

Heartbeat

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

September 4, 2016

Welcome to The Hills

What a privilege we have today, to assemble in the name of Jesus Christ and consider the blessings He has brought and continues to bring to our lives. If you are new at Indian Hills, we're glad you're here. We trust that as you worship with us, you will be learning more of God and growing in His grace. If you have questions, or would like to meet with a pastor, please call the church, 402-483-4541, and ask to speak with the "Pastor of the Day."

Keep No Accounts

We've all been wronged at some time or another. Maybe it was intentional, maybe not. Whether we've been stabbed in the back by an enemy or betrayed by a trusted friend, it stings.

The wise Christian keeps no accounts (see 1 Cor. 13:5). Keep in mind that the wrong we suffered was sifted through the Lord's hands before we felt the hurt. He knows our frame.

The wrong we're experiencing is an opportunity to grow more like the Savior. It is also an opportunity for the devil to get a foothold on our heart. The choice

we make is crucial.

The devil wants us to nurture our hurt feelings. He wants us to be angry and resentful. He loves it when we complain to others and badmouth our friend or enemy. Oh, how that grieves our Lord.

Instead, let us keep no accounts. Let us forgive quickly and give the devil no opportunity.

Memorable Quote

Let us be silent about things which are a discredit to Christian character. Remember, you may yourself deserve rebuke one of these days; and as you would like this to be done gently and privately, so let us keep our remarks about others within the happy circle of love.—Charles Haddon Spurgeon

We Believe

We believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son, and in an act of great love, God sent His Son to redeem us. As the perfect Son of God, Jesus died on the cross to pay the penalty for our sin. Those who turn from their sin and place their faith in His finished work on the cross are forgiven their sins and brought into God's family.

Have a good week!

Building Up and Reaching Out

Fall Kick-off Is September 11

Each September we host an event to “kick-off” the fall ministries. From Awana to adult classes—every ministry is designed to teach the Word of God and promote godly living. Every year is another year to be thankful for His work in our church and we want to celebrate His goodness.

Bring your friends and family to Indian Hills on Sunday, September 11 to play games, enjoy great food, and hear an uplifting concert. Everyone is welcome and the event is free.

Before Fall Kick-off

Worship Night—Friday, Sept. 9 at 8 p.m.

A night of worship will be held downtown on Friday, September 9 in Tower Square (13th & P Street) at 8 p.m. Mark your calendar and plan to attend this evening of praise. The concert and message will be interpreted for the Deaf.

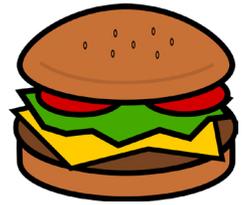
Outdoor Activities 3 p.m.

Bring the whole family to enjoy outdoor inflatables, competitive and non-competitive games, and snacks. It’s all free!

We will also have a ministry table so you can find out more about the church ministry and see how you might get involved.

Outdoor activities include:

Inflatable Obstacle Course
Bounce House
Bean Bag Toss
Golf Game
Water Balloon Toss
Cotton Candy Machine
Popcorn Machine
Freesies
Football toss
Rope making
Zing Archery



Free Picnic Meal 5 p.m.

Come hungry for a delicious meal of grilled hamburgers and hotdogs, baked beans, chips, fruit, and cookies. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy food and fellowship outside on the grass. Later, come inside and take a tour of the church facility.

Concert 6 p.m.

Our music ministry has put together a concert designed to give all the glory to God. He deserves our worship! You’ll hear from groups and soloists as well as a message from God’s Word. We’ll also be singing together and you won’t want to miss it! The concert will go for about an hour and a half and is interpreted for the Deaf. Child-care provided for infants through two-year-olds.

Kick-off Week Is Sept. 6–11

Tuesday: Newbie Night: Door-to-Door evangelism and passing out invitations. Meet at 6 p.m. at IHCC northeast entrance

Wednesday: Street evangelism downtown and passing out invitations. Meet at 6 p.m. at IHCC Northeast entrance

Thursday: AO street evangelism and passing out invitations. Meet at 8 p.m. at the Alpha Omega House (427 University Terrace)

Friday: Worship Night outdoors at Tower Square (13th & P St.). Meet @ 6 p.m. to hand out invites. Worship begins at 8 p.m. There is a parking garage southeast of Tower Square

Sunday: Fall Kick-off: Outdoor activities at 3 p.m., food at 5 p.m., concert at 6 p.m.

Issues in Our Contemporary World

Wednesday Night Classes begin September 14

This on-going series picks up this fall for the 12th season. Last spring we did not complete our study of the Land of Israel, expecting to pick it up in the fall. However, we will postpone that series until the winter session in 2017 after the New Year.

For our fall study we will begin with the English Reformation that produced the Puritans and the Separatists—the non-conformists.

