

HSBC Newsletter

JUNE 2021

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Vital Statistics

Year to Date (04.30.21)

Budgeted Offering: \$107,666.84

Received Offering: \$94,375.09

Budget Expenses: \$88,247.96

Average Attendance (2021)

Small Groups: 80

Online Views: 41

8:30 a.m.: 53

11:00 a.m.: 80



It's exciting to see a resurgence of baptisms at HSBC. Many of these baptisms are a result of salvations throughout the pandemic. Through all the struggles we have faced God is still sovereign and these baptisms are evidence of the work He has been doing over the last year. I love how Max Lucado explains baptism, "Indeed, baptism is a vow, a sacred vow of the believer to follow Christ. Just as a wedding celebrates the fusion of two hearts, baptism celebrates the union of sinner with Savior." We should rejoice with these individuals as they stand before other believers and profess their faith and commitment to Jesus Christ.

Baptism is important not because the church requires it for membership, but because God commands us to be baptized. To profess to others that we are His and will walk with Him daily. I would like impress upon every believer to be praying for these individuals and to encourage them in their walk. "For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." - Galatians 3:27-28 ESV

Pastor Steven

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BSU Update - Hello Summer!

Thank you dear friends for all the love you guys continue to give thru the year to so many here thru the BSU; we love being missionaries to this campus we love and so believe needs Jesus. It is exciting to always get to help the students we meet consider maybe for the first time, or continue to come, serve, and connect to our churches we love in Kirksville and the northeast Missouri area. I love that 2 of the greatest gifts the church gives to our campus and to the whole community are Jesus, and each other.

The cheer coach and her husband have been asking so many tough and yet genuine questions and it has been so kind of God to let us be a part of what He is doing in their family in this season. And we learned something this past week; the coach was sharing with us that they have been loving not just the friendship that they have with us, but that for her, the Bible is making sense and she wants to learn more. She shared she had tried to go to church as an adult raising her 2 girls for 10 years, but she could never keep up or understand what the Sunday school class was doing in their lessons because shehad so small of an amount of knowledge about the Bible. And now she is beginning to understand it as we meet week after week and talk about life, faith and how the scriptures connect and go thru what the scriptures are talking about. Then she shared that during

those 10 years she had always been inviting her husband to go with her and the daughters, but he never did. And she shared that now, he is the one asking and making sure they are meeting us, which makes her so happy, and he is for the first time in over 10 years thinking about coming to church. Wow, it is so amazing to get to see God moving in peoples hearts!

So we just keep counting the conversations!

There is so much more: like how we helped 2 students who are really amazing and both practice a gay lifestyle, to help them move some of their furniture because of another student who doesn't believe in Jesus, but has been open and having conversations with us thru the year, and she connected us to them, and they didn't run from us or say "forget them, they are so mean" or etc. So it is a beginning of what we hope can lead to what only God can do in their lives, and we hope we can earn the right to be a voice of hope to them, and now to their friends. Wow God, thank you for the opportunity to be referred to 2 guys who are not walking with you or trusting you, to be referred to help them and for them to feel safe enough to say yes to us helping them, by a girl who doesn't even trust who you are...yet.

And so much more...a Korean girl who stopped believing in God, who one our students is having conversations with about God; a conversation with the cheer coach husband in the parking lot after helping them move all their cheer stuff for summer; seeing another one of our stu-

dents involved with our worship now engaging with the worship team at church - a 2nd drummer; God is so fun! And more...

The winner from this awful pandemic...if there is one...I believe is community; and the chances we are having to help people find this in others, and in Jesus, as missionaries to a campus we love...as a voice of hope in the wilderness of Truman!

Blessings, Greg Xander
Campus Missionary TSU BSU





Community happens in circles, not rows. There's a small group for everyone, regardless of age.
Contact: the Sunday Morning Small Groups Director, to find a group that is right for you!



A Note from our Associate Pastor

Church Family,

Jesus

Understands

Necessary

Emotions

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin" (Heb. 4:15).

"And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:7).

"Jesus wept" (John 11:35).

"casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you" (1 Pet.

"for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and selfcontrol" (2 Tim. 1:7).

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid" (John 14:27).

(All scripture quotations taken from the English Standard Version, 2001)

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June Birthdays

Rachel Bratcher	1	Celesta Boltz	10	Heather Mercer	21
Celia Riggle	1	Malcolm Haynes	12	Tyler Tatro	21
Chelsea Phan	4	Katie Seffens	12	Andrew Keene	22
Henry Barker	7	Silas Trunk	12	Erin Moots	25
Lily Martin	7	Dan Willis	13	Morgan Vincent	25
Tammy Bandy	7	Steve Thornhill	15	Shawna Barker	28
Zackary Xander	7	Adam Mercer	16	Julene Thornhill	28
Phyllis Hamilton	8	Irene Weber	<u> 19</u>	Sharon Shumaker	30
Amanda Porter	8	Bill Harrison	21		

(Missing birthday? Please contact the office to update.)



During this time of pandemic, I have been sharing with you the origins of some of the hymns we sing in first service. This month I would like to share with you a little bit of the story of one of the composers who have multiple hymns in our hymnbook.

Though not as well-known as Fanny Crosby, William Bradbury was, nonetheless, an influential hymnwriter of the nineteenth century. His contribution to our worship music was not in lyrics but the actual music itself. His music, coupled with the words of other authors, grace several pages of our hymnbook. Among his hymns are, "The Solid Rock," "Just As I Am," "Sweet Hour of Prayer," and "Jesus Loves Me" to name a few.

According to the book, "Then Sings My Soul", Bradbury was born in York, Maine. At age 14 he moved to Boston to enroll in the Boston Academy of Music which led him to join Lowell Mason's Bowdoin Street Church choir. Mason was a dedicated Christian who was passionate about training children in sacred

Mason recognized and encouraged Bradbury's talent leading Bradbury to become Mason's organist for a time. Bradbury took this passion for children's Christian musical education with him when he moved to New York City. He encouraged music in the school system, organized and led children's singing conventions and published many Sunday School songbooks.

This produced a change in the American church music style. Prior to his work, hymns were a stately, heavy type of music. He encouraged lighter melodies with lots of musical movement that children could easily sing. This style paved the way for hymn writers like Fanny Crosby and others to write in the gospel music style which many people still enjoy today.

Before service some Sunday morning, open the hymnal and see how many of his hymns you recognize.

See you in worship!

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11:00 am - ???

There are no income guidelines.

Recipients need to bring a photo ID, proof of Adair County residency & a container to take home the food.

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SERVICE TIMES SUNDAY:

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service 9:45 a.m. Small Groups 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service or Join us on Livestream go to: hamiltonstreet.org



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