

**Hillsville Christian Church**  
**120 Edgewood Drive**  
**Hillsville, VA 24343**



**DISCIPLE**

“By this all men will know that you are by disciples,  
 If you have love for one another.” John 13:35

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**Serving March 17, 2013**

<b>Elders</b>	Martha Crowder Erroll Rhea Jett
<b>Serving</b>	Sharon Davis Lois Goad Sharon Gravley Linda Kay Smith
<b>Greeter</b>	Patrick Ross Mike Smith
<b>Welcome Leader</b>	Betty Kilbourne
<b>Teller</b>	Joyce Spence
<b>Flowers</b>	Becky Horton
<b>Refreshments</b>	Ross Family

**Remember Our Shut-Ins**

Home	Coolidge Beasley Edd Cole Katie Cooley Dale Crowder Anita Lineberry
Countryside Manor	Jack & Mildred Cooley
Waddell	Ethel Vass
Wheatland	Helen McGrady

**By the Numbers**  
**March 10, 2013**

<b>Sunday School Attend.</b>	27
<b>Sunday School Offering</b>	<b>\$16.00</b>
<b>Worship Service Attend.</b>	58
<b>Worship Service Offering</b>	<b>\$1,549.91</b>
<b>Easter Lilies</b>	<b>\$174.00</b>

This Week's Sermon

Already New

Based on Isaiah 43:16-21

**Prayer Vigil**

A 24 hour prayer vigil will be held from noon of Good Friday (March 29) through noon of Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. You can sign up for an hour of prayer on the sheet in the narthex. You can pray in the Prayer Room, which will be set up with aids such as books and journals, or you can pray at home—last year Rita Smith prayed with us while she was in the Florida Keys! The prayer room is the room beside the minister's pulpit in the sanctuary. This is a beautiful opportunity to be lose to the Lord and in prayer for Hillsville Christian Church, our communion, our nation, and the world.

## Meetings & Events

Deadline to Order Easter Lilies:  
Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>

Outreach Committee: Sunday,  
March 17<sup>th</sup> after worship

Prayer Group: Tues., March 19<sup>th</sup> at  
10:00

Bible Study: Wed., March 20<sup>th</sup> at  
6:00; meal at 5:30

CWF/CMF: Thurs., March 21<sup>st</sup> at  
5:30

Movie Night: Fri., March 22<sup>nd</sup>

## This Week's Prayer Concerns

Church Members: Martha Crowder;  
Mary Hall & Family; Colene  
Larrowe; Sharon Larrowe; Tristan  
Mackey; Eugene Shockley

Family of Members: Emily Bowen;  
Jackie Davis; Shasta Donaldson;  
Kevin Harrod; Wilma Jackson; Jake  
Jacobs; Mason Thomas; Alexis  
Warf

Friends: Linda Banks; Nicole and  
Ella Bash; Shirley Bunn; Kathryn  
Farris; Olen Gardner; Ralph  
Gibson; Carolyn Horton; Brenda  
Lindsey; James Lindsey; Winnie  
Turman

## Happy Birthday

Edd Cole (March 13); Marjorie  
Bealmear (March 15); Lois Goad  
(March 16); Michael Gravley (March  
18)

## Prayer Group

The next prayer meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 11 AM. Prayer will be held in the Prayer Room. Anyone interested in prayer is invited to attend. John 15:16 states, "You didn't choose me, remember; I chose you, and put you in the world to bear fruit, fruit that won't spoil. As fruit bearers, whatever you ask the Father in relation to me, he gives you." (*The Message* by Eugene Peterson) If you have any questions please call Sandy Davis at 728-7703.

## Empty Bowl

This year's Empty Bowl lunch will take place on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 11:00 to 1:30 at First United Methodist Church of Hillsville. The event will feature 'made from scratch' soup from Shoneys and entertainment from Bill and Maggie Anderson; area churches will be contributing bread and desserts. A suggested donation for the meal is \$10; you may also call 728-2434 for take-out! All proceeds from the meal will go to the Carroll County Ministerial Association's Food Pantry.

## Thought for the Week

John 12:1-8 draws our attention to three people: Mary, Judas, and Jesus. It is easy enough to identify Mary as 'the good disciple' and Judas as 'the bad disciple,' but is this the judgment that the other person in the story would make? As one commentator puts it, "if Jesus came to save the lost, surely there is no one in the gospel story who is more lost than the one who betrays Jesus...if the Good Shepherd can and does go to any length to save a lost sheep, is Judas beyond the saving grace of the Good Shepherd?" This is not a question with an easy answer. As this story ushers you into Holy Week, consider how the cross and the grace of Christ speak to this story and your own life story—which like most stories may be more about a 'both/and' mix of faithfulness and unfaithfulness.

