

# Hillside Happenings

May & June  
2022  
Newsletter



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## PK's Points:

### New Mission Statement New Statement - Same Mission

The practice of scripture memorization is a spiritual discipline that we ought to strive to maintain. For many of us grew up being encouraged and even competed against one another as to who could memorize the most scripture or who could memorize it the quickest. One of the first verses we learned was Psalm 119:11 as it answers the question as to why we work hard at memorization. And over time, it is important to re-rehearse those verses as our memories get a bit foggy. Sometimes, we remember bits and pieces of a verse or simply a short phrase of it. And sometimes, these short phrases are repeated often enough that we forget the rest of the verse completely. Many of us know part of Proverbs 29:18. We might not know it by this reference, but there's a good chance that you are able to fill in the missing word in this next phrase. "Where there is no \_\_\_\_\_, the people perish." How many of you know the missing word without having to look up Proverbs 29:18? I would guess quite a few of you are able to fill in the missing word. But the real question is, does anyone know the rest of the verse by memory? I don't have that whole verse memorized and I would guess there may only be a few at Hillside who do. But the rest of the verse is really important! It is important because it gives us the truth that we need so that we do not perish. For the King James and the English Standard versions say,

"Where there is no vision, the people perish:  
but he that keepeth the law, happy is he." (KJV)

"Where there is no prophetic vision the people cast off restraint,  
but blessed is he who keeps the law." (ESV)

Do you see the truth that we need in order not to perish? According to this verse in it's Old Testament context, it's the "law". For you and I, we would understand that what keeps us from casting off restraint and brings blessing to us is that we would live according to the Word of God. That's our mission. It's what God desires us to be doing. It's why God supplied us with His Word – so that we would know Him and His wonderful plan of redemption through Jesus Christ and how we are to respond to His gift of salvation. That's the crux of the Bible. That mission is summed up for us in the Great Commission of Matthew 28:19-20 where followers of Christ are instructed to go and make disciples, baptize them, and teach them to observe (live according to) all that Christ taught. This is the essence of discipleship and it's what we are to be about as individuals and as a church. Ephesians 4 elaborates on the church-mission emphasis as it gives us the ingredients of how we should be working together to be advancing in our love, unity, and identity in Christ as we mature in the faith as a local body of believers. Extrapolated out, that passage comes back to the importance of sound Biblical

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teaching in order that the body is equipped and maturing and not being carried away by “every wind of doctrine” that is out there. This emphasis on the Word enables us to realize that we, as committed followers of Christ, are called to live sanctified lives where we don’t follow the pattern of this world but that we think different, we speak different, we act different and that because of the new life we have in Christ, that we strive to represent Christ in our lives. Romans 12:2 states that we do this by the transforming of our minds as the Holy Spirit enables us to think, speak, and act in a way that is honoring to our Savior.

All of this goes back to Proverbs 29:18, allowing us to see the necessity of a continual adherence and feeding from God’s Word (“the prophetic vision/the law”).

All of this, and more, run through my mind when someone talks about a mission statement for the church. How can you share the extent of scripture’s mission for the church in a single statement? And yet, in the midst of a casual conversation, or a quick conversation it is nice to be able to sum up what we are about with a simple statement. So after some prodding from Pastor Rick and some good discussion with the deacons, we are mindful of the mission scripture lays out for us, and would like to state it in the following form:

What is the Mission of Hillside Baptist Church?

***Hillside Baptist Church exists to learn the Word in community  
in order to live in the world with Christlikeness.***

Simply put – we are...

***Learning Together, Living Transformed.***

This is what we do, this is who we are, this is what we are about. We are learning God’s Word together so we will be able to represent Christ in and to our world. Let’s keep learning, learning as a doer of God’s Word not just a hearer of it. Let’s continue to be a close-knit community where we love and are committed to one another, where we care for one another, where we strive to encourage and even hold each other accountable and welcome others into our community. And let’s live a transformed life as we yield to the Lord and serve as an instrument of righteousness with the goal of reaching others with the Gospel. And may Jesus Christ receive all the glory for the work that He does in our midst as we “learn together & live transformed”.



**Hillside  
Baptist  
Church**

# Church Calendar

## May

- 1 Graduate Recognition Service 9am
- 1 YES Service 10am
- 1 Carry-In
- 3 Deacon's Meeting
- 8 Mother's Day
- 15 GO Team Boot Camp
- 15 *GO Team Payment Due*
- 15 *Summer Camp Scholarship Forms Due*
- 22 Worship Team Practice



## June

- 1 WOL End of Year Celebration
- 5 WOL Recognition 10am
- 5 Carry-In
- 5 VBS Volunteer Meeting
- 6-9 Teen Week: Grow Up/Glow Up
- 19 Father's Day
- 26 Worship Team Practice
- 26 *Final GO Team Payment Due*

## July

- 2-9 GO Team St. Louis Trip
- 13 Congregational Business Meeting
- 25-29 Vacation Bible School
- 28-29 Sleepwalker Outreach

## **SUMMER WEDNESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE**

Each Wednesday night throughout the summer will look a little different, but all will be designed for Hillsiders of all ages to get involved! We are looking forward to a summer of growth, service, and fellowship together. Be on the lookout for more details about each evening.

