

NICHOLS HILLS

united methodist church



Dr. Trevor Smith

Running and Remembering

⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. -*Matthew 5:9*

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. -*Hebrews 12:1-2*

The Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon is about more than running. It is about celebrating life. This is the spirit in which the Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon was conceptualized by two Oklahoma businessmen who, while on a morning run, created the outline for this inspiring event. From its inaugural race in 2001 with just shy of 5,000 participants, the event now hosts over 24,000 runners and walkers from every state and several foreign countries.

The mission of the Memorial Marathon is to celebrate life, reach for the future, honor the memories of those who were killed, and unite the world in hope. This is not just another marathon. It is a Run to Remember...and a race to show that we can each make a difference and change the world.

On Marathon Sunday, we will hold both of our worship services outside as we cheer on the runners and support our community. I believe it is very significant for our church to participate in our community in this way because we have a message of hope that every one needs when we encounter acts of violence. As Christians, we believe that the worst thing is never the last thing. On Sunday I plan to share a message about the way our community responded when the Murrah Building was attacked on April 19, 1995, and how we have continued to overcome hatred with love in the last 22 years. We will also talk about the way Jesus teaches to respond to violence by becoming peacemakers.

It gives me great joy to see the energy and excitement so many of you have shared with me about our plans to move our worship service outside this weekend for Marathon Sunday. What a wonderful opportunity we have to share the Good News with the runners and our community through beautiful music, words of encouragement, and friendly fellowship. A woman who has run in the marathon many times expressed her gratitude to me for the way our church is participating in the marathon. She said, “We really need the encouragement when we get to this part of the race.”

I hope you will join us for worship at 8:30 or 10:50 and for a time of fellowship during our regular Sunday school hour at 9:45 a.m. Dress casually and bring a lawn chair. It will be a memorable Sunday you will not want to miss. Have a great week, and I will see you on Marathon Sunday.

Blessings,
Trevor

Ministry Calendar

Marathon Sunday, April 30

Worship at 8:30 a.m.
Time of Fellowship at 9:45 a.m.
Worship at 10:50 a.m.

Monday, May 1

Care Committee at 4:00 p.m.
Trustee Committee at 5:30 p.m.
Women’s A.A. Group, 5:30 p.m.
Cub Scouts at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 2

Finance Committee at 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3

Newsletter Folding at 10:00 a.m.
College and Young Adult Group at 7:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, May 5

John Marshall Market, 10:30-12:30

Saturday, May 6

T.L.C. Training at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 7

Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:50
Girl Scout Meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Monday, May 8

TLC Meeting at 3:00 p.m.
Women’s A.A. Group, 5:30 p.m.
Cub Scouts at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, May 12

John Marshall Market, 10:30-12:30

Sunday, May 14 - Mother’s Day
Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:50

Nichols Hills U.M.C.

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(405)843-1835 Fax
www.nicholshillsumc.org

The Learning Center

(405)842-5325
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Ministry Opportunities

Hospitality Greeters

Do you like to smile and talk to people? Are you enthusiastic about our church? If so, this is an opportunity you might 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 **April 23, and 30**. To serve, sign-up on the bulletin board outside the office.

Serving In Ministry on Sunday, April 30

The chancel flowers are given by General Bill Bowden in memory of John Montgomery, 1st Cousin, Chaffee, MO.

Chancel Flower Delivery

We are in need of people to deliver the chancel flowers to homebound members. If this opportunity is one you would enjoy, please sign-up on the bulletin board outside of 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: Carla Hill, Anne Holbrook, Sharon Ives, Janet Jones, Bette MacKellar, Karen McLain, Carol Magness, Ellie Roberts, Marty Smith, and Kathy Walker.

