## HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## October 2017

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

Dear family of Highland,

I have missed Bro. Bud as you have also. I'm so thankful for the many prayers that have been spoken for all the sick in our church family. God has heard each of them and has "blessed" as only a "true" God will. James 5:16 tells us, "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous person availeth much." Truly the past couple of weeks bear witness to this great truth. God has touched all of our sick. I look eagerly for a quick return of our pastor and our sick. Please continue to lift all our family in your prayers!

This Sunday is Worldwide Communion Sunday, a time when Christians throughout the world will celebrate "The Lord's Supper". On page 101 of our *Confession of Faith* the third paragraph reads as follows, "This sacrament is more than a memorial to, or a reminder of, Christ's sacrificial death and resurrection. It is a means, instituted by Christ for His disciples, through which the risen Lord is truly present with His people as a continuing power and reality. While the meaning of Christ's sacrificial death is at the heart of this sacrament. It is a resurrected, living Christ whom we encounter through the bread and wine." Let us prepare ourselves as instructed in the Word as written by the Apostle Paul in 1st Corinthians 11:28, "But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup." It's all about our Jesus, His death and resurrection we celebrate until His return.

May God bless each of you and may He put a protective hedge around you!

Love In Christ, Bro. Doug

#### **CPWM**

The women met Monday, Sept. 11. We reviewed the 2017 Loaves and Fishes offering (see article below) and discussed upcoming events for the October calendar.

Our next meeting will be Oct. 2 at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. There is a mission opportunity at the Jackson House we will be discussing. Please join us.

#### **Session Notes**

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

- Participate in the Loaves and Fishes offering.
- On recommendation from the Worship Committee, replace the spoken Call to Worship with a Praise Hymn.
- Add Tanner Parker to the Missions Committee
- Host a kitchen shower for one of the new Paducah Cooperative Ministry's Fresh Start Village homes. A registry has been set up at Wal-Mart
- Bro. Doug Hughes will fill the pulpit during Bro. Bud's absence following surgery.
- Collect a special offering for the Houston Brown family, Sunday, Sept. 24 during morning worship. Houston sustained a head injury when he fell out of a moving truck.
- Send \$150 to CROSS retreat to help with meals.
- Allow Justyna Warren to speak about a mission trip to Poland sponsored by Milburn Chapel. Mrs. Warren is married to Rev. Glenn Warren of Milburn Chapel and is a native of Poland.

## **September Numbers**

Stewardship Report as of September 25, 2017

Receipts \$ 17,234.00 Disbursements \$ 13,041.97

#### **Attendance Record**

Morning Worship

September 3 – 117

September 10 - 93

September 17 – 85

September 24 – 88

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## **October Calendar**

Oct. 1 – Communion, Morning Worship

Oct. 2 - CPWM, 10:00 a.m.

Oct. 8 – Acolyte Training, 2:00 p.m.

Oct. 11 - Mission Committee, 4:00 p.m.

Oct. 15 - Session Meeting, 2:00 p.m.

Oct. 19 – Happy Highlanders

Oct. 21 – CPWM Fall Regional Meeting

Oct. 26 - Cumberland Pioneers

Oct. 29 – Chili Supper and Costume Contest

October Elders Elaine Kaye, Melissa Dumes

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#### **Happy Highlanders**

The September outing was postponed until October. Hopefully, it will be cooler for our trip to Boyette's at Reelfoot Lake on Oct. 19. Check with Buddy or Bro. Doug for departure time.

#### **PCM food need** Instant Potatoes

Operation Christmas Child This is the last month to collect for your shoe box. There are a few still available.

### **Paducah Cooperative Ministry Fresh Start Village**

We at Highland are grateful for the opportunity to provide monthly financial assistance to PCM, quarterly specified food collection items and now kitchen supplies for a new residence.

Since 1989, PCM has served homeless individuals by providing food and other services including available shelter care. Very recently, PCM opened Fresh Start Village for homeless women and children. The goal is to help individuals break the cycle of homelessness and obtain permanent, affordable housing. In order to do this, they work with residents to identify special needs which may be barriers to obtaining and maintaining stable housing. Services provided include housing counseling, food and transportation assistance, mental health services as well as parenting, money management and life skills education.

#### **Loaves and Fishes**

Even though the official Loaves and Fishes offering will not be until November, it's never too early to start collecting your change. This year's offering will help provide food and other necessities for our fellow Cumberland Presbyterians in Choctaw Presbytery in Oklahoma.

<u>HALLOWEEN CANDY</u> Don't forget to purchase Halloween candy for the Christmas Parade. Save a buck and get it after the 31<sup>st</sup>. Please don't buy anything too Halloween looking.

## October Birthdays

- 3 Janet Roberts
- 5 Tyler Parker
- 8 Dottie Owens Jim Perry
- 10 Janice Frans
- 12 Linda Cunningham
- 14 Brad Hall
- 17 Graham Hill
- 18 Ann Jackson
- 20 Randy Dumes

Zachary Szabo

Jeff Yates

Olivia Hill

Jacob Hill

25 - Jill Winsett

Tim Szabo

# October Anniversaries

- 7 Tony and Tina Dodd
- 8 Tommy and Kathy Hayes

