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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



OUR MISSION

Hillside is called to Love God, Serve others, Grow in Christ & Go live out our faith.

OUR VISION

Hillside is a center of hope in our community as we reflect the love of Jesus.

Sundays @ Hillside

Traditional Worship @ 8:30 a.m. - Casual Worship @ 10:45 a.m. Conversation & Sunday School @ 9:45 a.m.

Weekly Office Hours

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Rev. Chris Neikirk - cneikirk@hillsideprinceton.org

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

December 2016 & January 2017

UPCOMING SERMONS

December 4Children's Christmas ProgramDecember 11"Not Quite What I Pictured"December 18"Awkward Family Photo"December 25"Picture Perfect Family Christmas Meal"There will be only one service today. It will be at 10 a.m. There will
also be no refreshments served.

January 1"Clean Sweep"January 8"Sacred Moments"January 15"My Father's House"January 22"The Uncomfortable Jesus of Crash Helmet Religion"January 30Youth Sunday

SNAPSHOTS OF CHRISTMAS

During the season of Advent, in addition to celebrating the birth of Jesus, we will also celebrate the first and most important organization established by God, the family. You are invited to participate by submitting your best, or perhaps most awkward, family photos of your Christmas celebrations. We will include a different slide show each week celebrating our Hillside families. Please submit as many photos as you would like -- ugly sweaters, 80's hair, polyester suits are all encouraged. Email your photos to <u>pic@hillsideprinceton.org</u> in a .jpg format please.



Aubrey, Addi, Parker, Bryliegh, Conner and Grayson riding our new bikes for all of our friends to enjoy. Thank you parents for a wonderful Preschool fundraiser. Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Look at how many they filled!!! We have such a caring & blessed church family to help all the Friends Clubs & Youth as they packed these boxes.





We will be setting up a display to have up during the year so everyone can collect when they find items on sale. It will start in February, 2017.

HILLSIDE JR/SR HIGH YOUTH Andrea Dyehouse

Wow! It is already December. It has been a great first semester. We have had around 25-30 youth each night. The youth have enjoyed going to a haunted house and doing trunk or treat with the children's ministry. The children & youth sponsored soup supper was a huge success, feeding around 200 people and raising \$300, which was donated to the Flour and Oil Fund. The kids and leaders provided all the food items for that event. Thank you to all who participated.

We are looking forward to the rest of the year with our Winter Retreat and Valentine's Banquet coming soon. We have chosen Puerto Rico for our youth mission trip in 2017. So far we have 21 youth and leaders signed up to be the hands and feet of Christ. Puerto Rico is going to be way out of our normal, so please pray for all as we prepare to serve our God.

Thank you for all groups/families that helped feed our youth on Sunday evenings. We greatly appreciate it. We have dates open for dinners next semester. If you are interested please contact Andrea Dyehouse at adyehouse@twc.com.

2ND MONDAY MEALS Gail Miller

The second Monday of every month, Hillside provides a free community meal. We will have meals on **Dec. 12 & Jan. 9**. We don't know the menus yet so watch your bulletins.

We still need people to deliver & bring desserts. Delivers begin at 3:30 p.m. and the dining room opens at 4:00 p.m. Thank you to all who are part of feeding our community.

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DECEMBER & JANUARY WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU Please note our new serving times are 4:45-5:45 p.m.

Salad bar, tea, Kool-Aid, and desserts are served with all meals **DECEMBER**

- 7 Meatloaf, Potatoes, Corn
- 14 Lasagna and garlic Toast

JANUARY

- 4 Meatloaf, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans
- 11 Baked Spaghetti and Garlic Toast
- 18 Seasoned Chicken Breast, Broccoli, Rice
- 25 Baked Potato Bar

Sign up sheet for desserts is located on the dessert table. If you sign up and bring a dessert you get your meal free.

