# The Echo

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# From the Pastor's Desk

This fall the Christian Education committee is unveiling a discipleship challenge designed to get us to live out our faith in everyday life. Each week's sermon will be looking at a different aspect of how believers are called to live a Christian life, and we are also challenging everyone in the church to do just a few specific actions each week to practice the faith we profess and grow as disciples. The challenge is simple. **Each week**, we are asking you to:

**Bless** someone outside the church and someone inside the church by something small like writing a note or giving a baked good, or do something larger like helping someone mow their lawn,

offer free babysitting, or leaving a big tip for a waitress – whatever it takes to build-up someone;

Eat a meal with someone who doesn't go to church and with someone who does. This could be 2 separate meals or a single event, but it doesn't have to be anything fancy. The objective is simply to get to know our neighbors and take a genuine interest in their lives;

**Read** your Bible and/or any other book for a total of one hour each week; learn from anything that helps you know Jesus better & grow as a disciple;

**Pray** to God for a total of one hour each week and listen for the leading of the Holy Spirit. Where is God calling us to reach out to our community?



Everyone is invited to come out to our Rally Day kickoff on September 11 at 9:30a.m. where we will be talking about this challenge more in detail. I hope you can participate!

In Christ,

**Pastor Sean** 

## **OPEN A BOOK AND YOU OPEN YOUR MIND**

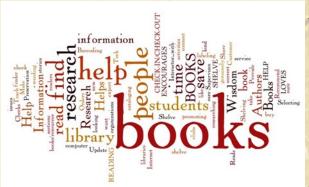
Have you ever wondered how many pieces are actually in Hillside's Library? The number may surprise you. Here we will spotlight on a quiet little resource provided through Hillside. Our library is bountiful in spiritual resources for all members of the Hillside community.

Our current librarians, Chuck and Nancy Herrick, took over the church library in 2009. At that time, the library was located in our current Prayer Room. The Herrick's work as a team, Chuck does the manual work, organizing, labeling, and filing the books and Nancy does



all the clerical work, keeping the master list up to date, etc. We've long had a library at Hillside, but when the Herrick's took over, one of the first things Chuck did was seek the guidance of a friend/neighbor, who came and offered her suggestions on organizing the books.

As Chuck organized and cataloged our library it became obvious that we needed a bigger space to contain



our library resources. So in 2012, the Library was moved from what is now the Prayer room to the old Berean Sunday School room at the bottom of the stairs in McPeak Chapel. With a bigger room came a need for more shelving, so a number of new shelves were built and installed by Scott Hodge.

Still wondering how many pieces are in the Library? Patience, patience.

What you will find in the Library is a wide variety of books,

tapes, DVD's and historical church information, all contained in over 12 categories including fiction, nonfiction, self-help, seasonal, humor, and of course history. There are even some old photo albums of Hillside through the years (check out the old hairstyles!) Included in the library responsibilities are the Rainbow Children's Library is located on the third floor and is available for children to sign out books and DVD's.

Chuck and Nancy would like to remind everyone to feel free to request material you wish to see in the Library.

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So – as you find yourself slowing down from a busy summer, looking for some relaxation, remember to check out Hillside Library. No doubt you will find something for you or someone in your family. All for no charge, just a signature and a smile as you sign out the books.

Now – back to the \$1,000,000 question......how many pieces are in the Library!! There are over 1700 pieces in the adult library and over 400 pieces in the children's library. That makes over 2,000 items available to keep you and your family busy over the fall and winter months!!

# VBS at Hillside 2016 - Everest

Vacation Bible School was held July 11th through July 15th at Hillside Presbyterian Church with nearly 40 people participating in the program.

Under the direction of Jill Redfoot and her multiple volunteers, this year's program was entitled "Everest". The program was not only for the youth of our congregation but also a chance to reach out to the youth in the community and help them to come to know Gods word, and for many start their walk with Christ!





Every day kicked off with the kids participating in interactive worship songs before breaking off into their groups and participating in different workshops where they would strengthen their Christian knowledge through fun and exciting teachings.

