



Livewire



Hillside United Methodist November 2024

Pastor's Message

Greetings friends,

As we step into November, our focus shifts to the annual Season of Stewardship. Stewardship season is that season between Fall and Winter on every church's calendar. Honestly, it's the season most of us would rather fast-forward through and get right into Advent and preparations for Christmas. I certainly feel that way most years, but this month is an important time in the life of our church. To celebrate the Season of Stewardship, (and yes I meant to type 'celebrate') we are going to take a look at Adam Hamilton's book, **"Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity."** This book, and the Bible study materials that go with it, will be a useful guide as we consider three questions put forth by the author, ***"Are we pursuing a mission that is bigger than our personal satisfaction? Can we articulate this mission and its relationship to our faith? Does the allocation of our time and money reflect that mission?"*** This is not easy work. It requires that we take a good look at ourselves and a good listen to where God is calling us to be faithful in our stewardship of all that God has blessed us with. The good news is that hard work is good for us and we get to work side-by-side with people who want nothing more than to support us in this great calling, to live a life of faith in Jesus as we consider how to be good stewards! November begins with reflecting back on and celebrating the lives of those we have lost on All Saints' Sunday. November will end with looking forward to the continued ministry of Hillside UMC and what commitment we will make to support this church. The best way to approach the Season of Stewardship is through prayer. The God who knows all things is the only one who can show us what commitments we need to make to support Hillside. Let's pray together to catch God's vision of stewardship for us all!

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Breathe Peace,
Rev. Jeremy Woodley



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December 2024 Livewire deadline is **Tuesday, November 19, 2024**



FINANCIAL GIVING FOR OCTOBER 6 THROUGH OCTOBER 27


AMOUNT NEEDED PER MONTH \$8,686

October 6	giving	\$ 2,115.00
October 13	giving	\$ 1,226.00
October 20	giving	\$ 240.00
October 27	giving	\$ 1,345.00
Total		\$ 4,926.00
Balance		\$ - \$ 3,760.00

Happy November Birthday to our Hillside Friends!

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



 **Loaves & Fishes**


On Tuesday, October 8th, we made a Mexican Hotdish for the Dorothy Day House. We browned hamburger and added taco seasoning. Then we added corn, black beans, salsa tomato sauce, and macaroni. We sent sour cream, shredded cheese, and tortilla chips to go with the hotdish. We made a green salad with lettuce, cucumber, and home grown tomatoes. Ranch was the dressing. For dessert we sent cookies. The extras that we included were toilet tissue and paper towels. Thanks to the ladies who helped prepare this meal and thanks to Cliff and Diane Boris for delivering nice hot meals each month.

As the weather gets cooler, remember the homeless, the hungry, and the sick in your daily prayers.

Blessings from Carolyn Dahl

Please Keep Us in Your Prayers

Marge Dahl, Clareen Suomala, Shirley Olson, MJ Kuhlmeier, and Vi Lyness.



FUMC Organ Rededication Concert

Sunday, November 3, 2024, 3:00 p.m.
Internationally-renowned concert organist Dr. Isabelle Demers, an Associate Professor of Organ at McGill University, Montreal, Canada, will perform a Rededication Concert at First United Methodist Church. This concert celebrates the completion of expansive renovation of its Austin pipe organ. Reception to follow the performance. Check their website for more details of the concert.

Asbury UMC Special Events for Thanksgiving

November 16th: The Youth group will help support CHUM Thanksgiving outreach with a day of service. We will meet at Asbury UMC, 9:00 AM to Noon to help put together bags of supplies that will be handed out by CHUM.

November 26: They will be having an evening Thanksgiving service at 6:00 pm as a Community Thanksgiving Service. Let's gather together with our brothers and sisters in Christ to give thanks and praise for all of God's many blessings. Asbury UMC, 6822 Grand Ave., Duluth, 55807

Thank you so much for your Help to Save our Lovely Windows

THANK YOU to everyone who has donated so far to the repair of our cathedral windows in the front of the church. To date we have received **\$6,115** toward our goal of \$9465! Only \$3,350 to go!!! If you can add to this total by using your pink envelope please do so. There are more of them in the pews and on the table in the narthex if you would like to make an additional contribution. Checks can also be mailed to the church and marked for Window Repair. **THIS IS SO IMPORTANT TO KEEPING OUR BUILDING SECURE AND DRY.** Please help where you can. Your Finance Committee



November 2024 Sunday Worship Schedule

Worship with us 11 AM each Sunday morning at Hillside United Methodist Church. Join us for coffee and conversation at 10:30 AM before worship. We work hard to make our space warm and hospitable for all-comers.

