



Hilltop Baptist Church
220 S. Pennsylvania Ave
Casper, Wyoming 82609

Mission Statement

Our mission is to:

1. See people saved.
2. See people grow in their relationship with God.
3. See people grow in their love for one another.

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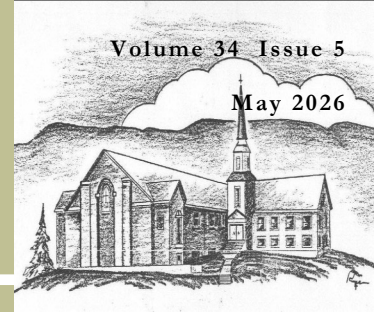
Sunday Schedule:

Sunday School	9:30 AM
Morning Service	11:00 AM
Evening Service	6:00 PM

Wednesday Schedule:

Youth Group & Children's Ministry (GLOW):
(5:30 P.M. Meal) 6:00 P.M., every Wednesday

THE MESSENGER



From the Pastor's Pen

"From Suffering to Blessings"

"...but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope..." - Romans 5:3-4 ESV

Trials and suffering unfortunately almost always have a place in our lives. Whether it's the result of decisions or circumstances beyond our control, we're bound to experience hardship. It is amazing how often God can redeem these difficult periods in our life to produce things like endurance, character, and hope. Many times, the way we act in the midst of the suffering determines the result. If we're bitter and stubborn, it might be very unlikely that we'll see any positive come out of the trial. However, if we maintain a positive attitude, even rejoice as the scripture says, we just might be able to witness the transforming process of the suffering.

Monday morning I arrived at the Casper airport to fly out for a week of training at the Professional Education Center (PEC) at Camp Robinson in Little Rock, Arkansas. Thanks to the military's policy of transporting its soldiers the most inexpensive way possible, I was facing an itinerary that had me flying from Casper to Denver, Denver to Chicago, Chicago to Kansas City, and finally Kansas City to Little Rock. Although I was flying out at 7:30 in the morning, I wasn't supposed to arrive at Little Rock until 10:30 in the evening. And since my itinerary had me going through both Denver and Chicago, I figured my chances of something going wrong was fairly high.

On the very first flight from Casper to Denver things already went south... get it? We didn't quite get halfway there before we had to turn around because of pressurization issues in the cabin. As we unloaded the plane back at the Casper terminal this should have been the point at which I grew frustrated. And to be totally honest, if I was flying somewhere for vacation, I might have been a little more upset! However, knowing that I was on military orders and I would probably still get to Little Rock sometime that evening no matter how much of a fit I threw, I took a seat on one of the chairs and casually waited to learn my fate. As you might imagine, this was NOT the response of most of my fellow travelers! I felt sorry for the gate agent as he handled angry customer after angry customer! There was not a lot of rejoicing in suffering at the terminal.

I'm not saying this next part to gloat or be prideful, after all the biggest reason for my patient acceptance of my fate was that my schedule was flexible. But, over the next few hours, a series of events led to me receiving a \$300 voucher, getting on a different plane to Denver, being placed on a direct flight from Denver to Little Rock, and getting to my final destination a full hour earlier than planned! Things turned out much better than I could have imagined.

I don't believe this happened BECAUSE I maintained a positive attitude, but I do feel that being patient allowed me to put the suffering in perspective. It didn't ruin my day, cause me to blow up at others, or question the goodness of God. I used the time to catch up on correspondence, do some military paperwork, and otherwise enjoy a few quiet moments. After all, it was a pretty minor inconvenience.

You might be experiencing some suffering today, and it might be relatively small like mine, or incredibly large. Either way, I hope you can maintain a positive attitude and keep your eyes fixed on the Lord to see how he might transform that suffering into something good.

God Bless,
Pastor Rob

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Yard Sale Fundraiser—Is scheduled for June 5-6. Please keep that in mind when doing your spring cleaning! The youth would appreciate your unwanted items that are in good condition. Please plan on dropping your items by the church between June 3-4. If you are unable to bring your items to the church, please talk to Pastor Zach about how we can help. More information to come!

Youth/Glow Meals—Are about to wrap up for the summer. We still have a couple of dates available if you are interested in helping. Thanks to all who have graciously volunteered to provide meals for the Youth and GLOW groups. Your kindness is appreciated!

Church Softball League—Our softball season begins Monday, May 18th. We are looking forward to having fun and representing Jesus! A game schedule will be posted. If you aren't playing, we hope you will come out to the field and represent Jesus from the stands!

Youth Sunday—Is on May 31. We are so excited for this worship service. You won't want to miss it!

GLOW/YOUTH Groups—Will continue to meet on Wednesday evenings at 6pm throughout the summer—no meal will be provided. Please pay attention to communications as summer events are planned.

