



Welcome!

We are an open table people. That means all are welcome here. No matter your past dilemmas or present challenges, no matter your age or race, no matter your gender or political party: we want you to be creative, bold, generous, and make a difference. We hope God unleashes your passion and gifts because the world sorely needs them. We are eager for you to wonder, question, explore and grow. Most of all, we want to journey with you in the adventure of Christ's love. We are glad you're here!

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November 5, 2017

If you are a guest with us today

- We hope you feel at home here, so relax and be yourself.
- We would love to know you are with us today. Please fill out a **Connection Card** (located in the seat pocket of the chair in front of you). You can drop it in the offering plate during service or leave it at the Welcome Center in the foyer.
- Let us know how we can share more about our church, plug you in, and pray for you.

Explore South Elkhorn

Today • Room 108 • 5:00 PM

Join us for our gathering of newcomers and curious souls. Meet our team, engage in conversation, and find your place in our spiritual community. For more information or to RSVP, please fill out the connection card or contact the church office: admin@southelkhorncc.org.

Children's Worship & Wonder

After the children's sermon, children age 3 to Grade 3 are invited to hear a sacred story, wonder about its meaning, & gather together for a feast (rooms 203 & 209).

Nursery

Nursery is available for children ages 6 weeks to two years during Sunday School & worship (rooms 214 & 215).

Life Together



Finding Freedom Through Friendship

Sunday • November 12 • 10:30 AM

Items will be available for purchase in the church foyer and make meaningful "alternative Christmas" gifts. Finding Freedom Through Friendship supports Guatemalan widows and their children with their critical needs, including empowering women to make and sell items.



All Church Movie Night & Potluck Dinner

Sunday • November 19 • 4:00 PM

All Church Movie: *Hidden Figures*. Children are welcome to join us or they can go into the youth rooms for other activities. Bring a dish to share and a lawn chair to sit back and enjoy the movie. Drinks provided. Nursery available.



Poinsettias for Advent Season

You can honor or remember your loved one(s) by purchasing a poinsettia for the Christian Ministry Center. The cost is \$10 each. Forms on glass foyer table or share the name with admin@southelkhorncc.org and place check/cash in offering.



Can You Hear the Bells?

December 2, 16, 23 • Beaumont Kroger • 9:00 AM-8:00 PM

Ring for one hour during the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign. Ring on your own, with your family, or with a friend to help provide food, toys, and support for children and families in Fayette, Jessamine, and Scott Counties. For information or to volunteer, please contact Doug Alexander at: 221-1032 (c), 224-4742 (h) or dgapr@twc.com.

Sermon Series



Dig deeper into Matthew's gospel and let Jesus awaken your sleepy soul to the ready posture of love.

November 12 *Matthew 25:14-30*

November 19 *Matthew 25:31-46*

Bulletin & sermon audio available at southelkhorncc.org/sermons

Children & Youth

Tiny Tots (Age 2 - Pre K)

Children (Grades K - 5)

Youth (Grades 6 - 12)

Parents:

Social media discussion **tonight** at 5:00 PM in Historic Sanctuary. Richard Royster, church member and Associate Principal at Lafayette High School will lead discussion.

Tonight

Regular Programs Resume
4:40 PM Children's Choir
5:00 PM Open Gym & Snack
5:30 PM Activities
6:30 PM Pick Up

Sermon

Woke: Bridesmaids

Matthew 25:1-13

Focus Verse: "When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps."

Matthew 25:3-4

Quote: "When we are ready to die at any moment, we are ready to live at any moment."

—Henri Nouwen,
Spiritual Formation

Big Ideas:

- Lookalikes
- Burning Out
- Oiling Up
- Ready or Not

Discussion Questions

1. Read the passage carefully and slowly. What word or phrase stands out to you?
2. Normally the Bridegroom (Christ) would be accompanied by the Bride (the Church) in a parable like this. Why do you think the Bridesmaids were used instead?
3. Have you ever burnt out or experienced "compassion fatigue"? What happened? In what ways did you learn to refresh or re-energize?
4. In what ways, if any, have you thought about or planned for your own death? Are there conversations you want to have? Things you want to work out?

All Saints Sunday, we remember

Bertie Caddell	George Gibbs
Bill Duff	Barby Hardy
JoAnn Duff	Floyd Watson
Missy Fields	Mildred Watson