

# Eastern Hills Church of Christ

*Loving God, Loving People, Imitating Jesus, Seeking Heaven*

August 30, 2020

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High  
We Will Glorify the King of Kings*

### Welcome

### Prayer

*Near to the Heart of God  
When We Meet in Sweet  
Communion*

### Communion

### Offering

*On Zion's Glorious Summit  
You Are Holy, Prince of Peace*

### Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:3-10

### The Lesson

*"Abigail—The Peacemaker"*

*Mansion Over the Hilltop*

### Family News

### Prayer

*A Common Love*

### This Evening

*"The Wages of Sin"*

Romans 5:1-2

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## Serving in Worship

### Today

Song Leader: Chase Palmer

Welcome & Prayer: D. W. McLendon

Communion: David Little

Scripture Reading: Keldyn Schubert

Closing Prayer: Raymond Christmas

### September 6

Song Leader: D. W. McLendon

Welcome & Prayer: Phillip Treat

Communion: Bob Christian

Scripture Reading: David Schubert

Closing Prayer: Billy Hydrick

## CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

August 30 Mendy Slone

August 31 Amanda Wynn

September 1 Amy Simpson

September 3 Michael Davidson

September 5 Amie Grubbs

### Sunday Night Worship

We will have Sunday Evening Devotional Time at 7:00 in the parking lot. Bring your lawn chairs. Offerings can be made on Tithe.ly through the ehcoc.org website, or dropped by the office, or mailed.

## ON WEDNESDAYS

- **Online Bible Study with Phillip**—6:30 on our Facebook page.
- **Youth and Families Devo**  
West parking lot at 7:00 PM.

## SHOWERS GALORE

All are invited to participate in a gift card shower on September 13<sup>th</sup> for three of our precious young people. Baskets will be available for cards.

◇ Cheslie (Cuiksa) and Jacovin Coats were married on July 18<sup>th</sup>. They are registered at Bed Bath & Beyond and Target.

◇ Brandon & Lindsey Petersen were married on August 8<sup>th</sup> and are registered at Bed Bath & Beyond, Target and Amazon.

◇ Austin Sumner and Katie Thompson are to be married on October 3rd and they are registered at Walmart, Target and Amazon.

## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Our Elder Selection process

John Young's surgery was postponed.

Carol Scott (Don Holderby's sister) still has pneumonia in both lungs

Dixie Stanfield is recovering from surgery

Sue Lovelace is recovering from back surgery

Glena Lowe is at home recovering from surgery.

Tanya Davidson is taking steps toward having a stem cell transplant.

Gale Simmons is finally free of COVID and receiving treatment for her leg problems.

Susan Starr, Krista Treat's sister, is in rehab

### SHUT-INS

Mossie Moore (Reunion Inn)

Tina Ware (Home)

Joe Stanfield (Home)

Joyce Matthews (Home)

Paula Fleming (Home)

Foy & Helen Johnson (Home)

*Dear Eastern Hills, Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers, calls, texts and mostly your prayers during my recent stay in the hospital. Much love, Jeanette Quinn*

*Thank you for the beautiful plant sent for our precious father, husband, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Your presence at the visitation and celebration meant so much to us. The Owen Family*

## WELCOME HOME

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## FOR THE RECORD

August 23	Worship 100	\$ 3,304
Budget		\$ 6,000

## The View from the Top

My son just got back from spending a week in the mountains of Colorado with his girlfriend and her family. While there he spent some quality family time and helped out with some chores around the cabin. A few days Brandyn and Emily were able to sneak away and do some hiking. They sent me a picture of them standing on the summit of a mountain with a sign in their hands. The sign read, "Mt. Sherman – Elevation 14036".

It took a few minutes for me to remember that Mount Sherman was the first mountain in Colorado that I ever summited. I texted them back and told them that I stood exactly where they were 24 years earlier. That climb happened with my youth group from Bartlesville, Oklahoma on our first Wilderness Trek. I now remember the day vividly. We began hiking before the sun came up. Along the way several of the teens decided that they could not make it to the top. I spent the hike encouraging, challenging and pushing them up the mountain. When we got to the final push to the summit I was spent. It took the encouragement of my intern and other sponsors to get me to the top.

I will never forget standing on the top of that mountain. It was breathtaking. Pictures do not do justice to feeling like you are standing on top of the world. Here are a few things I learned that day. First, the climb to the summit is incredibly hard. Second, the summit comes just after you feel like you can't go another step. And third, the view is worth the struggle.

The mountains are a great spiritual teaching tool. Our walk with Christ is not an easy road to take. Many times along the way you will feel like giving up. The blessings of God seem to arrive immediately following a difficult time of testing. And once we receive the blessings from God we realize that the struggle was worth it. That is true in our earthly lives and I know it will be true in our eternal lives.

*So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Galatians 6:9*

So, hang in there. Remember that something breathtaking is only a few steps away.

—Phillip



**Elders:** Jack Baldwin ♥ Bob Christian ♥ Pinkie Palmer ♥ Greg Pyle

**Deacons:** Austin Christmas ♥ Terry Cloud ♥ David Little ♥ Chase Palmer ♥ John Grubbs ♥ Brandon Smith ♥ Daryl Ware

**Minister:** Phillip Treat