



Livewire

Hillside United Methodist June 2022



CHURCH IN-PERSON 11 AM EVERY SUNDAY!

Pastor's Ponderings...

Jesus Healer

"We have a vision for every congregation to be a vital expression of the ministry of Jesus Christ in creating new places for new people, helping people grow in love of God and neighbor, and working to heal a broken world."

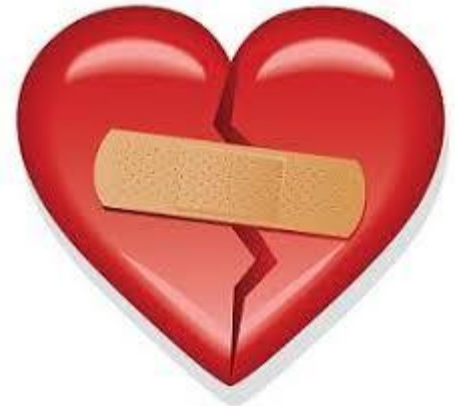
I write this article the same week we had Annual Conference, celebrating the ministry of all the United Methodist Churches in Minnesota and the conference, ordaining new pastors and celebrating those who are retiring. We spent a lot of time in worship, praying, singing, passing budgets and legislation, and sharing meals together. It was a great time!

AND... another school mass shooting in Texas, 19 children, two staff, a grandma, and the shooter, all dead. Horrible. Tragic. Heartbreaking.

Bishop David Bard's address to the conference was all about how we hold beautiful, soulful, amazing things, AND the heartbreaking, painful things in the same hand, all at once. We hold it all together in our hearts, minds, and hands and while we do that, we journey together to heal and become the beloved community. This is the kind of church we want to be, said Bishop Bard.

I believe that too! There will always be things to celebrate and mourn for... and usually at the same time. Let us be the church, Christ's hands and healing, as we hold each other on the journey and also do as much good in our community to help heal a broken world.

Your Pastor,
Cynthia



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July 2022 Livewire deadline is **Tuesday, June 21, 2022**



Upcoming Adventures in Outreach

July BBQs

Warmer weather presents our Hillside United Methodist Church family a chance to get outside and visit with each other and our neighbors surrounding our church. We also get to enjoy and serve food.

For starters, the fun begins immediately following worship July 10, 17, 24, and 31. We will grill hot dogs in the parking lot, have games, and music just for fun. The Hawkinsons have donated the use of a grill for the BBQs.

Wanted: More than a few volunteers to grill and hand out hot dogs. We will also take an offering and ask for donations to help buy the food. WE NEED HELP to pull these off! Please call the office or talk to Pastor Cynthia if you want to help.

And that's not all!



**SAVE THE DATE:
September 12, 2022**

**The Swedish
Meatball Dinner**

WE WILL NEED YOUR HELP!

Loaves & Fishes

Dorothy Day House Serves Crucial Mission

Hillside United Methodist Church prepares a meal each month for the Dorothy Day House. Perhaps you wonder what the Dorothy Day House is. It is one of the four houses on Jefferson Street in east Duluth that is sponsored by Loaves & Fishes.



- 1) The Dorothy Day House is for homeless men.
- 2) The Olive Branch House is for homeless women.
- 3) The Hannah House is for homeless mothers with small children.
- 4) The Bread and Roses House is for guests who need a bit more quiet space and a bit more privacy for recovery and support during transition.

All of these houses have limited space to stay over night, but all welcome other homeless people on certain days and at certain times to share a cup of coffee, have a meal, take a shower and clean up, do laundry, and relax.

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME...

... since we have had a cleanup day at our beautiful church. So.... On June 12, immediately following our worship time, we will have pizza and then "tackle the building"! **WEAR YOUR CLEANING CLOTHES TO CHURCH!!!**



A list will be posted in the fellowship hall so you can sign up for your "favorite" type of work:

- Windows, inside
- Windows, outside
- Block house
- Rake the lawn

Please bring your gloves, ladders if necessary, rakes, etc. to accomplish these tasks. We are hoping to get many hands to help make the jobs take less time. Please lend a hand if you are able.

