



Nichols Hills United Methodist Church

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- 2/26, 8:30 - Worship
- 9:30 - Sunday School
- 10:30 - Worship
- 2:00 - Staff Parish Relations
- 3:00 - Finance Committee
- 3:30 - Confirmation Class
- 4:00 - Administrative Council
- 5:00 - Youth Fellowship
- 2/27, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 1:00 - Bridge Group
- 2/28, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 4:45 - Handbell Rehearsal
- 2/29, 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 10:30 - Romans Bible Study
- 12:15 - Weight Watchers
- 7:30 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 3/1, 9:00 - Art Group
- 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 3/2, 7:30 - Covenant Discipleship Group
- 9:00 - Children's Day Out
- 3/3, 10:00 - Youth SOS

Cares & Concerns

Emeritus: Nancy Garrett
 Epworth Villa: Marybell Luper & Carol Trembley
 Inn at Canterbury: June Parsons
 Town Village: Joanna Garnett

At Home

B. C. Clark, Roger Etling,
 Ida Mae Graves, Beth Jordan,
 Betty McInnis, Sylvia Miller, Marian
 Pope, Reid Robison, Barbara
 Sullivant & Marjorie Thomas.



Chancel Flower Sponsor Needed for February 26

The cost for two arrangements is \$62.50. We also have openings for April 8, and April 22 through May 6 and beyond. Contact Karen at 842-1486 or ksledge@nicholshillsumc.org to reserve your date.



Help Oklahoma City's Hungry

The congregation of NHUMC sponsors the pantry at Skyline Ministry during March. Hunger is a big reality for many in Oklahoma City, but we can help. Skyline Urban Ministry helps families who find themselves in a crisis situation. You can provide food, hygiene items, and other necessary items to keep the shelves and closet stocked with the things that people need, but cannot afford to purchase. Consider providing paper products (cups, plates, napkins, etc.), coffee, creamer, sugar, pastries, cookies, bread, etc. as well as good, clean used clothing. The greatest needs are for peanut butter, canned fruit and soup, spaghetti and rice, dry beans, Ramon noodles, dry milk in quart packets, tuna, canned meats and vegetables. Skyline also accepts financial support to help keep the ministry open and purchase items that are not donated. (They do not provide financial assistance.) Food items and paper products can be placed in the gathering area south of our church's Parlor. Clothing, sacked in plastic bags, can be placed in the mission barrel that is located in the ABC room. Monetary donations need to be labeled "Skyline Ministry" and can be placed in the offering plate, mailed, or hand delivered to the church office. Please donate to this worthy cause!



United Methodism 101

The second class in United Methodism will meet in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 10:50 a.m. service on March 4. Lunch will be provided for a small price. **Please R.S.V.P. your attendance by Thursday, March 1** to Karen at 842-1486 or ksledge@nicholshillsumc.org. Or complete the form below & place in the offering plate or bring to the church office.



Sunday, March 4:

Methodist Polity – What Does 'Discipline' Do?

2012 Pope Lecture Series

Rev. Dr. Elaine Robinson

Dr. Robinson is the Academic Dean & Associate Professor of United Methodist Studies & Theology Saint Paul at Oklahoma City University

United Methodism 101 & Pope Lecture Reservation

Name _____

I will attend the class
 & would like to RSVP for dinner on these dates:

March 4

April 1

Sunday, April 1
 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m.
 Worship Service
 12:30 Lunch in Fellowship Hall
 1:00 Lecture

Monday, April 2
 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Tuesday, April 3
 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

"The Five Stars of Easter!"

Part 1: Obscurity: What You Do When No One Is Watching!

Most people do not covet obscurity. After all, who wants to be overlooked all the time? Living in obscurity can make us feel totally useless and forgotten – as if we do not matter to anyone including God!

Yet obscurity is the first "Star" of Easter!

What we do in obscurity determines the nature of our character.

