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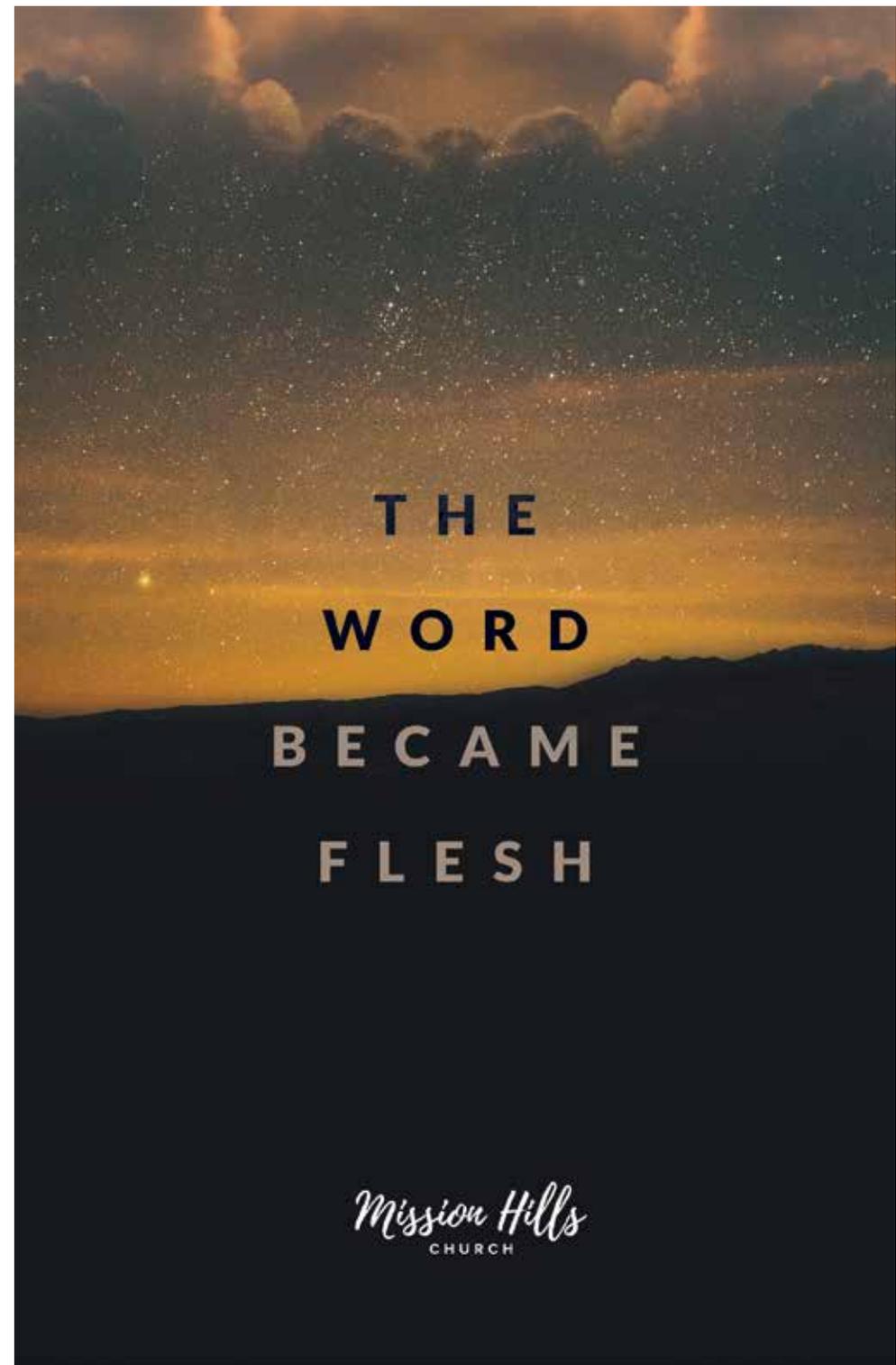
Do you call Mission Hills Church your home and you are fighting cancer, under treatment for a different ailment or have been in the hospital? As your church family, we would like to pray for you and add you to our Family Care Update so others in our church family can also pray for you. Please contact 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
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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.

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Report of Year-To-Date Giving

Thank you for partnering in the work God is doing here at Mission Hills Church by supporting the ministries with your generous and sacrificial donations. Donations to the General Fund for this fiscal year (June 2017 - present) are shown in the table below. As the Lord leads, please consider how you might consider supporting the ministries here at Mission Hills Church.

Budgeted donations: \$519,285

Actual donations: \$431,530

Quarterly Business Meeting - Sun, December 3, 1 pm

Join us TODAY for the business meeting in the chapel to learn about the ways God is using Mission Hills Church for His glory.

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.



You're invited to the All Church Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 6th from 6:30-8:30 pm. Time in the chapel will include an ugly sweater contest and singing of Christmas carols. We will conclude with games in the Courtyard and refreshments in the Cafe. This is an event for all ages. Hope to see you there!

Jesus Made Everything

Remember: God's "instrument" or "tool" through which he makes everything is his Word, Jesus.

Read: John 1:3; Genesis 1:1-3; Ephesians 1:3-6

Consider:

- Knowing that Jesus is God's Word/Speech from John 1, how can we see the three persons of the Trinity active in creating the world in Genesis 1?

Pray:

- Spend 10-15 minutes considering with God in prayer the meaning that "before the foundation of the world" he "chose you" and "blessed you in the Beloved."

Jesus is Life

Remember: It is only by discovering (light) Jesus and his relationship to the Father that we can know who we are (life).

Read: John 1:4-5; 10:10; 17:3

Consider:

- How do these passages teach us about God's reason for making us?

Pray

- Spend 10-15 minutes and share with God any places of darkness that you may be trying to keep hidden.

Worship Service

December 3rd, 2017

Songs of Invitation

We encourage you to begin the worship service with this prayer: "Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved!" Psalm 80:3

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

"You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth."
Psalm 80:1
Our call to worship comes from Psalm 123.

Songs of the Family

"Stir up your might and come to save us!" Psalm 80:2 ESV
These songs are expressions of the heart of our church family to God

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.

Scripture Reading

John 1:1-18

Sermon

Pastor Sam Paschall

The Word Became Flesh

John 1:1-4

December 3rd, 2017

Advent Devotional

Jesus is God's Word

Remember: As God's Word, Jesus reveals who God really is

Read: John 1:1-2; Colossians 1:15-20; Hebrews 1:1-3

Consider:

- How do these passages express the ways that Jesus "reveals" who God is?
- How do these passages express the continuous activity of Jesus in our world?
- How do these passages reveal God's intentions, through Jesus, for the world?

Pray:

- Sometimes we feel that God doesn't "speak to us" and so grow discouraged. John and the author of Hebrews remind us that God does "speak" to us in his Son. Thomas Torrance reminds us that God didn't just speak to us in Jesus "back then" but his speaking to us in Jesus "remains eternally real and alive... [and] is still accessible to us." So our conversation with God goes like this: we pour out our hearts to God and He speaks Jesus back to us.
- Take 10-15 minutes and share with him what it means to you that he has spoken to you in Jesus.

Communion

"Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread." 1 Corinthians 10:17 ESV

Sending Blessing

*"Let your face shine, that we may be saved!"
Psalm 80:7 ESV*

For Reflection: What in your life is hidden in the dark that needs to be brought to the light?