At the conclusion of the day the youth would congregate back in the sanctuary to close the day again in worship and prayer before adjourning downstairs to the delicious home-cooked lunch provided every day.

Also through VBS mission work \$220 was raised by change collection from the youth and outside

donations for the Greenville & Reynolds Back-Pack programs!

This year's VBS program can be looked at as a great success

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and everyone is looking forward to next year's program!

Check out the VBS week in review videos at our You Tube Channel: <u>http://goo.gl/rtCleB</u>

## Member Profile Page ~ LeAnn Reichard

Questions posed through the Tech and Communication Team at Hillside

#### What year did you join Hillside? - 1996

What committees or positions have you been a part of?

Board of Deacons, Tech and Comm., Team Membership and Integration and Evening Circle. Assisted with many other committees such as VBS and Sunday School as well.

#### Tell about your conversion to Jesus Christ? -

When I hear Jesus Christ's voice, he gives me little nudges to pray for a friend, be there for someone to talk, just be a caring loving person that I am and to love Jesus Christ.

#### What would be some of your fondest memories at Hillside? –



Going on a mission trip to Sitka AK and seeing bald eagles everywhere. Also seeing the many different colors of starfish on the stone shoreline and the deep clear saltwater fish among the marina.

There are always downsides in every organization, but we would like to know what/who at Hillside inspires you in your Christian walk;

**Past** – Rev. Pam Maloney and her sweetness. Rev. James and Pam Leuenberger always being there when you need both of them. And Mildred Reichard, her hard work and loving the Lord.

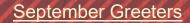
**Present** – Rev Sean Hall and Andrea Hall, when you need something both of them are there. The Bible in 90 Days , and Summer at the Movies Sermon Series.

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Choir rehearsals start up again September 7 at 6:30 pm

# Hometown Heroes

Please continue to pray for these loved ones who are serving our country. Keep them, their families, our country, and our world situation in your constant prayers.

HANNAH BATTLES RAYMOND PELSH JASON COATS JOSH PIPP PATRICK DANGROW MICHAEL PSCHIRER JUSTIN SMITH CRAIG TRUMBULL JR. KRISTOPHER HIRSCH-MANN DAVID TURNER JON LEXINGTON BRIAN GEARHART

**Communion** for August will be on Sunday, September 11th.

#### **Praise Team**

We are looking for additional members for the Praise Team. If you would like to join, let Karyn know.

FALL WORSHIP TIME (Sept. 11th) 10:45 A.M.

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# **Recipe Corner**

### BROWN SUGAR REFRIGERATOR COOKIES

- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 cup butter, softened
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 large egg
- **3 cups flour**
- 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/3 cup chopped nuts
- Mix brown sugar, butter, vanilla and egg in large bowl.
- Stir in remaining ingredients
- Shape dough into rectangle, 10"x3" wrap and refrigerate 2 to 24 hours.
- Heat oven to 375°
- Cut dough into 1/8"slices. Place 2" apart on ungreased cookie sheet
- Bake 6-8 minutes or until light brown. Cool slightly before removing from cookie sheets.
- Dough may be frozen tightly wrapped up to 2 months. Add 1-2 minutes to baking time when baking straight from freezer

Sept. Good Shepherd Item: Rice, pasta or dry grains

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## **Birthdays**

9/2 Will Webster
9/3 Donna Scott
9/4 Evan Ferguson
9/6 Kay Kopenhaver
9/7 Crystal Hawk Mark Reichard
9/8 Cindy Hillard Garrett Hillard Kathy Maun
9/9 Joe Bees
9/10 Tracie English

# SEPTEMBER

9/15 Sarah Stubbs 9/18 Jason Williamson 9/19 Mary Hovis Darla Shannon 9/20 Morgan Battles 9/28 Lynette Gill Kristina Jones 9/29 Carla Reichard 10/1 Mason Battles

## **Anniversaries**

9/4 Wilma and Dave Christman

9/8 Jan and Frank Stratiff

9/13 Jennifer and Mike Battles

9/20 Lynette and Charles Gill (50 years)







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