

Children & Students >

Children's Ministry - GameLife & GameLife Jr.

The mid-week ministry for 4 year olds up to 5th grade -- Any questions?
Email kids@missionhillschurch.org or call 760.759.2242.

Student Ministries - Middle School & High School

Sunday Mornings - Middle School & High School meet on Sunday mornings at 9am.

Wednesday Nights - Wednesday night for Middle School and High School from 6:30-8 pm.

For more information contact Adam Hankerson (High School - ahankerson@missionhillschurch.org), Nate Kowallis (Middle School - nkowallis@missionhillschurch.org) or JoLyn Harris (jharris@missionhillschurch.org) or call 760.759.2233.

If you would like to receive e-mail communication about upcoming events and information, use the QR code or visit our website and enter your email address at the bottom of the home page.

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Family Care Update >

Do you call Mission Hills Church your home and you are fighting cancer, under treatment for a different ailment or have been in the hospital? As your church family, we would like to pray for you and add you to our Family Care Update so others in our church family can also pray for you. Please contact us at care@missionhillschurch.org and we will add you to the Family Care Update that will be published regularly in the worship folder.

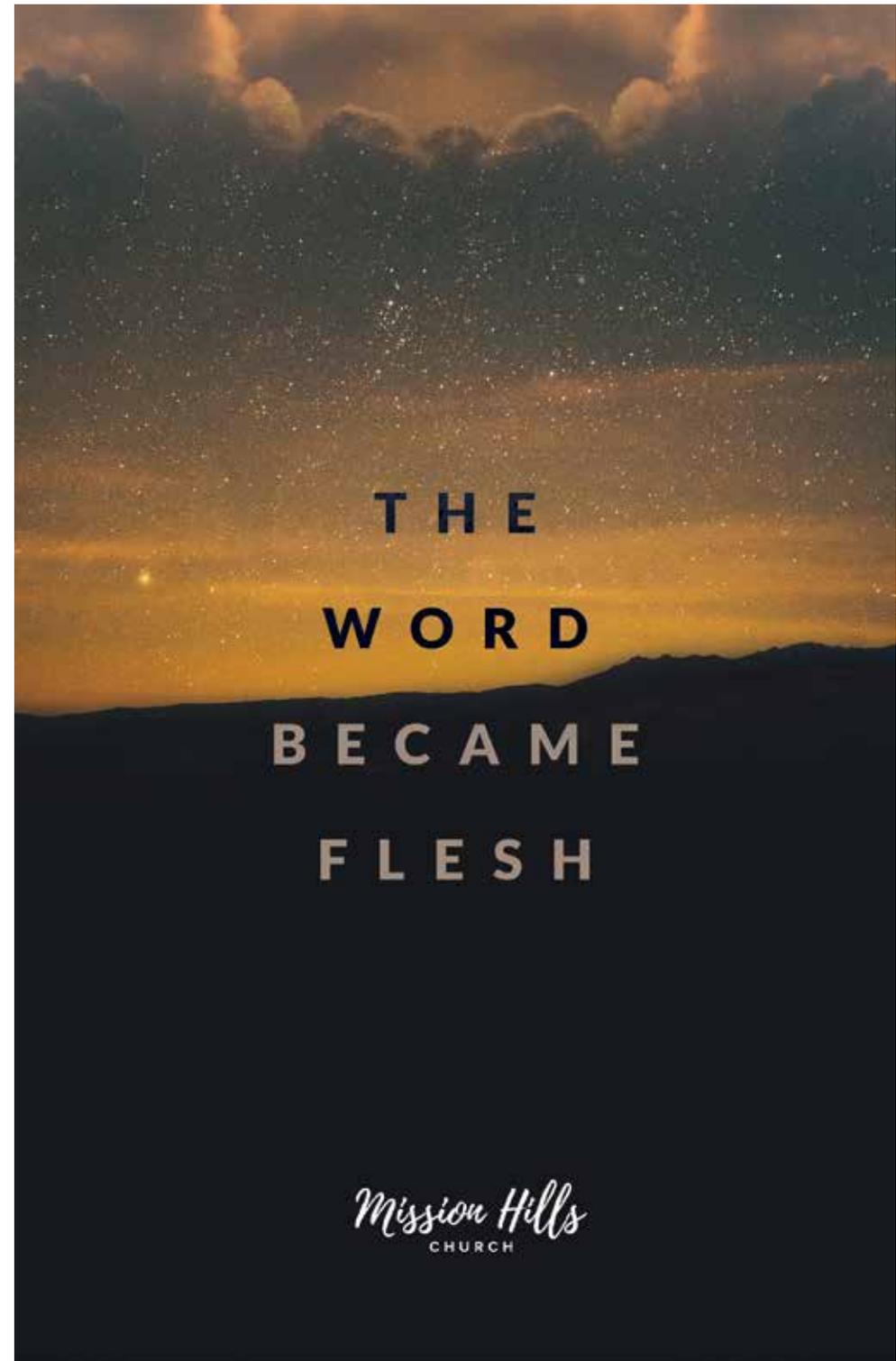
Pray for Our Church Family:

Recovering at home or extended care: Bob Clanton, Sandi Humpherys, Ruthann Lindell, Dorothy Joseph, Katherine Edwards

Dealing with cancer: Mike Goulet, Nick DeVries, John Arthur, Joan Rymer, Gwen Luellen

Undergoing diagnosis or treatment: Judi Pfendler

Phone: 760.759.2233
Office Hours: M-Th: 8:30am-5pm
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Welcome >

We are so glad that you joined us today. We realize going to a new church can be a big step. Perhaps you are just hearing about Jesus for the first time and figuring out what this church thing is all about. Perhaps you are already a follower of Jesus, but are looking for a new church home. Or, maybe you aren't quite sure why you are here today, but you know you need care and support. No matter who you are, you are welcome here! We encourage you to take a moment and fill out a Connection Card so that we can get to know you a little bit and answer any questions you may have about our church family.