- **November 3** – “The Other Side of the Curtain”
- **November 10** – “Rich!”
- **November 17** – “The Prodigal... Is Me”
- **November 24** – “You Can’t Take It With You”



Monthly Donation Ideas for CHUM

CHUM has compiled a list of ideas for donations for each month of the year. The list of items for the month of November includes:

Holiday meal ingredients such as stuffing mix, gravy, cranberries, green beans, cream of mushroom soup, etc.



Monetary donations are always welcome at CHUM, and anything you can give is very much appreciated. And it seems they are currently in dire need of **toothpaste** at the shelter, if you're looking for something to donate to help out!

HELPING OTHERS STAY WARM

It's just no fun to be cold! During the month of November we will continue collecting warm clothes, etc. to help ward off the pangs of being cold with winter. Our collected items will be taken to Union Gospel Mission where they will be distributed among those needing them.

Please consider checking your closets, drawers and shelves for items you no longer use but could keep someone else warm. Hats, Mittens, Jackets, sweaters, long johns, scarves, warm socks – just suggestions for you to think about donating.



The mission table in the fellowship hall will be waiting for you!!!



February Second Saturday

Join us to learn and take action for those who are experiencing homelessness in our community. Learn about the importance of using your voice to advocate for legislation that supports housing for all, helps to make housing more affordable for those earning minimum wage or less, addresses the underlying issues that can lead to homelessness, and provides care for those persons experiencing addiction or mental health concerns as barriers to housing. Act by helping to prepare breakfast bags for those using the Warming Center so they have nourishment to start their day. In addition to hearing about the legislation from our partners, we will be writing letters or making phone calls to our state legislators and making up brown bag breakfasts filled with muffins and fruit. If this sounds like something you would like to do, we will be meeting on Saturday, February 10th, at Pilgrim Congregational Church (2310 East 4th Street, Duluth)! Let us know if you'd like to join us.

Dedication Sunday November 24

You won't want to miss Dedication Sunday on November 24. You will be receiving a letter from the Stewardship team soon, which will include a commitment card. We will have a special time of dedication during the service. It is also a time of celebration and thanks to all of you who continue to help Hillside grow and be a LAMP on the Hillside. If you didn't receive a letter and card, there will be extra cards at church.

Hanging of the Greens at Hillside

On Sunday, December 1st, we will celebrate the first week of Advent with our sermon series titled "Closer." Immediately following worship, we will decorate our church with greenery, and other symbols of the season: everlasting life, love, joy, hope, and peace, so our decorations proclaim: Jesus is born! God is with us! All ages are encouraged to pitch in.

Check out our website! HillsideUMChurch.com

All Saints Sunday: November 3, 2024

We will honor the Hillside United Methodist Church saints who have left us in the past year: Lillian Talarico, Rose Schilling, Bob Lyness, and Bea Jacobson. We will have a special time in the service to remember Hillside members who have died this past year and an opportunity for all of us to name loved ones who have gone before us.



We Have More Than One Mission Here at Hillside

Missions have always been a particular focus of the United Methodist Church and we at Hillside are great in participating. Much of our support of these missions seems to fall in the last few months of the year but we hope you will continue your giving to them at this time.

Warmth: In November we will continue to collect warm clothes, blankets, hats and mittens and anything else you can think of as helping folks who need to be outside stay warm. We have already taken one load to the **Union Gospel Mission** and they were very happy to receive the items donated. Jana said this is very important at this time of year.

Supplies: Our Thanksgiving Offering this year will be collected to support the needs of the Union Gospel Mission as well.

Joy: Beginning November 17th we will begin receiving unwrapped toys for distribution to children who may not receive another gift. These will also be taken to the Union Gospel Mission for their annual Christmas party with Santa Claus.

Sweetness: In December we have the opportunity to again take Christmas cookies to the Federal Prison to share with the folks who are incarcerated there. Please watch for a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for your participation. Last year we took a wonderful assortment of cookies and bars.