They came under serious conflict with King James I who followed Queen Elizabeth's rules

of conformity and caused a group of Separatists to leave England for Holland.

As the Spanish (Catholic) threatened their religious freedom they made plans to come to the New World in 1620. We will study the Pilgrims' ordeal this fall, ending our series at Thanksgiving, which has been made a national holiday commemorating these early Christian settlers.

We meet in room 1414 from 7–8 p.m. Donald Goertzen is the presenter. All are welcome.



Ladies Titus Tuesday

Fall Classes Begin

Tuesday, September 6

9:15–11:00 a.m.

All Ladies Invited

“Perfect Results”

“For I am confident of this very thing, that he who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus” (Philippians 1:6).

Be sure to put this on your calendar!

Bible Fellowship Hour

Children' Sunday School

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

Junior High (Grades 6-8)

Studying Matthew
Team Taught
Cornerstone House

Senior High (Grades 9-12)

Studying Ephesians
Team Taught
Room 1430

Alpha Omega (18-25)

Studying 1 John
Duane Nelsen Teaching
Room 2311

EDGE

Studying Ephesians
Jay O'Neal Teaching
Rooms 2211

Common Bonds

Studying John
Jim Mooberry Teaching
Room 1404

HIS

Studying Deuteronomy
Scott Bailey Teaching
Room 1423

LOGOS

Studying Judges
Greg Thomas Teaching
Room 1422

180° Fellowship

Studying Luke
Bill Cooley Teaching
Room 1100 (Chapel)

One Heart

Studying Matthew
Dick Bergt Teaching
Room 1112

LIFE

Studying Matthew
Jim Pelton Teaching
Room 1419

The Father Knows Best

Studying Harmony of
the Gospels
Don Goertzen Teaching
Room 1414

Prime Time (60+ retired)

Studying Genesis
Mike Voss 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.

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand" (Isaiah 41:10).

New Visitation Assistant

Curt Kuster

by Gale Engle

Curt Kuster accepted the position of part time Visitation Assistant and began his new assignment August 29. He will be working 15 hours per week under the leadership of Aaron Nicholson.



Curt Kuster

Besides making hospital visits, Curt will organize prayer requests, visit the home-bound, help with personal ministries, and oversee visitation ministry volunteers.

If you or someone you know will be hospitalized, or have a physical or spiritual need, please contact Curt at curt.kuster@ihcc.org. He will be happy to help and doesn't want to miss anyone. Of course, if you wish to keep your hospitalization private, your privacy will be respected.

According to Curt, his goal when visiting people is to be an encouragement. He will bring a "goodie" bag filled with a tract, New Testament, reading informa-
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Picture Yourself in Israel in 2017

An information meeting is planned for Thursday, September 29 in room 1414 at 7 p.m.



The Holy Land Study Tour will include the must see places

plus additional places in Galilee and Judea and for the second timers. This tour is an open study tour available to our friends in other cities.

A detailed itinerary is available for your review by request at: dgoertzen3@neb.rr.com.

The dates for the two tours in 2017 are May 13-23 and May 27-June 6. You can make your reservations by e-mail or in person to Donald Goertzen, your tour host.

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Curt Kuster

tion, and candy. Besides praying, he will ask if meals or anything else will be needed upon dismissal.

Curt is retired from the Dental College and private practice after 35 years. He was raised in a moral home on a farm near Hickman, NE. He attended the Presbyterian Church with his family.

In high school, Curt watched Billy Graham on television and the message made sense to him. God was drawing him and while attending UNL, Curt joined Campus Crusade. "I knew I was a sinner and that the penalty for my sin was death. It was clear to me that someone had to die for my sins."

Curt's eyes were opened and he turned from his sin and believed Jesus had died and paid the penalty for him. Curt was a new creature in Christ and he began attending a Bible teaching church and devouring the Word of God.

After graduation from dental college, Curt went to work at a dental health clinic on an Indian Reservation near Menomonie, Wisconsin. He was invited to speak in a Menomonie high school classroom about the dental project and the teacher's name was Peggy.

Curt and Peggy were married in 1972. They are the parents of two grown daughters and they have attended Indian Hills since 1975.

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Family News

Hospitalized. Norma Buhr was a patient at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

Hospitalized. Eric Andrews was a patient at St. Elizabeth.

Hospitalized. Eudean Springer is a patient at Madonna Rehabilitation.

Congratulations to Larry and Sharon Riekenberg! They will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on September 10, 2016.

Children's Studies

Sunday School. The children studied 2 Kings 22-23 and learned about Josiah.

Children's Church. The children were taught by the Alpha Omega Ministry this morning.

Information

Church Building will be closed Monday, September 5 in observance of Labor Day.

