

January 1, 2012

South Hutchinson Mennonite Church Connections



Worship.



Connect.



Grow.



Serve.



Worship.

Worship Fully:

Discovering God daily and responding with awe.

This Week at SHMC

~ Events at Journey @ Yoder in italics ~

Today, January 1

Happy New Year!

9:00 & 10:30am Worship Celebrations
10:00 am Friendship Time in the Fellowship Hall
Cinnamon Rolls, coffee and juice are available. Please help yourself.

9:29 am *Worship Celebration*

Monday, January 2

All Day Office is closed

Tuesday, January 3

6:00 pm Mennonite Women Quilting

Wednesday, January 4

All Day Pastor Eric—HRMC Chaplain
9:00 am Mennonite Women
7:30 pm Praise Team Practice

Thursday, January 5

6:00 pm *Activity Center reserved*

Saturday, January 7

All Day *Out of the Pew Student Event*
1:30 pm G.A.L.S. at the Menn. Manor

Next Sunday, January 8

7:30 am Prayer gathering in Room 24
8:30, 9:45 and 11:00 am
Worship Celebrations
9:30 and 10:45 Friendship time in the Fellowship Hall. Coffee & Juice available
9:45 am Christian Education classes for all ages and student small groups
9:29 am *Worship Celebration*
10:29 am *Children's classes, student small groups and 2nd Hour Scripture.*
11:00 am Coffee With the Pastors

12:00 am Carry-In Meal followed by Town Hall Meeting
5:30 pm Senior Adult Fellowship
6:00 pm *JHM (Junior High Ministry) at the Activity Center*
7:00 pm *HSM (High School Ministry) at the Worship Center*

Upcoming Calendar

January 8 Coffee With the Pastors 11:00 am

January 8 Town Hall Meeting @ the South Hutch Campus with carry-in meal. Childcare will be provided. If your last name begins with:

A-L bring Salad and Main Dish

M-Z bring Vegetable and Dessert

January 22 Annual meeting with joint worship service at Journey @ Yoder. If your last name begins with:

A-L bring vegetable and dessert

M-Z bring salad and main dish

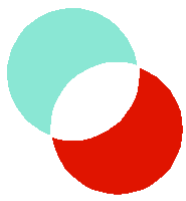
Spring—trip to Bolivia (end of April) Information sheet is beside the piñata on the Advent Conspiracy table.



Worship Fully

Discovering God daily and responding with awe.

From the scriptures to sunsets, whether we're together or alone we are relentlessly looking for God's fingerprints in everything. When we discover the breathtaking reality that "God is in this place," it compels us to respond.



Connect.

Connect with Others!

Building authentic relationships and experiencing God in community.

SHMC Connections

A Would you like to explore what membership at SHMC is all about? Pastor Howard and Alaina Kaufman will be leading a class January 4, 11 and 19, 2012 (Wednesday), 7 to 9 pm at South Hutchinson. If you want to join this class, please sign up for the class at the Connection Center.

Share what you believe— Invite your friends to Movie Night at your home. We have a number of great movies in the SHMC library. One you might want to check out is the "Roots"



A Are you wanting and/or needing exercise? It's cold outside, so walk inside! The Activity Center at Yoder campus will be open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 2-4 p.m. for you to walk. Bring a friend—or walk with the other SHMC and community folks that you find there.



A Don't forget to leave your used quarterlies and devotionals in our classrooms or at the Connection Center. They will be sent to Edwin L. Hodges ministries in Decatur, AL. Some go overseas where Christian literature is in short supply.



Connect.

Connect with Others

Building authentic relationships and experiencing God in community. We have been created in the image of a relational God and were made to live in community.



A Join Pastors Sheri, Jesse and Howard for **Coffee With the Pastors**. This will be held **Sunday, January 8**, 11:00 am in room # 7 at the east end of the fellowship hall. This is an informal time to visit with the pastors and a great time to ask questions.

W **G.A.L.S.** (God's Amazing Love Sustains) is a group of women who have experienced the loss of their spouse through death. This month, they are meeting January 8 (instead of the 1st Sunday of the month) at the Mennonite Manor at 1:30 p.m. You are invited to join the group. Call Verna Smith (662-8552) for more information.

A **Mid America Foods is now available** as a replacement for Angel Food Ministries. This program will save you many dollars on your food budget. **We invite you try it! SAVE!**

You may view the menu at www.shmcfamily.org on the "Serve" page.

The second distribution will be Saturday, January 28, from 12:00-1:00 pm. **Volunteers** are needed to help with distribution and also some volunteers are needed to go to Wichita to get our food.

For the Record December Budget \$61,276

December 25 Attendance: 300
Our Praise Offering: \$13,162

SHMC is a loving congregation, joyfully giving God 10% of our income!

Advent Conspiracy Giving: \$56,618

Percentage	Amount
100%	\$61,276 (December Budget)
92.5%	\$56,618 (Advent Conspiracy Giving)
51.5%	\$51,864 (Total Giving)
21.5%	\$13,162 (Praise Offering)

A All

W Women

M Men

S Student

C Children

CA College Age



Grow.

