

Things to Pray for:

CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS: Pray for Randy and Connie as they face uncertainty with their job situations. Pray for Sam who has a TB. Pray for Carolyn Nieswender who feel and broke her wrist.

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 Hadleys.

HILLSIDE HAPPENINGS: Pray that the church would continue to stay unified under Christ. Pray for our online services and for the people joining us there. Pray that God would use us to bring His Kingdom here. Pray for the foster closet, as they are helping a new foster closet as they are currently in need of more volunteers.

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 our teachers and school administrators. Pray for the unrest and divisions in our country. Pray for our leaders, current and future. Pray for the political unrest.

Numbers

Attendance for 2/28/21 Service

In-person: 50

Online Views (through 3/2/21): 41

Giving

Online (2/22/20 to 2/28/21): \$295 for general

In-Person (2/28/21): \$391 for general, \$20 for missions

Total general needed weekly to meet budget: \$1,480

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Welcome to
Hillside
MISSIONARY CHURCH

Welcome!

March 7th, 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 5 and answers the question, "*What do I do when I'm stuck in a rut?*"

CONNECT: We'd love for you to connect with us online! Find an online version of every week's service on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and 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: Please remember, no offering plates will be passed; instead, we ask you to give online or via the giving box near the entrance. Tables are set up in the back row for families with young children. We also kindly ask you to use the restroom before you come to ensure that our restrooms are as clean as possible for those who need to use them. Thank you for wearing your mask when not seated 6+ feet away from those outside of your household.

Announcements

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: A new women's Bible study is being started on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 AM and will be meeting at the church building. For more information please contact April Rolf.

SMALL GROUP: If you're looking to go deeper with what Pastor Josh preaches on Sunday mornings or just looking for some extra fellowship time with your church family, then please consider joining a small group! Please contact Pastor Josh.

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 once a month, just during the sermon portion of the service, we'd love your help! No outside prep is required. Please contact Pastor Josh.

TECHNOLOGY: Do you love technology? Do you have a working finger? We're looking for someone to help us out with putting together and running the worship lyrics on Sunday morning. Please contact Pastor Josh.



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3/7/21 - Week 13 – Luke 5:27-39

When You're Stuck in a Rut

In this passage of God's Word we see Jesus call Levi, a tax collector, to follow Him. He does so immediately, forsaking his comfortable way of life. The religious leaders see Jesus associating with Levi and his friends and do not approve. In this story, we see two different attitudes: one that is willing to forsake everything to follow Jesus, and another that is unwilling to change. By taking a look at these contrasting attitudes, we too can learn how to follow Jesus better. The religious leaders of the time showed these signs:

1. A bad attitude towards _____

Luke 5:29-32, Matt. 23:19-20

2. Having to portray yourself as _____

Luke 5:33-35, 1 Cor. 9:20-22

3. Holding onto the _____

Luke 5:36-39, 2 Cor. 5:17, Is. 43:19

Reflection Questions

1. Do you feel like you're stuck in a rut right now? Why or why not?
2. The religious leaders of that day had a difficult time with someone claiming to be close to God, but then also hanging out with sinners. Have you ever, or do you currently, struggle with having a bad attitude towards a certain type of person or evangelism in general? Why or why not?
3. The religious leaders of that day typically would have always portrayed themselves in a very religious way, and thus struggled when Jesus didn't. Have you ever, or do you currently, struggle with having to portray yourself in a religious way? Why or why not?
4. The religious leaders of that day would have struggled with Jesus' message because they were holding onto their way of doing things. Have you ever, or do you currently, struggle with holding onto old habits, traditions, or adding unto God's Word? Why or why not?
5. The religious leaders really struggled with their attitude towards Jesus' mission. What practical step(s) can you take to better align your attitude with God's mission? Who can keep you accountable to that?