



NICHOLS HILLS

united methodist church



Dr. Trevor Smith

Head and Heart

*Unite the pair so long disjointed,
Knowledge and vital piety:
Learning and holiness combined,
And truth and love, let all men see
In those whom up to thee we give,
Thine, wholly thine, to die and live.*

-Charles Wesley, *A Prayer for Children*

On Sunday we will continue our ***Stained Glass Stories for Lent*** sermon series by talking about John and Charles Wesley and our window which states: *Let us unite the two so long divided: knowledge and vital piety.* I have often remarked that one of my favorite things about being a Methodist is that we don't have to check our brains at the door when we come to worship. John and Charles understood this, and they emphasized the need for us to engage head knowledge by studying the Bible and other classics while at the same time not neglecting heart knowledge through intentional times of prayer and devotion.

For Charles Wesley, knowledge and vital piety might better be translated "theology and ethics," or perhaps even "faith and works." Charles was talking about our inability and reluctance to practice what we preach, our propensity to proclaim high ideals and live sordid realities, our tendency to discredit the faith we profess by the vanity of the lives we lead. His hymn is a prayer that God may not only work in spite of our clumsy and stubborn nature but wonderfully transform our nature so that his kingdom may come even through the work of imperfect people like us. I hope you will join us for worship on Sunday as we sing this hymn and take a closer look at the way we might unite knowledge and vital piety in a way that will help us grow closer to God and transform our community.

I am looking forward to our 4th Annual John Marshall Sports Banquet on Monday, March 5 at 6:30 p.m. It will be another wonderful opportunity for us to deepen our relationship with the students, coaches, and administrators at John Marshall. If you would like to help serve, please contact Stephanie Henry.

I want to thank our Cub Scouts and our Girl Scouts for serving and leading in worship the last two Sundays. I am proud to share with you that our Cub Scouts and our Girl Scouts continue to grow in numbers, and I am glad these boys, girls, and their families are part of our church. I also want to congratulate J.B. Sims for being named the Baden-Powell District Cubmaster of the Year! J.B. does a great job representing our church and has spent many our shaping the lives of our Cub Scouts.

On Sunday, March 11, our sermon will focus on the stained glass window which states, *I am the Vine, ye are the branches.* We'll take a closer look at John 15 and talk about what it means for us to abide in Jesus. I hope you will invite someone you know to come with you for this meaningful worship service.

Have a great week, and I will see you on Sunday.

Blessings,
Trevor

Ministry Calendar

Sunday, March 4

Worship at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.
Confirmation at 12:15 p.m.
Girl Scouts at 2:00 p.m.

Monday, March 5

Bear Cave Clothing Closet at 9:00
Alcoholics Anonymous at 5:30
4th Annual John Marshall Sports Dinner at 6:30 p.m.
Cub Scouts at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 6

John Marshall Shelf Stocking-9:30

Wednesday, March 7

John Marshall Shelf Stocking-9:30
Who Is This Man at 5:30 p.m.
Financial Peace University at 5:30
Choir at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 8

Bear Cave Clothing Closet at 9:00

Friday, March 9

John Marshall Market at 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, March 10

CASA Meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, March 11

Daylight Savings Begins

Worship at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.



March 12 - March 16

The Learning Center Spring Break

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Ministry Opportunities

Hospitality Greeters

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 4-5 dozen cookies. At the close of the 10:50 Service, the host(s) stand by the cookie table in the Narthex and greet people. To serve, sign-up outside the office.

Serving In Ministry on Sunday, March 4

The coffee hosts are Gloria and Mary Crownover.

The chancel flowers are available.

The mission candle is available.

The acolyte for 8:30 is Gabriel Ireland.

The acolytes for 10:50 are Maggie Brown and Gracie Buxton.

Serving In Ministry on Sunday, March 11

The coffee host is available.

The chancel flowers are given by Janice Pitney in memory of her daughter, Jill Morgan Thompson.

The mission candle is available.

