HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 2017

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

Are You A Do Something Church?

Miles McPherson writes in his article this statement:

I think we would all agree that the conflict between our culture and the Christian church is growing hostile each day. But interestingly enough, it appears that non-believers don't have such a hatred for Jesus as they do His people. So we began to think, what would happen if the church got back to doing the most basic of basic things that Jesus did?

What a blessing it is to see Highland organizing to do what Jesus did! I do not say this to brag about me or anything that I have accomplished, but to ring out a shout and encouragement to the people who are doing the work of the Kingdom. For me, to be part of this group of people is such a blessing! I feel we are building on the foundations set by two of my good friends who served before me, Rev. Terry Vassuer and Rev. Brent Ballow. They both believed in doing Kingdom work and reaching the community.

Over the past year, Highland people have been very busy, all in the name of Jesus. We've done everything from flood clean-up work in Louisiana, build a handicap ramp, volunteer at a community thrift store, and sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt for a sister church. This doesn't even include the work of the CPWM, financial assistance to struggling families and food collection for PCM. The list goes on.....

I agree with Miles McPherson, the church can make a difference in our culture if we truly seek out in love. As we work for the Kingdom, it is important to show God's love in Christ, Jesus! Col. 1:27

Our actions do not have to be newspaper worthy. Simple acts of love and kindness show the world what it means to be a disciple. If you have any ideas or want to know what you can do, let the Session, Lora Kerner (Mission's chair), or me know. Remember, there are 2 Great Commandments and 1 Great Commission and without LOVE everything else we do is useless!!!

CPWM

CPWM met Monday, April 10th in the Fellowship Hall. We had a lot on the agenda as we discussed highlights of the CPWM Regional Meeting held April 8th at Zion Fellowship; made plans to furnish lunch at Margaret Hank on Wednesday during Holy Week; and started plans for a fund raiser on Pentecost Sunday, June 4 for the Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund with dinner and time of fun. For this, we are asking for 10-12 individuals and/or groups to be in a "Lip Sync Battle". If anyone has any ideas or wants to volunteer as an act, please contact Velva Mullen or Elaine Overton. Please help us make this a fun and successful event!

Our next meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall at May 1 at 10:00 a.m. Come join us!

Session Notes

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

- Hold a Vesper Service Sunday evening, June 11 at the home of Max and Brenda Dodd
- CPWM fundraiser for the Stott Wallace Missionary Fund, Sunday evening June 4
- Contact Logan Blewett to tune the piano in the sanctuary
- Pay Bro. Bud's mileage for the Emmaus Ministry
- Divide the cost of new fencing with our neighbor along the side property.
- Have the Maintenance Committee install a motion activated light on the back of the Outreach Center.

April Numbers

Stewardship Report as of April 26, 2017

Receipts \$ 18,079.00 Disbursements \$ 12,036.29

Attendance Record

Morning Worship

April 2 - 80

April 9 - 87

April 16 – 194

April 23 - 92

May Calendar

May 1 – CPWM, 10:00 a.m.

May 10 - Missions Committee, 4:00 p.m.

May 21 – Session Meeting, 2:00 p.m.

May 25 - Cumberland Pioneers

May 29 - Memorial Day, office closed

Welcome New Member

We are pleased to welcome Tammy Wood to the Highland Family. Tammy joined us April 2.

Change of Address

Jimmy and Nancy Finnell are now at 225 Inverness Dr., 42001. Same phone numbers

In other News

Diane Shrewsberry would like you to know she is a notary. If anyone ever needs anything notarized, give her a call.

There is a size Medium, Highland golf shirt for the taking. It is on the coat rack outside the fellowship Hall.

Thank you from Margaret Hank CPC for your participation in Holy Week services this year.

Thank you from the Highland Missions team for your help with the Easter Egg hunt at Zion Fellowship and for making their Baked Potato and Salad Bar lunch a success. The money raised will help with their outreach projects.

Greater McCracken Gospel Unity Event, May 13, 5pm-10pm, at The Riff, 2035 Irvin Cobb Drive, Paducah. Randy and Cindy Robertson's band, Steel Dove, will be a part.

Opportunities for Serving, Learning and Giving

May Elders

Elaine Kaye, Steve Shrewsberry

May Ushers

Ronnie and May Parker, Johnny Overton, Velva Mullen

Paducah Cooperative Ministry Pantry

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

<u>Junior and Junior High Camp adult workers</u> are needed. Camp is scheduled for July 16 – 21. Call Wendy Weaver at (270) 443-3689 if you would like to help.

<u>Covenant Presbytery Widows Fund</u> This special fund established by our presbytery helps deceased pastor's surviving spouses with living expenses. Currently there are 8 surviving spouses: Cheryl Atchison, Joyce Cannon, Sonja Dixon, Nikki Faulker, Louella Lively, Mrs. Roger Marsiglio, Pat Owen, and Loretta Vasseur. We will collect a special offering May 7 for this fund.

May Birthdays

- 1 Alissa Gannaway
- 5 Marlene Wallace
- 6 Madeline Wooten
- 17 Shanna Cornwell

Miranda Cooper

Lauren Parker

Emma Grace Cooper

22 - Tina Gamble

Tanner Parker

- 25 Cooper Hill
- 27 Rob Gannaway
- 28 Gini Cunningham
- 29 Phyllis Hammonds

Harriet Ballow

30 - Pat McDonald

May Anniversaries

- 7 Tyler and Lauren Parker
- 21 Randy and Cindy Robertson
- 31 Casey and Carrie McKee
- 31 Rev. John and LaDonna Rogers