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Service Reminders

Greeter Reminder 12/21/14

8:15 – Greg & Karen M. Joe & Christi A.

11:00 – Andy & Cindy J Brian L. & Bill Sloup

Nursery Reminder 12/21/14

(S = Nursery front desk sentry)

8:15 - Sam S.(S), Zach (S) & Crystal Steinmeyer, Gretchen W, Michele J.

9:45 - Kelley K. (S), Melissa M. (S), Ann K., Carol Hershberger, Kay H.

11:00 - Kathleen C. (S), Jillian D.(S), Janelle G., Donna, Britny, & Jamie I.

CC - Emi Yates

Welcome Desk Reminder 12/21/14

9:20 - Wayne & Stacey H. 10:40 - Gretchen J. 12:15 - Joel & Dawn N.

2014 Giving Report

	<u>November</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Giving	\$60,499.46	General Giving \$495,031.57
Budget	\$46,553.84	Budget \$512,092.24

Additional Principal Payments to Date: \$67,344.05

November Average Attendance: 475

Welcome

We are excited and encouraged to have you worship with us today! Please take a moment to fill out a yellow visitor card in the chair in front of you and turn it into the Welcome Center to receive a gift.

~ Announcements ~

Come sing with us in our **Christmas choir** this year! We will have practice tonight from 5–6pm. Ben Rickert will be directing the choir. If you like to sing, please join us this year in celebrating the birth of our Savior. Christmas Choir will be singing during 1st **and** 2nd service on Sunday, December 21st.

Women’s Bible Study begins Wed. Jan. 14 on at 9 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Information available at the Welcome Center! WBS served nearly 50 women this fall! Studies include *Growing in Wisdom and Faith: James (George)*, *Freedom in Christ (Anderson)*, *Forgotten God (Chan)*, and *Gideon: Your Weakness, God’s Strength (Shiren)*.

Since we have some marines in the congregation we have been asked to be a drop off location for **TOYS FOR TOTS**. The collection box is in the foyer. Toys must be new, un-opened and not wrapped. **Please, nothing violent.**

College students! The “Take a Break” soup supper is tonight! Join us at 6pm at the Navis’ home. Take a study break from your finals and join us for soup & the trimmings. Christmas cookies (to take back to your dorm!) will be provided! Bring a friend!!!

The City of Seward would like to invite the community to the **Candlelight Memorial Ceremony** to remember loved ones who have passed away. The service is Dec.15 at 6 pm at the north cemetery on Hwy 15 and Waverly Rd. Bring an ornament in memory of your loved ones to place on the Memorial Tree, planted north of the Cemetery Office.

Four Square is 4 months of fellowship with couples/families/or singles meeting 1 time per month. This is a GREAT opportunity to meet new people. A sign up sheet is available at the Welcome Center. Contact Crystal Stara with questions 402-367-2762.

Join us on the evening of Dec. 21 at 6 pm for the Children’s Church Christmas Program. All children participating in the Christmas program need to be at the church no later than 5:40 pm.

Senior High Christmas party is tonight! Bring a white elephant gift and snack to share!

Divorce Care is a divorce recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce. A Divorce Care group will begin meeting after the first of the year. If you’re interested, contact the church office (402) 643-2316.

Ministries at Hillcrest

Children’s Ministry

Nursery offered for 0-2 during both services and during Sun. School. Children’s Church offered for ages 3 - K during the 11am service. Junior Church for grades 1st - 4th during the 11am service (Youth Room)
Contact Zeke Fogarty 402-646-9045

AWANA

AWANA meets on Wed. from 6:30 - 8pm for ages Pre K - 6th Grade
Contact Bill Nitzsche 402-643-3520.

