# **Things to Pray for:**

**CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS:** Margie Gallay died a few weeks ago; please pray for the family. Patty Ewing's brother, Harley, also died a few weeks ago; please pray for the Ewings. Also, pray for Jerry Jamrozy. He has been having issues with his back and may have bone cancer.

MISSIONARIES: This month pray for the Bellas.

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

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 our children's ministry as it is getting built back up. Pray for our Christmas Candlelight service happening on Dec. 23rd.

**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. Pray for the recent destruction due to storms.

## **Numbers**

#### **Attendance**

In-person: 12/5: 43 12/12: 36
Online views: 12/5 (through 12/7/21): 5 12/12: N/A

#### Giving

Online (11/29/21 to 12/5/21): \$140 (12/6/21-12/12/21): \$340 In-Person (12/5/21): \$2439 (gen.) (12/12/21): \$824 (gen) \$80 (miss.)

Total general needed weekly to meet budget: \$1480

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# Welcome!

December 19th, 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/imnew/

**SERMON SERIES:** Our sermon series is going through the book of Luke and is entitled, "Following Jesus." This Sunday's message is from chapter 16 and answers the question, "How do I keep my passion for Christ?"

**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**

**CHURCH FAMILY MEETING:** Every year we have a meeting to discuss the inner workings of the church and ratify next year's budget. This year's meeting was last Sunday after service. If you missed the meeting and would like to still look over all of the information, please see the welcome desk. They have the handouts that were discussed at the meeting.

**EMAIL LIST:** If you do not receive our weekly emails, announcements, and prayer requests, please join our email list! You can do so by going to hmcworship.com/im-new

**CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT SERVICE:** Mark your calendar! On Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> we will be holding a Christmas Candlelight Service at 6pm. This will be a great event to invite friends to.

# **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.



# 12/19/21 - Week 49 — Luke 16:19-31 How to Keep Your Passion for Christ

In this passage of God's Word, we see a continuation of what Jesus' teachings to His disciples. Verses 1-3 (what we talked about the last 3 weeks) contained a parable teaching us that we should be passionate about our faith. Here, in verses 19-31, where Jesus is responding to the Pharisees, we get a look of what it looks like keep our passion for Him.

### **Observations:**

## Stay Passionate for Christ by:

- 2. Remember your place in \_\_\_\_\_ is permanent Luke 16:26, Matt. 25:45-46, John 10:27-30
- 3. Not allowing your \_\_\_\_\_ to become hardened Luke 16:27-31, Eph. 4:18, Heb. 3:8, Prov. 28:13-14, Jer. 17:9, Ps. 119:9

## **Reflection Questions**

1. Have you ever heard or read this passage before? Did anything stand out to you? What's something that God taught you this time reading it?

2. What take away from today's message can you apply to your life to keep your passion for Christ?

3. After hearing and learning about Luke chapter 16 for the past few weeks, rate your passion for your faith. Why did you rate it like that? What needs to improve? Who can keep you accountable to that?