



Hilton Christian Church



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Elders on Call For Thursdays and Fridays

January 19-20 James Reeder
January 26-27 Ceci Mazaitis
February 02-03 Sandy Keatley
February 9-10 Hillary Lane-Ramirez

Zoom Prayer Meetings

January 21, 2023 at 11:00 am

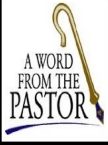
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All articles, photos, event dates etc. for inclusion in the weekly eNews **MUST** be received by the office **no later than 8:00 am each Monday**. Any submissions received after that time will be placed in the following week's eNews. Please Submit photos as a JPEG attachment not a PDF. Call me if you have any questions. Email: hiltonccoffice@gmail.com —Carol



This is the time of the year that the denomination gathers information for the previous year. One piece of information that we submit is the average attendance for the year. I take attendance every week as part of my spiritual practice. The denomination uses the information for demographic studies. Please, if you participate online, let us know you are there. Click like or make a comment. That is the only way we know to include you in our participating members number, and it helps me to know you are there.

Covid The community risk level for Covid is high again. I ask that we practice love of neighbor, carefully, as we go forward. I want to avoid putting full Covid protocols in place. Therefore, I am asking:

- * If you don't feel well, stay home and watch online.
- * If you come to church but are coughing, sneezing, or clearing your throat, wear a mask.

I would also suggest:

- * Wear your masks in any crowded place
- * Use your hand sanitizer and wash your hands regularly
- * Test if you have any suggestion of Covid, but be aware that both flu and RSV are also contagious and dangerous.

I would also like to remind you that having had Covid doesn't offer much, if any, protection against the current Covid variant.

Tu b'Shevat Seder on Feb. 4 Jewish Arbor Day celebration, which includes fruit and nut sampling and lunch, at Temple Sinai. The seder will be on **Saturday, Feb. 4, at 10 AM**. It would be wonderful to have a good representation of PTC folks. Please, contact temple administrator Mary Beth Colgan, 757-596-8352 or admin@nnsinai.hrcoxmail.com, to register. **Registration deadline is Feb. 1.**

Study Opportunity I am hoping to have a short Bible study this winter. I will need 5 or more people willing to commit to the study for me to continue working on the study. Possible topics are:

- * An overview of the library that is our Bible
- * Gospel understanding of prayer
- * Parables
- * The 2 accounts of the beatitudes

I will do the one that has the most interest. I am thinking that Monday or Wednesday afternoon would be best. This could be in-person, by Zoom, or possibly a hybrid of the two. If you would like to commit a longer study on Matthew, I would be willing to meet Monday, Wednesday, Saturday, or even Sunday.

If you are interested in participating in one of these, please, email me at hiltonccpastor@gmail.com.

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The Bulletin Board What's Happening

Jan 21 District 8 Men's Mtg at HCC
Jan 29 Called Congregational Mtg
Jan 31 Hilton Clergy Mtg at HCC
Feb 01 AARP Tax-Aide Starts
Feb 06 Elders Training

Important Notice: There will be a called congregational meeting on Sunday, January 29th immediately following the service. Please plan to stay for this important meeting.

AARP Foundation
For a future without senior poverty.

Tax-Aide Program

Tax season is upon us and the AARP Tax-aide volunteers will once again be at Hilton CC beginning on February 1st. You will need to have an appointment, and the number to call to make your appointment is 757-750-0725.

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide provides in-person and virtual tax assistance to anyone, free of charge, with a focus on taxpayers who are over 50 and have low to moderate income. Tax-Aide volunteers are located nationwide, and are trained and IRS-certified every year to make sure they know about and understand the latest changes and additions to the tax code.

With the help of 25,316 volunteers, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide had a very successful season with 852,377 federal returns filed securing \$1,075,441,589 in refunds for 1,251,641 people.

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Week of Compassion Our world is constantly in need of our compassion and our gifts of support. Week of Compassion has three types of grants available to members, ministry partners, or neighbors of congregations in the region who have been impacted by the severe weather:

Household Solidarity Grants – sent as a block grant through the local congregation, these grants assist Disciples households that have experienced property damage to their primary residence or financial hardship (such as due to evacuation). If you have affected households, we can talk more about eligibility and process.

Congregational Solidarity Grants – these grants assist Disciples of Christ congregations that sustain damage to their buildings/facilities.

Community Solidarity Grants – these grants provide support to undergird relief efforts by local congregations serving their neighbors (e.g. opening as shelters, distributing food or supplies, etc.)

Anti-Racism Pro-Reconciliation (ARPR) The regions ARPR committee of which I am a part is hosting their first anti-racism training for 2023 at Hilton Christian Church on **Saturday, February 11**. We are inviting District 8 to participate with us and everyone in the congregation is invited to participate. **Registration is at 8:30 and the training will be 9:30-3:00**. Freewill offering will be taken to cover costs. More details to follow.

To Register:

Email Hilton CC at hiltonccoffice@gmail.com no later than Thursday, February 2 by 11:30am. Include your name, number of people for whom you are registering, preferred contact information, and any physical or dietary accommodations needed.

Blessings, Pastor Natalie

Out of Office

I will be out of the office January 26th through the 30th. Since next week's eNews will go out a day earlier than usual, please consider sending in your eNews articles now (prior to Monday). Thanks!

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Donating by Credit Card Via Givelify

If you would like to donate online, following is the information to do so.

- On your mobile phone, download the app Givelify. Open app and search for Hilton Christian Church
- Push Give button and follow instructions: Select Fund you wish to donate to or use "Other" to indicate

Liturgy for Worship
January 22, 2023
Third Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

James Reeder

One: The Lord is my light and salvation; whom shall I fear?

All: The Lord is the stronghold of y life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One: One thing I asked of the Lord, that I will seek after:

All: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Congregational Hymn *“Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult”* Vs. 1, 2 and 5

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

*Our Father, who art in Heaven,
Hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.*

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Scripture: Matthew 4:12-23

James Reeder

Sermon Fishing for People? Really?

Pastor Natalie

Congregational Hymn *“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”*

Communion

Meditation

Prayer for Bread and Cup

James Reeder

Communion Hymn *“For the Bread, Which You Have Broken”*

Communion Distributed

(Gluten free bread is available. Let the deacon know if you would like it.)

Words of Institution

Benediction

Pastor Natalie

Postlude

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Hilton Christian Church Services Are Livestreamed

If you would like to join Hilton Christian Church, you may speak to the pastor about membership or come forward during the singing of the congregational hymn

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