

The East Sider

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Welcome Pastor Craig and Rikki

Rev. Craig Thompson accepts the call of the East Side Church to be the full time pastor. The church welcomes him and his wife, Rikki!

From Pastor Craig:

Rikki and I grew up near Lancaster, Ohio. We graduated from high school together, and were married in 1996. I had every intention of becoming a history professor when I entered Malone University, but during my sophomore year, I felt the definite call of God to pastoral ministry. I have had the pleasure of serving as a youth pastor at Sixteen St. John's Church in Massillon, Ohio, and Tyler Memorial United Methodist Church in Chillicothe, Ohio.

I left Tyler UMC to attend Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in Massachusetts, where I obtained my Master of Divinity Degree and Rikki received her Master of Arts in Church History. After seminary, I had the pleasure of serving as the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Barre, Vermont for over nine years.

I enjoy preaching, teaching, reading church history, eating pizza, and listening to music. I also enjoy racquetball, taking walks in cemeteries with Rikki, and playing board games.



Pastor Craig and Rikki Thompson

Church Picnic

The annual church picnic will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2013 at 4:00 PM in Shelter #3 at Buhl Park. We will eat dinner at 4:30 PM. This year, dinner will be provided at a cost of \$6.00 per adult. Children 16 and under are free. Children 8 and under need to be accompanied by an adult. Reservations will be taken from **July 7 through August 4**. Please sign the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary and prepay to Darlene or Barb.

There will be a bouncer house from 5:00—7:00 for the children.

An auction will be held for the adults. Donations of brand new items and home made canned items or baked goods are appreciated. Proceeds from the auction will help to offset the cost of the picnic and benefit the Current Expense fund.

Come join us for fun, food and fellowship!

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Welcome New Members!



In May we welcomed Nick Nasser, Jennifer Seltzer Perks and Kimberly Willis as new members.

Welcome to the East Side Church family!

The East Sider Resumes

The East Sider resumes quarterly publications starting with this issue. It will be published in January, April, July and October. The deadline for content will be the last day of the month prior to publication.

Since this is the first issue of the restart, it is being mailed to members and friends of East Side so they are aware of its availability. Future issues can either be retrieved from our website by the individual, emailed to the individual by signing up for the mailing list, picked up at the back of the sanctuary when they are available or mailed to the individual's address. If you are interested in the East Sider

continuing, please fill out the survey on page 3 and return it to the church office or email your answers to newsletter@eastsidechurchsharon.org

If you have any suggestions or content for The East Sider, please contact Tim Noderer or e-mail newsletter@eastsidechurchsharon.org.

Please note, in order to distribute the first issue in a timely manner, not all committees were contacted for their plans for this quarter. Please continue to check the website and watch the bulletin for upcoming events.

East Side Church is Online



The East Side Church website is available at www.eastsidechurchsharon.org and is updated with current schedules, sermon notes, photos and much more.

If you have any suggestions or content for the web site, please contact Tim Noderer or e-mail admin@eastsidechurchsharon.org.

Rally Day

Come join us as we kick off the start of the new Sunday School year with Rally Day on Sunday, September 8, 2013. The youth will provide special music and Bibles and promotion cer-

tificates will be handed out to the youth being promoted to new Sunday School Classes.

East Sider Survey

If you are interested in the East Sider continuing, please fill out the following survey and return to the church office or email answers to newsletter@eastsidechurchsharon.org

I will check the website myself for the latest East Sider.

Please sign me up for the e-mail mailing list.

My email address is _____

I will pick up the latest printed version at the church when they become available.

I would like the latest printed version mailed to my address

Name: _____

Thank you for your response and interest in the East Sider. With all of us working together we can make this a very informative and worthwhile publication.

Family Game Night

Family game night has been scheduled for Sunday, September 28 5:00 PM—7:30 PM. **All ages welcome!**

(Children 8 and under must be accompanied by a parent or grandparent.)

Bring a game to share or come and enjoy the games and fellowship of others!

Bring your favorite snack and pop/juice to share.

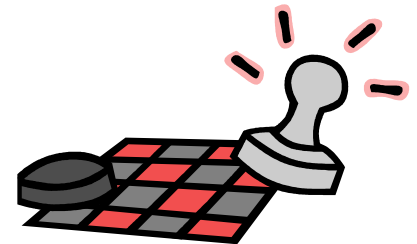
Pizza and coffee will be provided. (A donation per adult would be appreciated to cover the expense of the pizza.

The kitchen will be available for you to prepare your items and clean up from any use.)

Come join the fun!

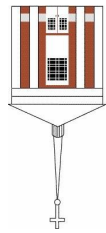
Please sign the sign-up sheet in the parlor if you plan on attending.

Please check the website for updates as they become available.



We're on the web!
www.eastsidechurchsharon.org

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Upcoming Events



Church Picnic

August 17, 2013 at 4:00 PM
Buhl Park Shelter #3

Rally Day

September 8, 2013

Family Game Night

September 28, 2013 5:00 PM—
7:30 PM