

# Heartbeat

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

July 1, 2018

A warm welcome to you!

The unity we have in Christ truly is miraculous. Although we come from many different backgrounds and walks of life, have differing strengths, weaknesses, and varying personalities—we are united in our love for the Savior.

As we grow, we learn that “love covers a multitude of sins” (1 Peter 4:8) and that God uses each one despite our many failings. How sweet it is to love the ones our Lord holds closely.

We’re thankful you’re here this morning. As members of God’s family, it is a joy to gather with the saints and worship our Lord and Savior with you!

## Leaving a Legacy

When our children are little, we tell them stories about Jesus and read to them from little Bible books. This helps teach our little ones about God. After all, they must know who God is and they must learn to worship Him . . . that’s part of fearing the Lord.

As parents we teach our children to worship. And we teach not only by what we say, but by what we do.

Questions I need to ask myself are: Do I worship faithfully? Am I consistent and faithful in worshipping the Lord? Am I faithful to worship God in the Word myself, personally? Do my children look at me and see a true worshiper?

Remember, whatever patterns of worship we establish for ourselves will be established in our children. Then, they will likely establish the same worship patterns for their children.

## Two Things

My memory is nearly gone; but I remember two things: That I am a great sinner, and that Christ is a great Savior.—John Newton

## Key to Victory

The key to a victorious Christian life is obedience. The Lord will faithfully supply us with instructions for each step as we follow Him. His way may not be the easiest or the most comfortable, but it is always the best. As we rely on Him, He will lead us to victory.

## Fourth of July

Have a happy Independence Day and a victorious week!

# Unity of the Body

Jeff Horn

## 1 Corinthians 12

Several of the previous articles have dealt with the topic of unity. First Corinthians 12 is another passage that discusses the basis of unity with other believers and the actions of a unified body. First Corinthians 12 deals primarily with the topic of spiritual gifts and our need to be exercising these gifts for the common good.

Paul uses the metaphor of the human body to illustrate the functioning of the church starting in 1 Corinthians 12:12. He makes the point that the human body has many members but all the members are combined in one body. They are unified for the purpose of making the body effective. Paul says the body of Christ is to function in the same manner.

In verse 13 Paul makes the point that our unity comes about through the work of the Holy Spirit. All believers have the common experience of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. At the point of our justification, the Holy Spirit baptized us into the body of Christ, the church. He identified us with Christ and with other believers. Paul makes this point also by speaking of our drinking of the Spirit. By this he is pointing out the fact that the Spirit dwells within us and enables us



*Jeff Horn*

for ministry. Since we have been baptized into one body and have God Himself dwelling within us in the person of the Holy Spirit we are to be unified.

Paul goes on in verses 14 to 19 to discuss the need for a diversity of gifted individuals to have a properly functioning church body based on the comparison to the human body. Then in verses 20 to 27 he discusses the need for a unified body to insure that all the members are supporting the functioning of the body.

In this last section (verses 20 to 27) Paul specifically discusses the interaction of believers with one another. In verse 25 we are told that there is to be no division in the body. Each of us as members of the body are to care for the other members as we would care for ourselves. In verse 26 we read,

“And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.”

Our relationships in the church body are to be such that we understand when others are suffering and we suffer with them and support them through their trials. To use the comparison to the human body, if I hit my thumb with a hammer, all the members of my body feel the pain and do what they can to ease the pain. So it should be in the body of Christ.

The second part of verse 26 may be just as challenging as the first part. If someone in the body is honored, we are to rejoice as we would if we ourselves got that honor. It is often difficult to see someone praised or honored because by nature we want that praise to come to us. But we are instructed in this verse that there is no room for petty jealousy in the church. We are to rejoice with those who are honored.

It is a marvelous blessing to have received the gift of salvation and been made part of the body of which Jesus is the head. In thankfulness for all that God has done for us we must be living lives characterized by unity and love for all members of this local body.

**“But now there are many members, but one body” (1 Cor. 12:20).**

# Church Leadership

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# Devoted to Prayer

Gil Rugh

Paul made the following prayer request for himself while he was imprisoned: “And pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel” (Eph. 6:19).

Note that he did not ask for personal comfort. Paul asked people to pray for him that he might have the right words to say at the right time and that he might say them with boldness.