Love: Everything we give, everything we donate, everything we bake, **WE DO IT ALL WITH LOVE!**



District Wide Charge Conference In Duluth November 24

Friends in Christ, It is Charge Conference time of year! We will be taking care of our charge conference business a little differently this year. It has become more and more apparent that it is good for us to be together in person, so we are not having any kind Zoom charge conference this year. Instead, I will be holding cluster charge conferences at several locations around the district in the month of November. The meeting is **November 24 at First UMC in Duluth (2 PM)**. I look forward to seeing you during this important season of celebrating our church ministries as well as our connection to one another!

Rev. Laurie Kantonen Aurora Sky Conference Superintendent

It's that time of year

Yes, it is that time of year when we change our clocks. Daylight Savings Time ends at 2 AM Sunday Morning, November 3. It's Fall Back Time!



Youth Ministry and Confirmation Schedule

We are excited to join with the churches of the Twin Ports United Methodist Ministries as we come together to provide programs for our youth! Here are some important dates to remember:

Sunday, November 3rd: Youth Group gathering at Norton Park UMC, 5-7 PM

Saturday, November 16th: Supporting CHUM Thanksgiving outreach with a day of service. We will meet at Asbury UMC, 9:00 AM to Noon to help put together bags of supplies that will be handed out by CHUM.

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Focusing on relationships, sharing meals, sharing thoughts, and Growing in the Love of God and neighbors.

Hillside UMC September Treasurer's Report

Hillside UMC Sept 2024	Current Mth	YTD last mth	New YTD	Budget
1000 Apportionments	\$ 1,235.46	\$ 4,324.11	\$ 5,559.57	\$ 9,627.00
1040 TPUMM		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
Sub Total	\$ 1,235.46	\$ 4,399.11	\$ 5,634.57	\$ 9,702.00
Worship/Music				
2130 Pulpit Supply			\$ -	\$ 450.00
2140 Worship Supplies		\$ 91.33	\$ 91.33	\$ 200.00
2150 Copying License			\$ -	\$ 158.00
2180 Accompanist	\$ 626.45	\$ 5,194.68	\$ 5,821.13	\$ 7,560.00
Sub Total	\$ 626.45	\$ 5,286.01	\$ 5,912.46	\$ 8,368.00
Committees				
2300 Stewardship		19.99	\$ 19.99	\$ 100.00
2400 Bree/ Membership	\$ 72.00	\$ 576.00	\$ 648.00	\$ 864.00
2900 SPRC		\$ 15.50	\$ 15.50	\$ 250.00
Sub Total	\$ 72.00	\$ 611.49	\$ 683.49	\$ 1,214.00
Pastor's Compensation				
3010 Salary	\$ 2,166.69	\$ 17,333.51	\$ 19,500.20	\$ 26,000.00
3020 Housing	\$ 833.34	\$ 6,666.72	\$ 7,500.06	\$ 10,000.00
3030 Pension	\$ 189.55	\$ 1,516.40	\$ 1,705.95	\$ 2,274.60
3070 Continuing Ed.			\$ -	\$ 100.00
3080 Personal Exp.			\$ -	\$ 100.00
Sub Total	\$ 3,189.58	\$ 25,516.63	\$ 28,706.21	\$ 38,474.60
Serving Our Congregation				
4010 Administrative Assist	\$ 681.54	\$ 6,516.48	\$ 7,198.02	\$ 9,936.00
4020 Staff Social Sec.		\$ 1,141.02	\$ 1,141.02	\$ 1,400.00
4025 Payroll Proc.	\$ 51.00	\$ 1,002.00	\$ 1,053.00	\$ 1,312.00
4030 Office Supplies	\$ 15.92	\$ 274.49	\$ 290.41	\$ 600.00
4040 Office Equipment	\$ 98.00	\$ 1,017.12	\$ 1,115.12	\$ 1,700.00
4050 Postage		\$ 257.00	\$ 257.00	\$ 600.00
4070 Annual Conference		\$ 1,320.33	\$ 1,320.33	\$ 1,200.00
4080 Nursery Care	\$ 83.12	\$ 617.73	\$ 700.85	\$ 1,081.00
4090 Website		\$ 108.86	\$ 108.86	\$ 135.00
4095 Misc.	\$ 126.57	\$ 32.89	\$ 159.46	\$ 150.00
SubTotal	\$ 1,056.15	\$ 12,287.92	\$ 13,344.07	\$ 18,114.00
Maintaining our build				
5010 Custodian's Salary	\$ 166.23	\$ 1,368.21	\$ 1,534.44	\$ 2,500.00
5020 Custodian's Sup.		\$ 157.28	\$ 157.28	\$ 200.00
5030 Utilities	\$ 497.06	\$ 6,261.41	\$ 6,758.47	\$ 11,000.00
5040 Insurance	\$ 1,178.87	\$ 1,831.19	\$ 3,010.06	\$ 5,200.00
5060 snow removal		\$ 702.00	\$ 702.00	\$ 5,000.00
5080 Elevator Maint		\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 1,500.00
5090 BuildingMaint		\$ 3,515.78	\$ 3,515.78	\$ 3,100.00
Sub Total	\$ 1,842.16	\$ 14,235.87	\$ 16,078.03	\$ 28,500.00
Totals	\$ 8,021.80	\$ 62,337.03	\$ 70,358.83	\$ 104,372.60
Envelopes	\$ 3,760.00	\$ 37,624.00	\$ 41,384.00	
Other income	\$ 50.00	\$ 41.00	\$ 91.00	
Total	\$ 3,810.00	\$ 37,665.00	\$ 41,475.00	
Difference			\$ (28,884.00)	

