

OCTOBER

2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 EHCA Standardized Testing	2 To Lantern Ridge Restaurant	3
4	5	6	7	8 CBA Annual Meeting @ FBC Moriarity	9	10 Memorial Service for Lanee Lackey Women's Ministry
11 EHCA Fall Break Adults on Mission Pastor/Clergy Appreciation Sunday	12 Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples Day Canadian Thanksgiving	13	14	15 CornerStone Game Day	16 EHCA Parent/Teacher Conferences No School	17 Men's Breakfast
18 Living Nativity Lunch	19 EHCA Teacher Training EHCA No School BCNM Annual Mtg - EHBC	20	21 The Forge	22 EHCA 5th Grade Seder Meal Memorial Service for Iva Krogman	23	24 Blessing Bag Assembly
25 Budget Discussion OCC Packing Party	26	27 EHCA Picture Retakes	28 TBA	29	30 EHCA Book Parade and 5th Grade Book Tasting	31 TRUNK OR TREAT

NOVEMBER

2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Daylight-Saving Time Ends	2	3	4 EHBC Feeds the UNM Christian Challenge	5	6	7
8 Adults on Mission DISCIPLE NOW	9	10	11 EHCA Closed Veterans Day	12	13 Nichols/Raykovics Wedding Rehearsal EHCA Movie Night	14 Nichols/Raykovics Wedding Women's Ministry Leadership Meeting
15 Business Meeting Budget Vote	16	17	18 The Forge	19	20	21 Men's Breakfast
22 Distribute Gingerbread Kits International Missions Speaker Turkey Dinner	23	24	25	26 Church Office Closed	27	28
29 Distribute Gingerbread Kits Week of Prayer for International Missions First Sunday of Advent	30 WoP Dessert Fellowships					

People helping people live out the unexpected love of Jesus every day. This is Eastern Hills' mission as a church: to help one another be more like Jesus, and to help others hear about, experience, and live out His unexpected love every day.

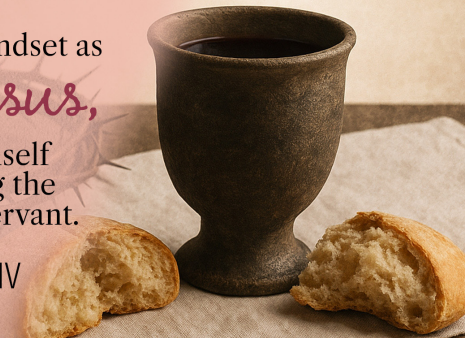
Our values declare that we are an **AUTHENTIC FAMILY**: We have fun and encourage each other through life's ups and downs. We value **REAL TRUTH**: We dig into Scripture for clarity in a confusing world. **TRANSFORMATIONAL GROWTH** is our third value: We thrive as we learn to become more like Jesus together. And finally, we desire to make a **PRACTICAL IMPACT**: We seek to meet the needs of our neighbors wherever we find them.

INFORMER



Have the same mindset as
Christ Jesus,
who... made himself
nothing by taking the
very nature of a servant.

Philippians 2:5-7, NIV



Celebrating the
Lord's Supper
October 11

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Needed:
Actors, Guides,
Narrators, Greeters
and Builders

Living Nativity
December 11-13
Courtyard and Parking Lot
Sign up today to be
a part of our new
Family Tradition

EHBC's Living Nativity will be a walk thru Nativity for the entire community.

Sign Up at
ehbc.org/signup
or scan here





THANK YOU SHEPHERDS!

If you are not aware of it, I refer to those who serve in EHBC KIDS, the Children's Ministry of EHBC, as Shepherds. I do that because those who serve in EHBC KIDS are more than volunteers or helpers, they Shepherd His children. They guide and direct the next generation. They spend time sharing the Gospel with those they are in charge of through not only the lessons and teachings, but by their words, their expressions, their love. I have been involved in Children's Ministry for over 27 years. When I say that I believe Children's Ministry is the greatest mission field in the church today, I truly believe it.

We usually only have 90-180 minutes with the children each week. That's it. 3 hours max out of 168 hours each week. Friends, this is why I am saying THANK YOU to our Shepherds, they make sure each time they serve to make it one of the best 3 hours of that child's week.

