

Things to Pray for:

CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS: Please continue to pray for Jerry Jamrozy, who has bone cancer. Pray for Deb Murray, as she will be having back surgery soon.

MISSIONARIES: This month pray for the Hubleys.

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

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 the families and students affected by the recent school shooting in Minneapolis.

Numbers

Attendance

In-person on 8/31/25: 52

Online views (through 9/5): 20

Giving

Online: (8/25/25-8/31/25): \$280 for general

In-person on 8/31/25: \$735 for general



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 26:64

Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven."



Welcome!

September 7th, 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 a passage of Scripture where Peter tries to control something that he can't control.

Announcements

FREE CONCERT: We will be hosting a free concert this Friday, September 12th, at 7pm, right here at Hillside! We are excited to host the McNeill project, a Christian band out of Texas. This is a great event to invite friends to!

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

SMALL GROUPS: Small group sign-ups are on the welcome counter! Please see Pastor Josh or Tammi for more information.

LUNCH AT THE FISHER'S: Pastor Josh and Tammi would love to have you for lunch! They are hosting everyone at their house after church on September 14th.

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

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3. What would happen if I ____ control this?
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4. What does God's _____ say?
2 Tim. 3:16-17, Heb. 4:12, Ps. 119:105, Matt. 4:4, Rom. 15:4
5. Is this _____ to control?
1 John 4:18, Matt. 23:1-39, Ps. 115:3, Prov. 19:21, Rom. 8:28
6. Can I _____ God no matter the outcome?
Prov. 3:4-6, 9:10, 37:4-6, Rom. 12:12, 15:13
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Rom. 12:2, Matt. 26:39, Rom. 12:1-2, Luke 9:23-24

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- 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 how Jesus reacted vs. the way that Peter reacted in this Scripture passage, what stands out?

Diving In

1. What area of your life are you struggling to control during this season of your life?

2. Looking at your answer from question #1, why do you think you're struggling with that during this season?

3. Using your answer from question #1, go through the 7 questions from the message outline.

4. After completing the above questions, spend some time in prayer, asking God to help you surrender everything to Him.

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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