

HILLSIDE

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HILLSIDE

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

October 2017

UPCOMING SERMONS

October 1 "Broken Together"

Sermon Series: "Livin' the Dream"

October 8 "Weird"
October 15 "Insanity"
October 22 "More"
October 29 "Free"

INVITATION TO PRAY

Prayer matters.

Prayer is power.

Prayer changes things.

Prayer changes us.

You are invited to join the Pastor's Prayer Team which meet every Tuesday at noon in the worship center to pray. We will pray for our church, our community, our nation, and our world. We will also lift up individual prayer requests that are shared each Sunday during worship. If you are unable to attend, please pray for our church wherever you are. This team is open to anyone desiring to see God move in our world. Prayer matters. Prayer is power. Prayer changes things. Prayer changes us.

Anticipating God's grace, mercy and blessings to flow... *Pastor Chris*

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. (2 Chronicles 7:14)

HILLSIDE SAFE SITTER CLASS

In August, Hillside became a registered Safe Sitter® site. Hillside will offer Safe Sitter® classes to students in the community in grades 6-8. This program was possible through the generosity of our memorial funds to which we are very grateful and blessed. The Safe Sitter® class will prepare students safety watch younger siblings or babysitting. Students will learn life-saving skills such as how to rescue someone who is choking and helpful information like what to do if there is severe weather. The lessons are filled with fun activities and role playing exercises. Students even get to use manikins to practice choking rescue.

There are three members of our church that are trained instructors: Rebekah Garner, Krisie Medler, and Jenny White.

Upon completion of Safe Sitter® course students who attend Hillside will have the opportunity to serve in Hillside Little Lambs.

For those students interested, save the dates November 5 and 12, 2017 from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. for our first Safe Sitter® class. Attendance to both dates is necessary for completion of the course. For more information or questions, please contact Jenny White @ jwhite@hillsideprinceton.org.



HEY KIDS!

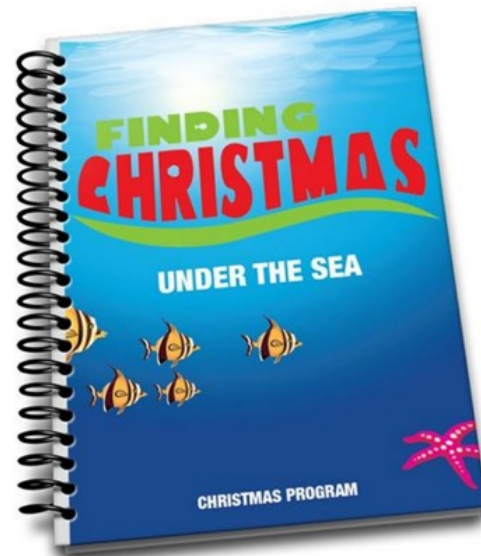
We need **YOU** to help us tell the story of Christmas!

Performance Date:

Sunday, December 3rd @ 9:45 am

Practice Dates:

Sat., Nov 4 9 - 10am
Sat., Nov 11 9 - 10am
Wed., Nov 15 9 - 10am
Wed., Nov 29 9 - 10am
Sat., Dec 2 9 - 11 am



Children in Pre-K through 5th grade are invited to participate in this fun telling of the first Christmas. Both speaking and non-speaking parts are available. For more information or to sign up, contact Shelby Anderson @ (812)455-6955.

FAMILY PHOTOS SUPPORT FLOUR & OIL FUND

On Sunday, November 12 from noon until 4 p.m., your Hillside Missions Committee and the talented Mindi Morris and Andrea Dyehouse will offer family photos perfect for Christmas cards or framed on your wall. For a \$20 donation to the Flour & Oil fund, your family photo will be taken with a casual, country Christmas backdrop. The digital images are yours to keep and process however you choose.

All donations will go directly to Hillside's Flour & Oil Fund, which provides assistance to local individuals and families in our community who are referred by Hillside members. In 2017 alone, the Flour & Oil Fund has dispersed \$3,477 to assist with basic needs like groceries, utility payments, housing, etc.

A limited number of sittings are available for this fundraiser, so reserving your session is a must. Contact Susan Carey to reserve your spot today: 812-385-2910 or s.carey@hillsideprinceton.org.

