

HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 2018

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

"Therefore, since God in his mercy has given us this new way, we never give up. We reject all shameful deeds and underhanded methods. We don't try to trick anyone or distort the word of God. We tell the truth before God, and all who are honest know this.

If the Good News we preach is hidden behind a veil, it is hidden only from people who are perishing. Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ, who is the exact likeness of God.

You see, we don't go around preaching about ourselves. We preach that Jesus Christ is Lord, and we ourselves are your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let there be light in the darkness," has made this light shine in our hearts so we could know the glory of God that is seen in the face of Jesus Christ."

(2 Corinthians 4:1-6, New Living Translation)

As we continue in the Lenten season, we are getting closer to Resurrection Sunday. The way to the resurrection is through the cross of Jesus. The world does not like the cross, but without it, there is no salvation. Hebrews 9:22 reminds us that without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin.

The scripture selection above talks about Satan binding people so they cannot see the light of the glorious gospel of Christ. The gospel is the good news about God sending His only Son to die in our place. 2 Cor. 5:21 says, "For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ." The fact of the matter, even though the world rejects this truth, without Christ it is impossible to be saved.

If a person could be saved without Christ, then we are saying that it wasn't necessary for Christ to die or it didn't mean anything! In the Cumberland Presbyterian Confession of Faith, Section 4.08 we read: Saving faith is response to God, prompted by the Holy Spirit, wherein persons rely solely upon God's grace in Jesus Christ for salvation.

God has the final word as to our way of salvation. The death of Christ means everything to the Christian.

CPWM

CPWM met Monday, February 5th to learn more about our Denomination's Birthday. We also made plans for Ash Wednesday and Lent.

Our next meeting will be held Monday, March 5th in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. We will be making plans for Holy Week Services at Margaret Hank CP Church. Please join us! We could use your help, and you are likely to learn something new about your Church!

Session Notes

Items approved at the February meeting:

- Form a Security Team consisting of Steve Shrewsbury, Elaine Kaye, Tanner Parker, and Jeff Parker.
- Consult with Paducah Police Officer Ryan Conn for assessment of our security needs and training of our security team.
- Accepted resignation of Brenda Cunningham as adult nursery worker.
- Melissa Dumes will contact Suzan Roberts about working at Highland as a Nursery Leader on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights
- Outline of duties for Associate Pastor Doug Hughes.
- Participate in Holy Week Services at Margaret Hank CP Church.
- Establish procedure for cancelling Sunday and Wednesday Services.

February Numbers

Stewardship Report as of February 26, 2018

Receipts	\$ 35,288.55
Disbursements	\$ 11,820.41

Attendance Record

Morning Worship

February 4 – 103

February 11 – 92

February 18 – 93

February 25 – 84

PCM food need Spaghetti Sauce (NO PASTA)

March Calendar

March 5 – CPWM, 10:00 a.m.

March 11 – Daylight Savings time begins

March 18 – Session meeting, 2:00 p.m.

March 22 – Cumberland Pioneers, The Parlor

March 26-30 – Holy Week

March Elders Melissa Dumes, Tina Gamble

March Ushers Steve and Diane Shrewsberry,
Melissa and Abe Dumes

Holy Week Noon Services

Margaret Hank CPC, 1526 Park Ave. will host their annual Holy Week services at noon March 26-30.

Each day will feature a special guest speaker followed by a light lunch. Bro. Bud will speak on Wednesday and the Highland CPWM will provide lunch that day. Friday will be a pot luck with Margaret Hank providing the meat and drinks, you are invited to come and bring a dish.

Easter Egg Hunt All children are invited to participate in our Easter Egg hunt, Wednesday, March 28 during Youth Group meetings.

Maundy Thursday Service, March 29

There will not be a noon service, but you are invited to Margaret Hank at 6:30 p.m. for a special Maundy Thursday service.

Opportunities for Learning

Women's Bible Study every Thursday, 6:00 p.m. at the home of Lori Kauffman

Men's Bible Study every Thursday, 6:30 p.m. at the church, Bro. Bud will lead a study of Elijah

March Birthdays

3 – Jan Keen

8 – Nick Ferrer

15 – Nancy Finnell

17 – Clint Hill

Seth Hill

20 – Andrew Cunningham

24 – Diane Shrewsberry

28 – Molly Gannaway

March Anniversaries

5 – Clint and Brenda Cunningham

16 – Dick and Elaine Kaye



Time to
Spring Ahead
March 10