Shepherds, each of you are a blessing. You serve His kiddos with love and compassion. Some sacrifice your time from your Sunday School class, some from your time in Family Worship. Sacrificial service may cost each of you something, but it reflects Jesus' love most clearly. When each of you sacrificially give, others glimpse the humility and heart of Christ. Each of you are living out John 13:14. Again, Thank You Shepherds!

-Pastor Joe



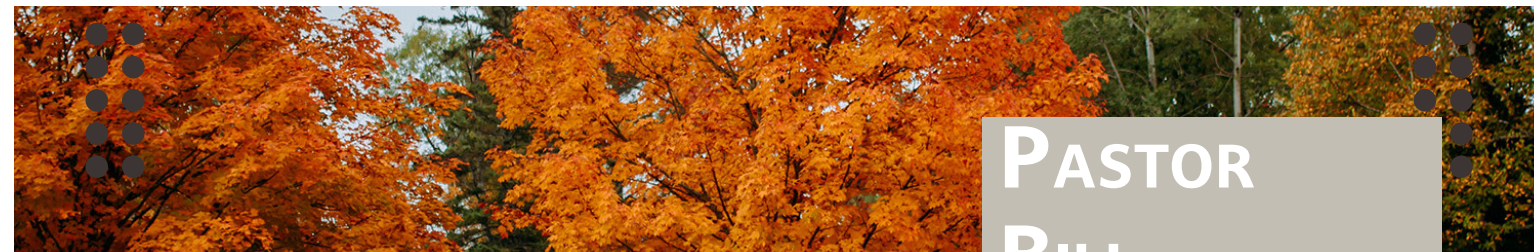
We are here to serve the Families and Children of Eastern Hills Baptist Church

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PASTOR
BILL

Earlier this year, we spent several weeks considering the four Core Values that describe who we are and who we want to become as the church family of Eastern Hills. Over the next few months, I want to remind us of those values, beginning with the first:

AUTHENTIC FAMILY: We have fun and encourage each other through life's ups and downs.

I love that this value begins with the word *authentic*. We aren't trying to pretend that we have everything together. We aren't claiming that church life is always easy or that relationships are never messy. Families have celebrations and disappointments, laughter and tears, victories and struggles. Authentic families walk through all of those things together. That's what I love about Eastern Hills.

When I preached about Authentic Family back in February, we looked at Acts 2:42-47 and the picture Luke gives us of the earliest church. Those believers were **devoted, generous, joyful, and sincere**. They learned together, prayed together, worshiped together, shared meals together, cared for one another's needs, and simply enjoyed being together. Their faith in Jesus made them family.

That's important because Christian community isn't merely something we attend. **It's something we belong to.**

Scripture repeatedly refers to Christians as brothers and sisters because, through Christ, God has brought us into His family. That means the people sitting around us on Sunday morning aren't just fellow attendees at a weekly religious event. We belong to Christ, and because we belong to Christ, we belong to one another. But belonging requires something from us.

Acts 2 says those first Christians "**devoted themselves**" to the life of the church. Their relationships didn't happen accidentally. They chose to invest in one another. And authentic family still requires that kind of intentionality today.

None of us can know everyone at Eastern Hills deeply. But every one of us can know *someone*. We can join a Bible study group. Invite someone to lunch. Make a phone call. Send a text. Engage in the church app. Pray with someone going through a difficult season. Sit beside someone we don't know. Bring a meal. Celebrate a birthday. Share a cup of coffee. Laugh together. Cry together.

In other words, we can **have fun and encourage each other through life's ups and downs.**

I'm grateful that so much of this already happens at Eastern Hills. I see genuine friendships here. I see people generously meeting needs. I hear laughter in our hallways. I see people praying for each other, serving each other, checking on each other, and walking alongside each other when life hurts. I've personally experienced that kind of love from this church family for decades. Just this past Sunday, I got to be a part of this kind of family care, as a group of folks intentionally came around another member who was hurting.

But remember, our Core Values are not only **descriptive** of who we are; they are also **aspirational**. They express who we believe God is calling us to become more and more.

So let me encourage you to ask yourself from our desired outcomes: **How am I helping others feel known, seen, and part of the Eastern Hills family?**

Maybe there's someone you've been meaning to call. Call them. Maybe you're not connected to a smaller group where people can really know you. Take that step. Maybe someone around you is carrying a burden that you could help carry. Maybe there's a new face on Sunday morning who simply needs someone to ask, "Would you like to come sit with us."

