

Heartbeat

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

November 12, 2017

Looking Ahead to Thanksgiving Week

Since Thanksgiving Eve is traditionally the time to do last minute grocery shopping, baking, and cleaning, all classes are cancelled on Wednesday evening, November 22.

Baptism Tonight

Water baptism is a unique command from the Lord for every believer. It is a symbolic act of obedience that testifies one's allegiance to Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection. It is a commandment that is to be obeyed for every Christian, regardless of gift or calling.

Baptism is also a very public identification with the Lord's people. When Peter preached on Pentecost Sunday, the Scripture says: "So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls" (Acts 2:41).

Imagine the impact of 3,000 baptisms taking place. Those baptized were risking much; their public identification with the crucified Christ branded them as enemies of

the Jewish hierarchy and outcasts of their families and friends.

Baptism is correctly perceived by the world as a rejection of one's previous beliefs, a clear statement of repentance from one's previous life.

God considers our obedience in water baptism of sufficient importance to demand it even when the costs are great.

It is important to understand that water baptism is not a part of salvation. One is forever saved from judgment the moment he trusts Christ as Savior and Lord.

However, baptism should be one of the first acts of obedience for every new believer.

Baptism should be an occasion of celebration and great joy, as well as an opportunity to meet and encourage new brothers and sisters in Christ.

If you'd like to be baptized, pick up the pamphlet entitled, *Preparation for Water Baptism* in the lobby book racks and call the church receptionist, 402-483-4541 for a baptism interview.

Have a good week.

Girls of Grace Adventure

Gail DeRiese

The Galactic Starveyor overnight launch through the universe (aka the Girls of Grace overnighter) took place on October 20 – 21. God’s galaxy was the theme this year, with the question, “Are you shining for Jesus?” being asked.



The evening started with everyone gathering at the launch site (aka the Family Center) for a Starveyor pizza party! After the meal, Starfleet Mission Specialist Nancy Price gave us training from the Bible, or as she referred to it – **Basic Information Before Leaving Earth**. Nancy taught us how God created the entire galaxy, and how creator God is holy and righteous, and we are not, because of our sin.

She then showed us how far the east is from the west using a globe, and that is how far God has removed our sin from us, when we trust Jesus Christ as Savior. Only after we trust Jesus can we shine

for Him! After reviewing our theme verse of Phil 2:14-16, Mission Specialist Price taught us what it means to shine for Jesus (no grumbling, no arguing with parents, placing others needs before our own). She reviewed J.O.Y. with us: **Jesus-Others-Yourself**, that’s the order for a joyful heart.

After the training session, first–third graders made glow in the dark galaxy jars, and the fourth–sixth graders made spectacular mobiles, under the direction of Training Specialist Marilyn Garrett. These crafts were to remind the Starveyors of how great is the God and Creator of the universe and His Son, King Jesus!

Following the craft, Starfleet-issued service projects, which included dusting the bottoms of the chairs in “big church,” washing Wee Care toys, and making several meals for the food service ministry, were completed.

The evening ended with a “galaxy tour,” where the girls answered riddles about some “shining stars” in the Bible –Abraham, Jacob, Moses, etc., playing silly games to earn the next galaxy riddle.

Starveyors retired to their suites for snacks and lights out, where the Gospel was again shared. Morning came too soon,

but Mission Specialist Nancy reminded us that shining for Jesus starts by not grumbling and complaining because we are tired.

We are so thankful for each girl who came to the sleepover and

those who attend Girls of Grace. Our prayer is that each girl comes to a saving faith in Jesus Christ. A big thank you to this congregation for their support and prayers for Girls of Grace.

Fall Cleaning Morning

At the Church

Tuesday, Nov. 14

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Meet in the south lobby

Pie Pickup

If you ordered a pie from Girls of Grace, it can be picked up on Wednesday, Nov. 15 from 6-8 p.m. at the Event Kitchen window on the Bible Learning Center side

Girls of Grace Bake Sale

Sunday, Nov. 19

Immediately following Sunday Night Church

All money raised is used to help reduce the cost of camp

Save the Date

Ladies Retreat

*True Wisdom Found:
The joyful mindset of
fearing God*

February 23 & 24, 2018

Lied Lodge in Nebraska City

*Teachers: Nancy Butterfield,
Sheila Abresch, Deb Terry,
LaVon Sperling, Carrie Smith*



Save the Date

Men's Seminar

February 16 & 17, 2018

Speaker: Randall Price
Held at Indian Hills
Community Church

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Bible Fellowship Hour

Children' Sunday School

Visit the Sunday school coordinator's desk for class locations.

