



Southern Hills Christian Church (DOC)

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MAY 19 - ONE SERVICE AT 10:45 AM & FELLOWSHIP MEAL

May 19 is Youth and Graduation Sunday. Congratulations to our graduates! Come support our Youth as they lead us in worship on this special day! **This will be a single service of worship at 10:45 am.** Sunday School is at 9:30 am. Following the service, there will be a Fellowship Luncheon in Fellowship Hall. Pizza, sub sandwiches, salad and ice cream will be served.



DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that SHCC has a wedding coordinator? Well, it does! Janella Tears meets with couples to plan their weddings when they will be held at Southern Hills. She is available to attend the rehearsal, wedding service, and reception. She works closely with the officiant and works to make the ceremony all that the couple wants.

This is not a paid position, but rather a service to our members and non-members.

Janella and Rev. Rob are in the process of composing SHCC's Wedding Policy. If you or someone you know is planning their wedding, they may call the church to set an appointment.



REFUGEE ASSISTANCE NEEDED



There is a need for used tennis shoes, sneakers, shoe laces, belts, and socks to be donated to refugees in Texas. Children's and adult sizes up to men's shoe size 9 would be welcomed. For more information please contact Marilyn Walters by phone at 627-7404 or by email at walters19@cox.net.

SAVE THE DATE - ALL CHURCH INDOOR GARAGE SALE



This year, the All Church Garage Sale will be an indoor event in Fellowship Hall on August 9th and 10th. proceeds will benefit the Weekend Breakfast program. We will bring tents to the Fellowship Hall Thursday, August 8. The sale will be all day Friday, August 9. and one half day Saturday, August 10.

EVERYONE is encouraged to bring items to sell and EVERYONE is encouraged to help work the sale, set up and clean up. It will be inside, so it will be cool and comfy, come rain or shine. For more information, contact Georgia Shaw.

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ReNew: The Green VBS, July 15-19

Mark your calendars. Children ages 4 through 5th grade are invited to explore the Parable of the Sower, digging into the story from the perspectives of Self, Community, and World. Sign up your child and volunteer to help at: <http://www.southernhillschristian.org/wordpress/ministries/children/vbs/>

Sunday School Teacher Needed!

We need an individual (or two) to lead our Kindergarten to 2nd graders in Sunday School starting in June. If you are interested, or have an idea of a great person to recruit, contact Pastor Sarah.

Share Your Talent or Passion with Our Kids

It takes all talents and skills in the kin-dom. Do you have a special skill or passion you'd like to share with our kids? Children's Sunday school this summer would like to engage kids in their community's gifts. Let Sarah know if you'd like to lead a Sunday this summer.

Hiring Nursery Attendants

We are in need of individuals who want to be an active caregiver for infants, toddlers, and kindergarteners during worship and Sunday School. If you are interested, or you know someone who might be, applications can be made at: <http://www.southernhillschristian.org/wordpress/ministries/children/nursery/>

Summer with Family Life Ministries

You're invited to join children, youth, and their families as we fellowship and have fun this summer through an activity each week. Download a calendar from either the children or youth ministries webpages at: www.shccedmond.org

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Children ages 5 through 5th grade

Fun and Fellowship, Wednesdays
from 5:30-7:00 pm.

May 8, 15, and 22 through May 22:
We will continue to explore our biblical stories and what it means to be people of faith. Dinner is provided at no cost, love offerings are appreciated.

CHAOS Youth grades 6-12

- **May 12**, no CHAOS
- **May 18, 10 am-12 pm**, Youth Sunday Rehearsal
- **May 19** Youth and Graduation Sunday*, combined worship with pizza party after
- **May 19** 6-8p, CHAOS end of year party

*Do you know a high school or postsecondary graduate. We'd like to know about them. Send their names and a blurb about their accomplishment to Pastor Sarah.

