

# NICHOLS HILLS

## united methodist church



Dr. Trevor Smith

## The Body of Christ

<sup>14</sup> Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. <sup>18</sup> But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup> If all were a single member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup> As it is, there are many members, yet one body. <sup>21</sup> The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." <sup>22</sup> On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup> and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; <sup>24</sup> whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, <sup>25</sup> that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup> If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. <sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. - *I Corinthians 12:14, 18-27*

Have you ever thought about all of the members of your body? Consider for a moment that the human body is composed of 270 bones at birth, and this total decreases to 206 bones by adulthood after some bones have fused together. Toes, feet, legs, arms, hands, fingers, eyes, ears, nostrils, lungs, kidneys, blood vessels, ribs, a stomach, a heart, a gall bladder, a liver, a tongue, hair, skin, fingernails, and teeth are just some of the members of your body. Each member of your body is important. Each member of your body serves a different function. Each member of your body is connected to each other. If you stub your toe, the whole body feels pain. You may be tempted to take a member of your body for granted, but if a member of your body is injured you realize just how important it is.

The Apostle Paul teaches us that to be part of Jesus' Church means that you are a member of the body of Christ. Like the members of the body, each person in our church is important, and each person in our church has unique gifts to use to serve in ministry. You are very important because you are connected to every other member of the body of Christ.

For five weeks we have been making a case for our belief that ***the Local Church is the Hope of the World***. On Sunday we will conclude our *Ekklesia: Why Church?* sermon series by talking about what it means for us to be the body of Christ. We will also honor the teachers who serve in The Learning Center, and Denise Buthion will share with us about some of the exciting ways we are helping the young children in The Learning Center grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. I hope you will join us for worship at 8:30 or 10:50 on Sunday as we worship together. You are very important, and we will miss you if you are not there. Have a great week, and I will see you at church.

Blessings,  
Trevor

### Ministry Calendar

**Sunday, February 12**

**The Learning Center Sunday**

Worship at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

Worship at 10:50 a.m.

Missions Committee at 4:00 p.m.

**Monday, February 13**

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

Cub Scouts at 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 15**

Newsletter Folding at 10:00 a.m.

Nichols Thrills Meal at 5:30 p.m.

*I Am a Church Member* Study at 6:00

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

Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

**Friday, February 17**

John Marshall Market, 10:30-12:30

**Sunday, February 19**

Scout Sunday at 8:30 & 10:50 a.m.

**Thursday, February 23**

Open house at John Marshall

High School at 6:00 p.m.

**Saturday, February 25**

Boy Scout Blue and Gold Banquet at 6:00 p.m.

**Sunday, February 26**

John Marshall Sunday at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.

**Nichols Hills U.M.C.**

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**The Learning Center**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

(405)842-5325



## 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 **February 19, 26, and all of March.** 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 12.

The coffee host is General Bill Bowden.

The chancel flowers are given in honor of Will Harlow on his 19th 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

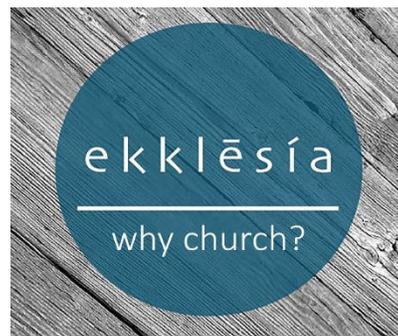
#### At Home

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

## Ekklesia: Why Church?

Why church? It may just be the question you are asking as we begin a new year. Why church? The word *church* comes from two Greek words: *Ek* means *out*, and *Klesia* means *called*. The church is people who are called out by God to serve God and be God's people. Join us on Sunday mornings at 8:30 or 10:50 as we explore the belief that *the local church is the hope of the world* and why being part of the church will bless you and build you up in the year to come.

February 12 *The Body of Christ*



Rev. Matt Patrick

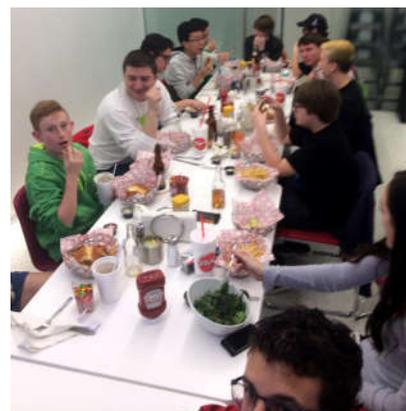
going forward.

If you have a student, or someone in your family between grades 6-12, we would love to have you join us for our next youth event!

