



# Livewire



Hillside United Methodist September 2023

WORSHIP 11 AM EVERY SUNDAY!

## Pastor's Message Howdy Hillside!

I can't tell you how excited I am to take on the role of pastoring Hillside UMC. In the past weeks, I have been able to meet with a few members of the congregation, and I have been blessed to speak with Pastor Cynthia about this church. I want to thank everyone for such wonderful conversations and sharing your hopes and vision for Hillside. As I step into my role on September 1, I look forward to getting to know the members and friends of Hillside and the neighborhood as well. My family and I relocated to the area in June from way down south in Texas, and we are quickly finding our way in the most beautiful place that we have ever called home.



Welcome to Pastor Jeremy and his wife Kara. They come to us from First UMC of Anderson, Texas, and First UMC of Navasota, Texas.

This transition time has reminded me of one of the great transitions in the life of God's people, when Moses' time of leading the Israelites ended and Joshua's began. The people were on the verge of entering into the Promised Land, and, as promised, Moses wasn't going with them. I have been under appointment in the Methodist church for the past 10 years, and each time a church receives a new pastor, the transition feels a little like standing on the border of the Promised Land waiting to see what comes next. We look back at the time spent with a beloved leader God provided in Pastor Cynthia and all that was accomplished during her ministry here. Like those faithful people of long ago, we have expectations of where God will lead us together at Hillside. I am not certain how it will all play out but I am excited to join you as we discern God's will for each of us and continue to follow faithfully and boldly where we are called.

Breathe Peace,  
Rev. Jeremy Woodley

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October 2023 Livewire deadline is **Tuesday, September 19, 2023**



## Seeing Red: You Can't Miss Them!



Have you noticed the front doors of our church recently? They are newly painted, clear coated and look beautiful!!

Many thanks to Russ Lindgren and Wayne Wilmot for their time and efforts in removing the doors, barricading the opening and then reinstalling the bright, shiny red doors. This was no

small task and if you see these two men, please thank them. Really, those two are always doing something around our building to keep it in the shape it is in. THANKS RUSS AND WAYNE!

Join us each Sunday at Hillside United Methodist Church for worship at 11 AM and coffee fellowship at 10:30 AM.

### Mark Your Calendars

## Planning Continues for Hillside's 100th Anniversary Celebration

Keep Sunday, Oct. 8 on your calendars for Hillside United Methodist Church's 100th anniversary celebration. Our 11 AM worship service that day will focus on 100 years of serving the worship needs of our neighborhood and larger community.



Pastor Cynthia, and Pastor Karen Schuder will speak during and after this special centennial celebration service about their experience with Hillside UMC. Big Waters District Superintendent Laurie Kantonen is scheduled to preach the sermon at this worship.

You will get your opportunity as well to share what Hillside Church has meant to you during the open microphone portion of our catered luncheon after worship. Be sure to pass the word along to your Hillside UMC friends and family members, encouraging them to attend the service.

## Coming Sept. 11: Meatball Dinner

Well Ladies and Gents – we have been working hard to get ready for this year's big fundraiser to help with heating and other costs this winter. The Swedish Meatball Dinner will be Monday, Sept. 11 from 4:30-6 PM. If you want to help with this effort and can donate some of the food ingredients or give of your time for two hours or more, we will certainly appreciate your help. It takes many hands to make this dinner possible and we can use yours! Please call Carolyn at 218-727-6342 or Carole at 218-606-1236 to offer to help or donate. Thanks folks!



## A Farewell from Pastor Cynthia

To all the wonderful people at Hillside...

Where has the time gone? It feels like just yesterday when I was nervous for my first Sunday here. I have felt this congregation's loving arms and willingness to let me love you and be your pastor. Even though I won't be your pastor anymore, I will always love you, care about you, and will be in your corner. The cool thing is that I am not moving out of town, so when we see each other out and about, it will be fun to say hi and hear about what you're up to.