What do you do when no one is watching? For a true believer, this is an impossible question. It should read, "What do you do when you think no one is watching except God?" Since God is everywhere present at once and knows everything all at once, there is never a time that we are not being observed by God. Whatever you do when you are in obscurity is the "master carpenter" of your character.

Since God is always watching, we ought always to be about the work of God's kingdom -not because we are afraid of getting caught doing something wrong, but simply because the right thing to do is always the right thing to do! What we do in obscurity shows where our love is truly placed.

Jesus was relatively unknown when his mother told the servants at a wedding in Cana of Galilee to do whatever he says and then left. The unknown and obscure Jesus told the stewards at the wedding to fill the large jars with water, which they did. They paid so little attention to Jesus that they did not see what actually happened until the wedding party tasted the wine! It was the best wine of the day which shocked them all. When no one was paying any attention to him, Jesus did his best. As a result, the disciples "put their faith in Him" and that changed everything!

I will look forward to seeing you this Sunday as we begin our countdown through Lent to the celebration of Easter. May God richly bless you!
- Dr. Randy L. Scaper



Memorials

Harold Russell (Pope Lecture Series)

Anita & Jack Dahlgren

Lou Kerr c/o The Kerr Foundation, Inc.

Bernice Kitchen

Bea Bloss

Mary Frances Parrish Wilson

Norma Notgrass

Warren Crosby

Anita & Jack Dahlgren



Children's Ministry

Children's Choir

The children will be performing during the 10:50 am service on April 1st for Palm Sunday. Practice for this performance begins this coming Sunday, February 26, during Children's Church at the 10:50 am service. It is important that all children ages nursery through 4th grade are in attendance in order to begin learning the songs. Hope to see you all next Sunday! - Melissa Nelms



Need a Helping Hand Around Your House?

March 3rd will be the youth's second **Saturday of Service**, or **SOS**.

The youth will come to your home the first Saturday of the month to help with light cleaning, home repairs, yard work, etc. If you need help around your house, and would like the help of our youth please contact Andy Nelms at 842-1486 or andy.nelms@gmail.com.



Indoor

Light house cleaning

Change light bulbs

Organize closets, cabinets.

Take things to storage/attic

Small house repairs

Outdoor

Rake leaves

Clean gutters

Winterize pipes

Flower beds

Small house repairs

Youth Activities

Sunday School 9:45-10:45

Sunday Night Youth 5:00-7:00

New Day Camp Fund Raiser

New Day Camp ministers to elementary-age campers (ages 8-11) and youth campers (ages 12-14) who have one or both of their parents in prison. These children often feel abandoned, alienated, left out, lost and have little childhood. New Day Camp is funded by donations. Last year the total cost of New Day Camps totaled around \$71,000. Please help make this experience available to all children and youth of prisoners who desire this wonderful week of agape and childhood.

The suggested scholarship is \$300, although any donation is gladly accepted. Please make your checks payable to "CJAMM" and note "New Day Camp" in the memo section. Mail your donations to CJAMM, 1501 NW 24th Street, OKC, 73106. We appreciate your support and generosity. New Day Camp is one of two summer camps directed by Oklahoma Conference Criminal Justice and Mercy Ministries (CJAMM).



What is One Great Hour of Sharing?

One Great Hour of Sharing is one of the six churchwide Special Sundays with offerings of The United Methodist Church. One Great Hour of Sharing enables the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to live out its mission to alleviate human suffering. UMCOR responds to natural or human made disasters - those interruptions of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own. For more than 70 years, UMCOR has brought hope and solidarity to communities both at home and abroad in the wake of disaster, and support and expertise to those on a path to development. UMCOR's relief-supply ministry is part of those efforts, gathering the goodwill of selfless volunteers to assemble much-needed relief kits and cleaning buckets to ship to those seeking to become self-sufficient or to rebuild lives and communities following an emergency. Please give generously on March 18. All contributions to UMCOR go to the specific project and not administrative costs.

