



Nichols Hills United Methodist Church

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- 8/22, 8:30 - Worship & Holy Communion
- 9:30 - Sunday School
- 10:50 - Worship
- 12:00 - Holy Communion
- 5:00 - Youth Fellowship
- 8/23, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 1:00 - Bridge Group
- 8/24, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 10:00 - Staff Meeting
- 4:00 - Board of Trustees
- 5:30 - Covenant Discipleship Group
- 8/25, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 9:00 - Heritage Committee
- 12:15 - Weight Watchers
- 5:30 - Welcome on Wednesday Dinner
- 6:00 - Just for Kids
- 6:00 - Oasis Nights
- 6:30 - Adult Classes
- 7:30 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8/26, 9:00 - Artist Group
- 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 8/27, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 8/29, 8:30 - Worship & Holy Communion
- 9:30 - Sunday School
- 10:50 - Worship
- 12:00 - Holy Communion
- 5:00 - Youth Fellowship
- 8/30, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 8/31, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 10:00 - Staff Meeting
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- 9/1, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
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Fall Welcome on Wednesday begins August 25 at 5:30 with Family Fun Picnic Night



**Bring your lawn chairs and blankets
for a picnic and games!
Everyone is invited & bring your friends!**

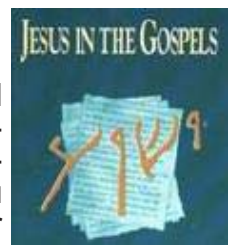
You are invited to our Children's Day Out Open House Wednesday, August 25 during our Fall WOW Kickoff



It's time to celebrate getting back into our rooms! While you are attending the first fall Welcome on Wednesday drop by the Children's Day Out area and look at the refinished rooms. Stefanie Rollins, our CDO director, will be on hand to walk you through the rooms. Be sure to look at the "before" and "after" photographs she has taken.

Disciple Bible Study to Begin

Sunday, September 5, 3:00–5:30



The DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY, *Jesus in the Gospels*, will be offered beginning this fall. *Jesus in the Gospels* invites believers to look at Jesus in each of the four Gospels and ask the question, "Who is the Jesus that you see?" This study will deepen discipleship through better understanding of the biblical texts and their message.

Two questions frame this study: "Who is the Jesus you bring with you to this study?" and "Who is the Jesus you take with you from this study?" *Jesus in the Gospels* takes participants on a journey from one question to the other. This study looks closely at the Gospel texts in lesson layout and design, and in the nature of the study discussion. The study looks at the way each Gospel writer presents events and teachings and at the picture of Jesus that emerges in each of the Gospels.

While distinct in format and approach, this Bible study builds on the foundation and carries forward the philosophy and ideals that shaped DISCIPLE – high-commitment, long-term, disciplined study that fosters community and builds toward transforming. The study requires daily Bible reading during the 30 weeks of the course along with the commitment of a weekly group meeting lasting 2 ½ hours. Rev. Dr. Janice Meese will be facilitating this class.

Join Us for NHUMC's First Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

This is an opportunity to make the Bible come alive by seeing, touching and breathing the very places you have only read about until now.

June 18-30, 2011

Rev. Dr. Janice Meese will be your spiritual guide. Vicki Gilstrap will be your planning guide. We will travel with the Church of the Servant and Rev. Dr. Norman Neaves. The tour of sights will be intermingled with times for worship and devotion to make the trip even more memorable. Experienced guides from On Eagles' Wings will keep our tour interesting and stirring. Comfortable accommodations and transportation will help you relax and enjoy.



We will stay in such noted hotels as the Crowne Plaza and the Moriah Sheraton Plaza located on the Mediterranean Sea. The cost is approximately \$4,000 and includes airfare, accommodations, ground transportation, tours, breakfast and dinner, entrance fees, gratuities, taxes, service charges, medical insurance and more. Pre-planning and information meetings will be scheduled.

If you are interested please call or e-mail Janice (jmeese@nicholshillsumc.org) to be included in future plans.

Mission Candle Sponsors Needed

We have openings to sponsor the **Mission Candle** from September 12 and run through December 19. For a donation of \$25 you can help to support our missionary, Rev. Meridith Whitaker, Director of Cookson Hills Center United Methodist Mission, a mission project to the Cherokee Indians in Cookson Hills, OK. To reserve a date call Karen at 842-1486, or email her at ksledge@nicholshillsumc.org. A sign-up sheet is also posted on the bulletin board by the church office.



Chancel Flowers Need Sponsors

Openings to sponsor **Chancel Flowers** are on September 26 through November 7, and on December 26. The cost is \$62.50 for the two arrangements per Sunday, and can be shared by two families. To reserve a date call Karen at 842-1486, or email her at ksledge@nicholshillsumc.org. A sign-up sheet is also posted on the bulletin board by the church office.



Look What's All New

Check out our nursery area. Fresh paint, new furniture and new rugs and its all put back together again!

We are pleased to have our babies back in this wonderful environment. Our children's Sunday school will meet in the nursery until the work is completed upstairs. Thank you for your patience.