The cost will be \$3.50 per person and free for preschool children. We also have tickets for 10 meals to purchase for \$30.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

Delicious meals have been a main-stay of our Wednesday night programming for years, both for our Wednesday night program participants and a number of community members who come in for a great meal and fellowship. In order to continue with this great ministry, we need your help! Would your Sunday School class, small group, men's group, or even just a group of friends prayerfully consider preparing and serving a month of meals in the Hillside kitchen at some point from January to April? And would you prayerfully consider the direction of the Family Builders Ministry? Perhaps God has laid it on your heart to lead a group of individuals to plan, shop, prepare, and serve each Wednesday so our families can share a meal together, our Wednesday night volunteers can enjoy a homecooked meal before leading our children, and our choir members won't have to listen to their stomachs grumble during rehearsal. Thank you so much to Jeannie Robbins and Terri Mans who have faithfully led this ministry, and thank you to the next individuals who will fill their shoes. Please contact Brenda in the office for more information or to schedule your group to serve.

I hope you and your family will take advantage of the weekly Advent devotionals that will be available each Sunday. I hope that you will dust off the Advent wreaths your kids made in Children's Church two years back (I have more supplies if you need one!). I hope that you will enjoy lighting the candles, reading scripture, singing just a little...and waiting. And I truly hope that if you feel inept at leading your family at home, that you will know my door is always open and I am always just a phone call or e-mail away to encourage you and guide you to resources that can make faith-filled parenting a little less intimidating.



There was nothing wrong with my excitement over Santa Claus and presents as a child, and my own children certainly enjoy those same traditions. But I recognize now that I was missing out and I want to be sure that my family doesn't. You see, I waited for presents that would be exciting and fulfilling for a day, maybe a few months. But now I wait for the gift that fills my life with hope, peace, love, and joy and it's the gift that fulfills my eternity. Blessings to you and your family in this holiday season.

DIRECTOR OF FAMILY MINISTRIES – WHY WAIT? Susan Carey

"You better watch out... you better not cry... you better not pout, I'm telling you why..."

I bet you can finish that song. As a child, "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" was my anthem for the entire month of December. Oh, the anticipation mounted daily as we draped silver tinsel on the Christmas tree, traveled to family gatherings and crawled in traffic to Terre Haute's Miller Drive to see which house would outdo the others in decorations. I drew a big red "X" on each day that passed, begged my mom to allow me to open just one present that was already under the tree and snuck a swipe of Cool Whip purchased for Christmas Day pies. These were all part of the waiting game...the waiting game for gifts -- gifts in fancy packaging, some requested and some unexpected surprises, some useful and some completely fanciful.

To be completely honest, it wasn't until a few years ago that my perception of waiting at Christmas time really changed. It wasn't until I learned that the word Advent comes from a Latin word that literally means "coming," and in the church we know whose coming we anticipate...and it isn't Santa Claus.

Advent is such a significant time in the church and is the perfect opportunity to engage with your family at home. It's the perfect time to say 'no' to busyness and 'yes' to waiting, to anticipating, to celebrating. It's the perfect time to draw an "X" on each day that passes from November 27 to December 25, reflecting each day on a different part of the birth story. It's the perfect time to follow the journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem, a path not lit with extravagant lights or decorations, but simply elements of God's creation waiting for the king as well. It's the perfect time to set out the Nativity just one piece at a time and hear the story that each participant has to tell. All of this as we wait for **the** gift, wrapped not in fancy packaging but arriving in human flesh, weak and vulnerable, come to save the world.

LITTLE FRIENDS CLUB (4-PreK) Sarah Kruse

We are anxiously awaiting the arrival of December and all of the FUN activities that we get to take part in! Our little friends will be finishing our first round of curriculum called Game Changer and heading right into Christmas with the Goody Gumdrops Game. We will learn about Mary, the birth of John and the birth of Jesus. On Dec. 14, we will have a birthday party for Jesus where we will be asking for donations of baby items to help a local organization as part of our missions for the month.

There will be NO Little Friends Club on Dec. 21 or 28. We will kick off the second semester with a beach party on Jan. 4. Come dressed in your best beach wear and be ready to celebrate the return to Little Friends Club!! In January, we will continue working through our Goody Gumdrops Game curriculum and will have lots of new ideas for missions. Thank you for sharing your little people with us each Wednesday. We love seeing what God is doing in their lives!!

FRIENDS CLUB (Grades K-2) Amanda Miskell

With the help of the congregation, our youth and volunteers, we managed to fill over 200 boxes for Operation Christmas Child this year. This the most we've ever filled, so Thank You All So Much!

