

Special Worship Service, 9 a.m., December 20, 2020

1. Welcome – Pastor Paul Lee
2. Announcement – Jenny White
3. Prelude – Nelda Chestnut
4. Lighting Advent Candle by Fourth Advent Family
– James & Sharla Bloebaum (Caleb Hiatt, Callen)
5. Call to Worship – Jenny White
6. ***A Letter of Hope from God*** – *First Angel, Judi Tate*
7. Hymn – “O Come, All Ye Faithful” Rebecca Parker, Nelda Chestnut
8. ***A Letter of Peace from God*** – *Second Angel, Diana Estrada*
9. Special Music – “Do You Hear What I Hear?” by Rebecca Parker
10. Prayer – Jenny White
11. ***A Letter of Love from God*** – *Third Angel, Dan Robbins*
12. Sharing a Christmas Story - Fourth Advent Family
- Jesus among US as the Best Gift!
13. Special Music, “Mary, Did You Know?” by Rebecca
14. Scripture Reading: Isaiah 56:1-8; Luke 7:18-23 - Fourth Advent Family
15. Sermon: Jesus’ coming and God’s letters to His people – Pastor Paul Lee
16. ***A Letter of Joy from God*** – *Fourth Angel, Greg Mason*
17. Hymn – “Joy to the World”
18. ***Four Angels in Unison from God***
19. Benediction

Our Worship Website – [Hillsdie.cLifej.net](https://www.Hillsdie.cLifej.net):

On this website, we also provide *online devotionals* and *related resources* for *Family Ministry* and *Early Childhood Ministry* to help all a spiritual journey and even to enhance mutual connection among people and with the church. Thank you for your participation in Online Worship as we hope to gather for in-person worship services in the near future.

Christmas Eve Service at [Hillsdie.cLifej.net](https://www.Hillsdie.cLifej.net):

We provide an Online Service with a variety of worship elements. *The service is scheduled to start at 7 p.m.*; let us gather then, celebrate the presence of Jesus among us, and conclude it with Candle Light Service. The link can also be available on our church main website and Facebook.

Special Worship Service, 11 a.m., December 20, 2020

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2. Announcement – Susan Carey
3. Lighting Advent Candle by Fourth Advent Family
– James & Sharla Bloebaum (Caleb Hiatt, Callen)
4. ***A Letter of Hope from God*** – *First Angel, Judi Tate*
5. Song – “Baby Boy” – Hillside Praise Band
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11. Song – “O Holy Night”
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15. Song – “Silent Night”
16. Benediction

The scripture and song lyrics are available on next pages!

Resources and Tools for Hillside Ministries:

Worship Website: <https://www.Hillsdie.cLifej.net>

Church Main website: <https://HillsdiePrinceton.org>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/princetonhillside/>

Any Questions?

Family Ministry - Susan Carey

Early Childhood Ministry – Jenny White

Administrative Help and Connection – Brenda Witt

Pastoral and Congregational Care – Pastor Paul Lee

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Prayer & Celebration List - December 20, 2020

- Ramona Whitaker (Debbie Kays' Aunt) to have a pacemaker put in soon, who is a member of Hillside and lives in Kansas.
- John Lee in recovery at home
- Marvin Meuser with his two feet hurt/damaged and unable to walk for a while; Jodi on FMLA to care for him at home
- Steve Nixon – Back home and in recovery with physical therapy
- Betty Farris continuing home physical therapy
- Mary Evans
- Celebration on a new life, Emree Grace, to Riley and Izzy McConnell on Dec. 11 (Winnie & Lee McConnell's son and daughter-in-law)

River Oaks Health Campus

- Evelyn Lankford; Betty Collins; Marilyn Williams

Announcements and Reminder

- **Christmas Offering – Gibson County CASA:** \$1,000 as the goal of our church and \$1,100 collected as of Dec. 16. Thank you for your generosity!
- **Angel Tree Christmas Presents:** Well done! Thank you for your generous gifts; CASA will pick up them all on Monday.
- **Tithes and Other Offerings:**
As you continue to fulfill your commitment to God through Hillside UMC, mail your check or bring it to the church. Also, online giving option is available at <https://www.hillsideprinceton.org/why-we-give>.
- **Worship CD or DVD:**
CDs and DVDs can be available for those who have no access to internet but a desire to receive one. So far, two people receive CDs. If you need one, contact Pastor Paul Lee or Brenda Witt at the church.
- **Christmas Worship Services**
Southwest District of Indiana Conference:
Go to [Hillside.cLifej.net](https://www.hillside.clifej.net) and click District Christmas Service link!
Extended Cabinet Service of Indiana Conference:
<https://www.inumc.org/blog/cabinet-christmas-worship-service/>
Bishop Trimble to Share Televised Christmas Message:
Evansville: WFIE – Sunday, December 20 at 10 a.m. (CST)

The Scripture of the Day (NRSV)

Isaiah 56:1-8

¹ Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.