Hillside United Methodist Church

Administrative Council Meeting – October 2, 2024

Hillside United Methodist Church
Administrative Council Meeting
October 2, 2024

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

Carolyn gave the opening
prayer.

The September Ad Council
minutes were reviewed. The
motion was made by Carole and
seconded by Sandy that the
minutes be approved. All
approved.

Treasurer's Report: The
treasurer's report was reviewed.
Jim made a graph of what we
give and what we need to show
how we are falling behind in our
giving.

Finance Report: We need to
figure out how to raise money
for the church. We need to send
a letter for stewardship by
November 1. Commitment
Sunday is the 3rd Sunday in

November.

Pastors Report: The Church
Charge Conference is
scheduled to be January 19,
2025 after church. The service
for Bea Jacobson who died
recently will be October 26th.
There will be a graveside
service. Pastor Jeremy has
been asked to do a short service
for the Boy Scouts at their camp
on Island Lake.

Lay Leader: No report.

SPRC: They need to meet.

Trustees: The light in the
parking lot is not working again.

Lamplighters: No one has been
visited lately. Vi Lyness is at
Beehive now. Friday, they plan
to visit Shirley Olson and Vi.

Missions: Loaves & Fishes
were happy to get the leftovers
from our meatball dinner. A
person who attended our church
in the summer asked us if we
could send her a blanket to help
her out. A motion was made by

Sandy and seconded by Jim that
we spend up to \$25.00 to buy
and send her a blanket. Motion
approved.

Worship: All Saints Day will be
Sunday, November 3rd. We
honor all the members who have
died in the past year. The
hanging of the greens will be on
Sunday, December 1st. It will
be at the end of a short service
that day.

Other: We need a mission
chairperson. We will ask for a
volunteer in the Livewire and the
bulletin. The Livewire needs to
be sent out the last week of the
month so we have it when there
are events early in the next
month. The next meeting will
be November 6th at 10:30 AM.

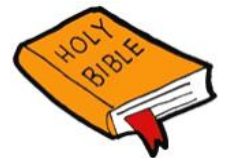
Pastor Jeremy gave the closing
prayer. The meeting was
adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,

Diane Boris,
Admin Council Secretary

Thursday Bible Study & Fellowship

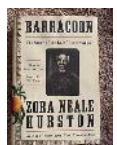
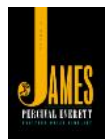
Join us for a weekly study and Fellowship **Thursdays at 10:30 AM** in the Fellowship Hall. It's a great way to enjoy each other's company and to learn more about what the bible has to teach us.



Hillside UMC Book Club Fall Selection

The Hillside UMC Book Club is back in full swing with the regularly scheduled Thursday evening meetings. November 7 at 7 PM they will be discussing the book "**James**" by Percival Everett at Sandra Wilmot's house.

If you would like to read ahead for next month, the November book will be "**Barracking: The Story of the Last 'Black Cargo'**" by Zora Neale Hurston. If you would like to join the Book Club or have any questions, please contact Sandra Wilmot at 218-348-2712.



If you have an emergency... Please call Pastor Jeremy on his cell at 218-825-2174. If you cannot reach him, contact Carole Hawkinson at 218-606-1236 or Carolyn Dahl at 218-727-6342. They usually know how to reach the pastor.