In December, we will wrap up Josh and the Big Wall with a movie night on Dec. 7. Dec. 14 will be our Happy Birthday Jesus Party and there will be NO Friends Club on Dec. 21 & 28. Enjoy your Winter Break!

For January 2017, we will start the year off with our Annual Beach Party on Jan. 4. Kids can wear their shorts and flip flops, while we turn up the heat and enjoy some summer activities and treats inside.

Starting January 11 through the end of the month, we will be discussing Gideon and learning to trust God.

Amanda Miskell 812-550-2790

YOUNG BELIEVERS (Grades 2-5) Kali & Jeremy Lance

What a busy month it has been! We ended October with a great mission opportunity for the kids. They participated in a soup supper at Hillside UMC & brought in around \$300 for our Flour & Oil Fund. Following that, they enjoyed a warm evening of Trunk or Treating! Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who took part in decorating and treating our youngsters.

For November, we jumped right back into our series, Epic Journeys. We talked about Abraham's big step into faith to do what God had asked him to do. We also learned about the 12 spies & how God rewarded Caleb & Joshua's good attitudes. The kids were excited to learn about Nehemiah's amazing journey as a leader & how Philip went on a journey of obedience. Bible verses to review with your child from this series are Genesis 12:1-7; Psalm 18:33; Hebrews 11:9, Proverbs 4:23, Nehemiah, Acts 8:26-40; & Jeremiah 7:23.

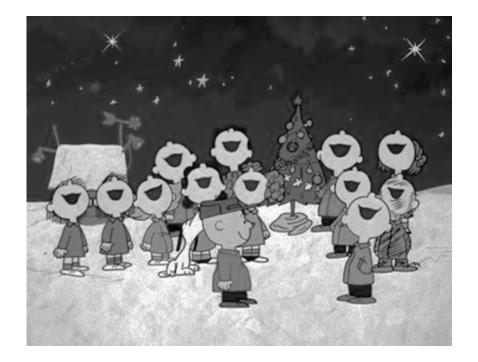
The kids also took part in Operation Christmas Child Shoebox packing! They loved packing those boxes full of toys, personal items, & lots of love for kids whom they may never meet!

We start a new series in December called Before the Story. We will end that series with an exciting Birthday Party for Jesus on December 14 during class! More information will be sent home about that. December 21 & 28, there will be NO Young Believers.

We will start classes back up on January 4 with a Beach Party, so dress in your finest Hawaiian clothes! As always, we enjoy & are thankful that we are a part of your kid's faith journey. From all the Young Believers Leaders & Volunteers, we hope you and your family had a wonderful Thanksgiving and will have a Very Merry Christmas & safe Happy 2017 New Year!

LET'S GO CHRISTMAS CAROLING!—Andrea Dyehouse

This is an ALL church family event. We will serve lunch following 2nd service on Sunday, Dec. 11. Shortly following lunch we will load up and head out to sing for our nursing home folks and then head to our homebound folks. Everyone enjoys seeing and hearing us sing so let's spread God's love. Hope to see everyone come out and enjoy the holiday season with us. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Andrea Dyehouse at adyehouse@twc.com or 812-215-0259.



HILLSIDE LITTLE LAMBS MINISTRY — Jenny White

Toddler Room on Wednesday nights is full of fun with 5+ energetic toddlers. These kids have learned that "God Made Me" through coloring pictures, hearing stories like *God Knows All About Me* by Thomas Nelson and *I Can Do It* by Eric Carle, and songs with their favorite being: "Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes" and "If You're Happy and You Know It." They also learned a blanket is fun when placed over chairs to make a tunnel. In December, our learning focus will be on celebrating Jesus' Birthday.

We are celebrating the births of two of our Hillside families. On November 14, baby boy Deacon Jennings made his arrival. His parents are Clara McConnell and Zach Cowling with a welcome home by big sister, Caliyah, 2. On November 16, twin girls Emersyn and Emilia were born. Their parents are Liz and Alisa Harper. The twins also have a big brother, Maverick, 1. Congratulations to these families on their new arrivals.

In the nursery, we are celebrating the blessing of new volunteers: Kristy Gooch, Halli Gooch, Angie Branham, Robin Carter, Katie Owens, and Lee and Winnie McConnell. Welcome! We are so excited to have you all in this ministry.