Sympathies to Derry Gilberg Family

It's with a heavy heart we announce the death of Derry Gilberg Thursday morning, May 26. He was a long-time member of at Hillside. Condolences to family and friends. A celebration of life service will be at Hillside on Monday, June 6 at 11 AM with visitation at 10 AM. A lunch will follow the service.

The house our church chose to sponsor 10 years ago is the Dorothy Day House. We started by making 36 box lunches. Those included a meal sandwich, an energy bar, fresh fruit, and a bottle of water. These bags fed the men at the Dorothy Day House, and the extras were passed out to people on the street.

After several years of making cold lunches, we were asked if we could make a hot evening meal. So now that is what we do the second Tuesday of each month. It is because of the people at Hillside Church who help prepare these meals, donate items needed for the meal, and donate money that enables us to continue this important mission project.

Thanks to all. Let's keep up the good work. God is good!

Blessings from Carolyn Dahl

Shades, Block Walls, Trimming and More

Thanks and more thanks to Scott and Sue Patullo for donating new shades for all seven windows in the library. Scott did the installations and Sue supervised. Now the shades each have all the parts, are functional and do not have an area where it looked like someone took a bite out of it!! They even washed all windows while they were there. Thanks again for your continued support for Hillside Church, Scott and Sue.

**THANKS
SO MUCH**

More thanks goes to Wayne Wilmot for rebuilding the block walls around the Ozark entrance to the parking lot. He also brought up those blocks that were pushed over into our neighbor's yard. And then, just to volunteer more, he cut down all those rose bushes at the entrance on Ozark. It was getting sort of dangerous to clear traffic when leaving the lot. Thanks for all you do for Hillside, Wayne.

More thanks goes to the many other volunteers we have at our wonderful church. Way, way too many to mention, but you know who you are. Sometimes when something needs to be taken care of, it just magically happens! Other times, planned events have willing workers to accomplish these plans.

Here is your opportunity to be one of those willing workers – Clean Up Day June 12 after church. We are taking names of folks who are willing to give a morning to working at church. We want to give it a thorough cleaning, including the washing of the windows. We have two volunteers to take care of the high windows on the parking lot side and three others who have volunteered to help with the others. If you can/want to add your name to the list of willing workers, please let Carole Hawkinson know soon! We thank you for what you are going to do.

Also Thanks To the Scouts

Our parking lot has been transformed from the leftover debris of winter to the nice and slick summer version by the Cub Scout Pack 29 volunteers. We are their Chartered Partner in Scouting, and they do this service project to help pay-back their gratitude. Enjoy your parking!!

June Sunday Worship

We continue to worship in-person in the sanctuary at Hillside 11 AM Sunday mornings in June. We also offer Fellowship time at 10:30 AM each Sunday. Here's this month's schedule:

- June 5 – Holy Communion, Pentecost, Acts 2:1-21
- June 12 – Romans 5:1-5
- June 19 – Father's Day, Luke 8:26-39
- June 26 – Mission Trip stories, Luke 9:51-62

HYMN SINGS

What's your favorite hymn? Let's sing it! This summer we will have a short hymn sing at the beginning of the service every 2nd and 4th Sundays of June, July and August.



This Summer Make Time For...

Twin Ports United Methodist Churches

Vacation Bible School

July 18-22 – 9 AM-3 PM

The CopperTOP, 230 E Skyline Pkwy, Duluth



- **Morning Fun:** Singing, games, bible stories, crafts and lots and lots of fun.
- **Afternoon Fun:** We will explore DULUTH with activities in the afternoon – swimming, Canal Park, going to local playgrounds, and "Bring Your Bikes Day" with obstacle course and bike safety pointers.
- **Bring your own** lunch, sunscreen and water bottle each day.

\$50 for the week, \$40 for each additional child.
(Extended care is an option if needed! \$10 extra)

Camp is for children going into kindergarten through 5th grade. Those who have completed 6th grade and above can volunteer as "Counselors in Training" (CIT). Please contact Pastor Cynthia if you are interested 218-260-3114!