I hope my congregation prays for me every week that I will say the right things in the right way and that I will have the courage

and boldness to say what should be said. If God’s people pray that the right words will be said in the right way within the right framework of time, we will see God work.

We tend to think that Paul was a different sort of character. We assume that he always had the right words to say at the right time, without fear. But I wonder how many people at the Judgment Seat of Christ will be given rewards only to ask the Lord, “What is this for?”

Then the Lord will reply: “This is because Paul was effective in his ministry at Ephesus, Colossae and Rome.” “Well,” they will add, “I wasn’t there with him.” Then the Lord will say, “But you joined with him in prayer, and that gave effectiveness to his ministry.”

We will probably be amazed when we stand in the presence of the Lord and see how many rewards will be given for ministry to those who have diligently prayed.

Paul gave further instructions about prayer in Colossians 4:2: “Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving.” Saturating our prayers with appreciation to God for what He has done will help us stay awake and stay focused.

Paul continued, “Praying at the

*Wednesday*

*Night*

*Prayer Meeting*

**July 4 (No Meeting)**

**July 11**

**July 18**

**July 25**

Come pray with the  
brethren in room 1414  
from 7:00–8:00 p.m.

same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned; that I may make it clear in the way I ought to speak” (Col. 4:3, 4).

What a privilege we have been given! May we devote ourselves to prayer that God will provide opportunity for the sharing of the mystery of Christ.

## Candidate for Elder

# Scott Bailey



*Scott and Merrily Bailey.*

Scott shared his testimony Sunday night, June 24. If you have questions or comments about Scott’s candidacy, please share them with an elder.

Let us be good stewards of the Lord’s blessings

No Food  
or Drink  
in the Auditorium  
or Chapel

Are you looking for a place to serve?

We have a number of young couples wanting to be mentored by godly Christian couples.

If you’re interested or would like more information, please call Lynn Young, 402-489-4674.

# Summer Music Camp

Begins

**Tonight at 6:00 p.m.**

**All youth going into first through eighth grade in the fall are encouraged to attend.**

**First–third graders** will begin in the Family Center at 6 p.m. They will learn music signs, notes, rhythms, basic knowledge of the keyboard, how to sing on pitch using the floor staff, and a little music theory. They will have a Bible lesson, learn new songs and actions for the concert and ponder on various song lyrics from a spiritual perspective.

**Fourth–eighth graders** will begin at 6 p.m. in the choir room with a Bible lesson. They may choose one of the following electives: percussion, marimba, puppets, or guitar. Students may try any of them the first week. (Please bring your own guitar if you have one.)

Finale will be presented Sunday, Sept. 2 at 6:00 p.m.

Questions? Contact Andrew Thomas at 402-483-4541 or [Andrew.Thomas@ihcc.org](mailto:Andrew.Thomas@ihcc.org)

# Bible Fellowship Hour

## **Children' Sunday School**

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

## **Junior High** (Grades 6-8)

Studying Genesis  
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 Hebrews  
Jimmy Pelton Teaching  
Rooms 2211

## **Common Bonds**

Studying Acts  
Jim Mooberry Teaching  
Room 1404

## **HIS**

Studying Deuteronomy  
Scott Bailey Teaching  
Room 1423

## **LOGOS**

Studying 1 Kings  
Greg Thomas Teaching  
Room 1422

## **180<sup>o</sup> 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

## **Standing Firm**

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 402-483-4541, 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.

"The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness" (Psalm 103:8).

## Family News

**Hospitalized.** Nick McElvain was a patient at Bryan East.

## Children's Studies

**Children's Church.** The children studied Joshua chapters 3–5 and learned about God revealing His might at the Jordan River. The lesson goal is to recognize God's might and have a godly fear of Him, which is demonstrated by obeying Him.

## Information

**Building Closed.** The church building will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. The building will reopen on Thursday at 8 a.m.

**Have you been looking for a ministry in the body?** We have a number of young couples wanting to be mentored by godly Christian couples. If interested, please call Lynn Young, 402-489-4674.

**Boys of Faith Summer Camp.** Stop by the table in the south lobby and register for Boys of Faith Summer Camp. All incoming second through sixth grade boys and their fathers are invited. Camp will be held August 4–7. Registrations are due on July 22.