During our Christmas Eve Family service at 3:00 p.m., there will not be nursery or toddler services, as we want to allow time for volunteers to spend with families. The nursery and toddler room will be available for use with accompaniment of caregivers for babies or toddlers during this service if needed.

If you have any questions or concerns or would like more information about nursery and toddler room, please contact Jenny White at <u>jwhite@hillsideprinceton.org</u>.

NEWS FROM THE PRESCHOOL Chastity Braswell

The children, parents, and staff had a wonderful Thanksgiving celebration. We all worked together to make Stone Soup to eat for our meal, and the children talked about what they are thankful for and sang songs about turkeys and Thanksgiving.

It is time for all the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season. The children are getting geared up for the annual Christmas Parade on December 3. Our float title is "Jesus is the Reason for the Season Past, Present, Future". Come on out and support our float. The children always have a great time throwing candy and waving to everyone that they knew. A big thank you to our Advisory Board, for all their work and time that they put into out float.

We want to invite everyone to come and celebrate with us at our Christmas Program, December 15 at 6:30 p.m. Pre-K will tell the story of the birth of our Savior, and all the children will sing songs and recite bible verse. We want to give a big thank you for all the church members who help with our program. Your time is very much appreciated!

If you visit our preschool you will see lots of Christmas treats being made, from gingerbread men and women to jingle bells, but with all that we will share with the children the real reason for the season! It is a great honor to work with our families in a church where we can share the good news with everyone.

Our bible verses for December are Luke 2:11, John 3:16, and Matthew 2:10. The Preschool would like to wish everyone here at Hillside a Merry Christmas and Happy Healthy New Year.

We ended 2016 with a wonderful Christmas program. The children had a wonderful time sharing the true meaning of Christmas.

In 2017, the children are going to start learning all about snow and what winter is about. Our monthly bible verses for January are Psalm 139:14, Galatians 5:14, Ecclesiastes 3:11, and John 1:3.

We are looking forward to a great new year here at Hillside Preschool. We wish everyone a Happy and Healthy 2017.

WOMEN'S OUTREACH Jeannie Robbins

The next Women's Outreach will be held Dec. 9. We will be going to Applebee's for lunch. We will meet at 10:45 a.m. at the church for fellowship and have a short devotion. Then we will carpool to lunch. Please join us.

The next meeting will be held Jan. 20 at 9:30 a.m. We will be celebrating everyone's birthday. Please mark these dates on your calendar. If you wish to participate we will be collecting items for the Humane Shelter. Items included could be dry cat food, dry dog food, kitty litter, toys, bedding, etc. We will see that it is delivered to the shelter. If anyone else in the church would like to donate please let the office know or bring in and place in box in the lobby. The group is for all women of the church and community.

HILLSIDE MEN Matt Robbins

Hillside United Methodist Men will meet for a delicious breakfast on Dec. 10 & Jan. 14 at 7:30 a.m. We invite all of the men of the church to stop by and enjoy a good time! Questions: Matt Robbins at 812-664-0268.

HILLSIDE HARVEST HUSTLE

We were blessed with a gorgeous morning to run our 3rd Hillside Harvest Hustle 5K! Congrats & well done to all the participants this year and a big THANK YOU to anybody that volunteered & sponsored the race. Proceeds from this year's race went to the 2016 Mission Guatemala team.



BOOK REVIEW – STICKY FAITH BY DR. KARA E. POWELL AND DR. CHAP CLARK

When I first began exploring literature related to family ministry, Dr. Kara Powell and the Fuller Youth Institute came up time and again. I was excited to finally read *Sticky Faith – Everyday Ideas to Build Lasting Faith in Your Kids*, which is the result of Fuller's College Transition Project, longitudinal re-

search conducted from 2004 to 2010 to examine how a young adult's faith impacts them once they graduate from high school. The not-surprising result is that "40 to 50 percent of kids who graduate from a church or youth group will fail to stick with their faith in college" and "only 20 percent of college students who leave the faith planned to do so during high school. The remaining 80 percent intended to stick with their faith but didn't."

