## **Things to Pray for:**

**CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS:** Pray for Eliza, Katy Gottwald's daughter. She is pregnant and due in November, but is looking like she will deliver early, this week.

MISSIONARIES: This month pray for Larry and Ou Yarger.

**FAMILY OF THE WEEK:** Each week we'll pray for a different family in our church. This week pray for Jim Hodges.

HILLSIDE HAPPENINGS: Pray that the church would continue to stay unified under Christ. Pray for our livestream and for the people joining us there. Pray that God would use us to bring His Kingdom here. Pray for the various building projects. Pray for our children's ministry as it is getting built back up.

**CURRENT HAPPENINGS:** Pray for the current health pandemic in our world and in our country. Pray for medical staff and for our leaders as they navigate how to best help. Pray for students, teachers, administrators, and all other school staff as they head into another school year. Pray for Afghanistan, especially the church there. Pray for the recent destruction due to the hurricanes.

## **Numbers**

#### **Attendance for 9/26/21 Service**

In-person: 45

Online Views (9/26/21 to 9/30/21): 6

#### <u>Giving</u>

Online (9/20/21 to 9/26/21): \$135

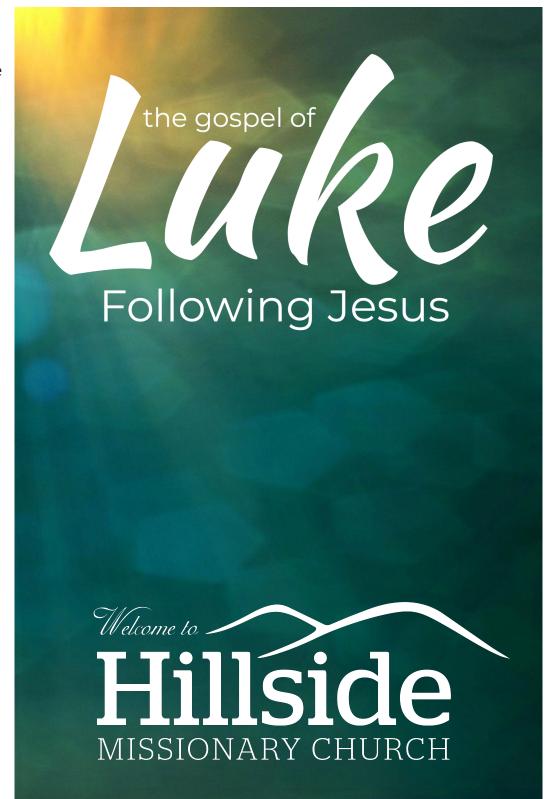
In-Person (9/26/21): \$850.81 for general, \$20 for benevolence

Total general needed weekly to meet budget: \$1480

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# Welcome!

October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

Whether you're a guest or a long-time attendee we're glad you're here with us. We're a friendly and caring group of Christians who are here to help people be CONNECTED with Jesus, CHANGED by Jesus, and COMMITTED to the mission of Jesus.

**GUESTS**: Thanks for joining us today! We truly believe that you're not here by accident and that God has some amazing plans for your life. If you'd like some information about who we are and how to get plugged in here at Hillside, please fill out the "I'm New" page on our website, hmcworship.com/im-new/

**SERMON SERIES:** Our sermon series is going through the book of Luke and is entitled, "Following Jesus." This Sunday's message is from chapter 13 and answers the question, "How do I make a lasting impact in God's kingdom?"

**CONNECT:** We'd love for you to connect with us online! Find a livestream of every week's service on our website, hmcworship.com. In addition to that, we encourage you to continue to reach out to your church family through letters, texts, phone calls, and on social media.

**COVID-19 CHANGES:** We are no longer be asking people to wear a mask and social distance. However, if you would still like to do either, we completely respect that, and we are asking for everyone to respect that as well. No one will judge you for your decision, either way (see Romans 14).

# **Announcements**

**GROUPS:** We believe that our faith grows best when we surround ourselves with other believers. That's why we encourage everyone to be a part of one of our groups, where we can intentionally share our lives with one another. There is a Sunday School group meeting on Sunday mornings before Service at 9:30. Our small groups are also in the process of starting for the fall. If you would like to be a part of one, please reach out to Pastor Josh.

**FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT:** On Friday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, we are having a fall fun event for the whole family. This will give everyone an opportunity to fellowship together and there will be fun, fall things for the kids to do. We are also looking for people who are interested in decorating their car trunks and handing out candy.

# **Opportunities to Help**

**OPEN SORTING HOUR AT THE FOSTER CLOSET:** Want to help out at the foster closet but can't commit to helping regularly? That's ok! Every Friday from 12:30-1:30 is an open sorting hour. If you'd like to help during the open sorting hour, please text Tammi Fisher at (216) 526-9974.

**KID'S CHURCH:** If you'd like to volunteer to help out at Kids' Church we'd love your help! No outside prep is required. Please contact Bonnie Walter or Brittney Savill.

**TECHNOLOGY:** We are looking for 2-4 people to help out running the worship lyrics, as well as the sound board during the worship service on Sunday morning. Please contact pastor Josh if you're interested.



# 10/3/21 - Week 40 — Luke 13:10-21 How to make a lasting impact in God's kingdom

In this passage of God's Word, we see Jesus healing someone in the Synagogue on the Sabbath. The ruler of the Synagogue did not like this because it went against the religious teachers' rules. Jesus pushes back against the ruler's objection, and then goes onto teach about the Kingdom of God. Through this interaction we can learn...

### How to make a lasting impact in God's Kingdom:

- 1. Don't get led astray by \_\_\_\_\_ Luke 13:10-17, Rom. 14:1-4, Gal. 5:1, Mark 7:6-7, Matt. 23:23, Hosea 6:6, Ps. 51:17
- 2. Realize small steps of faith can have

  outcomes

  Luke 13:18-21, 16:10, Matt. 25:21-23

3. Endure over \_\_\_\_\_ and don't give up Luke 13:18-21, 21:19, Is. 40:3-31, Gal. 5:22-23, 6:9, James 1:2-4 & 12, 5:11, Rom. 2:7, 5:3-5, 12:12, Heb. 10:36, 12:1-15, 2 Thess. 1:4, 3:5 & 13, Eph. 6:18, 2 Tim. 2:12, Matt. 24:13, 1 Cor. 9:14, 13:7, 16:13, Acts 14:22, Rev. 3:10-11

### **Reflection Questions**

1. The religious leader undoubtably cased harm because of their legalistic tendencies. What examples have you personally witnessed of legalism? What was the outcome of those examples? Did any of those examples impact you personally?

2. In Luke 13:18-21, Jesus likens the kingdom of God to two small things: planting a small seed and putting in leaven until a large amount of flour was leavened. How could you be faithful with the small things that God has put in your life? What kind of an impact could those small steps of faith have?

3. In both examples that Jesus likens the kingdom of God to, there is some aspect of waiting. Whether it be for the flour to leaven or the tree to grow, time and waiting are involved. How patient are you? What kind of impact could thinking more long-term have as you try and be faithful with what God has given to you?