

Heartbeat

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

September 3, 2017

Pulpit Thank You

Thank you to Duane Nelsen for your message from the Word. We profited from your teaching on the cost of following Christ. Thank you also to Ed Daly for your Sunday night message on the source of wisdom.

Music Camp Thank You

A special thank you to Andrew Thomas and all the music camp workers. We are pleased that over 70 kids attended music camp this summer and that 23 workers helped teach them. That is a wonderful ratio of students to workers.

The students learned many musical skills and God's Truth was reinforced in songs and lessons. May God use all they have learned this summer for His purposes.

Ministering Today

Today we welcome our Senior Pastor, Gil Rugh, home from vacation and back in the pulpit. We are glad to have our shepherd back with the flock and feeding us from the Scriptures. *Welcome home Gil!*

Fall Kickoff Is Today

This is an exciting, fun-filled day at The Hills and everyone is invited. On top of that, it's all free.

Beginning at 3:00 p.m., we'll have a mini-fair in the northeast parking lot. You and the kids will enjoy Zing Archery, cotton candy, a bounce house, Kona snow cones, an obstacle course, a football toss, a strong man challenge, rope making, popcorn, show cars, and pickleball.

We'll also have a ministry booth for anyone that would like to learn more about classes, programs and service opportunities.

At 4:30 p.m. we'll be serving picnic food under the big canopy (northeast entrance). Tammy Wheat will be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers and we'll also have baked beans, chips, fruit, cookies, pop, and water. Bring lawn chairs or a blanket if you'd like.

To top off the day, we'll meet in the auditorium at 6:00 p.m. for a worship service. This will be a time of congregational singing and adoration as soloists and groups sing God's praises. Adam Flaugh will share the gospel and encourage us in our walk with the Lord.

Bring the entire family and enjoy the day at The Hills. The activities will be fun, the fellowship sweet, the food tasty, and the worship genuine.

Issues in our Contemporary World

Wednesday, September 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Join Donald Goertzen in a four-week study of Israel, visiting the lesser known sites of Shiloh, Jericho, and Hebron . . .

. . . and then begin a study of
The Great Awakening

Wednesday Night Study Begins September 13 at 7:00 p.m.

A lot happens in life. We can lose a spouse, lose a job, make bad decisions, and take on a lot of debt, yet God's Word is relevant to everyone's situation.

Sept. 13 **Tom Price**

What Solomon Said About Money & Living

Proverbs and Ecclesiastes have much to say about living in a godly way. This includes being a good steward of our time and resources.

Sept 20 **Tom Price**

What Jesus Said About Money

Examining the New Testament, Tom will show what Jesus said about money, including: how we are to handle money, that we are to love God more than money, and that we are to store up riches in heaven instead of on earth.

Sept 27 **Tom Price**

What the Apostles Said about Giving

“For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either” (1 Timothy 6:7). While we have breath, we are responsible for our resources. The apostles wrote much about giving, why we give, how to give, how much to give and what happens if we don't give.

Pizza Breakfast

For the Guys



Saturday, September 30

8:00–10:00 a.m.

Rick Duval speaking

Menu includes:

Breakfast Pizza • Juice • Milk • Coffee

Meet in the IHCC Family Center

Cost: \$3.00

Guests eat for free

All guys high school age and older are welcome.

Orchestra

**Wednesday,
September 13**

Meet at
6 p.m. Wednesday
And 8:00 a.m. the
following Sunday

Contact Aaron
Nicholson if you'd like
to join the orchestra.

Choir

**Wednesday,
September 13**

Meet in the Choir Room
from 7:00–8:30 p.m.

Sing every other Sunday

Contact Aaron Nicholson
if you'd like to sing in the
choir



junior high alive ministry

**Wednesday
September 13**

**7:00 p.m.
Cornerstone House**

Girls' Choir

**Wednesday,
September 13
5:00 p.m.**

All Girls Welcome
Meet in the Choir Room

Let's Meet at Awana

Wednesday, September 13 at 6:45 p.m.

All kids three years old through sixth grade

Bring the neighbor kids!



Ladies Titus Tuesday

Fall Classes Begin

Tuesday, September 13

Our lessons this semester are called “Interests of Others.”
Sharon Riekenberg will be teaching the first lesson,
“Love God/Love Others.”

9:15 a.m. Light Brunch (15 minutes)
9:30 a.m. Opening Announcements and Prayer (20 minutes)
9:50 a.m. Lesson (30 minutes)
10:20 a.m. Break (10 minutes)
10:30 a.m. Discussion Group or Second Hour Class (30 minutes)
11 a.m. Dismissal

Nursery & child care provided

Used Books

“By the Pound” Sale

In the South Lobby

Come and browse our inventory

The Ministry of the Many

Adam Flaugh

And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ (Eph. 4:11-12).

Have you ever noticed what the pastors, evangelists, and teachers are doing in Ephesians 4:12?

- Jesus Christ gave His church gifted men “*for the equipping of the saints.*”

That word for “equipping” refers to making someone completely adequate for something by supplying what is needed. It was used of mending nets and setting broken bones in place. A cognate of this word for equipping (*katartismos*) is seen in 2 Tim. 3:16-17 which says:

All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate [*artios*], equipped for every good work.

Have you ever noticed what we are doing in Ephesians 4:12?

- The saint is being equipped “*for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ*”

The “work of service” is a translation of *ergon diakonias*. This is a toiling type of work that strives to help and assist others. *Diakonia* is used 34 times in the NASB and most of those times (19 of them) it is translated as “ministry.” Sometimes you’ll hear this referred to as the “work of ministry.”



