

HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 2019

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

I get excited at a graduation ceremony. To witness the joy and sense of accomplishment which radiates from the faces and smiles of the graduates gives me a sense of pride for each student, even though I do not know each one personally. Attending a commencement exercise causes me to remember my own walk across the stage to receive that diploma which says I am finished with my studies! Reflecting on the past accomplishments is but one part of a graduation ceremony. Most speakers will also encourage the graduates to think about their future plans and goals. In other words, what benefits and rewards will come from these years of preparation and study?

Life is about preparation. It seems that as we age, we are thinking about and preparing for the next stage of life: dating, marriage, family, career, retirement, elder care. What are you prepared for and what are we preparing for?

As we anticipate change in our lives and prepare for the next stage, God is with us every step of the way. God is always working and creating something new in our lives. The Bible uses the image of wine and wine skins (typically leather pouches) to illustrate God's influence. Matthew 9:17 reads, "Nor do they put new wine into old wineskins, or else the wineskins break, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But they put new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved." (NKJV)

To explain, the old wine skins were stretched and stiff whereas, a new wine would be soft and supple. As new wine fermented, it would burst an old wineskin. Therefore, new wine would be placed in a new wineskin and they would expand together. God makes us like the new wineskin so we can grow in His grace, and lean on him as our lives change and we prepare for the next stage.

CPWM

CPWM met Monday, May 6 in the Fellowship Hall. We reviewed a letter from Cathy Littlefield, President, CPWM outlining her travels throughout the denomination during her year as president. Those that attended our Regional Meeting in April also reported on remarks from Judi Truitt, Convention President-Elect. They are both excited about CPWM Convention which will be in Huntsville, Alabama during June's General Assembly week.

Our next meeting will be Monday, June 3 at 10:00 a.m. We will finalize our offering to the Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund. All women of the church are invited.

Session Highlights

Items approved at the May meeting:

- Proposal from Mike Tyree of MN Construction to remodel the old kitchen and adjoining Sunday School room to make a space for Children's Church in the amount of \$5,852.00
 - Designate up to \$1,000.00 for additional expenses associated with Children's Church
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Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund This fund is the primary support for our Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries around the world. The Highland CPWM is helping spread the gospel through donations to this fund by hosting the 3rd Annual Lip-sync contest, Meal and Silent Auction, **June 2** at 6:00 pm. Bring your homemade desserts, treats and crafty projects for the Silent Auction. Come join the fun.

May Numbers

Stewardship Report as of May 28, 2019

Receipts	\$ 15,509.75
Disbursements	\$ 17,790.33

Attendance Record

Morning Worship

May 5 – 102

May 12 – 115

May 19 – 96

May 26 – 108

June Calendar

June 2 – Safe Sanctuary Training, 4:30 p.m.

Stott-Wallace Fundraiser, 6:00

June 3 – CPWM, 10:00 a.m.

June 9 – Paducah Chiefs Baseball, 6:00

June 16 – Father's Day, Return Baby Bottles

June 19 – Adult Trivia, 6:00 p.m.

June 20 – Highlanders, 11:00 a.m.

June 27 – Cumberland Pioneers

Ushers – Ronnie and May Parker,
Lori Kauffman, Randy Hughes

Elders – Marlene Wallace, Roddy Johnson

Paducah Cooperative Ministry

Canned Goods

Baby Bottles for Hope Unlimited

Return your baby bottle Father's Day, June 16.

Youth

Activities for all age groups resumes June 5. There will not be a meal, but snacks will be served each evening.

VBS is scheduled for July 14-16. If you would like to help, contact Laura DeHart.

Highlanders June 20 The bus will travel to Cypress Springs Resort & Marina on Kentucky Lake at New Concord, KY., southeast of Murray.

Adult Trivia June 19 We will finish Exodus with this trivia round. Study chapters 21-40.

General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church June 9-14 in Huntsville, AL Bro. Bud will be attending



June 9 Brooks Stadium 6:00 p.m.

See Melissa Dumes for information.

June Birthdays

4 – Macey Owens

Gordon Foltz

6 – Sharon Slankard

Logan Cooper

Megan Hasty
8 – Carson McKee
10 – Cathy Hasty
12 – Sarah Stoll
13 – Cheryl Rambo
14 – Ronnie Parker
20 – Steve Shrewsberry
Ryder Winsett
21 – Kelly Foltz
23 – Rev. A.D. “Happy” Rudolph
24 – Glenn Ridings
Wanda Perry
28 – Michele Golightly

June Anniversaries

5 – Ronnie and May Parker
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
29 – Mike and Michelle Wooten