2 FISH/5 LOAVES

This year 2 Fish/5 Loaves will be serving 55 children in the North Gibson School Corporation. If you would like to sponsor a child, it is \$25 a month (October-May) or \$200 for the school year. You can drop your sponsorship off in the office or in the offering plate; please make sure you mark it 2 Fish/5 Loaves. If you would like to participate in filling backpacks, please contact Amy Evans 812-664-1683.

My Hillside Family,
Thank you for the cards and prayers for my 90th birthday. You brightened my day! I appreciated those who came to my party. It was good to see all of you.

Jean Scaper, Keith, Linda & Terra

Hillside,
Thank you so much for the after service lunch for the friends and family of Jane Woods. It was wonderful & delicious.

Family of Jane Woods

I wanted to thank you all for the money for the new tires. It meant so much and helped tremendously. Now that I'm a single mom of 5 with one on the way I have a lot to take care of on my own. It's very hard. And even harder learning to live without my husband and to help the kids cope with him moving out. Please keep us in your prayers. Thank you again. Beth Auberry

Dear Hillside,
A couple of weeks ago Susan spoke on the fact that community matters. It matters to our family. We cannot truly express what the community of Hillside means to us. Every time we have had difficulties in our lives this community had been there for us. The Bible says "two are better than one...for if they fall, one will lift up his fellow." (Eccles. 4:9-10)Hillside you have lifted us up. Thank you for the prayers the cards and the concern. Thank you to all who prepared the delicious meals for us. Tucker said the Methodist make the best brownies. Thank you to all who helped us with our expenses, hotel rooms, gas cards, food cards and much more. And thank you to those who took care of Violet for us. Yes she survived staying with Paul McDaniel, just joking, thank you Paul and Becky. We are so blessed to have all of you as part of our community. Our Family. Brian has had a CT scan that showed no cancer. He will get a PET scan in October that will be more definitive. He still has a long road to recovery. The radiation and chemo had been harder on him than the cancer. But God is good and He will heal. Once again thank you Hillside Family we love you all.

Brian, Lisa , Tucker and Violet St. Clair

70 CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

Hillside Church assists the Salvation Army by providing food baskets during the Christmas season. This is a great ministry opportunity we have provided for many years. Below is a list of supplies we need. Items will be placed just inside the front doors to the left.

140 boxes of Jiffy Cornbread	140 boxes of Pudding
140 cans of Corn	140 cans of Green Beans
140 cans of Pork n Beans	140 boxes of Mac & Cheese
70 boxes of Saltines	420 pkgs of Ramen Noodles
280 cans of Soup	140 boxes of Cereal
70 jars of Peanut Butter	70 5# bags of Potatoes
140 cans of Fruit	140 packets of Gravy Mix
70 boxes of Spaghetti	140 cans of Spaghetti Sauce

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. 4.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX MINISTRY

The month of October we will be collecting monetary donations to cover the cost of shipping. Each box costs \$9 to ship. You may drop this donation off in the offering plate, marking your donation Operation Christmas Child.

Here is a list of items we still need to meet our goal:

- ♥ 103 Hair Brushes/Combs
- ♥ 34 age 2-4 boys underwear
- ♥ 35 age 5-9 boys underwear
- ♥ 25 age 10-14 boys underwear
- ♥ 42 age 2-4 boys socks
- ♥ 22 age 10-14 boys socks
- ♥ 23 age 2-4 girls underwear
- ♥ 40 age 10-14 girls socks
- ♥ 39 age 2-4 girl toys
- ♥ 21 age 5-9 girl toys
- ♥ 26 age 10-14 girl toys
- ♥ 34 age 2-4 boy toys
- ♥ 34 age 10-14 boy toys
- ♥ 144 thin coloring books
- ♥ 147 thin adult coloring books
- ♥ 230 small pads of paper
- ♥ 1070 pencils (each box will receive 5 sharpened pencils)
- ♥ 16 erasers
- ♥ 181 small pencil sharpeners

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Amy Evans 812-664-1683 or Janelle Zeisler 812-483-0341.

NEWS FROM THE PRESCHOOL Chastity Braswell

The weather is changing, fall is in the air. The children at Hillside are ready for a season change. October is national Fire Safety Month and the children are looking forward to the Princeton Fire Department visiting our school on the 11th.

October 5th is "Bring Your Bible to School Day." The children will bring their bible and Susan Carey will visit with our classrooms and talk about God's word.