The acolyte for 8:30 is Gabriel Ireland.

The acolytes for 10:50 are Louis Fraley and Regan Miller.

Chancel Flower Delivery

We are in need of people to deliver the chancel flowers to homebound members. If this opportunity is for you, please sign-up in the Narthex.

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, Anne Holbrook, Janet Jones, Carol Magness, and Marty Smith.

Birthdays

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

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Stained Glass Stories for Lent

When you walk into the sanctuary you experience peace. As you sit in a pew you notice the beautiful stained glass windows. These stained glass windows tell the stories of our faith. Join us for worship during the Sundays of Lent as we take a closer look at our **Stained Glass Stories**.

March 4 *Head and Heart*
March 11 *Abide in Me*
March 18 *It's a Big, Big House*
March 25 *Do This in Remembrance of Me*
April 1 *He Is Risen*



Rev. Matt Patrick

Youth Movie Night!

On Sunday March 4th, the youth will be having a movie night at the dollar movie theater. We have always had a wonderful time hanging out and fellowshiping with each other at the movies. The dollar movie theater makes it even better because it leaves more money for popcorn and snacks. If you have a student that would like to join us on Sunday contact me for the location and movie time. Of course, we always go to movies that are appropriate for students, so no need to worry about that! I hope you will continue praying and supporting our youth ministry!

Blessings,
Matt

Congrats to J.B. Sims!

Congratulations to J.B. Sims on winning the Baden-Powell District Cubmaster of the Year Award! The Baden Powell Award is a district award presented to volunteers who render service of an outstanding nature at the unit level. Congratulations, J.B.! We are proud of you.



Tausha Davison-Beverly,
Director of
Children
and Family
Ministry

Children's Ministry

Nichols Hills U.M.C. will be hosting a Sports Camp on June 11-15, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This camp is open to children ages 4 year old through 6th graders. Children may participate in Basketball, Cheerleading, Soccer, Ultimate Frisbee, and Team 45 (which teaches the fundamentals of motion, rhythm, and balance development to 4 and 5 year olds) all while experiencing God's love! The cost is \$55. If interested, please contact our church office at 405-842-1486, or fill out the form below. Spots are limited. Reserve yours today!

Blessings,
Tausha Davison-Beverly

Fill out the form below and return to Nichols Hills United Methodist Church.

Name(s) and Age(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Sport: _____

Sports include: Basketball, Cheerleading, Ultimate Frisbee, Soccer, or Team 45.

Cost: \$55 per child. Pay by cash, check, or credit card.

We Are The Church

Our church makes a Christian difference through the many wonderful people in our congregation. This week, Ande and Jacob Robertson share with us about their lives and how Nichols Hills U.M.C. is blessing them.

Ande said, "I grew up going to First United Methodist Church in Yukon, and my family transferred our membership to Church of the Servant in 1996. I continued to attend Church of the Servant off and on over the years. I work in advertising and look forward to becoming a mom in July."

Jacob said, "I grew up attending NHUMC. My grandparents on both sides were members when I was a child. I moved away for 15 years after high school, but when I moved back to OKC in 2015 and we began looking for a church home NHUMC was the obvious choice. I enjoy seeing family members and friends I have known for years at services on Sundays. I work in the financial services industry."

"It was time to find a church home for the two of us. We were both raised as Methodists but grew up in different churches. Jacob's parents were married at Nichols Hills United Methodist and he was baptized there as a child, so it was a no brainer for us to come back to NHUMC."

"We first started visiting in 2016, and it immediately felt like a good fit. Everyone was very welcoming, and we enjoyed getting to meet other people around our age. We were married in the church in January of 2017 and have continued to enjoy the fellowship. We are expecting a child this coming July and look forward to bringing him up at NHUMC."

"Everyone is extremely friendly and we always feel very welcomed when we come to church. We enjoy the smaller congregation and traditional services."

Ande and Jacob joined our church on February 18. We are happy to have them in our Nichols Hills U.M.C. family!