**Van Drivers and Riders** are needed for Sunday nights. Contact Dalton Dowding at 402-470-1605 for more information.

**Summer Music Camp** begins tonight, July 1, at 6:00 p.m. The finale will be presented on Sunday, September 2, at 6:00 p.m.

**Weekly Outings.** On Tuesday, July 3, meet up with your friends at Havelock Park on North 64th & Ballard Avenue between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. It will be fun for both you and your children.

**Cleaners Needed.** If you would like to help clean a section of the church once every five weeks, please call Tami Coffin at (402) 366-3490.

**Gardening.** We will not garden this week. Enjoy Independence Day, the fireworks, and all the hot dogs, watermelon, and apple pie you'd like.

**Door 2 Door Evangelism** (in the neighborhoods of Lincoln) meets each Monday at 6:15 p.m., weather permitting. Meet at the north entrance of IHCC (by the security desk). Everyone is welcome to attend. If you've never been out before, we will pair you up with someone who has experience and you can learn by observing. If the weather looks unpredictable, please check the church website, [www.ihcc.org](http://www.ihcc.org), for instructions.

**Baptism.** If you are a believer in Jesus Christ and have not yet identified yourself with Him through water baptism, pick up a copy of "Preparation for Water Baptism." The booklets are free and are available in the lobby book racks.

Then, call the church and ask to schedule a baptism interview.

**Pickleball** meets on Monday from 6:45–9:00 p.m. in the Family Center. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Vince Ganshorn at 402-440-9640.

**Branson Tour.** Everyone is welcome to join us for our annual tour of Branson on November 6–9, 2018. The cost is \$377/person double occupancy; or \$754/couple; or \$472/single occupancy. Deposits of \$50 per person to reserve your space are due by September 1. Final payments due by October 1. If you have questions, please call Sandy Rathe at 402-540-6614, or email: srathe727@gmail.com.

**Worship Service Online.** If you are unable to attend church on Sunday and would like to worship with us through the internet, log on to [www.ihcc.org](http://www.ihcc.org) and click on Resources at the top of the page. Then, click on Live Stream. The services start at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

**Hospitalizations.** Please call the church, 402-483-4541, and notify Pastor Aaron Nicholson or Curt Kuster of hospitalizations and births.

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

**What Does the Bible Say?** Gil is discussing current issues and taking questions on Sunday nights.

Questions will be received in the auditorium, through Facebook Live, or through the option explained below.

**New Option for Sunday Night Q&A.** Text us your question. It's easy. Text "ihcc" to 74121 and follow the instructions to submit your question to Gil Rugh. He will be answering questions on Sunday nights during our "What Does the Bible Say?" Live Q & A series.

**Event Kitchen.** 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.

**Weddings & Funerals.** Please call the church, 402-483-4541, and ask for Pastor Duane Nelsen or Pastor Aaron Nicholson for wedding and funeral arrangements.

**"Persecution** is like the goldsmith's hallmark on real silver and gold; it is one of the marks of a converted man."—J. C. Ryle

## Last Week's Message

June 24 AM. Gil Rugh. GR 2045. *The Victory of the Lamb at Har-Magedon.* Revelation 17:14-18

June 24 PM. Gil Rugh. GRM 1188. *Christian Baptism.* Selected Verses

## This Week's Events

### Sunday

Sunday Night Church 6:00 p.m.  
Summer Music Camp 6:00 p.m.  
Sunshine Kids 6:30 p.m.

### Monday

Door to Door Evangelism 6:15 p.m.  
Pickleball 6:45–9:00 p.m.  
**No Sisters**

### Tuesday

Weekly Outings 9:00 a.m.

### Wednesday

Independence Day  
Church Building Closed  
**No Flower Garden Work**  
**No Prayer Meeting**

### Thursday

Praise Team, Band 6:00 p.m.  
Alpha Omega Study 7:00 p.m.

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## Future Events

### July 15

Communion

### July 25

High School  
End of Summer Bash

### July 29

High School Senior Trip  
Section J/K Potluck

### August 4–7

Boys of Faith Summer Camp

### August 8–11

Junior High Camp

### September 2

Music Camp Finale

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