In the name of Jesus,
Pastor Jamin and Pastor Sam

Who We Are >

Our Calling

We are a church family called in love to share in and be shaped by Christ our hope.

Our Commitments

Prayerfulness

Because God in Christ shares his life of love with us, we are committed to continuously remain in his love.

Wisdom

Because God in Christ shares his life of love with us, we are committed to cherish and discern the truth in love.

Reconciliation

Because God in Christ shares his life of love with us, we are committed to pursue relationships defined by repentance and forgiveness for the sake of love.

Compassion

Because God in Christ shares his life of love with us, we are committed to move toward the poor, the marginalized and the broken in love.

Connect >

Christmas Jubilee - Sun., December 17, 6 pm

Bring your blankets and your chairs and enjoy a time under the stars in the Mission Hills Church Courtyard as we join with other churches and our community to celebrate the songs of Christmas. New Teddy Bears will be collected to give to Rady's Children's Hospital to bless young patients.

Host Families Needed

Young Life USA Camp is a 3½ week program offered to teens from Catalonia, Spain. We are looking for Host Families for the teens this summer. This program exposes Spanish teens to the gospel of Jesus Christ through your family and a camp setting. The deadline to sign up is February 5th. For more information, contact Mike Goulet at mgoulet@missionhillschurch.org

Middle School Winter Camp - Fri., Feb. 2 - Sun., Feb. 4, 2018

Parents of students in 6-8 grades, now is the time to sign your student up for Winter Camp 2018. Register at our website at missionhillschurch.org/event/mswintercamp2018 or the Connection Center today. Cost is \$185. \$50 non-refundable deposit will hold your child's spot. Questions? Contact Nate at nkwallis@missionhillschurch.org or 760-759-2240.

New Members

Today we recognize the following new members of Mission Hills Church who were confirmed at the Quarterly Business Meeting on December 3rd with the Right Hand of Fellowship. Welcome to the family! Amanda Bajema, Wendy Cajina, Alyssa Caudill, Chad and Melissa Crammer, Steve and Lori Dykstra, Caroljeanne Forman, Vince and Clara Gill, Adam Hankerson, Warren and Susan Hughes, Shay Katz, Ashley Lalkin, Steve and Holly Mikovits, George and Cassandra Monteon, Emily Shaffer and Tim and Patty Stewart.



Our Ongoing Witness

Remember: Our role as the church is to point to Jesus in a similar way to how John pointed to Jesus.

Read: John 1:8; Acts 1:8; Ephesians 3:1-13

Consider:

- What are other things that the church can point to instead of Jesus?
- What might your role be in being a witness to Jesus to the “ends of the earth”?
- Our witness is part of God’s plan to make his “wisdom known” to the “rulers and authorities in the heavenly places,” how might that affect your witness?

Pray

- Spend 5 minutes reflecting on and thanking God for those in your life who were/are “witnesses to the light.”
- Spend 5 minutes talking to the Lord about who in your life is still in darkness, and ask him how you might be a witness to the light this advent season?
- Spend 5 minutes thanking God for the witness of the law, the prophets, and the apostles who have handed the Scriptures on to us as a testimony of God’s light. Especially thank him for those parts of Scripture that God has used in your life.

Worship Service

December 10th, 2017

Songs of Invitation

We encourage you to begin the worship service with this prayer: “Show us your steadfast love, O LORD” Psalm 85:7

Welcome

“Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.” Romans 15:7 ESV
Our welcome is a time for us to greet one another, introduce ourselves to those who are new, and to embrace one another as family.

Call to Worship

“Let me hear what God the LORD will speak” Psalm 85:8
Our call to worship comes from Psalm 85.

Songs of the Family

“Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?” Psalm 85:6 ESV
These songs are expressions of the heart of our church family to God

Scripture Reading

John 1:1-18

Sermon

Pastor Sam Paschall

The Word Became Flesh

John 1:5-8

December 10th, 2017

Advent Devotional

John's Unique Witness

Remember: John the Baptist had a unique role in God's plan of salvation to "prepare the way" for Jesus.

Read: John 1:6-8; Matthew 3:14; Luke 1:17; 3:1-6; Malachi 4:5

Consider:

- What is the relationship between the Old Testament prophet Elijah and John the Baptist?
- What does it mean that John "prepared the way" for Jesus?
- How would John's witness to the light help those in the darkness?

John's Incomplete Witness

Remember: John the Baptist was a faithful witness, but even he struggled to "understand" the light of Jesus.

Read: John 1:5; Matthew 11:2-15; 2 Corinthians 3:7-11

Consider:

- How was Jesus different from what John expected?
- The "law and the prophets" were also witnesses to the light, like John, but were "not the light." How is Jesus "ministry" different from the ministry of the "law?"

Offering and Church Life

"Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce" Proverbs 3:9 ESV

Each week we collect financial gifts which our church family uses to help those in need and further spread the good news of Jesus. We also stay updated on what is going on in our church life.

Sending Blessing

"Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other."

Psalm 85:10 ESV

For Reflection: How can you point to Christ with your words and life?