



# Eastern Hills Church of Christ

April 27, 2025

... to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to

become children of  
**GOD.**

John 1:12, NRSV

Welcome to our Gathering!  
If you are a guest, we are thrilled to have you with us this morning.

We would love it if you would fill out this section, tear it off, *and drop it in the collection plate* so that we may have a record of your visit.

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I AM A . . .

First time visitor  
 Regular visitor  
 Member

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT

Growing my faith  
 Serving the Church Family  
 Outreach & church community

\*Please use the back of this slip for prayer requests



## SERVING IN WORSHIP

### April 27

Song Leader: Dakota Nowell  
Call to Worship: Chase Palmer  
Welcome: Phillip Treat  
Communion: Billy Hydrick  
Scripture Reading: Chris Yarberry  
Closing Prayer: Greg Browning  
A/V: Terry Cloud, Sheila Little  
Nursery: Kristy Puesta, Holly Allen

### May 4

Song Leader: David Little  
Call to Worship: John Grubbs  
Welcome: Phillip Treat  
Communion: Ned Dennis  
Scripture Reading: L. C. Turner  
Closing Prayer: Tre Turner  
A/V: Ben Puesta, Debbie Ware  
Nursery: Sally Crossley, Sheila Little

**April Greeters:** Tom & Melva Toy, Carrell Dennis

### April Communion

East: Dakota Nowell, Steve Owen, Patrick Parker, Jason Petersen  
West: Ben Puesta, Brandon Pyle, Phillip Smith, Yancey Sumner  
Preparation: Lafe & Marla Caton

### May Communion

East: Aiden Ponder, Colton Wilson, Tom Toy, L. C. Turner  
West: Tre Turner, Blake Ware, Chris Yarberry, Cesar Zambrano  
Preparation: Holly Allen, Donna Lovelace

## CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

April 27	Chester Jones
	Dakota & Damaris Nowell
April 30	Paul Hollingshead
	Steve Nanny
May 2	Becky Palmer
	Kristy Puesta
	Michael & Tanya Davidson

## FOR THE RECORD

April 20		160
Worship		\$ 9,519
Offering		\$ 6,250

## IN OUR PRAYERS

Cindy Pinder, Donna Lovelace's sister-in-law.  
The Bradbury twins, Jase and Amelia, and parents, Jacob and Amanda.  
Barry Sharp (Becky's son) has advanced leukemia  
Juanita Mansholt has a cracked pelvis non-weight bearing  
Jody George is undergoing radiation  
Shelby Anders is undergoing radiation  
Kay Orange, Wanda Owen's sister  
Judy Owen, Steve's sister, stage 4 kidney failure  
Scotty Ford is receiving treatment  
Randy Woodruff to regain his strength  
Chris Young - sciatica  
Mark Little  
Lynda Waits  
**SHUT-INS**  
**Reunion Inn:** Roberta Maloney, Geri Phillips  
**Marshall Manor:** Lynda McConnell  
**Arabella of Longview:** Lillian Simmons  
**Home:** Glenna Lowe, Jean Spencer, Sandy Jones, Becky McLendon, Janie Powers

## DEACON UPDATE

Based on recommendations from the congregation, many prayers and discussions we would like to propose the following men to serve as deacons: Lafe Caton, Dakota Nowell, Brandon Pyle, Dan Streety and Richard Yarberry. We desire your feedback before they are officially installed as deacons of our church family. Contact Carrell Dennis, Chase Palmer, Brandon Smith or Phillip Treat on or before Sunday, May 4th.

## HAPPENINGS

### TODAY

- \* **Young Adults** get together for lunch and discussion about navigating LIFE.
- \* Youth Group Devo tonight hosted by the Caton/Treat group. Service Project at the building.
- \* **Bridal Shower honoring Jessica Key** at 3:00. She is registered at Walmart, Target & Amazon.
- **May 3 - Mission Garage Sale.** Donations accepted April 28-30. Adults are needed on Monday, 4/28 to help set up for the sale and again on the day of the sale. Signup on the wall in the lobby. Talk to Sheila Little if you have any questions.
- **May 11 - Mother's Day**
- **May 18 - Senior Sunday**
- **LADIES BIBLE CLASS** 9:30 AM on Tuesday
- **WEDNESDAY NIGHT LADIES' CLASS** at 6:30 PM
- **Men's Bible Study** Wednesday at 9:00 AM

## **SIMPLE SALVATION**

When Jesus was on earth He spent His entire life being misunderstood. Around the time of Jesus' birth King Herod's misunderstanding of Jesus caused him to order the killing of all babies fearing his earthly throne was threatened. At the age of 12 Jesus' parents could not understand why He stayed behind in Jerusalem talking with the teachers in the temple. Throughout His ministry years He was misunderstood by His rivals, friends and followers. Sadly even today Jesus is misunderstood. Ask anyone what it means to follow Jesus and you will get a number of wrong answers.

Wrong answer #1: To follow Jesus you must have an impressive list of accomplishments. On a number of occasions Jesus took time away from the crowds to spend time with small children. He loved them and blessed them. And what had they accomplished in life? Nothing yet!

Wrong answer #2: To follow Jesus you must have a good reputation. Jesus called a tax collector named Matthew right out of his booth to be one of His disciples. Jesus also spent a day at the house of a tax collector named Zacchaeus. Tax collectors were not respected by the Romans and absolutely hated by the Jews.

Wrong answer #3: To follow Jesus you must be living a good life. When confronted with a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery, Jesus not only saved her, He even refused to condemn her. When coming face to face with a man that was so evil the community bound him by chains in the cemetery, Jesus saved Him and made him a missionary.

Wrong answer #4: To follow Jesus you must give a lot of money. After watching many rich people give bags of money at the temple Jesus praised a widow who gave only a couple of pennies.

Wrong answer #5: To follow Jesus you must commit to years of service. Jesus saved a dying criminal on the cross beside him that had only moments to live and could offer absolutely no future acts of service.

So what does it take to be a follower of Jesus?

*But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. Ephesians 2:4-5*

There is nothing that you have done or are doing that can keep you from following Jesus. There is nothing that you can do or give that can earn your salvation. Just put your faith in Him, accept the gift of grace and follow Him. It's really just that simple.

--Phillip

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**Deacons:** Terry Cloud ♥ John Grubbs ♥ David Little