

# Hillcrest Herald July 2026



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## Ecclesiastes: Rejoicing in the Middle of Life

A Study Through the Book of Ecclesiastes

We live in a world that constantly promises satisfaction through success, wealth, pleasure, achievement, and recognition. Yet after all the striving, many people still find themselves asking, "Is this all there is?"

Long before our modern culture wrestled with those same questions, King Solomon embarked on a search for meaning through every avenue life had to offer. His discoveries are recorded in the book of Ecclesiastes.

In our new sermon series, *Ecclesiastes: Rejoicing in the Middle of Life*, we will learn that true biblical joy is not found in perfect circumstances but in trusting God amid life's uncertainties and challenges.

Solomon writes: *"Light is sweet; how pleasant to see a new day dawning. When people live to be very old, let them rejoice in every day of life..."* Ecclesiastes 11:7-8

Join us as we journey through Solomon's honest search for meaning and uncover timeless truths about purpose, contentment, and eternity.

Ecclesiastes reminds us that life "under the sun" will always leave us empty when it is lived apart from God. But when God becomes our greatest treasure, we discover what Solomon ultimately found; a life of lasting significance and a joy that enables us to rejoice in the middle of life.

We hope you'll join us for this meaningful and encouraging study through one of Scriptures most honest and practical books.

*Pastor Tim*

## All Church Picnic - Save the Date!

We are excited to invite you to our Annual All Church Picnic on August 2nd, 2026 from 4 pm - 9 pm at Battelle Darby Park Shagbark Shelter House.

The church will be providing all of the meats but we need your help to provide delicious side dishes! You'll find a sign up sheet in the Fellowship Hall where you can let everyone know what you are planning to bring.

This is an amazing opportunity to gather together as a church family, fellowship, cornhole, bird watching and, of course, Pie the Pastor!

Mark your calendar and sign up! Questions? Email the office [info@hillcrest-baptist.com](mailto:info@hillcrest-baptist.com)



# Hillcrest Happenings

## Vision Team Meeting

Thurs July 9<sup>th</sup>

6:15 pm

## Hillcrest Women's Fellowship

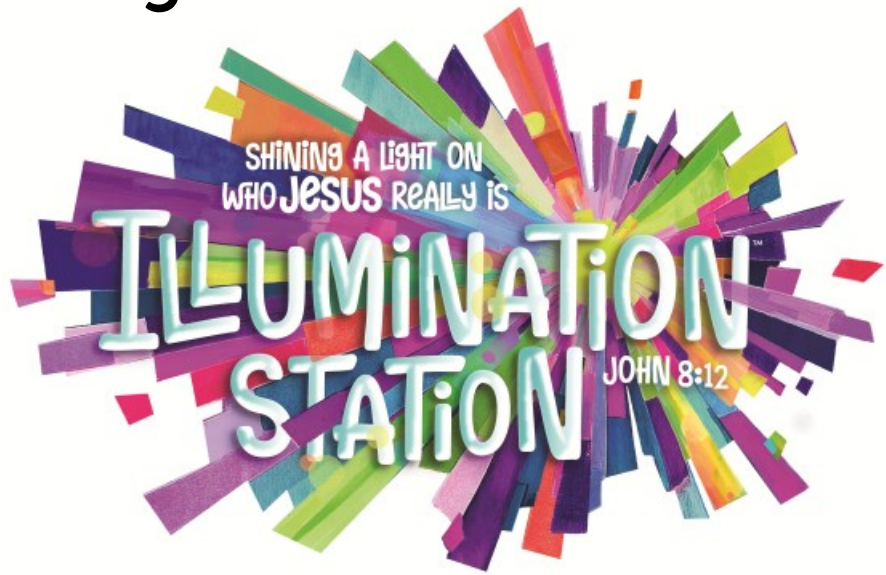
Sat July 11<sup>th</sup>

9 am

## VBS

July 12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>

6 - 8 pm



## Illumination Station VBS!

This year we are shining a light on who Jesus Really is! At Illumination Station VBS, kids will be challenged to answer Jesus' important question to His disciples "Who do you say that I am?". As they explore all the ways light brightens, illuminates, reflects, and reveals, kids will discover that Jesus is the light that brings hope to a dark world.



Join us July 12th-16th 6-8 pm.

There are 15 spots in each age group available so sign up now to be assured a spot! Just scan the code!

You can help spread the word by sharing the event on Facebook, handing out fliers, and sharing on your personal page.

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## Behind the Scenes

Thank you to the volunteers who are working incredibly hard, sacrificing their time, and bringing all of the creativity and love that builds a great Vacation Bible School Program.

VBS is more than coloring, bright lights, and snacks. It is sharing the truth and light of Jesus with children in our community, the place where we live and love.

Thank you to these hands and feet of Jesus!