If you haven't already heard, I have accepted a full-time position at Pilgrim Congregational UCC Church in town. I will be the new Faith Formation Pastor, primarily working with kids and youth, but also some adult education and occasional preaching.

People keep asking me, "How do you feel?" My answer is always the same; "Happy/Sad." Happy for the blessing to be working at one church, full-time, with benefits! (I've always had part-time jobs in ministry up until this point.) Sad to be leaving the faith community at Hillside who has taught me so much about being in ministry and doing God's work. You are a part of me, part of my story. I will cherish you for always.

I have one more ask, one more assignment, one more invitation and encouragement for you all. Please be open to the new thing God is doing, to new ideas, to new people, and your new Pastor Jeremy who, by the way, is so excited to be at Hillside! Please be willing to jump in and offer your gifts to keep making Hillside a loving and welcoming space for all. I can't wait to see what God will be doing through all of you.

*All my love,  
Pastor Cynthia*



## Chum to Celebrate Its 50th

This fall, on October 17, Chum will host its Golden Gala in commemoration of its 50th Anniversary.

Chum is hosting the Gala to bring Chum's mission and its stories to more people than ever before. There will be a gourmet dinner, silent and live auctions, inspiring stories, and awards.



Chum is also making this a bigger event because the organization needs more support in its mission to provide emergency shelter, food and street outreach throughout Duluth. In recent years, Chum has seen fewer contributions, leading to heavy reliance on grants and other funding sources. Chum's goal this year is to raise \$250,000 at the Golden Gala. How can you help? Attending is one great way. We also will need volunteers, silent auction donations, and sponsors for the event. Contact Chum at 218-720-6521 to get involved.

### FINANCIAL GIVING FOR JULY 30-AUG 27 AMOUNT NEEDED PER MONTH \$8,177.83

July 30	giving	\$ 307.00
Aug 6	giving	\$ 1,401.00
Aug 13	giving	\$ 1,315.00
Aug 20	giving	\$ 485.00
Aug 27	giving	\$ 980.00
Total		\$ 4,488.00
Balance -		\$ 3,689.83

## Happy September Birthday to Hillside Friends!

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| 15 Susan Nelson      | 25 Tim McLoughlin     |
| 20 Nicholas Giuliani | 27 Jeannette Spalding |
| 23 Wayne Wilmot      | 29 Rev. Jan Barker    |
| 24 Don Harris        |                       |

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



## Loaves & Fishes

The Aug. 8 meal for the Dorothy Day House was a Tater Tot Hot Dish made with ground beef, frozen mixed vegetables, cream of mushroom soup, cheddar cheese soup and tater tots. We also made an orange jello with cottage cheese, fruit cocktail, mandarin oranges and Cool Whip all mixed together. Brownies were their dessert. We also sent lots of fresh grapes. Rolls were included as well as three pounds of coffee and the always needed toilet paper. Thank you to everyone who helps make this mission project possible.

*Blessings from Carolyn Dahl*

## Hillside UMC Book Club

The Hillside UMC Book Club will meet at 7 PM Thursday, Sept. 7. The book of the month is "Between the World and Me" by Ta-nehisi Coates. If you would like to join the book club, please call Sandra Wilmot at 218-348-2712.



## Please Keep Us in Your Prayers

Marge Dahl, Claren Suomala, Bea Jacobson, Shirley Olson and Jan Barker.

## "Jazzin' with Faith"

*In support of Harbor House Crisis Shelters please join us for a jazz concert Sept 9th @ 7pm.*

Doors open @ 6:00 pm



in lieu of a cover charge, please make a donation to Harbor House Crisis Shelters.