The statistics alone were enough to keep me reading; however, this book is so much more than an alarm ringing to parents and ministry leaders. *Sticky Faith* is the most practical guide for parents that I have yet come across. While the first chapter addresses the research, the remaining chapters provide insight into areas that determine whether or not our kids' faith will 'stick' – the gospel, identity, faith conversations, relationships, justice. At the end of each chapter, Powell and Clark devote pages to practical suggestions for how parents and church families can encourage youth in their faith walk and improve the odds that their faith will stick even after they have walked out of our doors.

If you have a stake in children, I highly recommend this engaging, insightful, practical read. Thanks to the grant received from the Center for Congregations, you can check out a copy from our new resource library. See Susan Carey for more details.

2017 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CLASS—Led by Pastor Chris

Based on *The Five Levels of Leadership* by NY Times Bestselling Author, John C. Maxwell

Who is this class for? If you are a leader, then this class is for you! If you have influence, you are a leader.

What will you learn? Basic leadership principles that will carry over into your family, your job, volunteer organizations, and our church.

Why should you attend? Leaders may be born, but they can also be made... leadership is a learned skill. Leadership is not simply a title.

Can you commit just 6 Mondays? Jan. 9, Feb. 6, Mar. 6, Apr. 3, May 8, June 5 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. The cost is \$12.00, which includes the book

This class is open to everyone. Sign up in the church office.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY



Biblical teaching is very clear that God expects us to steward our money

wisely, but what does that look like in real life? What does that look like if we have already made financial decisions that left us in the red?

Join us for Financial Peace University, where you will spend nine weeks learning how to create a budget, pay off debt, save wisely for the future, and live and give like no one else. The cost is \$50 (Hillside pays the other half!) for materials. Previous participants are welcome to join again at no cost for a refresher course.

Classes begin Wednesday, January 11 from 6:00 – 7:30 pm and run through Wednesday, March 1. Contact Brenda or Susan Carey for more information or to sign up.

PRAYER SHAWLS—Wilma Richardson

Hillside UMC Prayer Shawl Ministries is in the need of prayer shawls. Would anyone who crochets or who could make one be interested in helping out our ministry? These shawls are blessed by our Pastor and then taken to someone who is in the nursing home, hospital or recuperating from an illness at home. We have given our last one away and need to replenish our supply. Please take your shawls to Brenda, in the church office if you are willing to help. God Bless and Thank You

ANGEL TREE

Our Angel Tree program has grown.

We are now connected with the Prison Fellowship Ministries where we will help by providing gifts to children of prisoners in the Gibson County area. We are grateful to have this opportunity to share the love of Jesus with others during the holiday season.

We will still be assisting as we have in the past with other families. The need is there and I am so pleased to know that I am part of a church whose mission is to help others.

The Angel Tree tags will be on the tree Monday, Nov. 28, 2016. Please be sure to follow the instructions as to picking your tag(s) off the tree, then sign the sheet on the table next to the tree beside your number. This helps when it's time to check and make sure all of the gifts are here and ready to go. Gifts will be due into the church no later than Sunday, Dec. 18, 2016.

ITEMS STILL NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

Hillside Church assists the Salvation Army by providing food baskets during the Christmas season. Below is a list of supplies we need. Items will be placed just inside the front doors to the left.

140 boxes of Pudding	70 cans of Spaghetti Sauce
140 cans of Corn	70 Cans of Pork n Beans
70 boxes of Saltines	140 cans of Soup
70 boxes of Cereal	70 jars of Peanut Butter
70 5# bags of Potatoes	70 cans of Fruit

If you or your class would like to donate a large quantity, please let the church office know as soon as possible. All items need to be into the church by Monday, Dec. 5.

A NOTE FROM THE CHOIR Sandy Nixon

<u>Next Comes January:</u> The adult choir returns to 8:30 service on January 8 to finish up our Christmas season. We will then begin rehearsals again on Wednesday, January 11. This would be the perfect time to try choir out for a few months to see what we're all about and if we're a group you'd like to be part of for a longer time. We welcome people of all voice ranges and will help you learn the music.

And although plans haven't been finalized, we are looking at bringing back our Palm Sunday musical again in 2017! It's been a while since we've done one, and this looks like a good year to bring back that tradition.

Happy New Year!!



SHARING HOPE Pastor Chris Neikirk

As we begin our Advent Season at Hillside, my prayer is that our church will offer an introduction to hope to others in our community. For many of us, the holidays are a time of great rejoicing, thanksgiving and joy. For others, this season is only another reminder that they are alone or that their relationships are dysfunctional. To someone struggling, everyone around them seems to have it all together and they only see themselves as broken.