Cares and Concerns

Epworth Villa

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

Town Village

Joanna Garnett

The Fountains at Canterbury

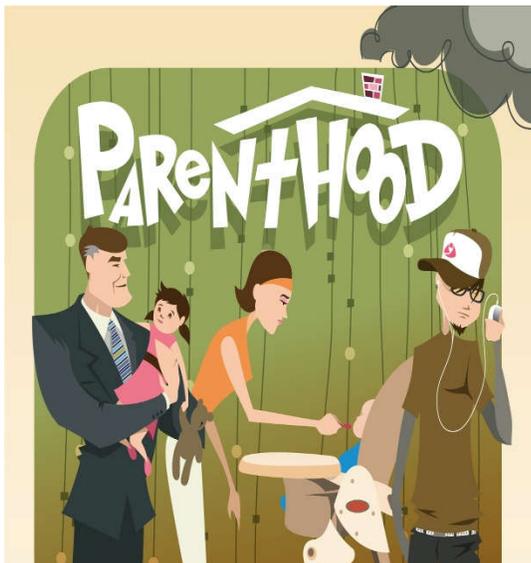
Anita Dahlgren

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



Parenthood

If you have kids or are even thinking about having them, you won't want to miss this three-week series that explores what God's Word has to say about all things parental. Whether they're bawling, crawling, walking, talking, driving you crazy or asking to drive your car, kids are a gift from God, and God provides some very clear guidance and insight on how to raise them to be full of faith and focused on God, rather than leaving you frustrated, frazzled and fatigued.

Join us at 8:30 or 10:50 on Sunday mornings for this fun series on *Parenthood*.

- May 7** *The Parent's Priority*
May 14 *The Unchanging Principles of Parenting*
May 21 *Discipline*

Youth at the Arts Festival!

Our youth group has a really great tradition every year of attending the Arts Festival near downtown Oklahoma City. This coming Saturday April 29th, our youth will be heading down to the Arts Festival from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We will grab lunch from one of the many food trucks and spend our time walking around to see some of the great work that local artists come have.



Rev. Matt Patrick

Another one of our great traditions is that we collectively purchases a piece of art to hang in the youth room in the basement. It is a really fun event, and I would like to invite anyone from 6th - 12th grade to join us this Saturday!

-Matt

Children's Ministry

Hello N.H.U.M.C. family! The children had a wonderful time making fish with encouraging words on them such as Hope, Love, Strength, Understanding, etc, and whom they would like to pray for in these areas. Reagan Miller asked that we share our group picture. She expressed that she would like everyone so see their talents in the arts.



Tausha Davison,
Director of
Children and
Family Ministry

We are excited about Sunday, as we fellowship and

encourage our community during Marathon Sunday! If you would like to help monitor the inflatables, please contact me directly, or the church office.

Thanks!
Tausha



Missions in May

It's that time of year again! As we wind down on another school year, it's time to gear up for school uniforms. Families are able to come to Skyline with a school referral to receive two new school uniforms, shoes, a pair of new tennis shoes, three pair of socks and three pair of underwear. This program is solely supported by donations from area churches. N.H.U.M.C. has been a longtime supporter of this ministry. There are three ways that you can get involved:

1. Donate Money to Purchase Uniforms.

It costs approximately \$75 to outfit each child. Checks can be made out to N.H.U.M.C. – write *Clothes 4 Kids* in the memo line.

2. Volunteer.

Tuesday, May 30: 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.

Monday, June 5: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Monday, July 10: 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.

