

Trust Your Creator

My mother passed away a few years ago and with her went a few amazing talents. One of the things that she was great at was making pecan pie. I've had good pot luck dinner pecan pies and some really good restaurant pecan pies, but none could even compare to mom's homemade pecan pies. Another thing mom was really good at was Thanksgiving dressing. The only dressing that could even compare with moms was my mother-in-law's dressing and now the dressing my wife makes. I'm starting to understand why I have always stayed just a little bit on the heavy side. But cooking was not my mom's super power. My mom's real super power was sizing up people in a matter of minutes. When I brought a friend home for the first time my mom could instantly tell me if they were going to be good for me or not. This was especially true when I brought home a girlfriend. After meeting them once I would either get a thumbs up or a thumbs down from mom. And with hindsight, she was right 100% of the time. To this day I have no idea how she did it. She could see through the surface to see what their real character was like.

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2:10

As good as mom was at judging others she was not as good as God. Mom had the ability to see what people were in the past and what they were at the moment. But she lacked two things. First, she was not their creator. And second, she could not see their potential. When we allow other people to judge us and define us we end up with a second rate evaluation. We allow others to label us because of what we have done in the past or what we are currently doing. We can learn a lot from that, but that is not the whole picture. Only our creator knows exactly what we were created to be and only God knows exactly what we can become. And, this is important, our God is not a pessimist. God is not assuming we will fail. God has blessed each of us with abilities and opportunities that will bring out the best in us. God is hoping each of us will succeed. It all boils down to the decisions we make today and tomorrow. Yes, I miss my mom. But I am sure glad that she is not in charge.

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Pulpit Minister: Phillip Treat ♥ **Childrens' Director:** Marla Caton

Deacons: Terry Cloud ♥ John Grubbs ♥ David Little

Dakota Nowell ♥ Brandon Pyle ♥ Richard Yarberry



September 20, 2026

*You are Welcomed
Here*

Eastern Hills Church of Christ

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Marshall, TX

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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

Bible Class 9:30,

Worship 10:30,

6PM - Sunday Evenings

Wednesday

Devo & Bible Classes at 6:30

GIVING

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Sermon Notes

Order of Worship

More Precious than Silver, Step by Step
We Bow Down 963,970,984
Call to Worship
Prayer
We Praise Thee, O God 732
Welcome
Let Every Heart Rejoice and Sing 388
Lamb of God 950
Lord’s Supper
Offering
Children’s Lesson
The Days of Elijah
Scripture Reading
James 4:13-15
Sound Bites
“ What is it?”
There’s a Fountain Free 655
Family News
When We All Get to Heaven 756

Celebrating This Week

Sept 25 Jeanette Quinn
Sept. 27 JoAnna Hite

For the Record
September 13

Worship	170
Offering	\$ 4,627
Budget	\$ 6,250

Serving in Worship

Sept 20
Song Leader: Chase Palmer
Call to Worship: Lafe Caton
Welcome: Phillip Treat
Communion: Ned Dennis
Scripture Reading : Austin McNeal
Closing Prayer: Tom Toy
A/V: Greg Browning & Debbie Ware
Nursery: Holly Allen & Kristy Puesta
Bible Hour: Whitney & Brandon Pyle
Sept 27
Song Leader: David Little
Call to Worship: Dakota Nowell
Welcome: Phillip Treat
Communion: Brandon Smith
Scripture Reading: Camden McNeely
Closing Prayer: Ned Dennis
A/V: Greg Browning & Debbie Ware
Nursery: Marla Caton & Wanda Owen
Bible Hour– Radi & Scott Quinn
Sept Greeters: Marla & Lafe Caton, Pat George
Sept Communion: Sheila Little

EAST: Blake Ware, Ben Puesta, Chris Yarberry, Aiden Ponder
WEST: LC Turner, Tre Turner, Jimmy Crossley, Mason Hite



HARVEST SHED
This year we will be teaming up with the elementary schools in the area as well as the jr. high. We will be helping 60 families in the area.



Praise

Pinkie Palmer’s heart cath went great

In Our Prayers
Donna Lovelace & family-sickness and father is at end stage of his life
Ronnie Elliott, friend of Woodruffs and new convert, battling cancer
Elice McNeely’s mom
Dixie Hall– surgery on 09.24
Tanya Davidson–
Renee Cloud’s Brother, Ken Evans– stage 4 cancer
Jody George
Sympathy:
Home Bound: Glena Lowe, Sandy Jones, Becky McLendon, Janie Powers, Dixianna Upton, Lynda Waits
Marshall Manor: Lynda McConnell

TEACHERS OF THE QUARTER
Damaris & Dakota Nowell
K-2nd grade class

Happenings

- ◆ Sept 20– Harvest Shed begins
- ◆ Sept 21– Marshall Manor Devo @ 10
- ◆ Sept 26– EHCOC Kids– Shreveport Aquarium
- ◆ Sept 30– EHCOC Kids Songfest w/ simple supper @ Reunion Inn @ 5
- ◆ Oct 05– Marshall Manor Devo @ 10
- ◆ Oct 10– EHCOC Kids go to Zoo in Tyler
- ◆ Oct 15– JOY Luncheon @ 11:30
- ◆ Ladies Wed Night Bible class @ 6:30
- ◆ Men’s Wed Morning Bible Study @ 9a.m
- ◆ Ladies Tues Morning Bible Class @ 9:30