

HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 2017

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

What does this mean? Our Confession of Faith says in **5.01** “There is one, holy, universal, apostolic church. She is the body of Christ, who is her Head and Lord.” **5.02** “The church is one because her Head and Lord is one. “The Scriptures teaches this in 1 Corinthians 12:12 and in Ephesians 4:4.

One of the ways that we are to serve God is by living a life worthy of our calling. What calling?

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. **2** Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. **3** Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. Eph. 4:1-3

The “unity” is speaking of our connection to one another. “Bearing with one another in love”, is our calling. Our love for one another is the proof that we are indeed His disciples (John 13:35)!

Since coming to Highland I (we) have been over whelmed with how connected this church is and isn't that good? I have heard it said build off your strengths. And I see so many great things being done by Highland as each finds their place. I have been inspired by your work as I see you all working together!

I am looking forward to this opportunity for Highland to continue this great tradition of working together as we seek ways of involving the our members in the Body of Christ!

May we each continue to grow and stay connected in the coming year as we prepare for 2017. I am so excited about what the Lord has planned for each of us!

And thank you so much for making us feel so loved and making Christmas so special to us! We love each of you. May God bless you!!!

CPWM

The CPWM did not meet in December.

Our January meeting will be Monday, Jan. 9 at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us.

Session Notes

We welcome to a new three year term:

Mike Golightly, Steve Shrewsbury, and Lori Kauffman

They join: Melissa Dumes, Elaine Kaye, Laura DeHart and Velva Mullen

At the December meeting, we voted/approved:

- The 2017 budget
 - Establish a Missions Committee with Lora Rogers-Kerner as chairman, and members – Elaine Kaye, Randy Hughes, Kathy Hayes, and Velva Mullen
 - Elected Elaine Overton to a 10 year term as Session Clerk
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Welcome New Members

Randy and Debby Hughes joined Highland on Christmas Day. Their address is 365 Odessa Way, Paducah, 42001

Christmas Cards

The cards have been moved to the Fellowship Hall. Please check if you have any.

Gift to the King

Thank you to all who gave to our special Gift to the King offering. We collected \$1,570.00 for the two wheel shopping carts for residents of the Jackson House Apartments in Paducah.

December Numbers

Stewardship Report as of December 27, 2016

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| Receipts | \$ 20,774.61 |
| Disbursements | \$ 15,374.86 |

Attendance Record

Morning Worship

December 4 – 80

December 11 – 73

December 18 – 112

December 25 – 78

January Calendar

January 9 – CPWM, 10:00

January 14-16 – Youth Winter Convocation,
Gatlinburg

January 18, 19 – Minister’s Conference,
Memphis; Bro. Bud will attend

January 21 – Youth Snow-vival at New Hope CPC

January 22 – Session Meeting

January 26 – Pioneers, Red Lobster, 11:30 a.m.

Opportunities for Serving, Learning and Giving

January Elders

Elaine Kaye, Steve Shrewsberry

January Ushers

Mike and Alec Golightly

Johnny Overton, Tommy Hayes

Paducah Cooperative Ministry Pantry

Meal-in-a-can (Beef Stew, Spaghetti-O’s, etc)

Women’s Bible Study resumes this month. See Lori Kauffman for study material and date.

Men’s Bible Study resumes January 5.

January Birthdays

9 – Joanne Robinson

13 – Jamie Gamble

16 – Ashlee Bryan

19 – James Wallace

20 – Bob Gross

21 – Lora Kerner

23 – Jimmy Finnell

Brandon Cooper

25 – Dick Kaye

27 – Rev. Willard Murrie

28 – Velva Mullen

January Anniversaries

27 - Gregg & Bettie Stoll

Thank You Notes Received:

Rev. Jimmy Byrd, minister of the New Hope CPC in Whitwell, TN – their church was damaged by a tornado in November, we collected \$734.00 toward repairs

McCracken County High School Youth Services Program – our youth and parents helped provide Christmas Gifts for some students at the high school

One other Thing:

Highland's float placed 2nd in the Paducah Christmas parade; we received a check for \$200.00

New Hope CPC Youth will host a fun filled, worship filled day January 21 they are calling Snowvival 2017. All youth are invited to attend. For more information contact Dusty Luthy at New Hope.

The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul and a new nose; new feet, a new backbone, new ears, and new eyes. Unless a particular man made New Year resolutions, he would make no resolutions. Unless a man starts afresh about things, he will certainly do nothing effective.”
— G.K. Chesterton