Adam Flaugh

The word for “building up” is *oikodome*, which can mean literally the “building of a house.” As Paul uses it here, this is a reference to the building of God’s church. Through our work of service, by diligently working hard at ministry, we are building up the “dwelling of God” (cf. Eph. 2:19-22).

The Many & The Few

The evangelists, pastors, and teachers today - *the few* - bring the Word of God to us to prepare us to build up the church. That’s what

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we - *the many* - are being equipped to do. The pastors and teachers are not the ones specified here as doing the work of ministry. We are. We are the builders. We are the edifiers. We are the ones who are to be taking the truths we are so faithfully taught and using them to exhort and encourage and grow.

To state it plainly: *It is not God's plan that the pastors and teachers would do all the work.* His plan is that the pastors and teachers would equip you and me with the Word so that we would do the work of ministry which "causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love" (Eph. 4:16).

Praise God for all the equipping we receive at Indian Hills. Our teachers have been faithfully "feeding the flock of God" for many years. If His children have been listening, then we should most certainly be equipped for the work of ministry. *I believe that this church is full of people adequate and prepared for every good work.*

This Is Our Ministry

As we put the truths we are taught into practice by serving one another and speaking the truth in love (cf. Eph. 4:15), we are building up the body -

until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ (Eph. 4:13).

Our small pastoral staff cannot do all this on their own. In fact, it would be unbiblical if they did. We must recognize that this is our ministry. This is the ministry of the many.

Candidate for Deacon Girls of Grace Ministry Steve DeRiese



Steve DeRiese and family

Steve shared his testimony Sunday night, August 27. If you have comments about his candidacy, please share them with an elder by September 20, 2017.

Family News

Hospitalized. Fred Valenta is a patient at St. Elizabeth.

Children's Studies

Children's Sunday School. The children studied Romans 1:18–2:16 and learned about the condemnation of men.

Summer Church. The children studied Genesis 12 and learned about God's promise to Abraham. The lesson goal is to learn that God keeps His promises.

Information

Parking Request. Please move your car from the northeast parking lot after the morning service. We need to set up booths, stands, bounce houses and an obstacle course and have everything ready by 3 p.m. for today's fall kickoff.

Clothing Outlet will be open Tuesday, September 12 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.

Security Man is needed for one evening a week and one weekend

shift every three weeks. (The week night shift is negotiable.) This is a paid position. Contact Kevin Wheat for more information at 402-483-4541 or Kevin.Wheat@ihcc.org.

Sound Words Bookstore Hours will include Saturday mornings, 9:00 a.m.–Noon beginning Saturday, September 9, and Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8:30 beginning September 13. Regular hours on Monday through Friday are 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. The bookstore is open Sundays before and after morning and evening services.

Registration for Boys of Faith, Awana, and Girls of Grace will be held today, September 10. Stop by the table in the south lobby before and after morning church to get signed up. On-line registration is also available through the church's website: www.ihcc.org.

Fruit & Cookies Needed. Volunteers are needed to bring either two dozen cookies or about 15 servings of fruit for the Fall Kick-off picnic today. If you're bringing fruit, please bring something that will keep well, like cantaloupe, grapes or pineapple, and bring it pre-cut so it can be mixed with other fruit and in a disposable Ziploc bag or container. Have your fruit or cookies in the church kitchen by 1:00 p.m.

AWANA workers needed! Would you be interested in helping kids memorize and understand God's Word? If this ministry interests you,

please pray about serving. If you feel led to serve, or have questions, please contact Galen Pfeiffer at: gk5fer@gmail.com or 402-613-6896.

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.

Sunday Night Nursery needs an adult worker on the second and fourth Sunday of the month in the infant room. If interested, call Joanna Andrews at 402-465-0301.

A Teacher is needed at Homestead Alzheimer's Unit. A teacher is also needed the third Sunday at Sumner Place (1720 South 20th Street) and the fourth Sunday at The Arbors. A teacher is needed at The Ambassador nursing home at 44th and Normal on the 4th Sunday of every month. The service starts at 3:00 p.m. and usually lasts for 30 minutes (15 minutes of singing, 15 minutes of teaching). Contact Tom Price at 402-792-9331 or mathmanprice@gmail.com for more information.

Nursery Workers are needed for the second hour. Please contact

Cheryl Slade, 402-770-3055, if you would like to help.

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

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.

Branson Tour is November 7-10 and everyone is welcome. We will stay at the Honeysuckle Inn and see the Statler Brothers Revisited, the Haygoods, the Hughes Brothers, and Pierce Arrow. For more information, call Sandy Rathe, 402-540-6614 (cell) or 402-484-5759 (home).

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

Last Week's Message

September 3 AM. DN 19. *How Believer's Endure.* Jude 17-23. Duane Nelsen

September 3 PM. ED 1. *The Garden of Eden: Grace & Wisdom by Design.* Genesis 2:4-25. Ed Daly

This Week's Events

Sunday

Sound Words Bookstore
By the Pound Book Sale
Kickoff Activities Begin 3:00 p.m.
Picnic Meal 4:30 p.m.
Worship Service 6:00 p.m.

Monday

Door 2 Door 6:15 p.m.
Sisters 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Clothing Outlet 8:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
Titus Tuesday 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday

Gardening 9:00 a.m.
Girls' Choir 5:00 p.m.
Orchestra 6:00 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

September 30
Men's Breakfast

October 1
Baptism

October 6, 7
Deaf Conference

October 15
Communion

October 20, 21
Girls of Grace Overnighter

October 24
Intermission 6:15 p.m.

October 27, 28
AO Fall Retreat

November 5
Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 7–10
Branson Tour

November 12
Baptism

November 23
Thanksgiving

November 24
Offices Closed

December 24
Christmas Eve Service
Communion

December 25
Christmas Day