Junior High (Grades 6-8)

Studying Acts
Team Taught
Cornerstone House

Senior High (Grades 9-12)

Studying Colossians
Jeff Harford Teaching
Room 1430

Alpha Omega (18-25)

Studying 1 Corinthians
Duane Nelsen Teaching
Room 2311

EDGE

Studying Philippians
Jimmy Pelton Teaching
Rooms 2211

Common Bonds

Studying Acts
Jim Mooberry Teaching
Room 1404

HIS

Studying Deuteronomy
Scott Bailey Teaching
Room 1423

LOGOS

Studying Second Samuel
Greg Thomas Teaching
Room 1422

180^o Fellowship

Studying Luke
Bill Cooley Teaching
Room 1100 (Chapel)

One Heart

Studying Matthew
Dick Bergt Teaching
Room 1112

LIFE

Studying Philippians
Jim Pelton Teaching
Room 1419

The Father Knows Best

Studying "Taking the Mystery Out of Revelation"
Don Goertzen Teaching
Room 1414

Prime Time

Studying Mark
Ed Daly Teaching
Room 1417

Classes begin at 8:45 a.m. but everyone is welcome to come at 8:30 a.m. for a cup of coffee and fellowship.

For more information about any of these classes, contact Duane Nelsen at 483-4541, visit the class, or stop by the information center in the south lobby.

Information Center

We would love to meet you! Please stop by and pick up your visitor/newcomer gift bag. We're located across from Sound Words.

How blessed is the man who finds wisdom and the man who gains understanding. For her profit is better than the profit of silver and her gain better than fine gold. She is more precious than jewels; and nothing you desire compares with her (Proverbs 3:13-15).

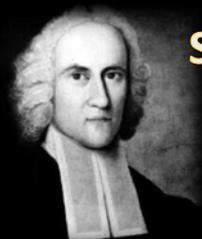
Into the Spirit World

ANGELOLOGY

Larry Riekenberg Teacher

Wed. from 7:00–8:00 p.m.

Everyone high school age and older welcome



Jonathan Edwards

All are Welcome

Study the Great Awakenings of the Americas

Each Wednesday 7:00-8:00PM

Room 1414

Donald Goertzen Teacher

George
Whitefield
(1714-1770)



If you have an upcoming event that involves the new Event Kitchen, contact Rachel Gould at church, 402-483-4541. She will reserve it for your group and give you an Event Sheet, which will help with the planning. Questions to Merrily Bailey, (402) 730-7617.

William Tyndale (1494-1536)

William Tyndale is known as the Apostle of England. A linguistic genius—he was proficient in at least eight languages—he made it his life’s goal to translate the Bible from its original languages into English, a feat never before accomplished. Forbidden from this task by both king and Church, Tyndale fled England at age 30 to live the rest of his life as an outlaw.

He first hid in Germany where he sat under Luther’s preaching and studied the newly completed German Bible. When Tyndale started his translation, he needed a city with a printing press, a paper mill, only loose Catholic control, and along a river so he could export his work back to England. He settled on Worms, where Luther stood trial a decade earlier. When Tyndale was run out of Worms, he fled to Antwerp. There shippers smuggled his Bibles into England, where they were sold from the docks, all against the King’s direct orders.



William Tyndale

Eventually, Tyndale’s operation was infiltrated by an English spy. He was betrayed, kidnapped, and spent five-hundred days

in a Brussels dungeon where he nearly froze to death. He was then paraded through town, formally excommunicated, and hung to death by a chain as he was hoisted onto a wooden cross. His body was then covered in gun powder and the cross was lit on fire, causing his corpse to explode.

His last words were “Lord, open the king of England’s eyes.”

Church cancellations or delays will be posted on the church website:
www.ihcc.org



October Report

Print Media Distributed:
132 booklets

Audio Media Outreach

Sermon Audio:
1,213 downloads & streams

Family News

Death. Karl Hutchings died November 6, 2017.

Death. Hilda Stahly, Lisa Wallick's mother died November 4, 2017.

Birth. Jeremy and Amanda Carnes are the parents of a boy, Asher Allen, born November 3, 2017. Grandparents are Terry and Becky Lowe.

Hospitalized. Peggy Cline was a patient at the Nebraska Heart Hospital.

Thank You to our Indian Hills Family. The last two months have been very trying for our family as both Terry and Fred Valenta were called home to be with the Lord in Glory just 35 days apart. The outpouring of support in every way from our Indian Hills family has been overwhelming to say the least. Your prayer and support has, and will continue to carry us through this difficult time. If not for the grace God provides every second of every day, it would seem impossible to continue. Thank you all for the countless visits, meals, support and most importantly, prayer. You all have been a true blessing during this time and we cannot fully express our gratitude. Jeremiah 29:11: "‘For I know the plans that I have for you,’ declares the Lord, ‘plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.’" Blessings—The Valenta Family

Children's Studies

Children's Sunday School. The children reviewed recent lessons.