A WORD FROM PASTOR ROB

I recently had a delightful conversation with a parishioner that is a bit skeptical of change. Who isn't, right? Referring to the 'pRay-ground,' that has recently been more fully developed and integrated into our worship space, she asked me, "Has anyone asked those parents to quiet their children down?" To which, after taking a deep breath I said, "We have heard a thing or two about the new sounds coming from our pRay-ground." She said, "Well, I was going to say, that they seem to be getting quieter." This is not where I thought she was going, much to my relief. I was able to respond, "They are, aren't they?" I was expecting to hear another constructive criticism about having the pRay-ground in the sanctuary. These are understandable perspectives, that need to be heard and honored. Everyone's worship experience is important. At the same time, the charge to be an innovative growing church in the 21st century asks us to be willing to do church a different way from the way we've always done it. It is important that we all feel heard and that we don't pre-judge what we think others are thinking or trying to say; in order for that to happen, we must be willing to listen to one another. Change is hard, and yet, that which doesn't transform may wither on the branch and die.

Southern Hills Christian Church has so much life to offer! It is an amazing church to serve. All around SHCC are the signs of life, transformation, and yes, change. The resources this church shares (and I'm not just talking about the financial resources, but the people) are significant. All around us are people who feel called to share their gifts and talents in service of the church. SHCC is blessed with people who are smart, passionate, and intentional about their desire to be a part of

this church family and to draw the circle wider. We are also visible, vital leaders of the regional and general ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). As I have taken to saying to the leadership over the past couple of months, "The people who are here, are here because they want to be." Honestly, as we have experienced in our own lives and in the life of the church, when the going gets tough, some of the times, people get going . . . to greener pastures, or calmer waters. Wherever they go, they go. While this makes us sad, and we mourn those losses, we must accept this is necessary for their health and the health of the church. Others decide to stay and say, "This is my church, and I'm going to help make it be the best church possible." We are at that place. Those that needed or wanted to go, have left. Now, we are at a place where SHCC can be excited about the possibilities of new beginnings. We are at a place where re-creation and new life is the order of the day. SHCC has so much to offer, and SHCC needs you to do your part with offering what we have to share.

"The genius of the Gospel was that it included the problem inside the solution. The falling became the standing. The stumbling became the finding. The dying became the rising. The raft became the shore. The small self cannot see this very easily, because it doubts itself too much, is still too fragile, and is caught up in the tragedy of it all. It has not lived long enough to see the big patterns."

- Richard Rohr, [Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life](#)

~Pastor Rob

LITURGISTS NEEDED



Sunday morning Liturgists are needed for June & July. 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.

GOD'S GRACE IS SUFFICIENT

This morning in our Wednesday bible study we studied about Genesis and the faith it took for Abraham to be willing to give up his son as a sacrifice, and the grace God gave Abraham for being so faithful. The Lord promises to give us everything we need for life and godliness. It is a promise He always keeps. Yet, when life throws us a curve ball and hits us hard, we may be tempted to doubt and give up. If our faith starts to waiver, we need to think about what we have already received from Him and then look for the evidence that He's at work in our life.

We should remember that we have been freed from sin's penalty. Jesus paid the full price by dying on the cross in our place, we owe nothing for our wrongdoing. God now considers us as blameless-----at salvation, we each become a new creation and were given God's righteousness. We were headed for total separation from the Lord, but our eternal destiny has been changed to a heavenly home in His presence. God's Holy Spirit lives within us as our constant companion and source of strength.

PRAYER CHAIN

Did you know Southern Hills has an active Prayer Chain? All that attend Southern Hills are invited to be a part of this ministry. We have two ways to get the prayer request to you. Prayer Concerns can be sent to you by email or phone call. You are ask to pray daily for our church and for the specific concerns that have been sent. Chuck Marshall sends out the email notifications and Jeanne Parson starts the phone calls.

Once you receive a Prayer Chain request, by email, you are asked to pray for those mentioned.

Each person on the Phone Prayer Chain will receive a letter listing all that are a part of the phone chain. When there is a prayer concern, you will be asked to call the next person on your list to advise them of that prayer concern. That way each will be notified and usually, only one call will be made. If unable to reach the next person on the list, we ask that you go to the following name and call them with the information. That way the Prayer Chain will not be broken.