-Matt

## Successful Super Bowl Party!

Last Sunday, our youth gathered at Pops in Nichols Hills Plaza for a Super Bowl Party. We enjoyed, food, laughter, and way too much soda. We had a really good turnout, and we are excited about all of the potential for our youth ministry



## Children's Ministry

During Sunday school for the next few weeks, the kids will be practicing with Michael Wylder to learn the song they will sing on Sunday, February 26th at the late service! We love having the kids be part of our service and would love to have you and your family there!

We would love to have you help in our Children's Ministry so please email me at [mchillless@uco.edu](mailto:mchillless@uco.edu) if you are interested!

Have a great week! See you on Sunday!

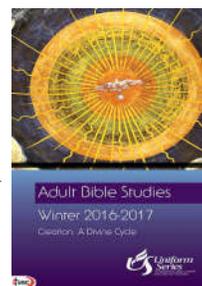
-Madison



Madison Chillless

## The Bible Class

**The Bible Class** is our newest Sunday school class. This inter-generational class uses the Adult Bible Studies series. These are excellent, well-prepared studies. Each week covers a different scripture and lesson, and you are given a new book of studies each quarter. If you are interested in studying the Bible we hope you will join us. The class meets at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday in the Conference Room just inside the East door of the church. Come prepared to join in the discussions and fellowship.



Thank you to our wonderful volunteers who are helping make the John Marshall Neighborhood Market and Clothing Closet a huge success!



## Tidbits from The Learning Center



Denise Buthion,  
Director

This is the week that our classrooms are discussing love, family, and friends. Many of our families have contributed photos to make a collage for their children in each classroom. It is so exciting to see little infants and toddlers go over to their collage and see their family. It

comforts them when they are sad and makes them happy to show their friends. Emotional intelligence is an important aspect of caring for children. When we focus our curriculum on love, family, and friends we are helping to shape their sense of healthy emotional intelligence. Everyone has emotions. Labeling them and understanding the need for a wide range of feelings is an important part of children's development. Social-emotional development benefits everyone when we learn to self-regulate. This is a large developmental task for all children. Enjoy our photos!



- Denise

## John Marshall High School Neighborhood Market

### Upcoming Dates to Remember

**Thursday, February 23rd at 6:00 p.m.**

**Open House and Blessing** for our church at John Marshall. Come for a tour of the Market and Clothing Closet.

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

**John Marshall Sports Banquet** at Nichols Hills United Methodist Church in the Fellowship Hall. You will be able to sign up to volunteer at the end of February.



### Volunteer Opportunities:

If you are interested in volunteering in the Neighborhood Market or Clothes Closet on Tuesday or Friday mornings or want to do some shopping, sew on buttons, do laundry, etc., please contact Stephanie Henry at [sajhmom@aol.com](mailto:sajhmom@aol.com) or 405-850-5518. We will find a place for you!

### Neighborhood Market Needs:

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

### Clothing Closet Needs:

- 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

We appreciate it if clothing is clean and ready to wear. Clothing can be dropped off at the church. If you have a large amount of clothes to donate, please call Christie Baker at 405-922-5154 to arrange for us to meet you at the school.

## 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.nicholshillsumc.org](http://www.nicholshillsumc.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

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| 02/11 | Ann Flesher<br>Lillian Straughn<br>Olivia Straughn |
| 02/12 | Lucas Butler<br>Carol Sue Manley                   |
| 02/13 | Gwen Griffin<br>Violet Robinson<br>Hannah Story    |
| 02/14 | Joanne Crosby                                      |
| 02/15 | Nancy Flesher<br>Bill Wells                        |
| 02/16 | Trent Saunders<br>Laura Tirrell                    |
| 02/17 | Kellie Fischer                                     |
| 02/18 | Jerry Jennings                                     |
| 02/19 | Gloria Crownover<br>Jennifer Klos                  |

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

### RDS Unite App

We are excited to announce a new app from RDS called Unite that allows you to have access to our church directory, make contributions, change your personal information, change your directory photo, and view your personal contribution history all from your phone!

This app is available for Apple, Android, and Microsoft. It is free for download from the app store on your phone. To find it, search for "RDS Unite.", download and install it. Then open it and click "Register." Enter the church code 10081, then your email address, then enter a password of your choice and click "Register." If you have any questions, contact Delaney in the Church Office at 405-842-1486.

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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* - Laura Garrett, Director of Residential Life at Epworth Villa will be speaking on February 12.  
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.  
Teacher: Dr. Jerry Perryman. 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.  
Director of Children's Ministry: Madison Chilless.

**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.

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**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

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