² Happy is the mortal who does this, the one who holds it fast, who keeps the sabbath, not profaning it, and refrains from doing any evil.

³ Do not let the foreigner joined to the LORD say, “The LORD will surely separate me from his people”; and do not let the eunuch say, “I am just a dry tree.”

⁴ For thus says the LORD:

To the eunuchs who keep my sabbaths, who choose the things that please me and hold fast my covenant,

⁵ I will give, in my house and within my walls, a monument and a name better than sons and daughters;

I will give them an everlasting name that shall not be cut off.

⁶ And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant—

⁷ these I will bring to my holy mountain,

and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

⁸ Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered

Luke 7:18-23

¹⁸ The disciples of John reported all these things to him. So John summoned two of his disciples ¹⁹ and sent them to the Lord to ask, “Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?” ²⁰ When the men had come to him, they said, “John the Baptist has sent us to you to ask, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?’”

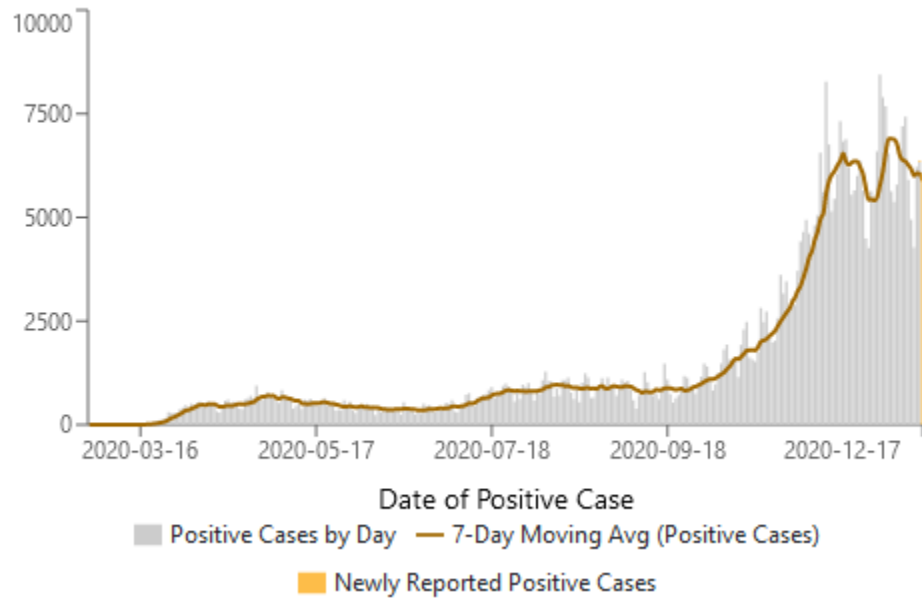
²¹ Jesus had just then cured many people of diseases, plagues, and evil spirits, and had given sight to many who were blind. ²² And he answered them, “Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have good news brought to them. ²³ And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.”

COVID 19 Numbers of New Cases and New Deaths

(The numbers reported to the state Indiana State Department of Health)

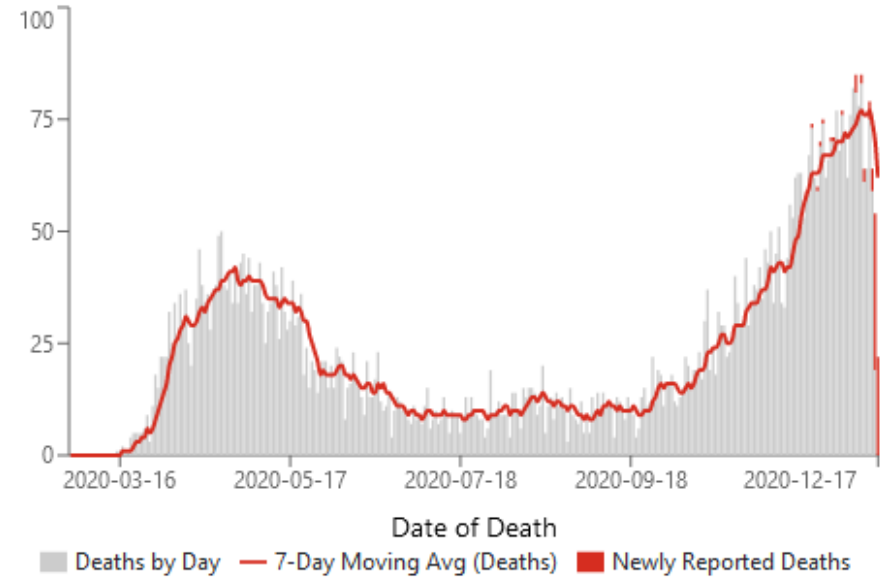
Statewide Cases by Day

(Each Number Representing 7-Day Moving Average)



Statewide Deaths by Day

(Each Number Representing 7-Day Moving Average)



As of Dec. 18 in Indiana State

New Cases: 6,088

New Deaths: 84

Song Lyrics for 9 a.m. Service, Dec. 20

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to
Bethlehem.
Come and behold him,
born the king of angels.

