

Heartbeat

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

November 22, 2015

Greetings and blessings to you, beloved of God. We welcome you to The Hills this morning in the name of Him who died, rose again, and forever lives to make intercession for us before the throne of grace.

This week we celebrate Thanksgiving.

Titus Tuesday will not meet on Tuesday, and all classes are cancelled on Wednesday. The church building will close at 3 p.m. Wednesday so everyone can go home and help Mom get ready for Thanksgiving dinner.

The church building will be closed Thursday and Friday, but will re-open on Saturday at 8 a.m.

“Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever” (1 Chronicles 16:34).

This is a busy and exciting time of the year. The adult Christmas concert is three weeks away (Dec. 13 at 6 p.m.). The choir, soloists, band, and orchestra will be presenting their very best to the Lord.

Invitations are available at the main entrances. Please pick some up today and invite those the Lord brings to mind.



Thanksgiving Blessings!

The children’s Christmas concert will be held December 20 at 6 p.m. and the Christmas Eve service will be held December 24 at 6 p.m.

One Certainty

One day every tongue will confess Jesus is Lord and every knee will bow before Him (see Phil 2:10, 11). If you have not bowed the knee, we beseech you, come to the Lord now, while there is yet time.

Repent (turn away from your sins) and believe Jesus died to pay your penalty for sin. Upon believing this, your sins are forgiven and you become God’s child.

Please don’t put this off—you may awake to find it is too late.

IHCC Choir
& Orchestra

Christmas Concert

Interpreted for the Deaf



December 13 at 6 p.m.

**Concert invitations are available at the main entrances.
Pick some up today!**



Just Before Thanksgiving!

Bake Sale

Tonight

Immediately Following Sunday Night Church
South Lobby

sponsored by


Girls of Grace

Unity in Christ

by Gil Rugh

In one of His last recorded prayers, Jesus asked the Father three times that believers be one (see John 17:11, 21-22).

This oneness is expressed further by Paul in Ephesians 4. There are several aspects to our unity as believers:

One body. God adopts people into His family without regard for race, gender or denomination. Faith in Jesus Christ is the only qualification. Everything that divides human beings is insignificant (Gal. 3:28).

One Spirit. All Christians are indwelt by the Holy Spirit when they put their faith in Christ. Believers may look different from one another on the outside, but we all have the third member of the Trinity to empower and guide us.

One hope. As believers, we share in a common hope—the return of the Messiah and a future life in heaven with Him.

One Lord. Jesus’s lordship extends over all believers. We are to acknowledge and submit to His authority in every area of life.

One faith. Believers are united in one faith: Jesus is God incarnate, born of a virgin. He lived a sinless life, died in our place, rose from the dead, ascended into

heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. Reconciliation with God is possible only through faith in the saving work of Christ. We can do nothing to earn our own salvation.

The children of God share a lot in common. Our unity is stronger than any bond that unbelievers can have, and we should not allow it to be broken for insignificant reasons. Let us remember what we share with other believers and remain united in Christ.

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Family News

Death. Marcia McClurg's mother, Alice, died November 17, 2015.

Hospitalized. Earl Fulliton is a patient at Bryan East Hospital.

Hospitalized. Del Dueck is a patient at the Heart Hospital.

Thank You for the prayers, cards, food brought to our home, and for those that visited me in the hospital and at Madonna. *Please pray for those that heard the gospel through the tracts and my witnessing.* "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:58).—Eudene and Helen Springer

Children's Studies

Sunday School. The children studied Luke 17:1–10 and learned about the unprofitable servants.

Children's Church. The children studied 1 Samuel 17 and learned about David defending God's honor in defeating Goliath.

Information

Titus Tuesday Ladies. We will not meet for Titus Tuesday on November 24. Happy Thanksgiving.

Parking Lot Security. Two men are needed to help with security in the parking lot. Contact Jon Duval or Kevin Wheat to help.

Hospitality Meeting. On Sunday night, November 22, from 7:30–8:00 p.m. we will be having a ministry meeting in the Bible Learning Center. We will discuss how to grow in engaging visitors, in making them feel welcome, and in getting them connected to the right area.

This meeting is for all those currently involved in the Hospitality Ministry including all Ushers, Door Greeters, Hall Helpers, Sunday School Greeters, and Information Desk workers. The Security Team is also invited since they can help direct people to the right place. We also need more volunteers! Please come to the meeting to find out what areas need more help and how you can serve.