Quarterly Business Meeting—Please join us on Sunday, May 31, at 6:00 PM.

Promotion Sunday—Will be on Sunday, June 7th. This is an exciting time of recognizing the spiritual growth of our children and youth!



HBC/Boyd Community Easter Egg Hunt

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Thomas Platt	2
Bryan Wilkison	6
Cris Giffen	7
Troyce Guinn	14
Ben Warren	14
Marion Nichols	19
Nick Maynard	22
Matt Ruyter	23
Jack Phillips	24
Ace Keller	26
Fletcher	26
Harley Guinn	27
Doug Shaver	30

(If your birthday is not listed, please contact the church office.)

SAVE THESE DATES!

- Kid's Camp—July 6-10**
- Summit Camp—July 13-18**
- HBC Ladies Retreat—September 11-13**

If you are a member, or long-standing attendee, please download the Instant Church Directory app and take a moment to update your information. This tool is a fantastic way to connect with other members in the church. The app is secure and can only be accessed by those that have been granted access. We hope you will find this tool helpful. Please let Amanda know if you have any questions about accessing the app. Thanks!



Rescue Mission

The Wednesday night bible study group that meets in the Phillips' home will serve on Wednesday, May 20th, at 4:45 PM. The regular Tuesday night RM group will serve on May 26th, at 5:45 PM. Please let Darla know if you would like to help.

Youth Group/Children's Ministry

The Youth Group and Children's Ministry (GLOW) meets every Wednesday at 6:00 PM.

(A meal is served at 5:30 PM through May)

Games, study, food, and fun!

We hope to see your youth/child there!

Ladies' Luncheon

Monday, May 11th, at 12:30 PM, at Perkin's restaurant. All ladies are welcome!

Potluck Luncheon

In lieu of our regularly scheduled potluck luncheon, we hope you will join us for a Memorial Day picnic at the Peterson's home.

Please bring a dish to share, an outdoor chair, and don't forget to invite a friend.

We hope to see you there!

Men's Breakfast

Due to a scheduling conflict, there will not be a Men's Breakfast in May. Please join us on the second Saturday in June!

Nursery

May 3—Mike, Shelly, Daisy

May 10—Arleni, Carson, Kathy, Meredith

May 17—Ashley, Betsy, Kim, Molly

May 24—Julie, Kay, Maggie, Grace

May 31—Meg, Mirabelle, Caroline, Harley

Text

GIVE

to 307-219-5224

Are We Missing You?

If you aren't receiving emails from the church, such as reminders, the newsletter, etc. please send an email request to be added:

Secretary@hbcc.church

MAY

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

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<p>3 Lord's Supper Sunday School @ 9:30 A.M. Worship @11 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M.</p>	<p>4</p>  <p>At the Highland Park Pickleball Courts 6:00 PM</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 YOUTH & Children's GLOW Ministry 6-7 PM (5:30 Meal)</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Amanda Works →</p>	<p>9</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pastor Zach & Lynn Graduation Ceremony</p>
<p>10 Sunday School @ 9:30 A.M. Worship @11 A.M.</p>  <p>Evening Service 6:00 P.M.</p>	<p>11</p>  <p>↓ Pastor Zach Gone 5/18-5/12</p>	<p>12</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Amanda Gone (School Field Trip)</p>	<p>13 YOUTH & Children's GLOW Ministry 6-7 PM (5:30 Meal) Hospitality Class 6:00 PM</p>	<p>14</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Amanda Works →</p>	<p>15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pastor Rob Gone (Military Duty) 5/14-5/16</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17 Sunday School @ 9:30 A.M. Worship @11 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M.</p>	<p>18</p>  <p>Church Softball Begins! (Watch for a schedule so you can come out and represent Jesus with us!)</p>	<p>19</p>  <p>At the Highland Park Pickleball Courts 6:00 PM</p>	<p>20 YOUTH & Children's GLOW Ministry 6-7 PM (5:30 Meal) Hospitality Class 6:00 PM Rescue Mission 4:45 PM (Wed. Night Bible Study Group)</p>	<p>21</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Amanda Works →</p>	<p>22</p>  <p>5:30-7:00 PM</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 Sunday School @ 9:30 A.M. Worship @11 A.M. Evening Service 6:00 P.M.</p>	<p>25</p>  <p>Memorial Day Picnic—4:00 PM At the Peterson's</p>	<p>26</p>  <p>At the Highland Park Pickleball Courts 6:00 PM Rescue Mission 5:45 PM (Please let Darla know if you would like to help!)</p>	<p>27 YOUTH & Children's GLOW Ministry 6-7 PM (5:30 Meal) Prayer Meeting 6:00 PM</p>	<p>28</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Amanda Works →</p>	<p>29</p> 	<p>30</p>
<p>31 Quarterly Business Meeting 6:00 PM</p>						