Refrain:

O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

True God of true God,
Light of light eternal,
our lowly nature he hath not
abhorred;
born of a woman,
here in flesh appearing.
[Refrain]

Sing, choirs of angels,
sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n
above:
“Glory to God,
all glory in the highest!”
[Refrain]

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
born this happy morning,
Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father,
begotten, not created. [Refrain]

Do You Hear What I Hear

Said the night wind to the little
lamb, do you see what I see
Way up in the sky, little lamb,
do you see what I see
A star, a star, dancing in the night
With a tail as big as a kite
With a tail as big as a kite

Said the little lamb to the
shepherd boy, do you hear what I
hear
Ringing through the sky,
shepherd boy,
do you hear what I hear
A song, a song, high above the
trees
With a voice as big as the sea
With a voice as big as the sea

Said the shepherd boy to the
mighty king,
do you know what I know
In your palace warm, mighty
king, do you know what I know
A Child, a Child shivers in the
cold
Let us bring Him silver and gold
Let us bring Him silver and gold

Said the king to the people
everywhere, listen to what I say
Pray for peace, people
everywhere! listen to what I say
The Child, the Child, sleeping in
the night
He will bring us goodness and
light
He will bring us goodness and
light

Mary, Did You Know

Mary, did you know
That your Baby Boy would one day
walk on water?
Mary, did you know
That your Baby Boy would save our
sons and daughters?
Did you know
That your Baby Boy has come to
make you new?
This Child that you delivered will
soon deliver you

Mary, did you know
That your Baby Boy will give sight to
a blind man?
Mary, did you know
That your Baby Boy will calm the
storm with His hand?
Did you know
That your Baby Boy has walked
where angels trod?
When you kiss your little Baby you
kissed the face of God?

Oh Mary did you know... Ooh Ooh
Ooh

The blind will see; the deaf will hear
The dead will live again
The lame will leap
The dumb will speak
The praises of The Lamb

Mary, did you know that your Baby
Boy is Lord of all creation?
Mary, did you know
That your Baby Boy would one day
rule the nations?
Did you know that your Baby Boy is
heaven's perfect Lamb?
The sleeping Child you're holding is
the great "I am"

“Joy to the World”

Joy to the world, the Lord is
come!
Let earth receive its king;
let ev'ry heart prepare him room,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n, and heav'n and nature
sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ
while fields and floods, rocks,
hills, and plains,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows
grow,
nor thorns infest the ground.
He comes to make his blessings
flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and
grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

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Baby Boy

If you told me all about your sorrows
I'd tell you about a cure
If you told me you can't fight the battle
There's a baby boy who won the war
The war was won by a baby boy

Alleluia, we can sing it
Alleluia, heaven's ringing
Alleluia!
Endless hope and relentless joy started with a baby boy

Oh, before that silent night
No savior and no Jesus Christ
The world cried out so desperately
And the baby boy was the reply,
Yes, heaven's reply was a baby boy

Alleluia, we can sing it
Alleluia, heaven's ringing
Alleluia!
Endless hope and relentless joy started with a baby boy

See, the king is coming down
And he's here without a crown
The baby boy without a bed
Giving life back to the dead
And hear the angels shout it out
As the people come and bow.
Unexpected majesty
Alleluia, what a king

Alleluia, we can sing it
Alleluia, heaven's ringing
Alleluia!
Endless hope and relentless joy started with a baby boy

Alleluia, we can sing it!
Alleluia, yeah, heaven's ringing!
Alleluia!
Endless hope and relentless joy started with a baby boy

“O Holy Night”

[Verse 1]

O Holy night! The stars are brightly shining
It is the night of our dear Savior's birth
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
'Til He appears and the soul felt its worth
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn
Fall on your knees; O hear the Angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born
O night, O Holy night, O night divine!

[Verse 2]

Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming
Here come the Wise Men from Orient land
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger
In all our trials born to be our friend
He knows our need, to our weakness is no stranger
Behold your King; before Him lowly bend
Behold your King; before Him lowly bend

[Verse 3]

Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is love and His Gospel is Peace
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother
And in His name, all oppression shall cease
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we
Let all within us Praise His Holy name
Christ is the Lord; O praise His name forever!
His power and glory evermore proclaim
His power and glory evermore proclaim

“Silent Night”

[Verse 1]

Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace

[Verse 2]

Silent night, holy night
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing 'Alleluia
Christ the Savior is born
Christ the Savior is born

[Verse 3]

Silent night, holy night
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth