struggles. We are also available to non-members reaching out to un-churched people in crisis.

Pastors tell us that Stephen Ministry deepens and expands the caring capacity of their congregations. This frees pastors to invest more time in other important ministry areas. All relationships are kept strictly confidential. Over half a million people have trained and served since 1975.

Our logo symbolizes that we are all broken people and that we are only made whole through the cross of Jesus.

May God bless you and we pray that we can bring Christ's love and care to more and more hurting people.

Thank you,
Sandy Jehle,
Stephen Leader

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

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 21. 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.

SHCC FREE BREAKFAST PROGRAM

GUIDELINES

Breakfast will be served to anyone who comes on Saturdays from 7:30 am until 8:15 am beginning September 1, 2018. Our visitors do not have to meet any criteria to have a meal here. Church members who would like to come for breakfast are also welcome. There is no charge for the meal, but donations are welcome. Envelopes will be on tables for that purpose.

The door from the S. W. parking lot, off Clay Drive, will be opened at 7:30a.m. Breakfast service will stop at 8:15. A hot meal plus choice of coffee, water, juice or milk will be served for breakfast. If visitors want something else, a self service choice of cold cereal, milk and fruit will be available. Two sandwiches will be given to each visitor when they leave, if desired.

Some reminders for our visitors

Backpacks and large personal items will be left in the hallway outside fellowship hall. These items will be kept

secure by the Greeters.

Visitors may not enter the kitchen area.

We are not able to send "take out" breakfasts or leftovers with our visitors at this time.

There is no smoking allowed anywhere in the Church.

If the local news recommends that we stay off the roads because of severe winter weather, the breakfast will not open that day.

The Saturday breakfast will not be open on major holidays.

Pets must be left outside. A water bowl will be outside and a meal of dry dog food will be given to pet owners for their animals as they leave the breakfast.

A WORD ABOUT SECURITY

Unfortunately we have to be aware of security issues every day, wherever we are, even at Church. We are inviting the poor, the lonely and the homeless into our Church for food. Like any group of people from the general public, some of these visitors could have drug/alcohol problems, mental health issues or criminal backgrounds.

Southern Hills does have insurance that will cover these visitors who are here for breakfast just as it covers visitors who come for worship.

The entire breakfast program will be confined to the west end of the building, including the kitchen and the fellowship hall.

There are security cameras on the north door near the kitchen that volunteers will be using and the south door that our visitors will be using. There are also security cameras in the fellowship hall.

Here are some guidelines to follow to help keep ourselves and our visitors from becoming victims.

Volunteer's cars should be parked on the north side of the fellowship hall and volunteers will enter the building through the north door off Myra Drive. We will let each other in and that door will be kept locked. Cars should be left locked with nothing tempting left inside.

Volunteer's purses will be locked in the conference room across from the kitchen before the work begins. Keys and

cellphones could be stowed in a pocket or a fanny pack. Do not leave your belongings in your car. Edmond has experienced some car break-ins and purse thefts.

The south entry doors (the doors that lead to the big parking lot off Clay) will not be opened for the breakfast until 7:30 and not then unless there are at least 3 volunteers present. By 7:30 we should have six volunteers present. Doors to the conference room, the parlor and the hall leading to the Sunday school rooms will remain locked. Both the north and the south kitchen doors will remain locked. When the breakfast is over, at 8:15, the south doors leading to the parking lot will be locked.

Anyone who is verbally or physically abusive to anyone will be firmly asked to stop and to leave the building immediately. 911 will be called for Edmond Police assistance. The incident will be documented on an incident report form and turned into the Church office. Remember, a kind word will often decelerate an angry situation.

Anyone who experiences an injury or medical emergency will be given basic first aid as needed and 911 will be called for EMSA assistance if necessary. A first aid kit is available in the kitchen. All incidents will be documented on an incident report and turned into the Church office.

Edmond Police will be notified of our meal program prior to it's start date.

SHCC FREE BREAKFAST PROGRAM

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

The free breakfast program is completely dependent upon volunteer service. Volunteers can be from the SHCC congregation and/or the Edmond community. Teens may volunteer, but younger children must be accompanied by one or both parents. This would be a great "family service" opportunity. We will have sign up sheets available for volunteering beginning August 12 in the gathering area.