Authentic family doesn't happen because it appears on a list of Core Values. It happens when ordinary followers of Jesus intentionally treat one another like the family that we are.

Jesus said that the world would recognize His disciples by our love for one another. What a wonderful thing it would be if people encountered Eastern Hills and thought, *There's something different about the way those people care for each other.*

Church family, **this is who we are. And, by God's grace, it's also who we're becoming.**

Let's keep building an authentic family together.

Blessings, Bill





The election is moving into full swing. Over the next couple of weeks we will be bombarded by election ads and wishing it would just all end. If you took advantage of the ERLC's Candidate Meet & Greet, you may have already heard the information you needed from your candidate and are prepared to vote. If not, you still have time to do your homework and decide which candidate best suits your beliefs. Early voter registration will be closing October 6th but you will still be able to register the day you go in to vote. Early voting will begin also on the 6th at limited locations, and in just a couple of weeks, October 17th at all polling locations. If you need help finding a location we can assist. The ERLC will have sample ballots available to be printed at their booth to aid you with your decision. Please take the time to exercise your rights so you are making the decision and not having it made for you by someone else who does not share your ideals. The ERLC is available for any needs you have in this process. Come by the booth or ask any of the committee members if you have a request.



Wednesday November 4th Eastern Hills will provide the free lunch to College students at the UNM Christian Challenge. Your

staff will help serve the meal, but we need desserts to accompany. If you can provide a dessert for this lunch, please drop it by the office on Wednesday November 4th, by 9:00 am.

CHURCHWIDE INFO...



Tis the Season! - Start collecting items for your shoebox now!
Box distribution will start Oct. 4
Our church packing party will be on Sunday October 25 after the AM Service - Lunch provided

Is your family or someone you know in need of help during the Thanksgiving season? We want to help with a Thanksgiving food basket. Please call the church office and let us know of the need.



AVAILABLE:
Our Nursery is giving away 2 small cribs that are no longer used, but in good condition. These are great for a grandparent's home.



STUDENT MINISTRY

COME, FALL, COME!

Our next big event is DiscipleNOW! November 6-8. We are learning to "Follow" Jesus.

The following weekend, one of our youth workers is getting married! Please pray for JD Nichols and his bride-to-be, Elizabeth Raykovics.

I hope you enjoy these pictures from McCall's, the pumpkin-carving after-party, See You at the Pole, our hot chocolate night, and kitchen discipleship!



Pray for new hearts in Jesus! And to "win" by gaining wisdom!





WOMEN'S MINISTRY
Saturday, October 10
2 TO 4 PM in Miller Hall
Cool Prizes!



SATURDAY, OCT. 17
8:00 AM • FLC/GYM

MEN'S/WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Shop for Jewelry, Purses and Scarves
at the

FALL
"BLING SHOW"
...Benefiting Albuquerque Leadership

Foundation

Free Event

Prices range from \$3 to \$14
(excluding high end jewelry/purses)

Friday, October 16, 4 pm to 8 pm

Saturday, October 17, 9 am to 1 pm

Netherwood Park Church of Christ

5101 Indian School Rd. NE

Future Event



CORNERSTONE 60+ MINISTRY

LANTERN RIDGE FARM MARKET
Cornerstone Lunch Excursion
October 2nd

12540 NM-14, Sandia Park, NM 87047

Meet at the church to carpool at 11:15 am
or Meet at the restaurant at 11:45 am

Enjoy the cool New Mexico Mountain Air and
a good meal.
Sign up!



Donuts and Lunch
Thursday, October 15
9:30 AM • Miller Hall
Sign Up!

Interested in serving in the nursery?
A lot of arms needed to hold babies!
Or Sandbox with more hands-on teaching,
games and crafts! Tell Michael if you're interested.



Second Chance TBA
(No need to sign up for this one)
Wednesday, Oct. 28 • 11:00 AM

Less than 90 days until Christmas!!!!
Christmas Party
Thursday, December 17 • 11 AM • MH
CRAZY Gift Exchange

Don't forget to sign up for
these events; sign up sheets
are in the foyer on the Get
Connected Table.



Faithful Brothers and Sisters in Christ - Colossians 1:2

