## The Beginning

Pastor Paul Bauman | Genisis 1:1

## Big Idea

Genesis connects our story to the Upper Story that God is sovereignly overseeing to completion.

## **Three Observations**

- 1) Genesis assumes the existence of God.
- 2) Genesis emphasizes that God created everything out of nothing. (cf. John 1:1-3)
- 3) Genesis is more concerned about "the who" of creation than "the how."
  - a) God is self-existent
  - b) God is eternal (cf. Exodus 3:14 & John 17:5)
  - c) God is the Creator
  - d) God is purposeful

## **Reflection Questions**

- Because of who God is, do you trust Him to complete His purpose and plan in all areas of your life? What are the areas of your life you are unwilling to trust God with?
- What do you believe about God that is preventing you from giving up those areas to Him? What do you believe about yourself that is preventing you from giving up those areas to Him?



**College Lunch:** Join us today after the 10:30am service in the Fellowship Hall and enjoy Cane's Chicken!

**The Foundations Class** with Pastor Jacob starts today at 10:30 AM in Room 128. This 6-week relational class, explores the basics of the Christian faith in a simple, understandable way, covering the gospel, what sets Christianity apart, how to read the Bible, and how its stories fit together. Stop by the Welcome Desk to sign up!

**1st-4th Grade Kids Church:** At this time, Kids Church for 1st-4th grade will be **on pause** until we are able to add more teachers to our team. **Preschool and Kindergarten** Kids Church will **continue as usual**. Kids Church runs during the last 30 minutes of the 10:30am service. Curriculum is provided, and we'd love to have more leaders join the rotation to help kids learn and grow in God's Word. If you'd like to be part of this ministry, **OR** you are interested in teaching 1st & 2nd grade Sunday School, please email Lisa Pomajzl at **lisa@hillcrestefc.org**.

**Newcomers Lunch:** Join us in the Fellowship Hall next Sunday, Sept. 21 at 11:45am for a taco bar and a chance to explore ways to get connected at Hillcrest. Sign up at <a href="hillcrestefc.org/lunch">hillcrestefc.org/lunch</a> or the Welcome Desk.

**Baptism Sign Up:** Our next baptism is on Sunday, September 28. Sign up at <u>hillcrestefc.org/baptism</u> or talk with one of the pastors.

**Membership:** We're excited to welcome the newest members of Hillcrest: Patrick & Rebekah Miller! If you are interested in learning more about what we believe at Hillcrest and becoming a member, our next Membership Class is Saturday, October 4 from 9-11am. Sign up at the Welcome Desk or at **hillcrestefc.org/membershipclass.** 

**Job Opening:** Hillcrest Church is hiring a Custodian to help keep our building clean, safe, and ready for ministry. Learn more and apply at **hillcrestefc.org/jobs**.



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