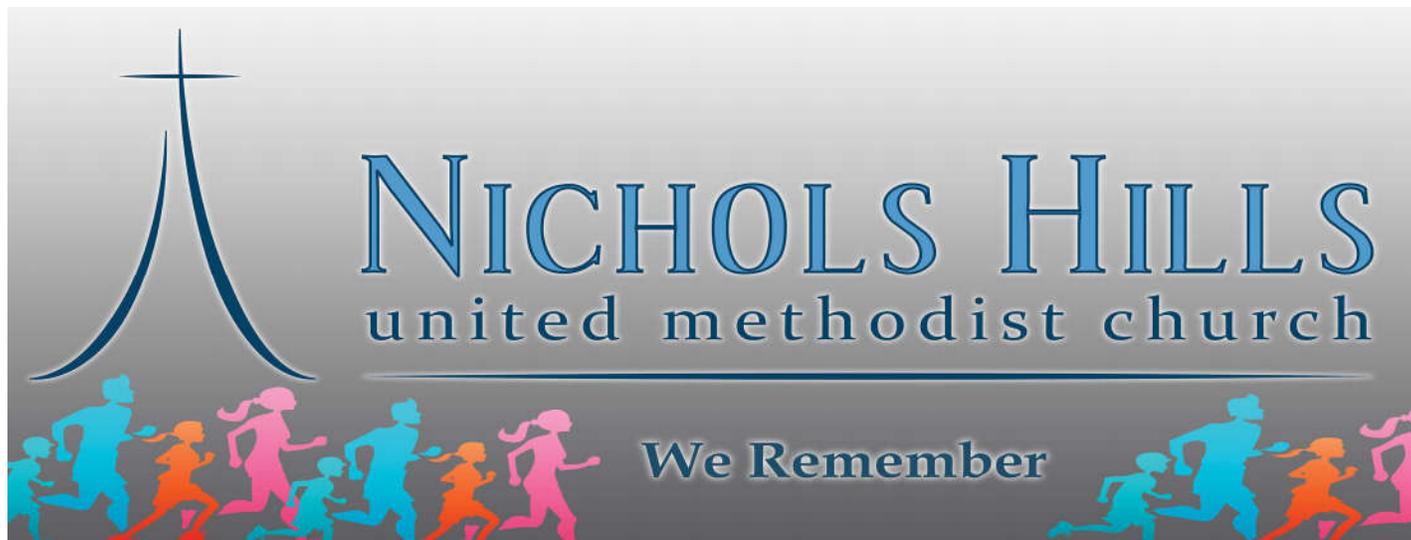
Monday, July 17: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

3. Stock the Pantry and the Clothing Closet.

Bring canned and dry goods with emphasis on soap, dry beans, cereal, canned fruit, and canned vegetables. For the Clothing Closet, please bring a package or two of NEW underwear to donate.

Sizes needed: Girls: 4-16; Boys: 4-20; Women: 5-10; Men's: 30-48 (boxer briefs only in dark colors)

Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex. For more information, contact the Church office at 405-842-1486.



Marathon Sunday

April 30 is Marathon Sunday. We are moving our worship services outside at their usual times at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. We will gather in the green space to the west of our parking lot. We have invited a Steel Drum Band to perform with our Chancel Choir and lead our music that day.

We will have a golf cart to assist anyone who may need a ride from the parking lot to the place we are gathering. There will be bounce houses, face painting, and other fun things for children. During the Sunday school hour we will encourage the runners. We want everyone to know that our church loves to reach out to our community and encourage people.

Plan to bring a lawn chair and to dress casually. Please let us know if you have a canopy tent we could use or if you would like to bring a breakfast dish to share.

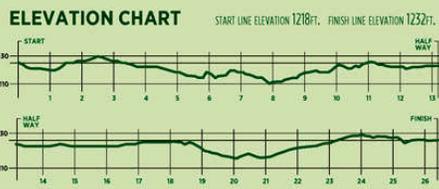
If you would like to assist in the preparations, please contact Trevor Smith at revtrevor@gmail.com or Matt Patrick at mpatrick@nicholshillsumc.org. You could also call the church at 405-842-1486.

On the other side of this page is a map to help you plan your route to church that day. You will notice that the intersection of 63rd and Grand Avenue will be closed from 7:18 a.m. until noon. The intersection of Wilshire Boulevard and Western Avenue will be closed from 6:44 until 9:20 a.m. We hope you will invite someone you know to join us for a memorable Marathon Sunday.



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COURSE OPENS AND CLOSINGS

MILE	STREET CLOSURES	FIRST RUNNER	LAST RUNNER	STREET REOPENS
Start	04:30	06:25	06:30	10:00
1	06:05	06:29	06:46	06:56
2	06:11	06:33	07:02	07:12
3	06:16	06:37	07:18	07:28
4	06:21	06:41	07:34	07:44
5	06:25	06:45	07:50	08:00
6	06:29	06:49	08:06	08:16
7	06:32	06:52	08:22	08:32
8	06:37	06:57	08:38	08:48
9	06:40	07:00	08:54	09:04
10	06:44	07:04	09:10	09:20
11	06:47	07:07	09:26	09:36
12	06:48	07:12	09:42	09:52
13	06:52	07:15	09:58	10:08
14	06:55	07:19	10:14	10:24
15	06:59	07:23	10:30	10:40
16	07:03	07:27	10:46	10:56
17	07:07	07:30	11:02	11:12
18	07:10	07:34	11:18	11:28
19	07:14	07:38	11:34	11:44
20	07:18	07:41	11:50	12:00
21	07:15	07:45	12:06	12:16
22	06:00	07:16	12:22	12:32
23	06:00	07:21	12:38	12:48
24	06:00	07:26	12:54	13:04
25	07:01	07:31	13:10	13:20
26	07:06	07:36	13:26	13:36
Finish	04:30	07:38	13:30	14:00