Children's Sabbath

Children's Sabbath 2010 will be celebrated Sunday, September 26. Children are invited to help lead worship, which includes singing in the choir, serving as liturgists, and ushering. Please place the date on your calendar and let me know if your children will be available to participate. Call Rev. Meese at 842-1486 or email jmeese@nicholshillsumc.org. - Dr. Janice Meese



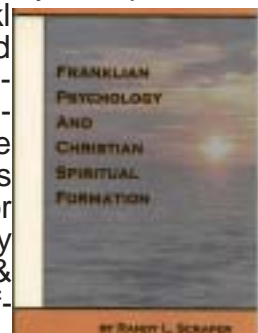
Fall Mission Tour

Join us October 15-16 for a tour of missions to include Cookson Hills, the Children's Home in Tahlequah, and the Boys' Ranch in Gore. Part of the activities will include the annual Round-up Rodeo at Boy's ranch. Transportation, housing, and meals will be provided at a small cost. If you are interested in the tour, contact Neal Baumwart at 840-2138, or Dr. Janice Meese at 842-1486.



Dr. Scrapper's Book Available

Franklin Psychology and Christian Spiritual Formation, written by Dr. Randy Scrapper, sums up the work of Dr. Viktor Frankl and "applies Logotherapy and Logo philosophy to the Christian spiritual formation methodology know as 'the three ways.'" Dr. Scrapper's book is available in the church office for \$20. If you would like a copy please submit your payment & pick up a copy in Karen's office.



Oasis Youth

Wazzup!

As you might have heard the youth have undergone the project of cleaning out the junk room in the basement. While Garrett and I were cleaning, Garrett found a sign that read "Open House". He asked if we could put the sign up and after some deliberation we decided to place it where it would be seen by all walking down the stairs. I believe that sign is what we are about here at Oasis Youth. The sign is used to let people know that they are welcome into this building. That they should feel free to roam about and ask questions and pretend like this is their home. The hosts want you to ask yourself the question, "Could I see myself living here?" That is exactly what we want here. We want everyone to wander downstairs into our area, to play ping-pong or pool, to talk to us and ask questions about the youth program, and in the end we want new youth to ask themselves, "Could we live here?" This is what we are about and we hope that you will help us. We hope that you will help carry our message of the open house that is in the basement of Nichols Hills United Methodist building. Personally I think we ought to make an addition to the tag line, "**Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors, Open House.**" - Openly in Christ, Andy Nelms



Help Wanted

We are in the process of planning a Back-to-School Bash and need your help! If you have a pool that you will share with the youth please let us know. If you don't have a pool, but would like to help, we could use you as well. Please contact Andy Nelms at 842-1486 or at andy.nelms@gmail.com.



Coming Up!

Coming this fall we are going to start youth on Wednesday nights which we will call *Oasis Time!* Each Wednesday night beginning on August 25th (the first night of WOW) we will attempt to experience God in a new way whether it be in different worship styles, liturgy, interactive prayer, silent prayer, etc. We are going to make it our mission to find God and find our rest in God. May we all find the peace that we are so deeply in need of!



Activities

Sunday School 9:30-10:45
Sunday Night Youth 5:00-7:00



Holy Communion is offered during the 8:30 worship service every Sunday, during the 10:50 worship service on the first Sunday of every month, and on the second through last Sunday of each month communion follows the 10:50 worship service. A Service of Blessing and Healing is held at 6:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month in the Sanctuary where Holy Communion is offered. All are welcome to attend.

Lectionary Reading

August 22

Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17

August 29

Jeremiah 2:4-13
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Luke 14:1, 7-14

Cares & Concerns

Baptist: Mary Zachritz
Epworth Villa: Marybell Luper
Heart Hospital: Dorothy Jarnigan
Inn at Canterbury: June Parsons
Sterling House: Dorothy Graham
Town Village: Nancy Garrett

At Home

Marilyn Black, Jim Carmichael, B. C. Clark, Sue Ann Hyde, Beth Jordan, Virginia Marshall, Martha McCauley, Marian Pope, Theda Stevenson, Barbara Sullivant & Joyce Wilson.



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Adult Sunday Class News

Adult Bible Study - This week's lesson is the fourth from the Letter to the Philippians. This one is from 4:2-14; entitled *Growing in Joy and Peace*. We are to reclaim the joy, peace and contentment that comes through faith in Jesus Christ. The verses in this segment are ones that we have heard many times, such as, "Rejoice in the Lord always, again I will say, Rejoice." And "Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication, let your requests be made known to God." And "The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Paul learned to be content with whatever he had and there is great peace of mind when one has contentment. And finally Paul said, "I can do all things through him who strengthens me." Each of these verses are instructive and encouragement to our Christian faith in Christ. - Joe McClendon



Kiva Class - On August 22, Linda Howell has scheduled John Kenney to guide the class in *The Power of Time*. Larkin Warner will speak to the class on August 29 about *The Economic Status of Women in Oklahoma*. All are welcome. - Sherron Evans

Roundtable Class - The lessons for Aug 22 & 29 are helping us to achieve oneness with Christ that Paul proclaims. On Aug. 22 our lesson is entitled; *Growing in Joy & Peace*, and the scripture reading is Philippians 4:2-14. Our Aug. 29 lesson is entitled; *Upheld by God*, and the scripture reading is Acts 28:16-25a, and 28-31 Philipines 4:15-23. Our class secretary, Marilyn Black, is under going treatment for cancer. Her indomitable spirit and faith will be a winning combination. Please keep her at the top of your prayer list. - Ray Greene