

NICHOLS HILLS

united methodist church



Dr. Trevor Smith

Give All You Can

⁷ Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. -II Corinthians 9:7-8

As Thanksgiving approaches, I think about all of the blessings God has given me, and I find myself overwhelmed by the abundance of love God has poured into my life. God has blessed me with a wonderful wife, two sweet daughters, and a loving family.

God has given me the opportunity to serve in ministry with wonderful people at our church and has abundantly provided for my family's needs. My family has many reasons to be thankful to God. In the coming weeks I hope you will find a few quiet moments to consider the many blessings God has given you.

On All Saints Sunday we will remember our loved ones who have passed away this year by lighting candles for them. Sunday is the beginning of Daylight Savings Time. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour and join us for worship at 8:30 or 10:50 as we continue our **All You Can** sermon series by talking about the way God calls us to **Give All You Can**. Lew McGinnis will share with us how he learned to give and why it feels so good to give all you can.

Consecration Sunday will be on November 14. During our worship services that day, each of us will have the opportunity to make a commitment to God by filling out an estimate of giving card as an act of worship. No one will be pressured to do this, but you will have the opportunity to participate in this meaningful act of worship. I hope you will spend some time prayerfully asking God, "Lord, what percentage of my income are you calling me to give?"

On November 14 we will also enjoy our Harvest Dinner which will be a free catered meal. It is one of the ways we express our gratitude to you for all of the ways you give and serve in ministry in our church. If you attend our 8:30 worship service, we invite you to attend a Sunday School class at 9:45 and then enjoy the Harvest Dinner at 11:00 a.m. If you attend our 10:50 worship service, we invite you to enjoy the Harvest Dinner at noon. This year you will be able to participate in our Harvest Dinner by dining in our Fellowship Hall or picking up a takeout order. If you have not already let us know if you will be able to participate in Consecration Sunday and the Harvest Dinner, please email Delaney Sheffield at dsheffield@nicholshillsumc.org to make your reservation. I hope you will join us for a wonderful Consecration Sunday and Harvest Dinner.

I am very grateful for the way that so many people in our church give generously and serve in ministry. Your generosity and your willingness to serve in ministry truly makes a Christian difference in our church, in our community, and in the world. Thank you for the ways you give to be part of what God is doing in our church and in our lives as we work to help many people experience the love of God. May God continue to richly bless you. I will see you on Sunday.

Blessings,
Trevor

Ministry Calendar

All Saints Sunday, November 7

In Person and Online Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.
Trustees Meeting at 12:15 p.m.
Girl Scouts at 1:30 p.m.



Monday, November 8

Charge Conference at 5:30 p.m.
Women's Alcoholics Anonymous Group at 5:30 p.m.
Stewardship Committee at 6:30
Cub Scouts at 6:30 p.m.
Boy Scouts at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 10

Nichols Thrills at 5:30 p.m.
Praise Band Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.
Co-Dependents Anonymous-6:30

Consecration Sunday, November 14

In Person and Online Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.
Harvest Dinner - 11:00 and Noon

Monday, November 15

Women's Alcoholics Anonymous Group at 5:30 p.m.
Cub Scouts at 6:30 p.m.
Boy Scouts at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 17

Nichols Thrills at 5:30 p.m.
Praise Band Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.
Co-Dependents Anonymous-6:30

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Chancel Flowers

November 7: The chancel flowers are given by Bill and Sandra Smith in memory of their parents.

November 14: The chancel flowers are available.

Mission Candle

November 7: The mission candle is available.

November 14: The mission candle is available.

Acolytes

November 7: Henrietta Dockendorf, Scarlett Hoffman, Gabriel Ireland, and Reese Robinson

November 14: Gabriel Ireland, Henrietta Dockendorf, Avery Smith, and Collier Vaughn

Tithes and Offerings

Your gifts and tithes make a Christian difference and help us share the ministry of Jesus Christ with people in our church and in our community. Checks may be mailed to 1212 Bedford Drive, Nichols Hills, OK 73116.

To make an online donation, visit www.nicholshillsumc.org.

To set up an electronic funds transfer contact the Church Office.

Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness.



We would love for you to join us for in person worship on Sunday mornings at 8:30 or 10:50.

We also are streaming online. You can view our worship services on Facebook every Sunday morning at 8:30 and 10:50. Our Facebook page is facebook.com/nicholshillsumc. Don't have a Facebook account? No worries. You can view our livestream without having an account. You can also view the worship service throughout the week. If you do have a Facebook account, we encourage you to send us a message and let us know you are participating.

We also post the Sermon Notes and the Prayer and Study Guide on Facebook as well as our website, www.nicholshillsumc.org. We look forward to worshipping with you in-person or online!

All You Can



Gain All You Can



Save All You Can



Give All You Can



Put God First

All You Can

All You Can.

It's not more than you can.

It's not less than you can.

It's **All You Can**.

When you put **All You Can** into three simple practices it changes your life. You receive God's blessings, build wealth, and bless people.

Worship with us in person or online as we learn to Gain All You Can, Save All You Can, and Give All You Can.

November 7 *Give All You Can*

November 14 *Put God First*

November 21 *Thank God*

Online Worship: facebook.com/nicholshillsumc

Nichols Thrills

Every generation in the church worries, rightly, about people who just glide along, seeming to enjoy what they hear in church but without it making any real difference.

James faced exactly the same problem in the very first generation. So it's not surprising that translating belief into action—making sure faith is the real thing—is near the heart of his message.

That kind of faith, he explains, is the faith that matters, the faith that justifies, the faith that saves. We need that kind of faith today.

Beginning tonight, join us on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 for a meal and to study James' passionate letter which will help you live out a faith that makes a difference.

