

HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 2016

Highland Church reaches out in the name of Jesus Christ building disciples with vision for ministry.

Busy, busy, and busy. That is what this summer has been! I find myself more and more wanting to go back to the simple days! Sometimes, I just want to slow down and enjoy life a little bit, you know? BUT, I don't have time! LOL! Isn't that the paradox? We want a simple life but it is too complicated.

There is one thing I have learned about activity. And, that is: not all activity is productive! So, what can we do to make sure we are doing what we need to do? How do we focus and stream-line our priorities? These are not just ideas that apply to us as individuals, identifying priorities also is important to the livelihood of the church. This is why your session is having a retreat. What is it that Highland Cumberland Presbyterian Church needs to be doing? What direction do leaders in the church need to take? What is the need of the people, the community, and the world in which we live?

By the time you get this newsletter, we will have finished our session retreat! I want to share with you some of the things we discussed so you can help and support your session.

We are using the Bible Study "Building Church Leaders" in which we will be looking at:

- I. Leadership: A High Calling- I Tim. 3:1-13
- II. Creating Healthy Church Boards (Sessions)
- III. Assessing Our Readiness To Lead
- IV. Hidden Cost of Leadership- John 12:23-26
- V. The Slump of Second Guessing- Proverbs 6:1-5, Luke 11:29-32, & Phil. 3:12-16
- VI. Ambition- Jer. 45:5 & I Tim. 3:1
- VII. Putting People First- Proverbs 8:12-21
- VIII. Conflict Styles- Matt. 20:20-28

As always, I love being here and I love what God is doing and what He is going to do!!!

CPWM

CPWM met Monday, July 5th in the Fellowship Hall. Elaine Overton reported on General Assembly and Women's Convention held June 19 - 24. We are very excited about our new theme "Go", and scripture "So let's go outside, where Jesus is". Throughout this year, we will be looking for ways to go outside the doors of Highland to worship with others. We voted to give memorials in memory of Bill Keen and Bob Rushing.

Our next meeting will be Monday, August 1st in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. We will work on plans for our Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund fundraiser scheduled for late September. The evening will include a dinner and musical event with the theme "Gospel Music Through the Ages". Velva Mullen has been researching and planning for months. Don't be surprised if she calls on you to participate! Please join us August 1st (Betty Rushing's birthday)!

Session Notes

At the July meeting, we agreed to:

- Donate \$200.00 to Toys for Tots
- Donate \$200.00 to Eric Horner's Tank Full of Love Project
- Host Homecoming October 23 with Rev. Garrett Burns preaching
- Offer Safe Sanctuary training August 21
- Proceed with purchase of new church bus
- Appoint Dean and Lori Kauffman and Melissa Dumes as Barbeque on the River chairmen
- Excuse Bro. Bud Sept. 25 as he has been requested to be Revival speaker at the Gilead CPC; Rev. Doug Hughes will fill the pulpit at Highland that day
- Allow Rev. Dr. Bernice Belt to begin an Arts Ministry at Highland

July Numbers

Stewardship Report July 25, 2016

Receipts	\$ 23,040.00
Disbursements	\$ 12,799.25

Attendance Record

Morning Worship

July 3 – 88
July 10 – 80
July 17 – 90
July 24 – 86

August Calendar

August 1 – CPWM, 10:30 a.m.

August 1 – Covenant fellowship, 6:00 p.m.

Gilead CPC

August 21 – Session meeting and

Safe Sanctuary Training, 2:00 p.m

August Elders Velva Mullen, Laura DeHart

August Ushers Velva Mullen, Tina Gamble
Ronnie and May Parker

12 Trends found in healthy churches

#8 – The church allows the pastor to spend time in sermon preparation.

Opportunities for Service and Giving

Paducah Cooperative Ministry – We are collecting Ramen Noodles

Community Kitchen Located at 1237 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, they offer a free lunch Monday – Friday. Volunteers should report by 8:30 to help. You may call them at 270-575-3400 or just show up and ask for Sally Michelson or Iris Hines

Directory Updates

Evalena Duncan's address is 140 Locke Blvd.

Jeff and Donna Yates
2771 Legends Dr.
Paducah, KY 42001

Steve and Marilyn White
4750 Exall Lane
Paducah, KY 42001

New Member We are thrilled to have received Rev. Dr. Bernice Belt into the Highland Family July 3. Dr. Belt, who has already been active in the choir will soon begin an Arts in Ministry troupe. If you are interested, please contact her.

August Birthdays

1 – Betty Rushing
2 – Steve White
4 – Sue Dickerson
5 – Carrie (Rushing) McKee
7 – Daniel Rushing
9 – Kathy Hill
10 – Rita Gross
11 – Jeff Parker
 Dayton Kilgore
12 – Mike Golightly
13 – Loretta Vasseur
15 – Tony Cornwell
18 – Amy Rushing
 Bo Rushing
22 – Marjet Duncan
 Kathy Hayes
24 – Leona Shelby
25 – Haley Kauffman

27 – Deanna Miller

August Anniversaries

- 3 – Beau and Shea Brown
- 6 – Dean and Lori Kauffman
- 7 – Jeff and Lisa Parker
- 8 – Roddy and Linda Johnson
- 10 – David and Joanne Robinson
- 11 – Buddy and Ann Rushing
 Bob and Rita Gross
- 25 – Glenn and Gretta Ridings