Tidbits from The Learning Center



Denise Buthion,
Director

Each week, our children receive 30 minutes of instruction from coaches with Amazing Athletes. The children are learning about nine different sports. Each sport has its own lingo, techniques, and skills. It is such a joy to see the children learning the mechanics of lacrosse, hockey, tennis, and golf. They work on seven key areas of motor-development: balancing, running, jumping, throwing, catching, kicking, and target bowling. We feel so strongly about all the benefits the children receive that we include this activity for all our children, 18 months and older.

On Friday, February 23, T.L.C. children performed with Amazing Athletes during the Oklahoma City Blue basketball game at half-time. There were other schools represented along with The Learning Center. The children demonstrated what they are learning from Amazing Athletes.

It was a most impressive half-time. This is the second year we have been included in the half-time performance. The Thunder organization requested that Amazing Athletes return as we were clearly a "fan favorite." We look forward to many more performances in the future.

Blessings,
Denise



Birthdays

03/05 Tom Fraley
03/05 Mac Shdeed
03/05 Scarlett Shdeed
03/06 Harvey Harmon
03/06 Kaley Were
03/11 G. T. Blankenship
03/11 Lauren Heflin
03/13 Christi Coyle
03/15 Lydia Hunt
03/15 Gordon Ryan

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

Cares and Concerns

Epworth Villa

Joanne Crosby and Sylvia Miller

Town Village

Joanna Garnett and
Jess and Bette Harris

The Fountains at Canterbury

Anita Dahlgren

Autumn Leaves

Katie Alexander

At Home

Roger Etling, Ann Flesher,
Frances Lewis, and David Mueller

John Marshall Neighborhood Market and Clothing Closet

The best prices on the following items is generally found at the Dollar Tree.

We are in need of:

- Men's and Women's Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes (prefer the 4-pack at Dollar Tree that can be cut apart)
- Bars of soap (Sam's Club also has good pricing on packages of soap)
- New Socks
- Front Zip Hoodies
- Monetary donation for underwear
- New or gently worn shoes
Boys/Men's: 9-12
Girls/Women's: 8-10
- Sweat Pants

Please deliver clothing items directly to John Marshall High School.

Saturday Help Needed!

The John Marshall Neighborhood Market would like your help on **March 31** and **May 12**! Contact Stephanie at 405-850-5518 for more information.

Blue & Gold Banquet

Thank you for your support of the Cub Scouts! This photo was from their Blue & Gold Awards Banquet.



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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 gather for fellowship and study *The Letter of James* during Lent. For more information about "The Brew" contact Tim Baker (405) 209-5467 or Christie Baker (405) 922-5154.

KIVA Class: *Meets in the Parlor* - Join us on Sunday, March 4 as our Senior Pastor, Dr. Trevor Smith, shares with us about the symbols and scriptures found in the stained glass window in the Columbarium. We'll talk about some of the things we can do now to create a legacy that will bless our church and our community in the years to come. Leader: Dudley Hyde.

Reville 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* - Our Open Circle Class focuses on the Lectionary approach with studies of scriptures from both the Old and New Testaments. Although we change our approach for "special Bible-study events," the Lectionary approach is based on "The United Methodist Music and Worship Planner." Class discussion and applying Christianity in today's world are an important parts of our lessons. Our senior pastor, Dr. Trevor Smith, will share with us on Sunday, March 11. Teacher: John Marshall.

The Bible Class: *Meets in the Conference Room.* - Please join The Bible Class as we learn from the *Adult Bible Studies* curriculum.

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

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. Teacher: Lecye Lippoldt.

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-Beverly.

Dr. Trevor Smith, Senior Pastor
Rev. Matt Patrick, Student Pastor
Michael Wylder, Director of Church Music
Tausha Davison-Beverly, Director of Children and Family Ministry
Delaney Sheffield, Administrative Assistant
Dr. Antone Godding, Organist
Kathy Smith, Treasurer
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Ashley Edwards, Nursery Attendant
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