- June 1** Adult Bible Study & Prayer; Synergy; Final Week of WOL
- June 8** *No Mid-Week Service (Teen Week)*
- June 15** Small Group Night
- June 22** Adult Bible Study & Prayer; Synergy; Summer Bible Club
- June 29** Wednesday Work Projects
- July 6** Small Group Night
- July 13** Congregational Business Meeting; Synergy; Summer Bible Club
- July 20** Wednesday Work Projects
- July 27** *No Mid-Week Service (VBS Week)*
- August 3** Small Group Night
- August 10** Adult Bible Study & Prayer; Synergy; Summer Bible Club
- August 17** So Long to Summer Event
- August 24** Multi-Generational Night
- August 31** Adult Bible Study & Prayer; Synergy; WOL Kick Off

# Children Ministries

## Sunday School



As our students school years come to a close, students will remain in their current Sunday School classes throughout the summer.

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Teacher:</u>	<u>Room:</u>
Ages 2-3	Rosemary Peters	102
Ages 4-K	Lillie Kollert	204
Grades 1st-3rd	Mary Lynn Frary	103
Grades 4th-5th	Bonnie Baughman	104
Middle School	Ryan Turpin	202
High School	Pastor Rick	101

## Word of Life (Age 3-5th Grade)



The end of the school year is quickly approaching. Our final session of WOL for this school year will meet on Wednesday, June 1st. We are planning some fun end of the year activities! Our hope is to tie dye shirts on that final Wednesday. Parents—Please return the slip with your child's t-shirt size to any WOL leader by May 18th if your child plans to attend.

Our Word of Life students will have the opportunity to share a little of what we have done throughout the school year with the congregation on June 5th during our 10 AM Worship Service. We would love for everyone who has attended WOL throughout the year to join us!

### Important WOL Dates:

June 1st	End of the Year Celebration
June 5th	WOL Recognition <i>during 10:00 AM Worship Service</i>

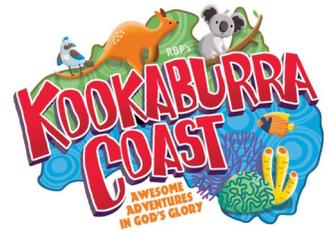
## Summer Bible Club (Age 3-5th Grade)



SBC will look a little different this year as we will only meet 3 times throughout the summer. We encourage our families with young children to participate as a family in the other Wednesday evening activities that are planned throughout the summer!

# Vacation Bible School

## Vacation Bible School | July 25-29



Vacation Bible School at Hillside is always a fun-packed week of serving Christ, sharing Christ, and loving Christ. This year, we expect nothing less as we head to Kookaburra Coast to see God's life-changing glory through adventures with Moses! We are excited to have Aaron Cochrell as our guest missionary this year!

Hillside VBS is July 25-29 from 9:00am - noon. Online registration will be available in the weeks to come for students planning to attend VBS. Also, **be watching for invitations to share with neighbors, friends, and classmates.**

We are currently looking for volunteers to help with all areas of VBS. **Sign-up at the Welcome Center or talk to Jen Kline if you are interested in serving in any way at VBS**, even if you have never helped before. We do plan to provide childcare for the kids of volunteers who are too young to attend VBS this year. It is not possible to do this event without the support of our faithful volunteers who teach, help in the classroom, make food, lead music and games, and help with the many other aspects of VBS!

**If you plan to volunteer, mark your calendars for the VBS Volunteer Meeting on Sunday, June 5th following Carry-In.**

Beginning now, please join us in **praying for the kids who will be attending VBS this year.** Pray that the right kids will come, that our hearts will be prepared to love and serve them, and that we can effectively share with them the hope that is found in Jesus Christ.

Thank you for your commitment to VBS 2022 at Hillside!

## Sleepwalker Outreach

### Thursday, July 28 & Friday, July 29

With Rittman's Sleepwalker festival falling on the same week as our VBS, we will be adjusting our Sleepwalker outreach this year. We will not be having a float in the parade but still plan to have a booth on Main Street during the festival. We are looking for individuals that are unable to be involved in VBS to help lead the efforts on our booth this year. Please reach out to Pastor Kevin or Pastor Rick if you have interest in helping with this outreach.

# Student Ministries

## Synergy Snapshot:

### Wednesday Teaching Series:

May      *The CHURCH: It's Mission and Ministry and Me*

**June-August**      *We encourage our students to participate in the other Wednesday evening activities that are planned throughout the summer!*

### Sunday School Teaching Series:

Middle School      *Bible in a Year*  
High School      *Book of Joshua*



### Activities & Events:

May 15      **GO Team Boot Camp (4:30pm) & payment due**  
June 6-9      **Teen Week Grow Up/Glow Up**  
June 26      **Final GO Team payment due**  
July 2-9      **GO Team St Louis**

### Teen Week Grow Up/Glow Up:

Teen Week is held Monday - Thursday of June 6-9, from 6:30 - 9:00 PM.

### GO Team St. Louis:

GO Team St. Louis - Our students will be divided into 4 teams to minister to the kids of St. Louis: Bible Teaching, Music and Memory, Games, and Crafts. We will be conducting Backyard Bible Clubs every morning and completing service projects in the afternoons. We will also be visiting a local church outside Indianapolis. If you haven't already done so, grab a bookmark from the Welcome Center with a list of the team members and ways you can be praying for our team.

#### **Bible Teaching Team:**

Scott & Ryan / Carter, Brock, Maddy, Josh, Cait

#### **Music and Memory Team:**

Megan & Raigan / Taryn, Andy, Aaron

#### **Craft Team:**

Seka & Bekah / Brooke B., Devin, Brooke F., Renee

#### **Game Team:**

Ben & Rick / Breanne, Chloe, Jared, Corey