



Hilltop Baptist Church
 220 S. Pennsylvania Ave
 Casper, Wyoming 82609

Mission Statement

Our mission is to:

1. See people saved.
2. See people grow in their relationship with God.
3. See people grow in their love for one another.

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Sunday Schedule:

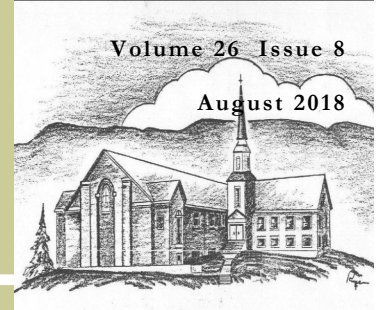
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Morning Service	11:00 AM
Evening Service	6:00 PM

Wednesday Schedule:

Youth Group.....	5:30-7:00 PM
Fellowship & Prayer.....	6:00-7:00 PM

THE MESSENGER

PASTOR'S PEN



From the Pastor's Pen

The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come.

Matthew 22:2-3 (NIV)

I have a home office I sometimes work from and once in a while I transport books from my church office to my home office. The other day I noticed a book in my home office I wanted to return to the church office. The book is titled *An Earnest Ministry: The Want of the Times*. It's a pretty old one, but as I remember a pretty insightful read, it was originally published in 1847. I believe it was a required book for one of my seminary classes.

When I picked it up I noticed a book mark I had inserted years ago and opened it up to be reminded of what must have caught my attention years ago. The book mark and some handwritten parenthesis focused on these words,

"The parable which represents the excuses made for not coming to the marriage feast, is still applicable to the children of men in reference to the invitations of the gospel: men are as they ever were, too busy, or too well satisfied with their enjoyments and possessions, to care about salvation. They are madly set upon the objects of the present world; they are asleep, and need to be roused; careless, and need to be interested; indolent, and need to be stimulated; and it is with the greatest difficulty we can engage their attention to the invisible realities of eternity."

– John Angell James, "An Earnest Ministry: The Want of the Times"

Isn't it amazing how before cell phones, TV, children's sporting activities, and all the other modern-day distractions, people were STILL too busy satisfying themselves with enjoyments and possessions to care about salvation? During the time that Jesus shared this parable people were too distracted with daily life to pay attention to their eternal souls. During the 1840's when this book was written, people were still too distracted with daily life to pay attention to their souls. And not surprisingly, people today are still too distracted to give attention to their eternal souls.

I read a few more pages of this book before tucking it into my bag to bring to the office. I made note of another quote on the next page,

"No ministry will be really effective, whatever may be its intelligence, which is not a ministry of strong faith, true spirituality, and deep earnestness."

Hence the name of the book... if we want to awaken people to the desperate need of their souls we need to practice a life of deep earnestness. Don't give up on that neighbor who keeps telling you, "I'll be in church one of these days." Don't neglect praying for the one who seems beyond hope. Always and fervently look for those opportunities to awaken others to the invisible realities of eternity.

God Bless,
Pastor Rob

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children’s Church —Meets the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sunday’s of every month. We would like to thank John and Debbie McAllister for their dedication to our church and kiddos.

Hunter’s Education—Is scheduled for August 15-18, at Hilltop Baptist Church. The cost of the class is the cost of materials, \$10 per person. There are limited spots available. Please sign up via the Game and Fish website.

Northeast Regional Ladies’ Retreat—Is September 7-8, at Mountain Top Baptist Assembly on Casper Mountain. Bible study, worship, fellowship & fun! The cost is \$25 per person. The deadline is September 1. Please visit www.mountaintopcamp.com for more information.

NE Regional SBC Annual Meeting—Saturday, August 18, 11:00 am, at Sunrise Baptist Church.

This Month’s Birthdays:

Jamie Kiracofe	2
Sarah McDonald	3
Linda Husk	9
Seana Metzler	20
Rob Peterson	20
Hannah Peterson	22
Ilias Green	23

(If your birthday is not listed, please contact the church office.)

THE UPRISING CONCERT AUGUST 17-18!

Sunday, August 19th, 6:00 PM



REMINDER: There will not be a prayer meeting during the week of Hunter’s Ed. (8/15)



Our next potluck is August 26, following the morning service. The Men’s Class will be serving. Please bring a friend and a dish to share!

Are We Missing You?

If you aren’t receiving emails from the church, such as reminders, potluck, and the newsletter, please send the church your updated email address at

Secretary
@hilltopbaptist
churchcasper.com

September 12 is National Day of Encouragement.

We will be collecting cards of encouragement and appreciation for our assigned officers in our Police Ministry. This is a great opportunity to have your Sunday School classes to get involved.

Please drop cards off at the church office before September 5th.

Lord’s Supper

We will observe the Lord’s Supper during service on August 5th.

Rescue Mission

Help serve on Tuesday, August 28th, at 5:45 PM.

Trail Life Meetings

We will meet on Monday, August 13 & 27, 6:00-7:00 PM.

Men’s Breakfast

Will break for summer and meet again September 8th, 8:00 a.m.

Potluck

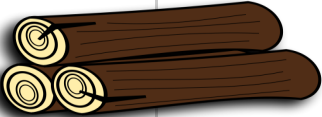
The next potluck will be August 26th. The Youth and Men’s Class will be serving. (Bring a friend!)

Nursery Schedule

August 5 - Debbie/Caroline & Jessica
August 12 - Jamie/Koy & Brooke
August 19 - Caroline/Julie & Natasha
August 26— Dianne/Jamie & Dianne

AUGUST 2018

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

			1  Fellowship & Prayer 6-7PM	2	3 Youth Group Mike Cedar Pool	4
5 Lord's Supper	6	7	8 Fellowship & Prayer 6-7PM	9 —————Pastor Rob away at drill—————	10	11
12 Children's Church TRAIL LIFE CAMPING TRIP 	13	14	15 (NO Prayer Meeting)	16	17 UPRISING CONCERT AUG. 17-18 →	18 SBC NE Regional Annual Meeting 11:00 AM Sunrise Baptist
19 Business Meeting 6 PM Children's Church	20	21	22 Fellowship & Prayer 6-7PM	23	24	25 
26  Children's Church	27 Trail Life 6:00-7:00	28 Rescue Mission 5:45 PM	29 Fellowship & Prayer 6-7PM	30	31	1