You will see change to our classrooms as we add fall items. The children will be exploring leaves, watching the color change, doing leaf rubbings, and so much more. We plan to study everyone's favorite eight-legged animal, so it might get even a little scary around the preschool when we talk about monsters. We'll be counting eye balls, painting with monster finger tips, and our sensory table might even see monster brains. We will end our month Trick-or-Treating around the church and with a party day.

Our bible verses this month are Psalm 104:33, Luke 11:1, Mark 10:14, Matthew 22:39, & Matthew 28:20.

We pray that everyone here at Hillside has a wonderful fall season.

WOMEN'S OUTREACH Jeannie Robbins

The Women's Outreach meets monthly and is for women of the church and community. We enjoy fellowship and have a short devotion. We send cards to shut-ins and others who are sick. We enjoy refreshments at most meetings and occasionally eat lunch at a restaurant close by. All ladies are welcome to join us. This month we will meet Friday, October 20 at 10:30 a.m. for card signing, devotions and fellowship and then travel to Union for lunch at Sullivan's grocery store. We will car pool. November 17 will be our next meeting at 9:30 a.m.

HILLSIDE 412 YOUTH GROUP

Justin Dyehouse

Hillside 412 Youth Group had our kickoff on September 17. This year we started the year with a mission to do a community service project. So after the news of the recent hurricane in Texas we decided to do flood buckets. With the use of social media we put the word out of this project and the overwhelming support of the community was amazing. On Sunday night we had four youth groups who came together to fill 109 buckets. A huge thanks goes out to the couple who donated all the buckets. Also we want to thank Hazelton UMC, New Life Church, First General Baptist, St Johns East UCC and everyone who bought supplies or donated money.

As for as this year we are starting to use Orange's XP3 curriculum and are starting with the series "Best Seller". The series examines the Bible as the bestselling book of all time and what that means to us.

We welcome all 6-12th graders to join us on Sunday evenings from 4-7 p.m.



APPLE PIE

We have survived another year of making apple pies. We had a great group of people volunteering. We made 846 pies, with 655 baked and 191 frozen unbaked. It is so awesome to see the number of volunteers that work steady from picking the apples, peeling, slicing, washing the apples, making pie dough, rolling the crust, mixing the sugar with the apples, topping the pies and then manning the ovens for baking. We also thank all who worked at our pie stand. We have a wonderful group of men and women who give their all and to them we give a big THANKS. Our work force is dwindling each year and with the potential younger volunteers working jobs during the day we have decided to make less pies next year. Money made from the sales will be used where needed this year. Our initial count \$8886 receipts and \$2590 expense. This profit would not be possible without the generous donations of ingredients and cash.

We have a few baked pies in the freezer available to sell. Check with Brenda in the office or Joyce or Jeannie.

Tulip Tree Family Health Care

is conducting an annual

Community Health Needs Assessment Survey

Please go to:

www.tuliptreehealth.org

and click on the link to complete the survey.

Your opinion about the Health Needs of our Community is very important to us. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey. Your answers will help us plan for the future of health services in YOUR community!

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*Thank you for helping us work
toward a healthier community!*

For a paper survey, please call our office.

2ND MONDAY MEALS Gail Miller

Oct. 9 menu: chicken casserole, green beans, roll & dessert

We need assistance with deliveries, prep work and desserts. Please drop desserts off in the kitchen by 1:30 p.m. The deliveries start at 3:30 p.m. If you would like to deliver or for more information, call Ron Miller at 812-385-5117. If no answer, please leave a message. Ron will be coordinating the deliveries.

THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY MEAL

The Thanksgiving Community Meal will be served on Thursday, Nov. 23 at noon. For those who do not have family close enough to share in this holiday or who just want to celebrate with your church family, please join us for the meal. We also encourage the community to come and share with us.

We will pack carry-outs starting at 10:15 a.m. and then start serving our guests at noon. Monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate marked for the Thanksgiving dinner. Desserts will also be needed.

The final and most important need will be helping hands. Help will be needed in the kitchen, serving, delivering and cleaning. Look for sign-up sheets in the lobby starting in November. We also would like for families to come in and eat. Thanks for answering God's call to serve the body of Christ.

