



**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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 Monday - Thursday  
 Pastor: Josiah Kiracofe  
 Monday - Friday (afternoons)  
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**Sunday Schedule:**

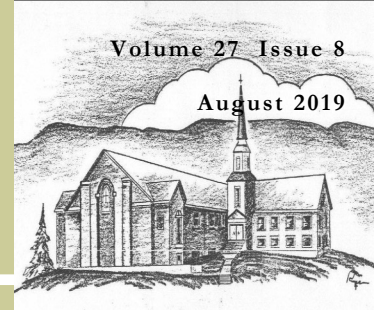
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Morning Service	11:00 AM
Evening Service	6:00 PM

**Wednesday Schedule:**

Youth Group.....5:30-7:00 PM  
 (Will resume at the end of summer)

# THE MESSENGER

PASTOR'S PEN



(Given the much felt absence of Pastor Rob, it seemed a fitting opportunity to include this great write-up from our newsletter this time last year. May it serve as a great reminder for all of us who need it.)

## From the Pastor's Pen

(August 2018)

*"Just Breathe," "Slow Down."* If you listen to Christian radio you've probably heard a couple of songs by these titles. They both have a common theme... when chaos comes in life or when time seems to be rushing by too fast we could benefit from slowing down and soaking in every moment. We may be pressured into feeling like we have so many things to get done and accomplish at the start of each new day, when in reality all we have to do is match our steps to the Holy Spirit's pace in our life.

That may cause us to wonder... what is the pace of the Holy Spirit? Fortunately for us, the Bible gives us an idea of what that pace may look like. We know from scripture that God would have us be productive – *"Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil."* – Ephesians 5:15-16. But we also know that Jesus calls us to a life of peace and trusting rest – *"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."* – Matthew 11:28-30.

There you have it. God calls us to be productive, but not stressed. He calls us to be engaged in meaningful service, but not overcome by it. Finding this balance continues to be one of the most difficult experiences for the modern-day Christian. Instead of finding that balance, many Christians jump from one extreme to the other. Burying themselves in commitments and work until the point of exhaustion, at which point they pull back from everything stating, "I need a break" and then they disappear from ANY kind of ministry or service for long periods of time. After this, they begin feeling conviction again and jump back into service with both feet until the point of burning out once again. It becomes a cycle of harmful extremes instead of a balanced walk. Seemingly the only way to end this cycle is to ask God EACH DAY how He might have you spend the time He's given you. After all, if our goal is to walk with the Spirit, we need to make it a daily occurrence. Talk to the Lord today, and ask Him to show you his pace.

God Bless,  
Pastor Rob

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Rescue Mission**—Help serve the fourth Tuesday of every month at 5:45 PM. If you are interested in providing food or volunteering, please see Darla or Tim.

**Widow’s Luncheon**—Please join the ladies of HBC in a “Widow’s Luncheon” the 2nd Monday of every month. They will meet at 11:30 AM, at Perkin’s Restaurant, August 12th. If you need a ride, please see Darla or to make arrangements. All are welcomed!

**BCM SNACKS**—September is our month to provide snacks. If you would like to help, please bring snacks by the church office on Monday’s in September. Thanks for helping!

**Youth Group**—Will not meet in August, and will start back on September 4th for Back-to-School night!

**Cookbooks**—Are available in the back of the sanctuary. They are \$15 each and benefit missions. Please make your check payable to HBC with a memo of COOK-BOOK, and place it in the offering plate. Thank you for your support!

**NE Region SBC Annual Meeting**—Will take place on August 17th, at Big Horn Baptist Church in Buffalo, WY. Please see the bulletin board for meeting details.

**Ten Questions Christians Are Asking**  
by Dr. David Jeremiah

**PLEASE JOIN US!**  
Every Sunday evening at 6:00 PM  
through September 8th

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jamie Kiracofe	2
Linda Husk	9
Rob Peterson	20
Hannah Peterson	22
Ilias Green	23

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

### UPRISING FESTIVAL

**Saturday, August 10th**

**At the David Street Station  
in downtown Casper**

**Christian music festival  
featuring Matt Maher!**

Visit  
[www.uprisingwyoming.org](http://www.uprisingwyoming.org)

### ATTENTION MEMBERS:

**Q3 Business Meeting**

**Sunday, August 18th  
6:00 PM**

#### Men’s Breakfast

Will resume on Saturday, September 14th,  
at 8:00 AM, in the fellowship hall.

#### Lord’s Supper

We will observe the Lord’s Supper  
on Sunday, August 4th.

#### Potluck

The next potluck will be on  
Sunday, August 25th.  
The Men’s Class will serve.

#### Rescue Mission

Help serve on  
Tuesday, August 27th,  
at 5:45 PM.

#### Nursery Schedule

August 4—Caroline/Julie & Kayla  
August 11—Kolker’s/Linda & Emma P.  
August 18—Amanda/Jamie & Emma S.  
August 25—Debbie/Caroline & Jessica

#### HELP NEEDED!


A sign-up sheet has been placed in the back of the sanctuary for anyone interested in helping with the maintenance of the church yard this Summer season. Thanks in advance for your help!

#### Church Care/Cleaning

Please see the sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary if you are interested in helping.

Thanks so much!  
for your help!

# August 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 Lord's Supper  10 Questions... Bible Study 6 PM	5	6	7	8  Amanda in office	9	10  The Uprising Music Festival @ David Street Station
11 Children's Church  10 Questions... Bible Study 6 PM	12 Widow's Luncheon @ Perkin's, 11:30 am	13	14	15	16	17 NE REGION SBC MEETING At Big Horn Baptist Church In Buffalo, WY
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25 Children's Church  Potluck! Men's class to serve  10 Questions... Bible Study 6 PM	26	27 Rescue Mission 5:45 PM	28	29	30	31