



HOLIDAY HILL CHURCH

Intentionally Engaging the World with the Love of Christ

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
JANUARY 2023

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

I hope you are well as we exit 2022, a year in which, as usual, God blessed in many ways. We saw people come to Christ & baptized as a result of their faith commitment. We experienced growth in different ministry areas: *Embers* ministry (young adults), *Young @ Heart* ministry (senior adults), *Next Generation* ministry (preschool, children, students & families), *MACHO93* (men) & others. Our giving in 2022 was very strong, enabling us to minister, & the stewardship team & I are so thankful for everyone's commitment to stewardship. Our relationship with our community is strong. I could go on, but you see how good God has been.

As we enter 2023, our mission & focus within that mission, stay the same: *Intentionally engage the world with the love of Christ*, & as we do so proclaim the Gospel, encourage people to trust Christ as Savior & follow in baptism, & to help them grow as disciples. Along with that focus & regular ministry, there are other opportunities before us. This month we begin the remodel of our fellowship hall (funded with a \$50,000 gift). In February we will begin discussing a Capital Campaign to raise funds to pay off the sanctuary mortgage & make other improvements to our facilities. We will finish the Prayer Garden (planting & fountain). I shared details @ the December 2022 business meeting of the possibility of housing a Day Care on church property. We are working with business owners for them to lease our space beginning in the late summer before school begins. We will have more

information in the days ahead & hope to formally approve the relationship in February.

Opportunities are great, but they do not produce results on their own. What will it take to embrace & capitalize on these situations? First → pray hard & seek where God is moving & allow the Holy Spirit to guide. Second → ensure mission & unity are top priorities. Allow our mission to be accomplished by not standing in the way & being a barrier, but instead, joining in. Insist on unity in these ways: remember that none of us own our space, the church does, & we must allow space to be used as needed, not our desires, which might mean changes/moving locations; decide that if you are affected by moves/changes, you will not make a deal of it, but rather work to the find best spot while understanding what others need; be part of solving problems, not creating them. Third → Handle everything w/ humility, wisdom, & maturity. If you have questions, go to the source(s) that can answer them, not rumors/gossip, & be mindful that spiritual warfare will be present.

I look forward to how God will guide & work in our church family in the months ahead. I also look forward to the individual stories of how He will work in you & your family. I know there will be difficulties & challenges, but despite them, may He be praised.

In Christ, Pastor Albert

Worship With Us...

Sunday Worship Schedule

Worship Team Rehearsal
9:00 am

Community Groups
9:45 am

Morning Worship
11:00 am

Embers Ministry
5:00 pm

Wednesday Services

All Ministries Begin at 6:30 pm

Adult Bible Study

Embers Bible Study

Youth Bible Study
6th - 12th Grade

Children's Ministry
Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Preschool Ministry
Birth through Pre-K

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WOW Memory Verse (Psalm 34:4)
Tee Shirt Winners: Avie, Leonardo & Gracie

SUNDAY Kidz Church 11am

1/8 We begin a new exciting series called "Wonder Women"! We will be learning about 8 heroic women of the Bible and what they can teach us about being superheroes for God. Mrs. Maria kicks us off with "Esther, Brave Queen".

1/15 "Ruth, Courageously Committed"

1/22 No Kidz Church, please sit with your parents or another adult.

1/29 5th Sunday Funday! JONAH Superbook! Snacks!

WOW (Worship on Wednesday) 6:30pm

January begins our new 8-week winter series: "Out in the Wild-Arctic Chill" which will teach us how God wants us to use our words! We have a new Bible verse and song to learn too!

1/11 My Words Should Always Be True

1/18 Take Time to Say Thanks

1/25 I Can Control My Words

BIG Congratulations to Gracie & Lorelei who were baptized in December! They were able to be baptized because they made the choice to ask Jesus into their hearts and to live for Him! Now they will spend eternity in Heaven! We are so proud of you girls, and we love you so much!

Parents: Thank you for the opportunity to teach your amazing kiddos from God's Word. It is an honor and a privilege that we, in the Children's Dept, do not take lightly.



NextGen Ministry Training

Sunday, January 15, following the service

COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENT SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 9AM-NOON

We'll be cleaning up SYAA Park and the surrounding area.
Wear closed-toe shoes and bring gloves.

JOSH'S WORLD

Happy New Year! It's 2023. Remember that pandemic from three years ago?! That's right. THREE years ago! I hope you got all the things you wanted for Christmas. I got socks, but I'm at an age when that's a great and exciting gift and not an afterthought or passive aggressive gesture. I also got beard shampoo, a black t-shirt, and a cold. Wow, that pandemic really was three years ago.

Volunteer Training. If you would like to volunteer with any of our Next Gen (Preschool, Children, and Youth) Ministries, it is mandatory that you participate in our volunteer training course. We live in a Brave New World and the times they are a changing. We are holding a training session on Sunday, January 15 right after service. Please RSVP with the church office, sign up in the foyer, or online sign up. Lunch will be provided and we want to have a proper head count.

As always it has been a pleasure serving you. If you have any questions, please contact me. Have a wonderful New Year and may the force be with you.

In Him, Josh Slocum | Micah 6:8



Monday Night Community Group

Led by Chuck Rockholt
Will resume meeting on
January 9, at 6:30 pm

Read John 2:1-11
Saving the Best for Last!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14 PRAYERWALK



Deacon Meeting

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 6:30PM

Monday, January 16

MARTIN
LUTHER
KING JR. DAY

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED



Neighborhood Association Meetings Thursday, January 12 7:00 pm

Stewardship Meeting Tuesday, January 17 6:30 pm

Fellowship Hall Demolition Begins Saturday, January 7 at 8:30 am!

Additional dates will be January 14 and January 28. Please bring any demo tools and help with this project as well as have fellowship with men in the church.