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Dr. Trevor Smith **God is Changing Lives**

¹¹ You will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God. ¹² So two good things will result from this ministry of giving—the needs of the believers in Jerusalem will be met, and they will joyfully express their thanks to God.

¹³ As a result of your ministry, they will give glory to God. For your generosity to them and to all believers will prove that you are obedient to the Good News of Christ. -II Corinthians 9:11-13

Because of you, God is changing lives. In our worship services this week we will celebrate John Marshall Sunday by focusing on the way that God is changing lives through our Neighborhood Market and our Clothes Closet at the school. Mr. Rufus Howard who serves in the administration at the school will be present to share with us how God is changing the lives of students through our growing ministries. We will also have the opportunity to hear from some of our own members about where they see God at work through our partnership with the school. I hope you will invite someone you know to come with you to worship at 8:30 or 10:50. This will be a Sunday you will not want to miss.

I want to invite you to join us for our **Open House** at John Marshall High School on **Tuesday, February 28 at 5:30 p.m.** You will have the opportunity to tour the Neighborhood Market and the Clothing Closet and learn more about how you can make a Christian difference in our community. The school is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of Hefner Parkway and N.W. 122nd Street.

I hope you will also make plans to join us for our **Ash Wednesday Service** on **March 1 at 6:00 p.m.** as we begin the Lenten season. In this meaningful service we will receive the imposition of ashes in the form of a cross on our foreheads to remind us that Jesus has overcome death to offer us resurrection and eternal life.

I will be leading a six-week Lenten study on Adam Hamilton's book, *John: the Gospel of Light and Life* beginning on Wednesday, March 8 at 5:30 p.m. This study will complement our Lenten sermon series, *Encounters with Jesus in the Gospel of John*. The price of the book is \$13.00. You can sign up in the church office or in the narthex on Sunday morning to be part of this engaging study.

Finally, I want you to know how proud I am of the relationship our church has with our Boy Scout Troop and our Cub Scout Pack. As many of you know, our church has a proud tradition of supporting scouting in our community. Recently, our church was recognized as the Charter Organization of the Year by the Baden Powell District of the Boy Scouts of America here in Oklahoma City for the way that we support scouts and their families. This past Sunday our Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts helped lead us in worship, and we were so happy to welcome them and their families to worship with us. It is clear to me that God is changing lives through our church. Have a great week, and I will see you on Sunday.

Blessings,
Trevor

Ministry Calendar

Sunday, February 26

John Marshall Sunday

Worship at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

Worship at 10:50 a.m.

John Marshall Dinner Meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Monday, February 27

Women's A.A. Group, 5:30 p.m.

Cub Scouts at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 28

Open House at John Marshall High School at 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 1

Newsletter Folding at 10:00 a.m.

Ash Wednesday Service at 6:00

College and Young Adult Group at 7:00 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 3

John Marshall Market, 10:30-12:30

Monday, March 6

Care Committee at 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21

John Marshall Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

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Scout Sunday was a huge success!

Ministry Opportunities

Hospitality Greeters

Do you like to smile and talk to people? Are you enthusiastic about our church? If so, please consider becoming one of the Sunday Morning Greeters. If this is an opportunity you would enjoy, please see Alfred Walker for more details.

Coffee Hosts

Coffee hosts provide 8-9 dozen cookies. At the close of the 10:50 Service, the host(s) stand by the cookie table in the Narthex and greet people. We have openings for coffee hosts for **all of March and April**. To serve, sign-up on the bulletin board outside the office.

Altar Guild

The sacrament of communion is a meaningful and important part of our weekly worship. If you are interested in helping prepare the table, please contact Carol Magness at 405-640-4429 or Janet Jones at 405-627-1566.

Serving in Altar Guild this month are: Mary Ann Carmichael, Carla Hill, Anne Holbrook, Janet Jones, and Kathy Walker.

Transportation Ministry

Would you like to bring joy to someone by bringing them to church? If you would like to join our transportation ministry contact the church at 405-842-1486.

Serving In Ministry on Sunday, February 26.

The coffee hosts are Frances Thompson and Beverly Pirtle.

The mission candle is lit in memory of John Malcom Meyerson by Jim and Cynthia Meyerson.

The chancel flowers are given by Jerry Richardson honoring his wife Joy on her birthday.