Rhubarb Festival: Seeking Gift Basket Items to Support CHUM

Hillside United Methodist Church will contribute two themed gift baskets for the Bucket Raffle at the Rhubarb Festival from 10 AM-3 PM Saturday, June 25, at the Stella Maris Academy on the Holy Rosary Catholic Church Campus. Bring donated items to the church by June 19 worship. Here is what we request:

Italian Night Basket

- Spaghetti Sauce
- Pasta
- Gift certificate for pizza
- Gift certificate for Italian restaurant
- Bottle wine

Movie Night Basket

- DVDs
- Popcorn
- Soda (Coke, 7-Up)
- Gift certificate to Cinema
- Gift certificate for pizza
- Boxes of candy

This is a major fundraiser for CHUM to support its services from the Food Shelf to services for homeless. CHUM works with city and county officials, service providers, business owners, and congregations work on Stepping On Up, the 5-year plan to make sure everyone in our community has a place to live.

Loaves & Fishes May Meal

The meal we prepared for the Dorothy Day House on May 10, 2022, was a Pizza Hot Dish. We made it with Italian sausage, noodles, pizza sauce and mozzarella cheese. Then we topped it with pepperoni and more cheese. The salad was lettuce topped with sliced cucumbers and sliced tomatoes. We sent a bottle of ranch dressing. Also included were rolls and for dessert, cookies. For extras we sent coffee and toilet paper.

Blessings from Carolyn Dahl

Check for the Loaves & Fishes donation sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall each month. Food and cash donations enable us to continue this project. Please keep the homeless and the hungry in your prayers.

Keep Us in Your Thoughts & Prayers

Dee Johnson, Marge Dahl, Barb Kent, Claren Somala, Bea Jacobson, Ron Scott, Shirley Olson, Kris Kosloski, Katie Peterson and the 148th Fighter Wing deployed in the Middle East.

Congratulations Maleeah!

Pastor Cynthia would like to invite you to her daughter Maleeah's open house grad party on Sunday, June 19 from 12-3 PM at Lester Park on 61st Ave E and Superior Street. Maleeah is also the custodian at Hillside!



Car Wash June 12 at Coppertop



If you would like to support us on our Mission Trip, please consider coming to our car wash Sunday afternoon, June 12 from 2-4 PM.

We will make your car sparkle.

Blessing of the Animals Service

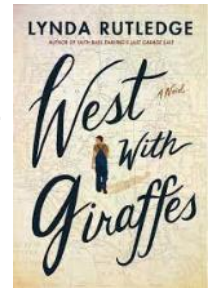
Save the date Wednesday, June 15 at 7 PM at the Coppertop parking lot for a blessing of the animals service. Bring your pet for this short fun service! Ace and kids from the Coppertop will be selling popcorn and pop to raise funds for the Mission Trip.






Hillside UMC Book Club

The Hillside UMC Book Club will meet at 7 PM the first Thursday, June 2. The book of the month is "West with Giraffes" by Linda Rutledge. If you would like to join the book club, please call Sandra Wilmot at 218-348-2712.



Happy June Birthday to Hillside Friends!

1 Morgan Durfee
9 Jane Olson
14 Pat Olson
30 Joan Duff



If you don't see your name here, please call the church office so we can add you to the list. Our phone number is 218-727-4257.

Join Us for Bible Study

Our Bible Study is a lively group! Don't let the boring name turn you away. Everyone is invited! Our summer schedule is a little different; here is what's up for June:



- June 7 – 5:30 PM
- June 14 – 11:00 PM

FINANCIAL GIVING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY		
AMOUNT NEEDED PER MONTH		\$7,854.16
May 1	giving	\$ 1,730.00
May 8	giving	\$ 899.00
May 15	giving	\$ 1,255.00
May 22	giving	\$ 1,790.00
May 29	giving	\$ 638.00
Total		\$ 6,312.00
Balance		-\$ 1,542.16

Hillside COVID Policy Update

COVID-19 Protocol Update: Your Ad Council takes into consideration the case rate in St. Louis County, the Bishop's recommendation, and the CDC and the MDH recommendations. Here is the current plan:

- Masks are strongly encouraged and available but not required on Sunday mornings.
- Coffee and goodies will be available before worship in the fellowship hall at 10:30 AM.
- Children's staff will continue to wear masks and sanitize all toys and play

If you have an emergency
Please call Pastor Cynthia on her cell at 218-260-3114. If you cannot reach her, please contact: Carole Hawkinson: 218-345-6874 Carolyn Dahl: 218-727-6342. They usually know how to find your pastor!