Children's Church. The children studied Genesis 39-50 and learned about God delivering Joseph. The lesson goal is that God is in control of every circumstance.

Information

Pie Pickup. If you ordered a pie from Girls of Grace, it can be picked up on Wednesday, November 15 from 6–8 p.m. at the Event Kitchen window on the Bible Learning Center side.

Clothing Outlet will be open Tuesday, November 14 from 8:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m. Donated clothes may be dropped off any time the church is open. Please place clothing inside the box in the Clothing Outlet closet (NE corner, by big canopy). Donated clothes should be in bags or boxes. Please put children's clothes in a separate bag or box. Clothes should be clean and in good condition. Questions? Call Brenda Turner at 402-486-1898.

If you have an upcoming event that involves the new Event Kitchen, contact Rachel Gould at church, 402-483-4541. She will reserve it for your group and give you an Event Sheet, which will help with the planning. Questions to Merrily Bailey (402) 730-7617.

Awana will not meet on Wednesday, November 22, so the kids can be home helping Mom and Dad get ready for Thanksgiving.

Girls Choir will not meet until January.

Sonshine Kids have begun practicing for their Christmas Concert that will be presented on December 10. If your child will turn four years old before then, please bring them for practices on Sunday nights. We meet at 6:30 p.m. in the large middle room upstairs in the Sunday School area.

Cleaners Needed for a special assignment and for vacuuming once every five weeks. If you would like to help, contact Tami Coffin, 402-366-3490.

Titus Tuesday. We will not meet for study this week so everyone can help with Fall Cleaning at the church.

Lost & Found is giving away lost Bibles. Stop by the Media Center and see if any of the items in our Lost & Found belong to you.

Van Ministry. Van drivers and riders are needed for Sunday evenings. We want to make transportation available for children to attend Girls of Grace, Boys of Faith, and Sonshine Kids. For more information or to volunteer, contact Dalton Dowding at 402-470-1605 or leave a message with the church receptionist at 402-483-4541.

Ladies Missionary Prayer group will meet on Wednesday, November 15 at 1:30 p.m. in the Lending Library. All women are invited to join us.

Hospitality Ministry needs two workers. One person is needed to help at the information desk and one is needed to greet others at the southwest doors on Sunday mornings. Please let Brian Willet (brian.willet@outlook.com) know if you're interested.

If you know of someone who would benefit spiritually from a regular visit or if you'd like to get involved visiting the sick through the Visitation Ministry, please talk to Curt Kuster or Aaron Nicholson, 402-483-4541.

Nursery Workers are needed for the second hour. Please contact Cheryl Slade, 402-770-3055, if you would like to help.

Nursing Home Door-to-Door Evangelism. If you'd like to help, call Adam Flaugh, 402-310-2070.

Last Week's Message

November 5 AM. Gil Rugh. GR 2020. *The Ministry of the Two Witnesses.* Revelation 11:3-6

November 5 PM. Gil Rugh. GR 2102. *Contrasting the Law with the Promise.* Galatians 4:21-31

This Week's Events

Sunday

Sunday Night Church 6:00 p.m.
Baptism
Boys of Faith 6:00 p.m.
Girls of Grace 6:00 p.m.
Sunshine Kids 6:30 p.m.

Monday

Sisters 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Clothing Outlet 8:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
Fall Cleaning 9:00–11:00 a.m.

Wednesday

Missionary Prayer 1:30 p.m.
Orchestra 6:00 p.m.
Pie Pickup 6:00–8:00 p.m.
Awana 6:45 p.m.
Choir 7:00 p.m.
Junior High Study 7:00 p.m.
Issues . . . World 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Study 7:00 p.m.

Thursday

Alpha Omega Study 7:00 p.m.

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Future Events

November 19

Girls of Grace Bake Sale

November 21

Praise Team, Band, Orchestra 6:00 p.m.
Choir 7:00 p.m.

November 22

No Wednesday Night Activities
Church Building Closes at 5:00 p.m.

November 23

Thanksgiving
Church Building Closed

November 24

Church Building Closed

December 10

Children's Christmas Program 6 p.m.

December 17

Adult Christmas Concert 6 p.m.

December 24

Christmas Eve Service
Communion

December 25

Christmas Day
Church Building Closed

December 26

Church Building Closed

December 31

No Sunday Night Church

January 1

New Year's Day
Church Building Closed