Christ caring for people through people

**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

We also should remember that even during our worse situations, our Father works to accomplish His will. God uses adversity to develop our character and dependence on Him. He works through trials to bless us and others.

Because of the Lord's sustaining grace, we have access to God's power, wisdom and guidance. When we ask, God's Spirit will provide the strength to persevere and help us fight doubt.

Well guess that is about enough of my thoughts for now. May the Lord bless you, until next time.

Sandy Jehle
Stephens Leader

If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact Chuck, by email, or Jeanne, by phone. Your name will be added to the appropriate list to be notified.

We hope to have the Phone Prayer Chain reorganized and lists mailed by June 1st.

If you have a prayer concern and would like the Prayer Chains started, please contact the church office with the information, either by phone or email to Chuck.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of being a part of this ministry of Southern Hills Christian Church.

To join the email Prayer Chain, please contact Chuck (chuck@shccedmond.org or 341-0766) with your email address

To join the phone Prayer Chain, please contact Jeanne at 405-833-8118 .

RECYCLING YOUR ELECTRONICS

When looking for a place to responsibly recycle electronic waste, I discovered AfterTech Electronics Recycling, Inc. in Oklahoma City, a family-owned business with a Zero Land Fill Policy.

AfterTech recycles via re-use and/or remanufacturing and donating or reselling at reduced prices for those less fortunate. If a product is completely unusable, it is broken down and the materials are transferred to appropriate local refineries.

AfterTech is also a computer and technology resource for schools, colleges, vo-techs and many Oklahoma businesses.

Free drop off is available 24/7 in or near the recycling box at the front door of AfterTech at:

1429 N Rockwell Avenue, Ste A
Oklahoma City, OK 73127
Phone: 405-658-6404.

For more information, refer to their web page at: www.aftertech.net



Kay Boies

DISCIPLE WOMEN ACTIVITIES

Book Group - Monday, May 13, 12:00 pm in the Chapel. Bring your lunch and join us for a lively discussion.

Disciple Women Fidelity & Hope Groups - will meet at the lake house of Gayle Hurst, 12:30 PM on Monday, May 20, for a luncheon meeting. If you have not been asked to bring food (a few items are being brought by others), please bring money to help pay for the food that Gayle will buy for the luncheon.

WOW Lunch - Wednesday, May 22, 12:30 pm Location TBA

LOOKING AHEAD

Upcoming Scripture:

- May 12 Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18
- May 19 Romans 1:1-17
- May 26 Romans 5:1-11
- June 2 Romans 6:1-14

A FRANCISCAN BENEDICTION

May God bless you with discomfort

At easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships,
So that we may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with anger

At injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people,
So that you may work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless you with tears

To shed for those who suffer pain, rejection, hunger and war,
So that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and to turn their pain to joy.

And may God bless you with enough foolishness

To believe that you can make a difference in this world,
So that you can do what others claim cannot be done,

To bring justice and kindness to all our children and the poor.

Amen.

