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HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 2021

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

School is out and students are excited, especially the graduates. Not only have they spent the past year doing school work, but they have had to look forward to their next year and start planning their future. For high school and college graduates that may mean moving to a new city enrolled in a new school, or starting a career.

We too can use this time of 'graduation' to think about our future. Use this moment to reflect on where you've been to where you are going. In so doing, put at the forefront of your decision making what you believe God's will for your life is. Are you prepared to make a transition? How do we know God's will? And, how will this new thing turn out?

Living a life for Christ and understanding that God has created us for His purpose will lead us down the right path for making future plans. God has wired us to fulfill the destiny He has for us. Jeremiah affirms this, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11 ESV)

God also places us in His church to love and encourage one another and to help each other grow in the Word. We can get excited about God's will for our life, but also we can be excited for others as we witness the Spirit moving in the body of believers. We cannot be all we need to be without God's church. We are one body that is made up of many members.

Every year as we gather to celebrate with our high school graduates at our Scholarship Dinner, we are witnesses to the work of the church in the lives of these young people. We reminisce about when they came (or were born) into the church and the change that has taken place in their lives. Highland does a great job with our young folks. We not only celebrate their achievements, but also take great delight in encouraging them to reach their goals! As Paul writes in Philippians 3:14, "I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." Our ultimate goal as the Church is to witness to these young people the salvation and sanctifying grace of Christ our Lord.

No wonder, the devil will do anything to keep us from church!

CPWM

CPWM met Monday, May 3 in the Fellowship Hall. Barb Dolezal presented an inspiring study of Esther as a part of our series of Women of the Bible. Esther was a beautiful lady who believed in God and trusted him. She is another example for all of us. We are learning so much during this series. Thank you Barb!

It is time for all of us to get our acts together for the June 6 Lip Synch! We only have three people signed up. Talk to Velva Mullen if you would like some suggestions for an act. We are looking forward to a fun night with an auction of delicious desserts!

Our next meeting will be Monday, June 7 in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m.. Elaine Overton will be sharing information on Jezebel, one of the bad girls of the Bible. Please join us for an enjoyable morning!

Session Highlights

Items approved at the May meeting:

- Collect specific items each month for the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry as recommended by the Mission Committee
 - Make a \$100.00 donation from the McCracken County High School Golf Team to sponsor a hole at their annual tournament. (our Abe Dumes is a member of the golf team)
 - Youth activities for the summer as recommended by the Christian Education Committee
 - Call a Congregational Meeting in August for the purpose determining the tenure of the deacons
 - Follow CDC guidelines on masks. They will not be required for those who have been vaccinated.
 - Participate in Barbeque "Off" the River to be held September 23-25.
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May Numbers

Financial Record as of May 24, 2021

income - \$ 21,494.11

expenses - \$ 10,746.75

Attendance

May 2 - 75

May 9 - 98

May 16 - 88

May 23 - 83

June Calendar

June 6 - Communion, Morning Worship

Lip-Sync and Dessert Auction, 6:00 p.m.

June 13 - Session Meeting, 2:00 p.m.

June 20 - Father's Day

June 27-July 1 - General Assembly and CPWM

Convention, Louisville

Ushers — Lori Kauffman, Randy Hughes

Ronnie and May Parker

Elder - Marlene Wallace

Paducah Cooperative Ministry food item Meal in a Can things like Chef Boyardee Spaghetios, Ravioli, etc or Dinty Moore Beef Stew

Youth News

Fishing at the Dodd's - children/youth and their parents are invited to a fun night of fishing at Max and Brenda Dodd's, 9845 Childress Road, on Wednesday, June 2 at 5:00 p.m. Bring a pole; we will provide the bait. We will also have dinner and make s'mores.

Shaved Ice - Wednesday, June 23 meet at the church at 6:00 to ride the bus for Shaved Ice in Lone Oak

VBS - Get ready for VBS July 5, 6, and 7; 6:00 each evening



We are getting a head start on collecting items for Operation Christmas Child. Each month you will be given three items to collect for the shoe boxes. Then in October we will shop for other necessary items and assemble the boxes. Our June items are: pencils, rulers and toothbrushes.

June Birthdays

- 1 - Carolyn Stowell
- 4 - Macey Owens
Gordon Foltz
- 6 - Sharon Slankard
Logan Cooper
Megan Hasty
Larry Mullen
- 8 - Carson McKee
- 10 - Cathy Hasty
- 12 - Sarah Stoll
- 13 - Cheryl Rambo
- 14 - Ronnie Parker
- 20 - Steve Shrewsbury
Ryder Winsett
- 21 - Kelly Foltz
- 23 - A.D. "Happy" Rudolph
- 24 - Glenn Ridings
Wanda 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
29 - Mike and Michelle Wooten

General Assembly - Bro. Bud will be in Louisville for the annual meeting of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church Sunday evening, June 27 through Thursday, July 1.