Cares and Concerns

Epworth Villa

Maxine Asch, Joanne Crosby, Bonnie Miller, and Sylvia Miller

Town Village

Joanna Garnett

The Fountains at Canterbury

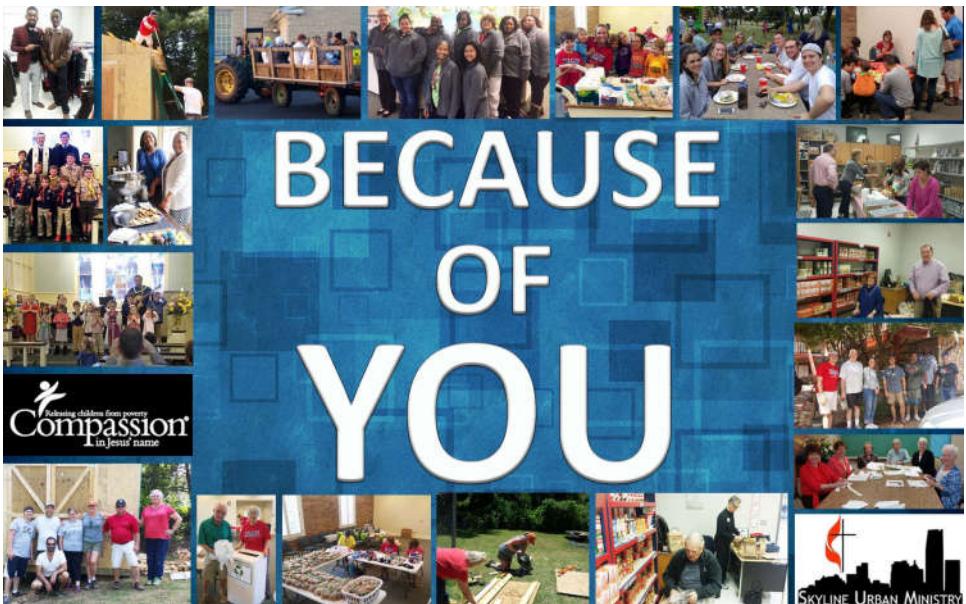
Virginia Brown and Anita Dahlgren

Autumn Leaves

Bill and Katie Alexander

At Home

Roger Etling, Ann Flesher, Jess and Bette Harris, Dale Jordan, Frances Lewis, David Mueller, and Maxine Permenter



BECAUSE OF YOU

Because of You

Beautiful things happen when you invest your life in the work of Jesus. Hunger finds nourishment. Sorrow meets healing. Dreams see daylight. Join us for worship as we take a look at what's coming to life **Because of You**.

John Marshall Sunday, February 26 - God Is Changing Lives

Youth Group Goes to Sky Zone



Rev. Matt Patrick

Hello everyone! Fellowship is an incredibly important aspect of spiritual and relational development in the life of a Christian, and so we are offering an upcoming opportunity to have fellowship together with youth grades 6-12.

On Sunday March 5th, we will be going to Sky Zone in Edmond from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Sky Zone is a trampoline park where everyone can jump all of their Sunday energy away playing dodge ball, basketball, or anything else that they can think of.

If you know of someone in that age range that would like to join us, let me know! I hope that you all will continue to pray for our youth and young people as we continue to strategize for continued growth in these areas of ministry.

-Matt

Children's Ministry

Thank you so much to everyone who's helped in our Children's Ministry! A special thank you to Morgan Hunt and Cynthia Meyerson for everything they've done for us in the last few weeks! The kids love having people in class and getting to know more about them and their relationships with Christ! We can always use help and would love to have you! If you're interested please email me at mchilless@uco.edu.

The kids will be singing at the 10:50 service THIS SUNDAY, February 26th! We will be practicing during Sunday school and then singing in front of the congregation in worship! We would love to have you and your kids participate in this!

I hope you all have a great week, and we can't wait to see you on Sunday!

-Madison



Madison Chilless

Tidbits from The Learning Center



Denise Buthion,
Director

We are pleased to introduce our latest new hire, Jessica Mayberry. Jessica is an assistant teacher currently working with our Monkeys' classroom (ages 18 to 24 months.) Previously, she worked with Head Start for over three years and is well acquainted with high quality standards.

Jessica came to us via another teacher who worked with her in Head Start. She has completed her classroom education hours to earn her Child Development Associate Certificate and will be working to complete her formal observation, interview, and written exam. Jessica studied with Francis Tuttle Technology Center.

Jessica is a hard worker and continues to work evenings with Swadley's barbecue restaurant. Join us in welcoming Jessica to The Learning Center.

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John Marshall High School Neighborhood Market and Clothing Closet

Last Friday, we served 120 students in the Neighborhood Market. The students leave our room with food for the weekend and a sense that people in the community care about them. All of this would not be possible without our amazing volunteers. Volunteering in the Market weekly are Nathan Crowner, Cynthia Meyerson, Gordon Ryan, Sharon Ives, and Paul Lindsey. Matt Patrick and Christie Baker have also served regularly in this ministry. Our Tuesday volunteers have been Cindy and Turner Davis, John Marshall, Trevor Smith, Janet Jones, Sherron Evans, Linda Rosser McDaniel, Sharon Ives and Paul Lindsey. We have had special project support from Tracey Saunders, Cheryl Fraley, Carla Hill, Michael Hall, and Warren Henry.