Hello my fellow Hillsideers;

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who is sending in their financial giving to the church. It makes a big difference and we are grateful for your generosity. We understand that some of you may be experiencing financial hardship due to the pandemic. Please let us know if you are struggling to pay bills and buy needed supplies. We are family, and we are in this together. Give what you can, help where you can, and also ask for help when you need it.

Blessings to all of you, and be well.
David McKowski, Your Finance Chair

**Hillside United Methodist Church
Zoom & In Person Administrative Council Meeting
May 10, 2022**

Attendance: Diane Boris, Jim Leland, Carolyn Dahl, Carole Hawkinson, Dave McKowski, Karen Bailey, Pastor Cynthia, LeRoy Britton

Carolyn gave the opening prayer.

We were asked where do you see God's love in your life and/or world.

The April Admin Council minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Pastor Cynthia and seconded by LeRoy that the minutes be approved. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was reviewed. The Easter offering was \$800 and it will be going to the Damiano Center. There is \$603 in the Loaves & Fishes fund. Another \$130 will be sent to UMCOR for Ukraine. \$650 has already been sent. Pastor Cynthia will announce this in the Live Wire, E-mail and Sunday Service.

Finance Report: We are getting a lot of help in this congregation for other people and in the world. A Finance Meeting needs to be set up. Dave will set it up. It could be after church on Sunday or in the evening.

Pastors Report: Bible Study is still going well. There were twelve people in the study today. They want to meet in the summer but will take July off. The campus ministry needs to close for lack of attendance and not enough funding. The Love offering this year will be on May 15th. Pastor Cynthia will take the Love offering to Conference this year. This year the money will go to Food Service Industries. For the mission trip this year the youth are going to Minneapolis. Ace is going to go. He will be selling shares to fund the trip for \$25 at our church. Day Camp is July 18-22. Chaperones & volunteers are needed. Pastor Cynthia will be on vacation August 1-7. Pastor Jeanine will be preaching on Aug 7th. The UMC has a softball team this year. They will play on Tuesday evenings.

Lay Leader: LeRoy continues to meet on line with other lay leaders in the state. Thursday is the next meeting. They talk about what other lay leaders what done to get more people active. LeRoy will write an article for the newsletter recapping the Annual Conference he is going to on May 25 & 26.

SPRC: We decided to get a gift for Pastor Cynthia's daughter who is part of our custodian staff and graduating from high school. There is an open house on Sunday June 19th at Lester Park from 12-3.

Trustees: The parking lot is supposed to be swept by the Cub Scouts. New shades in the library have been donated and replaced. They need to try to set up a meeting in person but it is hard to find a time when everyone can come. We need to have a whole church clean up day, not just the windows. We will ask for volunteers and set up a date.

Mission: Currently Loaves & Fishes and Chum are our only missions. A suggestion was brought up to give panhandlers a bottle of water and a granola bar. This can be kept in people's cars to hand out. No money.

Worship: Do people miss not having bulletins? Some like to be able to see the whole order of service at once and some miss not having the announcements to read. We will bring them back. Should we sing old hymns that everyone knows. Should we bring in other guest pastors.

Other: The Covid policy is ok. Barbeques the four Sundays in July after the 4th. In June we won't ask for any donations for Loaves & Fishes, we will use the money on hand to buy the food needed. A church garden? It could

be costly. We will start small with only one raised bed. This year Jim will oversee it. The next meeting will be June 7th at 6:00.

Respectfully submitted by,
Diane Boris,
Admin Council Secretary