OKC Thunder and Foundation Partner for Life-Saving Cause

The Oklahoma United Methodist Foundation is partnering with the Oklahoma City Thunder basketball team to present OKC Thunder *Nothing But Nets* night. On April 13, as the Thunder takes on the Sacramento Kings, United Methodists will take on the deadly disease of malaria. When tickets for the April 13 game are purchased through the Foundation, a portion of the price will go to *Nothing But Nets*. Tickets range from \$10 to \$86 and can be purchased by calling Barbara at 259-6863.



The *Nothing But Nets* campaign raises money for life-saving bed nets in Africa, to block mosquitoes, which carry the disease and infect people through their bites.

From ticket sales and other contributions, the Foundation raised more than \$20,000 last year through *Nothing But Nets* night. With that money, *Nothing But Nets* provided more than 2,000 nets to children and families. Visit www.nothingbutnets.net for more information. Get your tickets now! Sales are limited.

Adult Sunday Class News

Kiva Class - John McKee will tell us about the new *Saint John's Bible*. Everyone is welcome to attend. - Jan Womack

Roundtable/ABC Class - The ABC and Roundtable class continues its study of Galatians. The February 26th scriptures are Galatians 5:22-26 and 6:1-10. The author of our Adult Bible Studies of lessons highlights these scriptures as "Fruits of Redemption." You are invited to join us as our teacher, Dr. Jerry Perryman, helps us understand how God's gift of redemption bears fruit for God's kingdom. You'all come! - Dick Webber

Coffee Hosts Needed Following 10:50 Service

Coffee Hosts come in all sizes and forms: friends, families, and Sunday school classes can all volunteer to be a coffee host. The host chooses the dates they volunteer and provide 10 dozen cookies, store bought or homemade. At the close of the 10:50 service the host(s) stand by their cookies in the narthex and greet people. Volunteers will receive a reminder in the mail or by email. The Sundays that are open to host are March 11 and 25, as well as all of April. To volunteer sign up by the church office on the bulletin board, email ksledge@nicholshillsumc.org, or call Karen at 842-1486.



Singing for your Supper Prepared Meals

There are some yummy soups and casseroles remaining for sale to benefit the Music Ministry!! Michael Wylder has prepared good meals that have been frozen for your convenience. Soups are in one quart containers and are \$9.00 each. Large (serves 8-10 people; \$30.00) and small (serves 2-4 people; \$15.00) casseroles are still available. Make your checks payable to NHUMC and in the memo section write "Singing for Supper". Please contact Michael Wylder to determine when your order can be picked-up at the church.



Singing for your Supper Order Form

Name _____

Phone _____

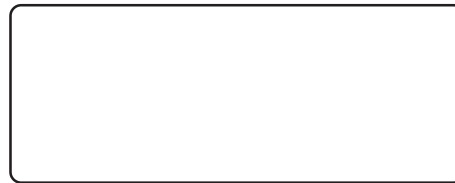
Item	Servings	Quantity	Cost
Chicken Tetrazzini	2-4	_____	\$15
	8-10	_____	\$30
Chicken Pot Pie	2-4	_____	\$15
	8-10	_____	\$30
Lasagna	2-4	_____	\$15
	8-10	_____	\$30
Sausage Casserole	8-10	_____	\$30
Tomato Basil Soup	Quart	_____	\$9
Navy Bean Soup	Quart	_____	\$9

Amount total _____



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We will continue the tradition of placing lilies in the sanctuary on Easter morning, April 8. If you would like to provide a lily, the cost will be \$15 per plant. Please fill out the form below and mail or return to the church office. Orders must be placed by Sunday, April 1. Please prepay the church by cash or check. Thank you.



List my plant(s) in the Easter Sunday bulletin as:

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone/Email _____

Number of plants _____

Check enclosed _____

Cash enclosed _____

I will pick up my plant(s) following the 10:50 worship service.

Please deliver my plant(s) to a shut-in.

I will help deliver lilies to shut-ins on Monday, April 9.