*Featuring WBC, World Beat Connection ministers through music. They volunteer their time to raise money for United Methodist ministries.*

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# Hillside United Methodist Church

Zoom Administrative Council Meetings – Aug. 8 & Aug. 17, 2023

## Aug. 17, 2023

**Attendance:** Diane Boris, Carolyn Dahl, Carole Hawkinson, Pastor Cynthia, Dave McKowski, Sandy Wilmot.

This meeting is called to order to change the time back to 11:00 AM on Sundays beginning the first Sunday in September. At our last Ad Council Meeting, we passed a motion to change the time to 10:15 AM on Sundays starting in September. Emma, our accompanist, can't be our accompanist at 10:15 because she is the accompanist at another church at that time. We would really like to keep Emma as our accompanist; therefore, we are going to keep the service time at 11:00 AM on Sundays.

A Motion was made by Sandy and seconded by Carole that our Sunday Service is moved back to 11:00 AM on Sundays beginning in September. All in attendance approved. There were no nays. Motion approved.

**Respectfully submitted by,**  
**Diane Boris,**  
**Admin Council Secretary**

## Aug. 8, 2023

**Attendance:** Diane Boris, Carolyn Dahl, Carole Hawkinson, Pastor Cynthia, Jim Leland, Dave McKowski, Sandy Wilmot.

Carolyn opened the meeting with a prayer.

The July Ad Council minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Sandy and seconded by Carole that the minutes be approved. Motion approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report presented by Jim and filed for audit.

**Finance Report:** No report.

**Pastor's Report:** She enjoyed her family vacation. She and JoJo were honored following worship two weeks ago following worship

at Copper Top. People expressed their thanks for the service of the two of them. Pastor Cynthia let us know that this is a very emotional time for her, too and leaving is difficult. We had a nice gathering at Britton's for our July get-together. The August gathering will be at Cindy Giuliani's house on Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Lay Leader:** No report.

**SPRC:** There was a meeting last night with the District Superintendent. Our new pastor will be Jeremy Woodley. He is from Texas and has served two congregations there. His wife has been given a job at UWS. That's what brings them up to our area. He has a family of 4 children ages 8 to 15. He will start the first Sunday in September. He is hired as a half time position with the salary remaining the same. We have applied for a \$4,000-5,000 grant from the Conference through MN Builders to pay for having the doors painted and the roof leak fixed. We have not heard yet if we will receive the grant. We want to change the time of the service beginning September 1. A motion was made by Sandy and seconded by Carole that we start the service at 10:15 AM beginning in September. All approved. Motion passed. Phyllis and Warren will continue to change the sign outside but need help knowing what to say on it.

**Trustees:** Carole met with Kiki Langdon/Larson regarding the work we would like accomplished during the extra hours we have given her for the summer. She will continue to stay on as the janitor for one more year. We still haven't found the lost card table. If anyone has it, please bring it back to the church, no questions asked. A new security camera has been installed in the storage room downstairs and a warning sign put up by the

garbage and recycling bin to try to ward off people who think our containers are for public use. Russ Lindgren monitors the cameras. We have discovered the control unit for the heat tape over the addition was not working this past winter that caused the ice buildup and a leak in our newly repaired wall. We have replaced the control and hopefully that will fix the problem. We are asking the wall repair person if he can repair the wall at the top of the stairs before our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

**Lamplighters:** They had a visit with Beatrice and Shirley. Pastor Cynthia and Carolyn will ask Shirley what she remembers about our church in the past for our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Missions:** Jim brings the food to CHUM every month. We brought a meal to Loaves & Fishes today. We are collecting school supplies to bring to Piedmont Elementary school.

**Worship:** Kelby gave the service the two Sundays while Pastor Cynthia was on vacation.

**Other:** We have invited our past Pastors to our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in October. Several have said they would like to come. The new Church Directory is done. Jeanette did a nice job putting it together. There will be a catered luncheon after church for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. We need people to sign up to do jobs for the meatball dinner. Please sign up for two jobs if possible. The next meeting will be September 5<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.

Pastor Cynthia gave the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned.

**Respectfully submitted by,**  
**Diane Boris**  
**Admin Council Secretary**