WIRED WEDNESDAY

Justin Dyehouse

This year we started a new program called WIRED WEDNESDAY. We meet at 6 p.m. at the welcome center in the lobby and leave the church building to go to different sites around town to study. The main focus of the study is to see how we are wired to connect to God, to Church and to each other. We'd like to thank Drew and Beth Robbins for the use of their basement. We have been blessed with several youth each week. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Justin Dyehouse @ 812-215-0193
Thank you Hillside for your continued prayers and support.

KIDS IN MOTION

On Family Builder Wednesdays, children ages 4-11 are invited to participate in fun, energetic activities led by adults and youth volunteers. Parents, please keep in mind that our church has a Safe Sanctuary policy and our goal is to keep your kids safe. After your child is finished with their meal, please either keep them with you or sign them in for the fun and entertainment in the interim of programs beginning. Parents will sign children in at the welcome desk at 5:20 p.m. At 5:50 p.m., the children will be signed in by leaders to their respective programs for the evening.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP PATH

Through the generosity of the Center for Congregations Youth Ministry Grant Initiative and the hard work of children and youth leaders, Hillside UMC now has a discipleship path in place for toddlers through high school seniors who participate in our Sunday and Wednesday programming. With the help of Ministry Architects Consultant Stephanie Caro, your family ministry team developed seven core competencies with corresponding themes and lesson topics that we believe are essential to helping children and youth develop an active faith that will carry with them through adulthood.

This means that every curriculum, lesson, and activity will be connected to at least one of these core competencies, ideas that we want to ensure our kids confidently know and can apply:

- **I am Loved by God**
- **I am Made to Serve**
- **I am Always Growing in Faith**
- **I Have a Purpose in God's Plan**
 - **I Know the Bible**
- **I Can Count on Church Family**
- **I Can Express Questions and Doubts**

In January, we will begin developing a 3-year scope and sequence that will ensure all competencies, themes, and lessons are met.

Our next step in the process is to develop a rites of passage or milestones system. It is important that we honor significant stages of each child's life, not just within our programming but also as a congregation. We want to celebrate with our families not only baptisms and graduations, but also things like losing a first tooth and getting a driver's license. Be on the lookout for more about that in coming months.

Thank you, Hillside family, for continuing to support the family ministries of this church. If you would like more information about family ministry or are interested in being a part of our children and youth programming, contact Susan Carey – 812-385-2910 or s.carey@hillsideprinceton.org.

HILLSIDE LITTLE LAMBS SHEPHERD SPOTLIGHT

Jenny White

I want to tell you about some of the "not normal" volunteers that we have in our church. Greg and Penny Mason have completed their second 6-week rotation in the toddler room this year. They bring in snacks and have fun leading the children in the messy activities that kids love like playdoh and watercolor painting. They also are influencing and encouraging the youth volunteers that are in this ministry. Greg and Penny thank you for your love and faithfulness to our church and families. A big High Five to Greg for being in a ministry that only a handful of men participate in. You make a difference in these children's lives.

Ali Medler is another "not normal" volunteer. She is in 7th grade and loves being in the nursery. She is very nurturing and takes time to get to know the babies. Great job, Ali, for shaping the next generation! If you would like to know about this ministry just talk to one of these shepherds about why they do it!



YOUNG BELIEVERS (Grades 2-5) Sarah Kruse

I'm so glad to be back in action with our fabulous group of Young Believers! We just finished week 1 and we had such a good time worshipping through music, digging into God's word, playing games, and getting to know each other in our small groups. This semester we will be learning about Jesus and how he loves everyone. We will focus on parts of his ministry and learning how he loved and showed his love to others. I really like our curriculum and I think the kids do, too.

I have a wonderful group of people who are helping this year in Young Believers. I am so thankful for the volunteers I have, but also welcome anyone who wants to be a part of a child's life. This year's small group leaders are: Alizah Cannon & Steve White for fifth grade, Heather Ota & Dusty Wilhite for fourth grade, and Gen Clay and Blayre Jackson for third grade. If at any time you have a question or concern about what we are doing in our group, please let me, Sarah Kruse, know and I can help you out.

On October 25, we will be helping the kids and youth ministry serve a soup supper to our church family. We will also take part in a Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot. I will have more information about both as the time gets closer. Thank you for sharing your kids with us!!

sayrahjane17@gmail.com

FAMILY BUILDERS MEAL TIME

Each night we will begin at 4:45p.m. with prayer and family devotionals will be on the table. We will stop serving at 5:45p.m.