-  WATER STOP
-  RELAY STOP
-  MEDICAL AID STATION
-  FULL MARATHON
-  HALF MARATHON
-  5K
-  RELIEF STATION



COURSE MAP

17TH ANNUAL
Run to Remember
 APRIL 30, 2017

REGISTER AT okcMARATHON.com

Tidbits from The Learning Center



Denise Buthion,
Director

Last Sunday I spoke to the Kiva Sunday School Class about The Learning Center. I shared the day to day operations, the connections we've established with the church, and the differences we've made in the lives of children and families.

Our mission is *to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.* The Kiva group has been so very generous and supportive of our mission. They have contributed money to help us purchase shades in our classrooms and gliders for the infant room. Many of them have donated books, toys, and bags for diaper changes.

They say it takes a village to raise children. We are more than blessed to have the Kiva class in our village.

-Denise



Church Camp Information

Sonshine Camp, for students entering 1st through 2nd grade

Saturday, July 22 to Sunday, July 23

at Canyon Camp

Early Bird price before April 30: Campers: \$59

Regular price: Campers: \$79, Adult Shepherds: \$56

Growin' In Grace Camp, for students entering 3rd - 5th grade

Monday, July 17 to Wednesday, July 19 at Canyon Camp

Early Bird price before April 30: \$167

Regular price: \$187

Joy Camp - Creative Arts Camp for students entering 3rd - 5th Grade

Friday, June 16 to Sunday, June 18 (Father's Day) at Canyon Camp

Early Bird price before April 30: Campers \$167

Regular price: Campers: \$187

Sixth Grade Camp - Entering 6th grade

June 23-25 at Canyon Camp

Early Bird price before April 30: \$167

Regular price: \$299

July 17-21 at Canyon Camp

Early Bird price before April 30: \$279

Regular price: \$187

For more information, contact the church office at 405-842-1486.



John Marshall Neighborhood Market and Clothing Closet Needs

Neighborhood Market Needs

- Snacks – bars, snack bags of
- Goldfish, Cheez-Its, Pretzels, etc.
- Chicken salad and tuna salad boxes (found at Dollar Tree)

Clothing Closet Needs

- Hangers (from the dry cleaners)
- Jeans (men and women – appropriate for teenagers)
- Women's uniform type pants (washable) - 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.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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| 04/26 | Kery Mueller |
| 04/29 | Marty Margo |
| 04/30 | Colin Anderson |
| 05/01 | Christie Baker
Alice Pippin |
| 05/02 | Kristen Robinson |
| 05/03 | Nathan Hilger
DeDe Maxwell |
| 05/04 | Myrla Pierson |
| 05/07 | Jennifer McGinnis |
| 05/08 | Jacob Ellis
Kathleen Ellis |
| 05/10 | Norma Baker
Mark Miller |
| 05/13 | Roger Etling |

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 Adam Hamilton's book, *Creed: What Christians Believe and Why*. 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* - Join us as we cheer on the runners during the Memorial Marathon. 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*. - Please join our class Sunday as we study God's Preserving Love. The purpose of this lesson is to recognize and respond to Jesus' loving leadership, studying John 10:1-15. 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.
Leader: 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: Tausha Davison.

Dr. Trevor Smith, Senior Pastor
Rev. Matt Patrick, Student Pastor
Michael Wylder, Director of Church Music
Tausha Davison, Director of Children and Family 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
Jessica Mayberry, Nursery Attendant
Ashley Edwards, Nursery Attendant
Shendra Stevens, Nursery Attendant