

# Upcoming Events



## Back to School Party

Saturday, August 27, 2011

Back to School Party! - Baseball & Swimming

All invited - children, youth, families & friends!!!

We will kick off the fall youth program with a fun evening at

QuikTrip park for baseball, swimming, all-you-can-eat buffet, and fireworks!

Swimming starts at 6:00 pm. Food at 6:30 pm.

AirHogs baseball game starts at 7:05 pm.

Tickets will be on sale soon - Tickets: \$10 (Only 50 tickets available)

## Promotion Sunday

Teacher Appreciation Breakfast

Sunday, August 28, 2011

9:30-10:30 a.m., Great Hall

Sunday, August 28 is our annual promotion Sunday. All Sunday School classes (Children, youth and adults) gather for breakfast at 9:30 am in the Great Hall. Our children and youth will receive their promotion certificates and take the traditional EDCC walk "over the bridge." All Sunday school teachers from nursery thru adult classes will be recognized for their year of dedication.

## Enjoy Singing?

Come join the Chancel Choir

Sunday, August 28, 2011

12:15-3:45 p.m. (lunch included)

August is recruitment month for the Chancel Choir. If you are interested or know of someone you would like for us to personally invite, please contact us. This is a great time to have fellowship and start on our Fall worship anthems and begin our Sing We Now of Christmas music.

## Fall Bible School

Starts September 11, 2011

Be ready to enter the "Panda Forest" on Sunday,

September 11. Bible School for

Children ages 3 thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade begins at 9:30 AM

until noon...for 4 consecutive Sundays, ending on

Sunday, October 9. Through Bible stories, crafts,

games and even snacks, children will have fun as

they explore Psalm 139...God listening to them...watching over them...and

loving them....no matter what! It promises to be PANDA-TASTIC!



## OPPORTUNITIES AT EAST DALLAS CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Regular at EDCC

- ♦ Elder's Prayer Breakfast - Tuesdays (7 a.m., Disciples Room)
- ♦ Faith in the City (Pub Ministry) - Tuesdays (7:30 p.m., Bryan St. Tavern)
- ♦ Bible Study - Wednesdays (10 a.m., Disciples Room)
- ♦ Knit Witters - 2nd & 4th Tuesdays (10 a.m., Disciples Room)
- ♦ Staff Meeting - Wednesdays, 2:30 p.m. (Disciples Room)

Sunday, August 21

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| 8:30 a.m.  | Worship and Communion, Chapel                 |
| 9:30 a.m.  | Table Worship, Community Room                 |
| 10:10 a.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal                       |
| 10:50 a.m. | Worship and Communion, Sanctuary              |
| 12:15 p.m. | Stewardship Committee Meeting, Disciples Room |

Tuesday, August 23

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| 6:00 p.m. | Wellness Ministry, Disciples Room |
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Saturday, August 27

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| 6:00 p.m. | Back to School Party, QuikTrip Park |
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Sunday, August 28

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| 8:30 a.m.  | PROMOTION SUNDAY<br>Worship and Communion, Chapel<br>Table Worship, Community Room<br>Teacher Appreciation Breakfast<br>and Churchwide Sunday School Class |
| 9:30 a.m.  |  |
| 9:30 a.m.  |  |
| 10:10 a.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal  |
| 10:50 a.m. | Worship and Communion, Sanctuary   |
| 12:15 p.m. | Chancel Choir Retreat  |



EAST DALLAS  
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

August 21, 2011

10:50 A.M.

## ENTERING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

The Gathering: Welcome and Fellowship Rev. Nathan Hill

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude Organist, Dr. Amy Stewart

"Scherzo on Llanfair"  
Wayne L. Wold

Acolytes and Ministers Process

\*Call to Worship Chalice Hymnal 460

"THE CHURCH IN MISSION"

\*Hymn of Praise Hymn 21

"LET THE WHOLE CREATION CRY"  
TUNE: LLANFAIR

\*Invocation Rev. Micah James

\*The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallow'd be Thy Name  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*Prayer Response Hymn 86

"GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS"  
TUNE: FAITHFULNESS

Stanza 1 and Refrain

\*Those who are able, please stand.  
(Nursery is available for children 3 & under)

### EAST DALLAS CHRISTIAN CHURCH STAFF

<b>Rev. Deborah Morgan Stokes</b> Senior Minister	<b>Rev. Nathan Hill</b> Minister of Church Life	<b>Keith Critcher</b> Minister of Music & Worship
<b>Janie Autz</b> Director of Outreach Ministry	<b>Rev. Micah James</b> Minister of Youth	<b>Rev. Patricia Maples</b> Parish Wellness Minister
<b>Raymond Tolentino</b> Business Administrator	<b>Peggy McCurdy</b> Program Director	<b>Phoebe Gonzalez</b> Head Custodian
<b>Dr. Amy Stewart</b> Organist	<b>Courtney Morgan</b> Building Superintendent	
<b>Damaso Luna</b> (Security)	<b>Mirtha Marchan, Karla Ibarra &amp; Maria Chavez</b> (Nursery)	



EAST DALLAS CHRISTIAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of the U.S. and Canada

## Children’s Sermon

Rev. Nathan Hill

*Children’s church is a ministry for children 3 years old through 5th grade. Children will begin morning worship with their families in the Sanctuary until they are called forward for the Children’s Sermon. They are led to Children’s Church, located in the Education Hallway.*

## Scripture Reading

Mike Voigt

Hebrews 11:1-16  
(Pew Bible, NT pp. 225-26)