Youth Ministry

Jr. High is Wed. at 6:30 and Sr. High is Sundays from 7pm to 8:30pm at Hillcrest. **Contact Pastor Dan at 608-843-9348.**

College Ministry

College Bible Study meets Thurs. at 9:30pm at Curt and Joan’s home at 1018 N 1st Street. **Contact Pastor Curt at 402-641-7340.**

Women’s Ministry

WBS’s are offered Wed. 9 am and 6:30 pm.
Contact Lisa Bennett 402-643-6902

Lit-N-Latte meets the 2nd Mon. of the month at Hillcrest (library).
Contact Dawn Navis 402-643-6545

Men’s Ministry

Men’s Revitalize meets Saturday mornings at 7am
Contact Corey Mann at 402-499-7033 or mannco@windstream.net

Men’s Basketball on Thurs. evenings 7pm at Hillcrest.
Contact Scott Quakenbush at 402-641-5699

Senior Adults

Over-60 Senior Connection Group will not meet the month of December. Soup luncheon will be Sun., Jan. 11th after second-service.
Contact Pastor Lowell & Nan 402-641-6037

Sister Circle will not meet the month of December. It will begin again in 2015. **Contact Carol Hershberger 402-643-3900 or Rosemary Thomas 402-761-2413.**

Church Fellowship Opportunities

Fit Club on Tues./Thurs. at 6:30pm & Saturdays at 7:30am at Hillcrest.
Contact Todd Thege 402-643-1327

We encourage you to get involved with the ministries available at Hillcrest. If you would like any additional information or to know other ways to serve, contact the church office 402-643-2316.

Sunday Worship Times

8:15am - Early Service

11:00am - Late Service

9:45am - Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes

0-2yrs	Room 116	Sr. High	Room 128
3-5yrs	Room 117	Newcomers	Library
Kindergarten	Room 119	Spiritual Warfare	Room 107
1 st & 2 nd Grade	Room 111	Human Sexuality	Room 108
3 rd & 4 th Grade	Room 121	The Gospel of John	Room 109
5 th & 6 th Grade	Room 126	Christian Beliefs	Room 110
Jr. High	Room 127	College & Career	Room 112

**Please join us for Adult Bible School classes.
See descriptions below.**

Newcomers ~ A class for people who would like to know more about what we believe as an Evangelical Free Church & who we are at Hillcrest.

Pastor Curt Coddington

College & Career ~ Join us as we discuss the time leading up to Christmas. Advent: what is it and what does it mean to me?

Contact Dawn and Joel 402-641-6545

Spiritual Warfare ~ "A Biblical Perspective on Spiritual Warfare" We will explore what the Bible says about the devil, demons and spiritual warfare and how Christians win the battles. **Bruce Scheiber 402-643-9208**

Human Sexuality ~ A blushing honest discussion from a Biblical and experiential point of view. Contact Ken Baldinger

The Gospel of John ~ **Contact Dave McCracken 402-643-4242**

Christian Beliefs ~ We will be using "Christian Beliefs—Twenty basics every Christian should know" by Wayne Grudem as our study guide. This will provide opportunity to explore together some of the core beliefs of Christianity. If you are a relatively new believer in Jesus, or if you are a more seasoned Christian looking for a quick brush-up on the basics of the faith, this study is for you. Books provided—Bring your Bible!

Contact Pastor Lowell 402-641-6037



**He came from the Jews:
Jesus' birth according to Matthew**

Matthew 1-2

"A record of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham."

Matthew 1:1

Pastor Curt Coddington

December 14, 2014

This Week @ Hillcrest December 14 — December 20

Sunday @ 3pm	Seward Area Choir
Sunday @ 5pm	Choir Practice
Sunday @ 6:30	SHYG
Sunday @ 6pm	College Supper at Navis' Home
Tuesday @ 6:30pm	Fit Club
Wednesday @ 6:30pm	AWANA
Wednesday @ 6:30pm	Jr. High YG
Wednesday @ 6:30 pm	Adult Bible Study
Thursday @ 6pm	General Brd. Mtg.
Thursday @ 6:30pm	Fit Club
Thursday @ 7pm	Men's Basketball
Saturday @ 7am	Men's Bible Study
Saturday @ 7:30am	Fit Club

Calendar of Events

Dec. 21	Children's Christmas Program
Dec. 24	Christmas Eve Service—5:30pm
Dec. 25	Merry Christmas!
Jan. 11	Senior Connection Soup Luncheon

Next Week's Message

**He came in the flesh:
Jesus' birth according to John**

John 1

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