Things to Pray for:

CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS: Pray for Jerry Jamrozy, who has bone cancer.

MISSIONARIES: This month pray for Janyne 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 livestream and for the people joining us there. Pray for Casa Del Alfarero, the Spanish-speaking Missionary Church 5 minutes from our building.

CURRENT HAPPENINGS: Pray for the war in Israel. Pray for the war in Ukraine.

<u>Numbers</u>

Attendance



In-person on 4/14/24: 52 In-person on 4/21/24: 63 Online views (through 4/24/24): 4/14/24: 4 4/21/24: 1 **Giving**

Give Online

Online: (4/8/24-4/14/24): Will be included in next week's bulletin In-Person on 4/14/24: \$5245 for general, \$50 for missions

In-Person on 4/21/24: \$575 general, \$100 foster closet, \$60 missions, \$1000 sign Total general needed weekly to meet budget: \$1623

Rather view this information on your phone? Feel free to scan this Q.R. code to view this on the Bible app! For future reference, we always have the QR code posted at the main entrance that will take you to that week's event in the Bible app!



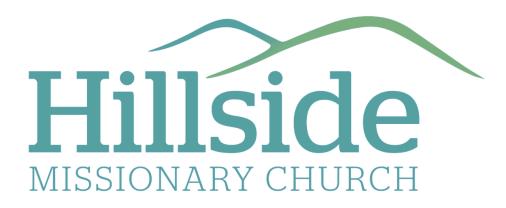
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Matthew 6:1-4

"Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven. **2** "Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. **3** But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, **4** so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.



Welcome!

April 28th, 2024

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, which can be found by the QR code to the right.



EMAIL LIST: If you would like to receive prayer requests, announcements, and our weekly email, feel free to scan the QR code above. It will take you to the "I'm New" page on our website, where you can fill out your name, phone number, and email.

SERMON SERIES: We are currently going through a sermon series in the Gospel of Matthew. Today, we're continuing in the Sermon on the Mount portion of Matthew, where Jesus teaches us what it looks like to be a part of His Kingdom.

<u>Announcements</u>

PRAIRIE CAMP: Are you interested in sending your child to summer camp this year? How about attending family camp, either for the day or the whole week? More information can be found about our denominational camp, Prairie Camp, at the welcome counter.

BAPTISM: Have you accepted Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior, yet haven't gotten baptized? We believe baptism is an outward expression of what God has done in your heart. If you would like to get baptized in the future, please talk to Pastor Josh.

PROJECTS: We are currently working on replacing our road sign, saving up for a new roof, and a repair to our gym floor. We are also trying to put a small group meeting area together. Would you prayerfully consider partnering with us financially to make these things happen? For more information, please talk to Pastor Josh.

Opportunities to Help

TECH: Our worship team is looking for someone who would like to run sound and/or slides. Please see Pastor Josh.

WORSHIP TEAM: Would you like to help out on the worship team? Please see Carolyn Dodd for details.

PRAYER GUIDE: Will you be in prayer for Hillside? Prayer guides are available at the welcome counter. Also, if you would like to be a prayer advocate, please see Pastor Josh.

MAINTENANCE TEAM: Would you like to help out on the maintenance team? We need help inside and outside the building. Please see Jeff Soule for details.



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Reflecting on God's Word

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- Take some time to read over Matthew 6:1-18 and pray.
- Have you ever read or heard about this before? What stood out to you as we were talking about it?
- Take some time to think and pray about your intentions and motivations. Ask God to bring to light any intentions and motivations that you might have that aren't honoring Him.

Diving In

1. Read over Matthew 6:1-18 again, intentionally looking for how God cares about what our intentions are, and what motivates us.

- After praying about it, do you feel like you have any motivations or intentions that aren't honoring God?
- How has God worked on your heart, and changed any of your motivations or intentions in the past?
- How would it change the way you live, if all of your motivations and intentions were pure?

2. Read over Matthew 6:2, 5, and 16 again, specifically looking at what He has to say about hypocrites. What does Jesus' teaching about being hypocritical teach us about our human nature?

- What aspects of your faith have you been hypocritical about before?
- Spend some time in prayer, asking God to point out any areas of your life that you are hypocritical in right now. Jot down anything you feel like God puts on your heart.
- How would it change your life if you could avoid being a hypocrite? How would it affect your relationships?

3. Read over Matthew 6:1-2, 4-6, 16, and 18 again, specifically focusing on what Jesus says about rewards.

- Have you ever tried working towards an earthly reward? What was it?
- Spend some time in prayer, asking that God would help you to look more towards His rewards than man's.
- How would it change your life if you worked more towards God's rewards than earthly rewards?

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What are your biggest takeaways from this passage of God's Word?

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