

## Things to Pray for:

**CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS:** Pray for Eliza, Katy Gottwald's daughter. She prematurely gave birth recently. Both her and baby are healthy and recovering well.

**MISSIONARIES:** This month pray for Jayne Johnston.

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

**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. Pray for all of the visitors that we had at the trunk or treat event on Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**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 storms.

## Numbers

### Attendance for 10/24/21 Service

In-person: 44

Online Views (10/24/21 to 10/28/21): 6

### Giving

Online (10/18/21 to 10/24/21): \$100

In-Person (10/17/21): \$94 in general

Total general needed weekly to meet budget: \$1480

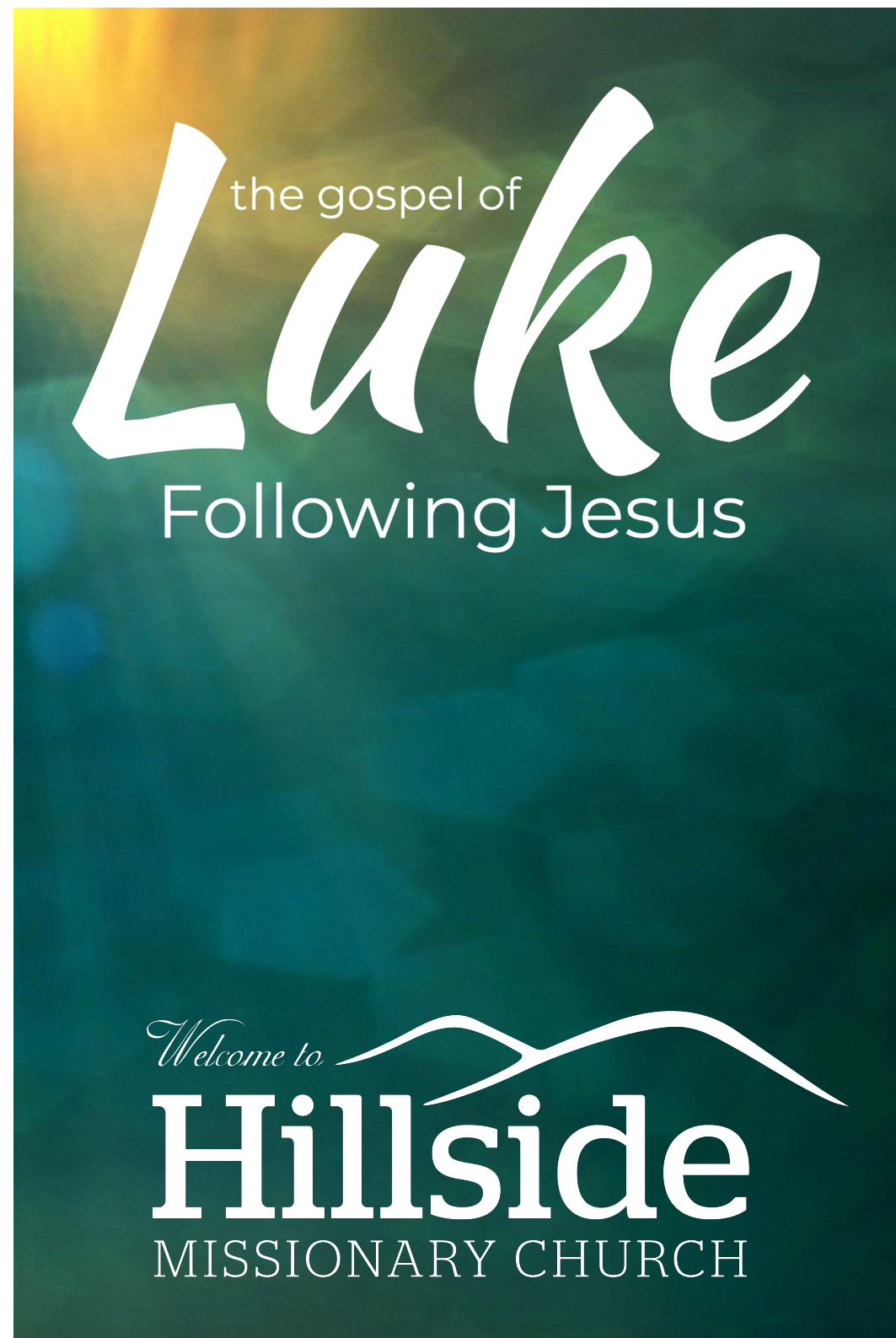
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# Welcome!

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October 31<sup>st</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/](http://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 14 and answers the question, "*Do I really have what it takes to follow Jesus?*"

**CONNECT:** We'd love for you to connect with us online! Find a livestream of every week's service on our website, [hmcworship.com](http://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 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

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**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** If you are interested in filling an operation Christmas Child box, please stop by the Welcome Center to pick one up. Instructions can also be found there. There is a cost of \$9 to ship each box. Feel free to fill a box, or just cover the shipping for a box. Please see Brittney if you have any questions.

# Opportunities to Help

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**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.



the gospel of  
**Luke**  
Following Jesus

10/31/21 - Week 44 – Luke 14:25-35  
*Do You Have What it Takes to Follow Jesus?*

In this passage of God's Word, we see Jesus speaking to a crowd. He tells them what it really takes in order to be His disciple. By taking a look at what Jesus said, we can too learn:

### What it takes to follow Jesus:

1. Prioritizing \_\_\_\_\_ above all else

Luke 14:26, Matt. 6:33, Rom. 12:2, Prov. 16:3

2. Dying to \_\_\_\_\_

Luke 14:27-33, 9:23, Gal. 2:20, Phil. 1:21

3. Committing for your entire \_\_\_\_\_

Luke 14:28-35, 1 Tim. 6:12, 2 Tim. 4:7, 1 Cor. 9:24-27,  
Acts 20:24, Heb. 12:1-2, Phil. 3:13-14

## Reflection Questions

1. How well do you prioritize your relationship with God above all else? Think about what's really important to you. Is there anything (even if it's a good thing) that ever takes priority over your relationship with God? Why is that? What's the history behind that? What's stopping you from prioritizing God all the time?
2. Jesus calls us to bear our own cross and come after Him. How can you do that better? Are there certain aspects of your life that you can better die to yourself, and hand over to God? What are they? Have you ever felt convicted to hand them over to God before? Why? What happened?
3. If you applied your major takeaway from Jesus' message in this passage of Scripture, how would it change your relationship with God? Think longtermly: What could your relationship with God look like decades into the future if you choose to constantly prioritize God above all else? Who can keep you accountable to the change that you need to make in your life?