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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
			1 10:00a Bible Study (BK) 11:00 Overeater's Anon (C) 5:30p Fun & Fellowship (FH) 5:30 Praise Team (S) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	2 3:15p Tai Chi (GA) 6:00p Girl Scouts (P)	3 2:30p food prep	4 7:30 - 8:15 Free Breakfast
5 9:00a Traditional Worship (S) 9:15 Worship & Wonder 10:15 Sunday School 11:15 Contemp Worship (S) 3:30 Communion Service (BV) 6:00 CHAOS Youth Group (YR)	6 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 6:00p Plarn Workshop (BK) 6:30 Cub Scouts	7 Newsletter Published 6:00p Lectio Divina (C) 7:00 Scouting BSA	8 10:00a Bible Study (BK) 11:00 Overeater's Anon (C) 5:30p Fun & Fellowship (FH) 5:30 Praise Team (S) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	9 3:15p Tai Chi (GA) 7:00 Stephen Min. (P)	10 2:30p food prep	11 7:30 - 8:15 Free Breakfast
12 Mother's Day 9:00a Traditional Worship (S) 9:15 Worship & Wonder 10:15 Sunday School 11:15 Contemp Worship (S) 3:30p Communion Service (BV) 4:00 EPS Baccalaureate (EMHS)	13 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 12:00p WOW Book Club 6:00 Big Theological Questions (The Patriarch) 6:00 Plarn Workshop (BK) 6:30 Cub Scouts	14 Newsletter Deadline 6:00p Lectio Divina (C) 7:00 Scouting BSA 7:00 Outreach (BK)	15 10:00a Bible Study (BK) 11:00 Overeater's Anon (C) 5:30p Fun & Fellowship (FH) 5:30 Praise Team (S) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	16 3:15p Tai Chi (GA) 6:00 Girl Scouts (P)	17 2:30p food prep	18 7:30 - 8:15 Free Breakfast 10a-12p Youth Sunday Rehearsal
19 Youth & Graduation Sunday 9:30a Sunday School 10:45 Combined Worship (S) 12:00p Fellowship Meal (FH) 3:30 Communion Service (BV)	20 9:00a Tai Chi (GA) 12:30p DW Fidelity & Hope (Gayle Hurst's Lake House) 6:00 Plarn Workshop (BK) 6:30 Cub Scouts	21 Newsletter Published 7:00p Scouting BSA 7:00 Breakfast Planning Committee (BK)	22 10:00a Bible Study (BK) 11:00 Overeater's Anon (C) 12:30p WOW Lunch (TBA) 5:30p Fun & Fellowship (FH) 5:30 Praise Team (S) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	23 3:15p Tai Chi (GA) 7:00 Stephen Min. (P)	24 2:30p food prep	25 7:30 - 8:15 Free Breakfast
26 Earth Sunday 9:00a Traditional Worship (S) 9:15 Worship & Wonder 10:15 Sunday School 11:15 Contemp Worship (S) 12:30p Elder's Meeting (P) 3:30 Communion Service (BV) Leadership Council rescheduled to June 2, due to Memorial Weekend.	27 Memorial Day Church Offices Closed	28 Newsletter Deadline 7:00p Scouting BSA	29 10:00a Bible Study (BK) 11:00 Overeater's Anon (C) 5:30 Praise Team (S) 7:00 Choir Rehearsal (S)	30 3:15p Tai Chi (GA)	31 2:30p food prep	

Southern Hills Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)



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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

IMPORTANT DATES

- 5/14 - Outreach Committee - 7:00 pm in Boka Keene
- 5/19 - Youth Sunday - One service at 10:45 am, Sunday School at 9:30 am
- 5/19 - Fellowship Meal - immediately after service, in Fellowship Hall
- 5/20 - Disciples Women Meeting - 12:30 pm at Gayle Hurst's lake house
- 5/26 - Elder's Meeting - 12:30 in the Conference Room
- 5/27 - Church office closed for Memorial Day
- 6/02 - Leadership council Meeting - 4:00 in the Chapel

PRAYERS

Marie Byrkit; Susie Park; Elsie Knight; Alice Smith; Joe Jones; Verna Manning; Michael Bohn, Ruth Harness; Bud Kahmar; Julie Kruse; Amber Marcha; Tim Francis; Beth Gerardy's family friend, Darby

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ATTENDANCE

Sunday School 4/21	55
9:00 AM Traditional 4/21	157
11:15 AM Contemp. 4/21	70
3:30 PM Bradford 4/21	13
Total Worship 4/21	240

Sunday School 4/28	59
9:00 AM Traditional 4/28	120
11:15 AM Contemp. 4/28	45
3:30 PM Bradford 4/28	9
Total Worship 4/28	174

Sunday School 5/05	67
9:00 AM Traditional 5/05	99
11:15 AM Contemp. 5/05	46
3:30 PM Bradford 5/05	10
Total Worship 5/05	155