Learning New Songs. Would you like to learn the upcoming songs we sing each Sunday during the week? Visit our church Facebook page (www.facebook.com/Indian-HillsCommunityChurch) and see the corresponding post *or* write these links down and visit these pages each week. On each page, click on the "Youtube" button to hear the song.

Sunday Morning Services Page:
tiny.cc/sundayam

Sunday Evening Services Page:
tiny.cc/sundaypm

"Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth" (Ps 96:1).

December Fun Money. If you shop at Earl May Nursery or Garden Center and receive December Fun Money, please don't throw it away. Our garden ladies have a list of off-season chemicals they would like to purchase and the December Fun Money allows them to buy items at half price. You can give the Fun Money to Roxanne or Jeanne or put it in the gardening slot in the mail room.

JHAM Ski Trip will be Saturday, January 23. More details will be mailed to students in December. Save the date!

Several workers are needed to care for children in the beginning walker's room during the second hour on Sunday mornings. Please contact Jennifer Lenzen at 402-435-0877 if you are interested in serving in this way.

Hospitalizations. Please call the church, 402-483-4541, and notify Pastor Aaron Nicholson for all hospitalizations and births.

Girls' Choir (fourth–twelfth grade) meets every Wednesday from 5-6:15 p.m. in the choir room.

Issues In Our Contemporary World will **not** meet Wednesday (Nov. 25). Join us next Wednesday (Dec. 2) in room 1414 from 7–8 p.m.

Nursing Home Door-to-Door Evangelism. If you'd like to help, call Adam Flaugh, 402-580-3014.

Used Book section is available at Sound Words. You may contribute

to or make purchases of discounted and hard-to-find books. Our shelves are growing and the stock is constantly changing in both the fiction and non-fiction categories.

Forgotten Clothing. Coats, jean jackets, hats, gloves and more are waiting to be picked up by their owners. Stop by the south lobby and check the coat racks on the far end for your personal belongings.

Sonshine Kids (4s & Ks) meet every Sunday evening at 6:30 in the Sonshine Kids' room.

Home Bible Studies. If you are looking for a Home Bible Study, or are interested in hosting a study in your home, contact Matt Sherman at 402-465-8030.

Parents. We have been practicing fire/tornado and lock-down drills in the children's classes. We are thinking about safety for all ages and working hard to be prepared if an emergency should arise.

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

Last Week's Message

Nov. 15 AM. Gil Rugh. GR 1821. *Spiritual Battles & the Weapons for Warfare.* 2 Corinthians 10:1-6

Nov. 15 PM. Gil Rugh. GR 1934. *Testimony By Submission to Government.* 1 Peter 2:13-17

This Week's Events

Sunday

Girls of Grace, Boys of Faith 6 p.m.
Sunshine Kids 6:30 p.m.
Bake Sale 7:30 p.m.
Hospitality Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Monday

Sisters

Tuesday

No Titus Tuesday 9:30 a.m.
No Mansion Builders 7–9 p.m.

Wednesday

Church Closes at 3 p.m.
No Girls' Choir 5–6:15 p.m.
No Orchestra 6–7:30 p.m.
No Awana 6:45 p.m.
No Junior High 6:45 p.m.
No Choir 7–8:30 p.m.
No Issues . . . World 7 p.m.
No Mansion Builders 7–9 p.m.

Thursday

Thanksgiving Day: Church Closed
No Alpha Omega Study 7-8 p.m.

Friday

Church Closed

Future Events

December 13

Adult Christmas Concert

December 15

Church Closes at 3 p.m.

December 20

Children's Christmas Concert

December 24

Christmas Eve Service
Communion

December 25

Christmas Day
Church Closed

December 26

Church Closed

December 27

Church Closes at Noon
No Sunday Night Church

December 31

Church Closes at 3 p.m.

January 1

New Year's Day
Church Closed

January 3

Church Closes at Noon
No Sunday Night Church

January 29–30

Boys of Faith Lock-in

January 23

JHAM Ski Trip

February 19–20

Men's Retreat

February 26–27

Ladies' Retreat

March 19

Boys of Faith Pinewood Derby

June 13–18

Senior High Camp

July 11–15

Vacation Bible School