

Things to Pray for:

CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS: Pray for Sam who was in the hospital recently. He also fell and broke his hip, and had to have a partial replacement, and is now in recovery. Please continue to pray for Jerry Jamrozky, 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 Ewings.

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. Pray for those affected by the New Prairie High School bus accident.

Numbers

Attendance

In-person on 6/15/25: 54

Online views (through 6/19): 10

Giving

Online: (6/16/25-6/22/25): \$80 for general

In-Person on 6/22/25: \$1145 for general, \$100 for Bibles, \$60 for missions



Give Online

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 25:12-13

But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.



Welcome!

June 29th, 2025

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 talking about how Jesus taught His disciples to be ready for His second coming.

Announcements

TESTIMONIES: We would love to hear what God has done and is doing in your life! If you would like to share, we are making short videos (3-5 minutes) to be shown during service on Sunday. If you are interested in participating, please talk to Pastor Josh.

BAPTISM: Are you interested in getting baptized? We would love to celebrate with you! Please talk to Pastor Josh for more details.

CHURCH PICNIC: We are having a church picnic at Rum Village after service today!. We will be in a pavilion next to the playground. Please feel free to bring a dish to share!

PRAIRIE CAMP: Information about our denominational camp can be found at the welcome counter! There are camps for kids throughout the summer, and family camp is happening on July 13th-19th. We hope to see you there!

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.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

Matthew

FROM TAX COLLECTOR TO APOSTLE

How to Remain Ready for Jesus' Return Week 71 - Matthew 25:1-13 - 6/29/25

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How to remain ready for Jesus' return:

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2. Continually prioritize _____
Matt. 25:2-4, Eph. 5:16, John 12:35, Eph. 6:13, Gal. 6:10, Phil. 4:8-9
3. Realize your _____
Matt. 25:5, 11:28-30, Ps. 127:2, Heb. 4:9-10, Gen. 2:2-3
4. Remember that Jesus' return will be _____
Matt. 25:6, 24:42-44, 1 Thess. 5:2-3, Luke 12:40
5. Make sure your relationship with Jesus is _____
Matt. 25:7-10, John 17:3, Rev. 3:20, John 1:12
6. Be continually led by the _____
Matt. 25:8, Rom. 5:5, 8:11-14, John 16:13, 1 John 3:24
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Reflecting on God's Word

Getting Started

- Take some time to read over Matthew 25:1-13 and pray.
- Have you ever read or heard about this before? What stood out to you as we were talking about it?
- What surprised you as we talked about it?
- As you reflect on Jesus' Words from this part of Scripture, in what area(s) do you need to work on?

Diving In

1. Read James 1:22. Is there any aspect of your life that you are just "looking the part" of a Christian, but not actually doing what God's Word says? If so, what, and how can you surrender that over to the Lord?
2. Where in your life could you work on being more intentional? What would that look like, and who could help you with that?
3. You're not God. You can't do everything, and save everyone. Where in your life do you need to internalize that better, and what practical things would that change in your life? How would making those changes give you more peace?
4. Jesus makes it clear that His return will be at an unexpected, and probably inconvenient time. How does realizing that help you to remain ready for His return?
5. Each one of us has to make a decision to personally accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior, and follow Him. Have you ever made the mistake of following Jesus vicariously? If so, what helped you make it personal? If you're there right now, what would help you personally follow Jesus?
6. Scripture makes clear that we are to be continually led by the Holy Spirit. How could you be led by the Holy Spirit better, throughout your normal, everyday routine?
7. God's Word makes the consequence for not being ready for Jesus' return clear. How does remembering that help you to remain ready?

Applying the Scripture

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

- What practical step(s) do you need to implement in your life to apply what God has taught you in this passage of Scripture?
- How would applying this affect your life and your relationship with the Lord?
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