Our theme during Advent is Snapshots of Christmas. We are celebrating family. Perhaps an invitation to share in the holidays with your church family is just what a co-worker or friend needs to help them cope with the difficulties of the Christmas Season. Experts clearly state that the number one reason people who are far from God enter into a relationship with the Almighty is because of an invitation to attend church. The reason most people don't attend church is because they were never asked. So take a risk... ask!

As we move through Advent and begin a New Year, please be aware that it is during these times of year that people are most open to an invitation to attend church. Our goal is not just to invite others to church, but rather to facilitate an introduction to Jesus Christ. After all, we believe that Jesus is the hope of the world. Maybe by coming to Hillside, those who feel broken will discover that they are indeed not alone, the rest of us are broken too.

I pray you will make "sharing hope" your mission during the Holidays. Merry Christmas. Happy New Year. And God bless you!

HILLSIDE CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Each year your Hillside Missions Committee selects a reputable charity to benefit from our special Christmas offering, giving that is designated specifically to empower others as a celebration of our Savior's birth.

Two years ago, we sent \$6,000 to fund a water project through Charity: Water; this project is near completion and we will have GPS coordinates and pictures soon! Last year, we were able to provide a \$5,000 Gift Ark plus additional funds to be used where needed through Heifer International.

This year, your Missions Committee has again selected Heifer International as the recipient of our Christmas giving. With a 72 year history of empowering impoverished families around the world, we believe this organization fits well with our mission to Love God, Serve others, Grow in Christ, and Go live out our faith. Heifer International follows the 'Passing on the Gift' model; when families receive livestock and education through our donations, they then pass the gift of offspring to help another family in need. Our donations not only impact one family, but often an entire community.

We believe so strongly in the mission that we challenge you, Hillside, to send not one but **two** Gift Arks as our Christmas offering. A Gift Ark donation includes two water buffalos, two cows, two sheep and two goats, along with bees, chicks, rabbits and more. These gifts provide families with income, entire communities with milk, eggs, honey, and wool, and sustain farming communities by providing livestock. The impact is simply tremendous.

Hillside, this is a God-sized goal, but we can't think of a better way to honor our God in this season. Did you know that if 100% of our Hillside families contribute just \$40 to this special offering, we will fill two Gift Arks? Won't you be part of this fantastic mission to impact families around the world?

A NOTE FROM THE CHOIR Sandy Nixon

Busy December! Both the adult and junior choirs have a very busy December. The junior choir will sing as part of the Children's Program at both the 8:30 and 10:45 services on December 4. Put it on your calendars—you won't want to miss their program!

Following the second service on December 4, members of the junior choir and their families will then have a quick lunch at the church before going to the newly-renovated Princeton Theater to sing for the third time that day. This time they will join with the adult choir to sing a 30-minute program prior to "The Gift of the Magi," which is being presented by the Broadway Players Theater Company. (As a side note, none other than our very own Dolli Neikirk is appearing in this dramatic presentation!) Both choirs will be at the theater at 1:00 pm to do a quick sound check and run through some of their music. The doors will open around 1:30 pm for those of the public who have purchased tickets. There will be a block of seats for members of both choirs to stay free of charge and view "The Gift of the Magi." Others wishing to purchase tickets to see the choirs' program and the play will need to contact the box office at the theater. Ticket price is \$15.

Moving to December 11, both choirs will participate in the Christmas musical *What Child Is This?* at the 8:30 worship service. The young people will be singing with the adults on several of the songs in the musical. Again, you will want to put this on your calendars. It's something you won't want to miss!

The adult choir will sing at the 8:30 am service on December 18 and also at the 11:00 pm service on Christmas Eve. The Christmas Day service will be a service of scripture and carols at 10:00 am. We hope that everyone will be able to celebrate Christmas at Hillside through all these various services!

2016 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY



Join us Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016 as our Hillside Children & Jr. Choir present Manger Tales at both the 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. worship services.

You won't want to miss this fun, meaningful presentation.

I would like to say Thank You for all the prayers, calls and cards before, during and following my surgery. I am blessed to have such a caring church family.

Jeannie Robbins