## Choral Anthem

Chancel Choir

“ANTHEM OF FAITHFULNESS”  
Mark Cabaniss; Arr. Benjamin Harlan

*“We will sing of God’s faithfulness and His love to all generations,  
For His word never fails, His mercy endures,  
redeemed through the sacrifice of Christ we are secure.  
We will sing of God’s glory and His strength to all who seek Him.  
For great are His works, His church will stand,  
upheld by the power of His righteous hand.*

*O children of Abraham, servants of God: Rejoice in His mercy, rejoice in His love.  
He has done great things throughout the earth.  
O tell of His goodness and His excellent worth!  
Disciples of Christ, all children of light: Awaken your spirit to celebrate Life.  
Play on the trumpet, sing to the skies, give thanks to Jehovah, let praises arise!*

*For our God is faithful to all people. His love remains the same from the past and to the future.  
In Him we place our faith forever and forever,  
His power and His spirit will sustain us through all time.*

*“Fear not, I am with thee: O be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid.  
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
up held by My righteous, omnipotent hand.”*

*We will sing of God’s faithfulness and His love to all generations,  
For His word never fails, His mercy endures,  
redeemed through the sacrifice of Christ we are secure.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, faithful is our God!”*

## Sermon

Rev. Micah James

“MANY FAITHFUL, MANY FAMILIES”

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## RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

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### \*Invitation to Christian Life

Hymn 459

“LORD, YOU GIVE THE GREAT COMMISSION” Stanzas 1, 2 & 3  
TUNE: ABBOT’S LEIGH

### Sharing Our Gifts

Rev. Nathan Hill

#### Joys and Concerns

#### Interlude (Deacons move to serve)

#### Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

*Along with your financial gifts, please place the attendance card in the offering tray as it is passed to you.*

## Offertory

Dr. Amy Stewart

“Chorale Prelude on Nun Bitten Wir”  
Dietrich Buxtehude

## \*Congregational Response

Hymn 46

“DOXOLOGY”  
TUNE: OLD HUNDREDTH  
*“Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”*

## \*Prayer of Consecration

Rev. Nathan Hill

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## CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S TABLE

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### Communion Hymn

Hymn 408

“COME, SHARE THE LORD”  
TUNE: DIVERNON

### Words of Institution

Mike Doyle

### Elder’s Blessing of the Bread

Daniel Wells

### Elder’s Blessing of the Cup

Nancy Stalcup

### Sharing of the Elements

*We invite all who love Jesus Christ to share this meal.  
Partake of both bread and cup as they are passed to you.  
Place the cup back in the tray before passing it to your neighbor.  
Please make these moments a time of prayerful confession and forgiveness.*

## \*Words of Going Forth & Benediction

Rev. Micah James

## Postlude

Organist, Dr. Amy Stewart

“Abbot’s Leigh”

Robert Hobby  
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### WANT TO JOIN EAST DALLAS?

You can become a part of East Dallas Christian Church in three ways:

(1) If you’ve never accepted Jesus Christ as your Savior, come to the front of the Sanctuary during the Invitation to Christian Life Hymn and make your confession of faith in Him. We will schedule your baptism at the earliest opportunity.

(2) If you are already a Christian and would like to join with us here, come to the front during the Invitation and we will receive you into membership.

(3) If you want to maintain your ties to your former Church, come to the front during the Invitation and we will welcome you as an Associate Member.

If you are shy (we love shy people, too!) See one of our Pastors after the service.

## JOYS & CONCERNS

*Each Tuesday from 7-9 a.m., a group of EDCC elders gathers for prayer.*

*From wherever you may be during this time period, the elders invite you to join them in prayer, using this prayer list or your own.*

### JOYS

#### Celebrating and giving thanks for:

- All the world’s youth, represented by Tara Glasener
- Our young adults away at college or in town, including Christian Bentley
- Beautiful! Romantic! Awesome! The celebration of the marriage of our senior pastor Rev. Deborah Morgan and her groom Don Stokes with so many special moments to remember—from the handbell chorus to the choir’s “Joyful, Joyful” to the couple’s vows and the wedding reception. Hooray for love!
- Friends from near and far who were there for the wedding
- Our day of rain. Thank you.
- Ann and Wes Sanders great granddaughter Chloe Zane Weaver, born to granddaughter Ashley Sanders Weaver and husband Nolan

### CONCERNS

#### Pray for those in our Church Family:

- Louise Clarke
- Cathy Doyle
- Linda and Leon Kirk
- John Kilpatrick
- Jimmie Smith
- Brenda Jones
- Pat Williams
- Kathy Zahrt
- Raymond Tolentino
- Byron Clark
- Margaret Wells
- Rose Blatch
- Mike Krimm
- Martha Stone
- Karen Hill
- Theresa Schiff
- Donna Robins
- The travelling Blackburns

#### Pray for those Outside our Congregation:

- Special prayers for volunteers and funds needed for ELM
- Bob Parker
- Sammy Adair
- Bill James
- Kelli Yonker
- Jack Commons, father of Marianne Kuers
- John Wilson, brother of Bonnie Dussau and Betty Nyenhuis
- Matt, cousin of Amanda Hendrickson
- John Mosty
- Evelyn Foreman
- Van and Bobbie Strahan
- Martin Beckstrom

#### Pray for Ongoing Concerns in our Congregation, including:

- Billie Ruth Welsh

#### Pray for Ongoing Concerns Outside our Congregation, including:

- Dianna Reberger

#### Pray for those Serving in the Military, especially:

- Ben Armstrong

#### Pray for Those Seeking Employment, including:

- Jolie Stratton

#### Pray for our Limited Activity Members, including:

- Kate Bell

#### Pray for our Ministries, including:

- Bell Choir