Oct. 4th -*Meatloaf Night* Meatloaf, Cheesy Potatoes, Corn, Roll
Oct. 11th -*Casserole Night* Chicken Noodle Casserole or Tuna Noodle Casserole, Peas/Carrots, Buttered Bread
Oct. 18th -*Italian Night* Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli, Garlic Bread
Oct. 25th -*Youth Soup Supper*

Hot Meal with Salad Bar cost \$3.00 per person. Salad Bar cost \$2.00 per person. Preschool and under are free. Meals include drink and desserts.

If you are looking for an area to volunteer, we can always use help in the kitchen, cooking and cleaning, or dessert sign ups. If you volunteer with Family Builders, your meal is free that night. If you have any questions, contact Amy Evans 812-664-1683.

HILLSIDE LITTLE LAMBS

Jenny White

In the nursery and toddler rooms, the children and shepherds have been busy and having lots of fun. With the heat that we are experiencing, we have brought the playground indoors with a ball pit in the nursery and a slide in the toddler room. The babies have enjoyed exploring their sense of touch with the texture of the baby pool and balls. No worries, no water was used in the baby pool, only babies and fun balls. In the toddler room, the slide has brought lots of fun and learning but don't tell them they learned to take turns and be kind. Wednesday nights have begun and we have 5 girls that are having a great time learning through story, songs and activities that God made them amazing and wonderful.



FAMILY BUILDERS DEVOTIONS

If you've joined us the last few weeks for Wednesday night meals, you likely noticed a new component: the Family Builders Mealtime Devotion. The family ministry at Hillside UMC believes in the power of faith conversation around the table and we want to make it easy for you, even if Wednesday night is the only night you're able to eat as a family.

On each table, you'll find a quick devotion prepared to correspond with that night's children's programming. This gives the kids a pre-view of the night and allows adults an insight into what their kids are learning. And even if you don't have children participating in our kids' programs, the good news is that the Bible is ageless and these devotions are just as relevant for you!

We hope you enjoy the opportunity to spend time in His word and talk about how it applies with your family and friends.

LITTLE FRIENDS CLUB (4-PreK) Amy Evans

We are off to a great start in Little Friends Club. We are using the curriculum Dig In, and that is what we are doing: digging in closer to Jesus. The 1st week, we discussed how Jesus loves everyone and last week we talked about Jesus being God's son. In the month of October, we will discuss how Jesus gives us eternal life, Jesus heals and forgives us, and Jesus shows us the right way.

On Oct. 25, Little Friends Club will participate in serving the church. We will help serve desserts at the Youth Group Soup Supper. Also on Oct. 25, we will have a trunk or treat night. Parents are welcomed to decorate their trunks and hand out treats. Kids can dress up, but it is not required to participate in the event. If you have any question, contact Amy Evans 812-664-1683.

FRIENDS CLUB (Grades K-2) Amanda Miskell

Family Meal starts at 4:45p.m. Friends Club is 6 - 7:30p.m. with sign-ins starting at 5:50p.m.

We kicked off Friends Club on Sept. 13 with a great turn out with a great meal, fun activities and registrations! This year we are using a new curriculum called Dig In, The Life of Jesus! The kids and leaders are enjoying the music, games, crafts, interactive lessons, short videos and small group time that come with Dig In! During September, we learned that Jesus Loves EVERYONE, and that Jesus is God's Son! Your kids will bring home a paper every Wednesday night with them telling you what they learned that night and ways you as a family can talk about it and use what they learned throughout the week!

For October, we will be learning that Jesus gives us eternal life, Jesus heals and forgives us, and Jesus shows us the right way!

On October 25, the kids and youth of Hillside will be preparing/ serving a Soup Supper at 4:45p.m., followed by Trunk or Treat for all the kids during Wednesday night Friends Club! We encourage the kids to dress up and the leaders will take them around to gather their goodies! We will have a small lesson that night, and a lot of fun Halloween activities for the kids!

Just a few reminders ~ Please make sure your kids are wearing comfortable shoes on Wednesday nights and make sure they are getting signed in and out before dropping them off or picking them up!

Proverbs 17:17 ~ A Friends Love at All Times

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