In the Clothing Closet, Christie Baker is leading the charge with help from Ellie Roberts, Donna Blakely, Carol Joullian, and Jean Warner. We are still organizing this ministry, but it is coming along nicely. We have even had a Saturday crew come up to do some projects. That crew included Tim Baker, Kenna and Adam Clapp, Matt Eales, Katy and Michael Maxwell. Special thanks to Dick Webber for the use of his shop equipment and expertise.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in volunteering in the Neighborhood Market or Clothing Closet on Tuesday or Friday mornings or want to do some shopping, sew on buttons, do laundry, etc., please contact Cheryl Fraley at cherylfraley@gmail.com. We will find a place for you to serve!

Sunday, February 26th at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.

Rufus Howard, our special guest from the John Marshall Administration, will be speaking at both services.

Tuesday, February 28th at 5:30 p.m.

We will host our ***Open House and Blessing*** for our church at John Marshall High School. Come for a tour of the Market and Clothing Closet. The school is located at 12201 Portland Avenue.

Tuesday, March 21st at 6:30 p.m.

We will host our third annual John Marshall Sports Dinner in the Fellowship Hall. You will be able to sign up to volunteer at the end of February.

Volunteer Sign-ups for the John Marshall Sports Dinner will be on March 5 and March 12.



John Marshall Neighborhood Market and Clothing Closet Needs:

Neighborhood Market Needs:

- Snacks – small snack bags of Goldfish, Cheez-Its, Pretzels, etc.
- Regular Feminine Hygiene Pads

Clothing Closet Needs:

- Hangers (from the dry cleaners)
- Jeans (men and women – appropriate for teenagers)
- Women's uniform type pants (washable) in black, khaki or navy
- Polo shirts for men and women in white, red or black
- Women's shoes for school
- Prom Dresses, shoes, bags, jewelry

Clothing should be clean and ready to wear. Please drop off clothing and food at the church or call the church office for more information.

Manage Your Giving Online And Use Our QR Code

Nichols Hills United Methodist Church is excited to announce that you can now manage your giving online! Visit the church website at www.nicholhillsumc.org, Click on the blue *Make A Donation* button. Then follow the online instructions.

We also have a QR Code that you can scan with your cell phone to donate. If you have any questions, please contact Louise Glass at the church 405-842-1486.



Birthdays

02/26	Avery Niemann
02/27	Ryan McLain
	Joy Richardson
02/28	Ken Howell
03/01	Grace Buxton
	Robert Margo
	Sharon McLeod
03/02	Graham Fraley
03/04	Nolan Coyle
	Nan McGowen
03/05	Tom Fraley
	Dale Jordan
	Mac Shheed
	Scarlett Shheed

If your birthday isn't included in our list, please contact the church office (405-842-1486) to be added.

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Sunday School Classes - Sunday at 9:45 a.m.

The Brew Class: Meets in the Room 131 - Bring your coffee and join "The Brew" as we study Max Lucado's book, *Next Door Savior*. This Sunday we will have breakfast together during Sunday School. For more information about "The Brew" please contact: Tim Baker (405) 209-5467 or Christie Baker (405) 922-5154.

KIVA Class: Meets in the Parlor - On February 26, Cheryl Hudak will present "A Life of Discipleship: Dietrich Bonhoeffer". Leaders: Mike and Pama Palmer.

Reveille Class: Meets in the Library - Do you like to see how your faith impacts your everyday life? Join us for a discussion of how the Bible speaks to the current events in our lives. Teacher: Tom Fraley.

Open Circle Class: Meets in the Archives Room - The Open Circle Class primarily utilizes the lectionary approach to studying scriptures, which excerpts scriptures from the Bible so that the full Bible is covered every three years. We also study hymns. Teacher: John Marshall.

The Bible Class: Meets in the Conference Room. - Join us as we study the Bible through the Adult Bible Study curriculum. Each week covers a different scripture and lesson, and you are given a new book of studies each quarter. Come prepared to join in the discussions and fellowship. This class rotates teachers. For more information, contact the Church Office at 405-842-1486.

Youth Class: Meets in the Youth Basement - Join us for fun, fellowship, and a lesson that will bring you closer to God.
Leaders: Rev. Matt Patrick and Matt Eales.

Second Graders through Fifth Graders: Meets in Room 124. Join us for a fun time with your friends as we grow closer to God and each other.
Leaders: Cynthia Meyerson and Morgan Hunt.

Children's Class: Meets in the Children's Area. - Join us for a child-friendly lesson, snacks, and crafts as we learn about the Bible together.
Director of Children's Ministry: Madison Chilless.

Dr. Trevor Smith, Senior Pastor

Rev. Matt Patrick, Student Pastor

Michael Wylder, Director of Church Music

Madison Chilless, Director of Children's Ministry

Delaney Sheffield, Administrative Assistant

Dr. Antone Godding, Organist

Kathy Smith, Treasurer

Louise Glass, Financial Secretary

Denise Buthion, Director of The Learning Center

Michael Hall, Maintenance/Custodian

Alfred Walker, Sunday Host

Randall Blair, Sunday Host

Rachel Spear, Nursery Attendant

Shendra Stevens, Nursery Attendant