Grow in Christ:

Knowing Jesus and modeling our lives after Him.

Student Ministries

S Sunday mornings:

Student Small Groups meet weekly on Sunday mornings at 9:45 am at South Hutch and at 10:29 am at Journey @ Yoder. Small group time gives students a way to Connect with Others, Grow in Christ, and Serve with Passion. Small groups are based on gender and age to allow students to really connect and share with each other. We are doing some awesome studies and also have opportunities to serve the larger church.

S Student Ministries Sunday evenings:

JHM (Junior High Ministry) 6:00 to 7:30 pm at Journey @ Yoder. Fun and crazy games and a time for worship.

- Jan 1 No Youth Activities
- Jan 8 Snacks: Lucas Dunbar
Drinks: Anna Baker

HSM (High School Ministry) meets at 7:00 pm for worship then continues on until 8:30 with games and hanging out.

- Jan 1 No Youth Activities
- Jan 8 Snacks: Carlos & Maria Riemann
Drinks: Taylor & Makenzie Nisly

Up Coming Youth Events

January 7, High School Students are invited to **Out of the Pew** Event at Journey @ Yoder. Cost \$5.00.



Young Christian's Weekend (March 2012)
Cost is \$135.00



CA **Young Adults—a new Sunday school group** will meet January 8 at 9:45 in room #27 across from the office at the South Hutchinson campus. We will decide together what we're interested in talking about whether it's Bible study or discussing topics. If you would like more information, please contact Susan Nisly at 620-474-6143 or email snisly@hotmail.com.

Children's Ministry

C January's Virtue:

Self-Control: Choosing to do what you should do, not what you want to do.

God can give you the power to control yourself.

There will be no Sunday School classes for children today, New Year's day. On New Year's day, the nursery will be open and staffed.

Due to holiday schedules we are postponing the January KIDJam one week, to January 11. We'll explore our January virtue and how to live it out in the world.



See you then!

W Plan to attend the SHMC

Women of Worth, Vessels

Overflowing with Living Water

Women's Conference, February 3 and 4 at the Airport Hilton in Wichita. Sign up today at the Connection Center.



Congratulations to Krista Nisly! She won the free registration to the retreat!

Someone is looking for the study from Kay Arthur, "Lord, Teach Me to Pray." There should be a DVD set with it. We are trying to locate it, if you have the study would you please return it to the church office.



Grow in Christ

Knowing Jesus and modeling our lives after Him.

Scriptures:

- Matthew 28:19-20
- John 14:6
- Acts 2:42
- Hebrews 1:1-3
- Philippians 2:5-8





Serve.

Serve with Passion:

Joining God's mission to extend love, forgiveness, and compassion to the world.

A Advent Conspiracy

We are exploring the possibility of a **spring mission trip** to Bolivia. Information is available at the Advent Conspiracy table. If you are interested, contact Pastor Sheri.



The goal of \$40,500 has been exceeded.

- Total Raised as of December 29, 2011 is \$56,389! Praise God!
- The money raised over the goal will go to help people go on the spring mission trip.

A SHMC groups, SS classes, families and individuals serve The Garden downtown ministry by preparing & serving a meal for 40 people on Saturday evenings. This is a great opportunity to see how God is working in the downtown area.



Sign up for a meal or two in the first quarter of the year at the Connection Center for the Saturday of your choice or call the church office at 663-4244 for more info.

A Recycle your old directories and booklets. We will re-use the comb spines. You can place your directories in the box under the cappuccino machine in the Fellowship Hall.



Serve with Passion

Joining God's mission to extend love, forgiveness, and compassion to the world.

- A** All **W** Women **M** Men **S** Student **C** Children **CA** College Age

Our staff is here to walk with you

Howard Wagler, Lead Pastor
 Eric Miller, Associate Pastor
 Sheri Saner, Children's Outreach Pastor
 Jeremy Patterson, Journey @ Yoder Campus Pastor
 Jesse Blasdel, Student Outreach Pastor
 Cindy Headings, Administrator
 Jean Willems, Receptionist/Secretary
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A Share your pics!



If you are at a church event or gathering and you get some great pictures that could be used by the church – you can drop them in our Dropbox on the web. Go to www.dropbox.com, log in with the email address: cindyh@shmcfamily.org and password "dropbox". Then just upload your pics to share!

W Women's Sewing will be held **Tuesday evening**, January 3rd at 6:00 p.m. This is a great place to learn to quilt, so please join us if you can not attend on Wednesday during the day.

We meet at our regular time, **Wednesday, January 4th**, 9:00 am. Come when you can, leave when you must.

Project: twin size blankets.

Hostesses: Judy King and Sarah Hall

Devotions: Cathy Wagler

Come and enjoy the fellowship while working with our hands to help those in need!

Bring a dish to share.