HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 2017

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

As we approach Pentecost, June 4, I would like you to focus on the Holy Spirit and how the Holy Spirit works. These points are taken from Rev. Ewell K. Reagin in his book, *What Cumberland Presbyterians Believe*.

What Can the Holy Spirit Do?

- 1 The Holy Spirit saves our souls. There is no other way to get into the kingdom of heaven except through regeneration by the Holy Spirit. Jesus told Nicodemus that in addition to his natural birth, he would have to experience the birth of the Spirit. Jesus was not adding to the already-overburdened ritual of his day; he was simply setting forth the one requirement of getting into the kingdom.
- 2- The Holy Spirit teaches men. He opens our eyes to spiritual truth. One of the great works of the Spirit in this capacity comes to us when we are reading our Bible. It has been a common experience to read a passage several times; and then suddenly, as if from some mysterious realm, a new light comes upon that passage that we had never witnessed. It was not reason that brought it; it was not anything else except the teaching work of the Holy Spirit.
- 3 The Holy Spirit guides men in the patterning of their Christian lives after that of Christ. This process of development, of growth in grace, is accomplished only as we allow the Holy Spirit, who knows the way of life, to guide our thoughts, words, and actions, as well as our ideas.
- 4 The Holy Spirit acts as a comforter. This truly means one who fills us with strength. Comfort is not a weak soothing of the feelings, as we ordinarily use the word, but is a strong term representing an active, courageous spirit. It is the Comforter who enabled the martyrs to face death for the cause of Christ; who inspires young men and old to undertake difficult tasks in the name of the Master; who gives determination to all to stand for the right in the face of all the opposition of evil.

There is little wonder, then, that Jesus said in his last talk with his disciples before his ascension, "I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Luke 24:49

CPWM

The Highland CPWM met twice this past month, May 8 and 22, to plan our annual Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund fundraiser. In other business, we voted to recognize Jennifer Roberts who will graduate from Murray State. Jennifer will continue her education as she pursues a masters degree in Social Work.

Session Notes

At the May meeting, we voted on and/or approved:

- Sponsor a Hole in the MCHS Volleyball Team Golf tournament at a cost of \$100.00.
- Purchase a wireless headset microphone for Bro. Bud
- Max Dodd to build a vanity for the men's restroom off the sanctuary entry.
- Mission Committee report to assemble care packages for law enforcement officers to give children who are being removed from their homes and place in Social Services. They would also like us to fill 50 shoeboxes in November for Operation Christmas Child.

Change of Address

Jimmy Russell 2405 Hovekamp Rd., Paducah, KY 42003

May Numbers

Stewardship Report as of May 30, 2017

Receipts \$ 20,139.50 Disbursements \$ 15,329.12

Attendance Record

Morning Worship

May 7 - 96

May 14 - 140

May 21 - 105

May 28 - 63

June Calendar

June 4 – Stott Wallace fundraiser, 6:00 p.m.

June 7 – Pool Party at the Dumes'

June 10 - Youth Sonvival, Sugar Grove CPC

June 11 – Family fun and Vespers at the Dodd's, 4:00 p.m.

June 14 - Missions Committee, 4:00 p.m.

June 19-22– General Assembly of the CPC

CPWM Convention

June 25 – Session Meeting, 2:00 p.m.

June 22 - Cumberland Pioneers

<u>General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church</u> Bro. Bud and Pam will attend GA in Tampa, FL this year, June 18 – 22. Bro. Doug Hughes will fill the pulpit on the 18th.

Picnic and Vespers Service

Sunday afternoon, June 11, beginning at 4:00, everyone is invited to the home of Max and Brenda Dodd for our annual picnic and vesper service. Swimming, fishing and yard games will be available. The picnic will begin at 5:00 and at 6:00 we will have a short evening service. You are welcome to stay after the service until dark. Please bring your favorite picnic dish. The Hospitality Committee will provide the meat and drinks. Bring your lawn chair, fishing pole and a life jacket for smaller children who may want to ride the paddle boat or canoe. Max and Brenda live at 9845 Childress Rd. Take Blandville Rd. (Hwy 62) to Fisher Rd. turn right at Fisher Rd. Proceed to Childress Rd and turn left. Rain cancels.

Opportunities for Serving, Learning and Giving

June Elders

Melissa Dumes, Laura DeHart

June Ushers

Sharon Slankard, Jeff Yates, Jeff Parker, Jimmy Russell

Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund

Most Christians observe Pentecost Sunday, June 4, as the coming of the Holy Spirit and formation of the church. Jesus had already told the disciples they would 'receive power when the Holy Spirit comes'; and be His 'witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' (Acts 1:8)

Through the work of missionaries, the Cumberland Presbyterian Church strongly supports the call to preach the gospel to all people. As a means to financially aid our missionaries, the denomination has established the Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund named for two long time CP missionary families.

Sunday, June 4 the Highland CPWM will sponsor a **Lip-Sync Battle, meal and dessert auction** to raise money for the Stott-Wallace Fund. The fun begins at 6:00 p.m.

June Birthdays

- 4 Macey Owens
- 6 Sharon Slankard
 - Logan Cooper
 - Megan Hasty
- 8 Casey McKee
 - Carson McKee
- 10 Cathy Hasty
- 12 Sarah Stoll
- 13 Cheryl Rambo
- 14 Ronnie Parker
- 16 Glenn Davidson
- 20 Steve Shrewsberry
 - **Ryder Winsett**
- 24 Glenn Ridings
 - Wanda Moeller Perry
- 28 Michele Golightly

June Anniversaries

- 5 Ronnie and May Parker
- 5 Billy and Jill Winsett
- 6 Kyle and Jenny Cooper
- 10 Jimmy and Nancy Finnell
- 14 Brandon and Miranda Cooper
- 20 Randy and Melissa Dumes
- 28 Clint and Kathy Hill

<u>UPCOMING IN JULY Paducah Chiefs Baseball</u> Highland families are invited to the **July 2** game at Brooks Stadium. Please contact Melissa Dumes or Jeff Parker for tickets. There will be more information closer to game day