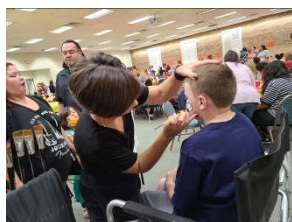
Sign-up in the Narthex after worship or in the Church Office during the week.





Fall Festival

We had a wonderful Fall Festival last Sunday evening. Thank you to Paulette and Robert Gordon, Barbara Hay, Lora Brown, William Stafford, Lee Murphy, Anna Bookout, J.B. Sims, Cheryl Fraley, Sandra Smith, and Cardin and Karlie Hart for making chili for our Chili Cook-off. Cardin and Karlie won the Golden Spoon. Also thank you to the church staff, T.L.C. staff, and each of you who brought desserts. Enjoy the photos of the fun!



Harvest Dinner

We are looking forward to our Consecration Sunday and Harvest Dinner on November 14. We invite you to worship with us that day and encourage you to make your reservation using the card below for our Harvest Dinner, which is a free catered meal.



Consecration Sunday and Harvest Dinner Reservation Card

I (we) will attend online or in person worship and the Harvest Dinner on Sunday, November 14.

Yes _____ No _____

Number of Adult Dinners _____

Number of Child Dinners _____

Harvest Dinner Time: **11:00 a.m.** or **Noon** *(Circle One)*

Dine In or Takeout *(Circle One)*

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Leaving a Legacy

The search for significance and desire to plan for the future leads many people to ponder their legacy. What kind of legacy will you leave?

A bequest is perhaps the easiest and most tangible way to have a lasting impact on the people and organizations that mean the most to you. A bequest may also be an effective way to make a gift to your church and lessen the burden of taxes on your family and estate. Your gifts can be designated by you to fund a specific ministry or left undesignated to meet future needs as determined by our church's leadership.

If you would like to learn more about how you can leave a legacy through a planned gift to our church, please visit with our senior pastor, Dr. Trevor Smith.





Claire Fraley,
Director of
Children and
Youth Ministry

Children's Ministry

We had a great Fall Festival this past Sunday with around 250 people from our church family and our community. Thank you to everyone who brought items to help make our Fall Festival one to remember! I loved getting to see all the children's creative costumes and meet new families. A special thank you to our partners at Earl's Rib Palace for donating two \$20 gift cards and Raising Cane's for providing tea and lemonade. Between having delicious food, games, crafts, hayrides, and s'mores, it is safe to say that fun was had by all!

We will rehearse for our Christmas Pageant at our next Cross Crew on November 7th from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m. The children have already been working hard on rehearsing their lines and music for the pageant. We will continue to practice every Sunday during Sunday School (9:45 a.m.) and Children's Church (during the 10:50 a.m. service). If you want your child to be part of our wonderful Christmas Pageant, we still have roles that need to be filled! Contact the church at (405) 842-1486 or email me directly at cfraley@nicholshillsumc.org.

Blessings,
Claire

Birthdays

11/09 Tim Baker
11/09 Lew McGinnis
11/09 Karen McLain
11/11 Mary Ann Sanders
11/12 Mary Bentley
11/12 Martin Howell
11/13 Katherine Buxton
11/14 Jack Love
11/14 Mary Kate Magness
11/15 Ryan Sandfort
11/17 Ian Heflin
11/18 John Heflin
11/19 Frances Thompson
11/20 Frank Miskovsky, III
11/21 Win Holbrook
11/21 Angie Sanger
11/25 Gabriel Ireland
11/28 Rich McLain
11/29 Michael Hall
11/30 Mark Sullivan
11/30 Perry Tirrell

Are you or your family members not on our birthday list? Call the church office at 405-842-1486 to let us know your birthdays.

Moved? Phone Number Changed?

If you have recently moved or changed your phone number or email address, please contact the Church Office at 405-842-1486 to let us know.

Cares and Concerns

Town Village

Bette Harris

The Fountains at Canterbury

Anita Dahlgren

Iris Senior Living

Lynn Greene

At Home

Roger Etling, Frances Lewis,
David Mueller

Tidbits from The Learning Center



Denise Buthion,
T.L.C. Director

What a wonderful time of the year! The classrooms celebrated with our Fall Festival and Halloween parties, too. Children painted pumpkins, made ghost pictures and black cats. They wore costumes in the afternoon for their parties. The children enjoyed sweets and healthy snacks. Some teachers dressed up, too. It was a terrific ending to the month of October. Our families are such awesome participants in The Learning Center. They contributed treats, drinks, pizzas, and chicken nuggets. Thank you all for making this such an awesome experience for our children.

-Denise



Daylight Savings Time

This Sunday, November 7, don't forget to set your clocks back one hour.

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

The Brew Class: *Meets in The Conference Room* - Bring your coffee and join “The Brew” as we gather for fellowship and a study on Revelation. For more information about “The Brew” contact Tim Baker (405) 209-5467.

KIVA Class: *Meets in the Parlor* - Join us as we learn from speakers on various topics. Leaders: Dennis and Delores Bradford.

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. The Reveille Class will be restarting soon. Teacher: Tom Fraley.

Open Circle Class: *Meets in the Archives Room* - Join us as we gather for fellowship and a meaningful study. Our Circle is always Open.

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

First 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: Claire Fraley

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. Leader: Claire Fraley

Dr. Trevor Smith, Senior Pastor
Michael Wylder, Director of Church Music
Delaney Sheffield, Director of Communications
Claire Fraley, Director of Children’s Ministries
Dr. Antone Godding, Organist
Kathy Smith, Treasurer
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