There are many ways to volunteer and help this program such as shopping, making sandwiches and cookies, greeting visitors, cooking, serving and clean up.

Volunteers will be served breakfast at 8:15 after our visitors have left.

The volunteer duties are:

Shoppers will purchase food on Friday before the Saturday meal and have the supplies in the Church kitchen by 1:00 p.m. They may use the Church's Sam's Club card. Receipts must be marked SHCC FREE BREAKFAST, dated, signed and put in the drop box near the office in order to be reimbursed.

Cooks will cook the food and do some advance preparation the day before. They will need to arrive at the Church at 2:00 p.m. on Fridays and make sure they have everything they will need to prepare the next days meal based on the menu for that day. This includes the food, condiments, mixing bowls, pans, utensils, etc. Any food that can be prepared in advance such as cooking of sausage patties or putting together breakfast casseroles will be done on Friday, refrigerated and cooked or reheated on Saturday. Tables will be set with cloths, placemats and silverware on Friday. Cooks will prepare the meals on Saturday and plate them for the servers. Cooks should arrive at 6:30 a.m. on Saturday. I think we need to have two cooks at all times.

Sandwich makers - A choice of meat and cheese sandwich or a peanut butter and jelly sandwich will be prepared for each person to take with them if they want it. Condiments, an apple and 2 cookies will also be put in the sacks. Sandwiches will be made in advance and frozen, then sacked up that morning. This could be done any day of the week depending on the volunteer's schedule.

Cookie bakers will bake cookies, store them in baggies and freeze them. This could be done any day of the week, depending on the volunteers. The sandwiches and cookies could be done on the same day.

Greeters - Two greeters will receive and welcome all visitors as they come in and show them into the dining area (fellowship hall). The Greeters will stay near the south entry door and make sure that any backpacks or large items brought in by the visitors remain secure. The greeters may be the first contact our visitors have with Southern Hills as they enter and the last person they see as they leave. We want them to leave with a pleasant friendly impression of Southern Hills Christian Church. Greeters should arrive at 7:15 a.m.

Servers will stay in the Fellowship Hall near the kitchen door and as they see a visitor seated, they will get him/her their beverage, then get them a plate of food. They will monitor the cereal, milk and fruit supply, serve extra beverages and ask the visitors to take their dishes and silver ware to the dish room window when they are finished. They will offer the sack lunches to the visitors. If there are more visitors than we have places set up for, they will wipe off the tables and place additional set ups on the table as soon as a space is available. I would like to have at least two Servers present at all times. Servers should arrive by 7:15 a.m.

Clean up - All volunteers will pitch in and help clean up after they have their breakfast. That way everyone should be ready to leave the Church

Volunteer Sign-up begins August 12

Look for Breakfast Volunteer sign-ups near the TV in the Gathering Area.

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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; Jeanne Parson; the Hellwege family; Keith and Sandra Hammons; Suzanne Ray; All those returning to school as students, teachers, administrators and other school workers

SHCC STAFF

Interim Director of Family Life:

Family Life Intern:

Interim Contemp Music Directors:

Dir. of Communications & Tech:

Church Office Coordinator:

Child Development Center Director:

Jill Hill

Morgan Gregory

Ben & Lacie Bowlware

Chuck Marshall

John Greer

Suzanne Ray

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School 7/29	74
9:00 AM Traditional 7/29	92
11:15 AM Contemp. 7/29	42
3:30 PM Bradford 7/29	16
Total Worship 7/29	150
Sunday School 8/05	58
9:00 AM Traditional 8/05	103
11:15 AM Contemp. 8/05	41
3:30 PM Bradford 8/05	15
Total Worship 8/05	159

Assistance Needed

A need has been identified for ladies' professional clothing for a woman in her mid thirties who is returning to the work force as a hair stylist. Dress size 8-10, shoe size 9-1/2. If you have clothing to donate that would be suitable for work of that nature, please drop it off with John in the front office.