Fruit & Cookies are needed for the Fall Kickoff picnic on Sunday, September 11 at 5 p.m. If you are willing to bring either 2 dozen cookies or about 15 servings of fruit, please sign up in your Sunday School class, or call the church and talk to Kathleen. Please bring your food to the church kitchen by 1 p.m. on Kickoff Sunday. If you have to drop off your food earlier, please label it for Kickoff. Have your fruit pre-cut and in a Ziploc

bag or disposable container so it can be easily mixed with other fruit and served. Please bring fruit that will keep well and not get mushy or brown. Good options are cantaloupe, honeydew, grapes or pineapple. Contact Kathleen 402-483-4541 with any questions.

Sound Words Hours. Beginning Saturday, September 10, Sound Words Bookstore will be open mornings, 9 a.m. until Noon.

Beginning Wednesday, September 14, Sound Words will be open evenings, 6:30-8:30.

These are in addition to regular hours Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday morning and evenings, before and after services.

New Electronic Sign. If you see the sign is off in the middle of the night, don't fret. A city ordinance requires that the sign be turned off from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Titus Tuesday Ladies. Please join us Tuesday, Sept. 6 at 9:30 a.m. as Jackie Southwick teaches *The Faithfulness of God* followed by discussion led by Janice Horn. Come early (9:15 a.m.) for a light brunch. Child care provided and we conclude at 11:00 a.m.

Childcare for infants through two-year-olds will be provided for the Kickoff concert from 6–7:30 p.m.

Mansion Builders. Tuesday night Bible study begins September 6 at Jeff and Denise Harford's home. Wednesday night Bible study

begins September 7 at Jeff and Vanessa Riekenberg's home.

Wednesday Night Study (opposite Donald Goertzen's class) will be starting Wednesday, Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. For the first four weeks Tom Price will be leading a study on the Kingdom followed by several weeks of teaching by Larry Riekenberg.

Awana/Girls of Grace/Boys of Faith Signup. Fall programs will be starting up soon and we have an easy way for you to register your children on the internet. Go to: <https://signup.ihcc.org> and type in the requested information.

Girls of Grace registration will be held Sunday, September 4 and 11 between and after morning services (No evening registration). Registration is also available at: <https://signup.ihcc.org>.

Awana will begin on Wednesday, September 14 at 6:45 p.m.

Awana Signup will be held Sunday, September 4 and 11 in the morning in the Family Center. Registration is also available at: <https://signup.ihcc.org>.

Awana needs leaders and people to listen to verses. We need help with all ages: three years old through fifth grade. Please call Galen Pfeiffer if you are led to serve or have questions (402-613-6896).

Creative Sewers will meet Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and sewing.

Sunday Night Nursery Help.

An adult worker is needed for the infant room all Sundays of the month. Call Joanna Andrews, 402-465-0301 to help.

Workers are needed to vacuum one section of the church once every five weeks. If you'd like to serve in this way, please call Dara Peters at 402-499-4944.

Gardening. If you would like to help with the church flower gardens, meet in the south parking lot on Wednesday at 9 a.m.

Branson Trip. If you'd like to go to Branson November 8–11, please make your deposit soon so we can plan for all going.

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.

Orchestra. Are you interested in playing in the church orchestra this fall? The orchestra plays every Sunday morning from September through May and rehearses on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings. We especially need a percussionist but we would love to add to the string, woodwind, or brass section as well. Talk to Pastor Aaron Nicholson (aaron.nicholson@ihcc.org) if you're interested.

This Week's Events

Sunday

Sunday Night Church
Sonshine Kids

Monday

Labor Day (Building Closed)
No Door to Door Evangelism 6:15 p.m.
No Sisters 7 p.m.

Tuesday

Titus Tuesday 9:15 a.m.
Creative Sewers 11:30 a.m.
Door to Door Evangelism
Mansion Builders Begins 7 p.m.

Wednesday

Gardening 9 a.m.
Street Evangelism Downtown
Mansion Builders Begins 7 p.m.

Thursday

Alpha Omega Study 7 p.m.
AO Street Evangelism

Friday

Worship Night
Tower Square (13 & P) 8 p.m.

Future Events

September 11

Fall Kick-off Games 3 p.m.
Food 5 p.m.
Concert 6 p.m.

September 14

Choir & Orchestra Begin
Awana Begins 6:45 p.m.
Junior High Begins 6:45 p.m.
Issues . . . World Begins 7 p.m.

September 21

Wednesday Night Study 7 p.m.

September 29

Holy Lands Tour Meeting 7 p.m.

October 2

Baptism

October 9

Communion

October 21, 22

AO Fall Retreat
Girls of Grace Overnighter

November 8–11

Branson Trip

November 13

Baptism

November 24

Thanksgiving (Building Closed)

December 6

[Brunch Break] Intermission

December 11

Children's Christmas Concert 6 p.m.

December 18

Christmas Concert 10 a.m.

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