

HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 2021

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

Just in case you missed it - Summer is almost over and for the kids, it basically is. It's hard to believe but McCracken County Schools resume this Thursday. We will have a Backpack Dedication this Sunday to have special prayer and words of encouragement for our kids as they begin another school year. Each child is encouraged to bring his or her pack and supplies to church Sunday morning.

In the church, our "school year" will begin in September. Highland has many opportunities for our members to participate in Christian Education or discipleship programs. Sunday morning worship is not and should not be the end of your Christian education experience. It can be the foundation upon which you build a deeper knowledge and wisdom of God and his working in your life; and a weekly time of praise and worship.

Our Christian Education Team is working to secure people for service in our many programs of discipleship in our church. We will need teachers and leaders for all age groups from nursery to senior citizens. Our classes are designed to present the Gospel so that it has a living and meaningful impact on the participant.

Scripturally we read that God has placed each in the church according to His pleasing for the work of the church. Ephesians 4:12 ESV says, "Christ himself gave ..teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ." We have many needs in our church and God has put us here to support and build up the body. Christian education is only one of our many ministries at Highland in which we need volunteers. Our other ministries, some of which are struggling, can always use more volunteers.

My challenge to all of us is to find our place. Seek to understand the purpose behind God leading you at Highland. The church is not a spectator event.

Bro. Bud

As a postnote: As we reach out for new teachers, we need to remember to be thankful for the returning teachers who have kept our church going. Their dedication should not go unnoticed.

CPWM

CPWM met in the Fellowship Hall Monday, July 12th. Our new theme for 2021-2022 will be ***Rise Up*** based on scripture from Isaiah 40:31, "*but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.*" We look forward to ways we can carry out this new theme. Melanie Massie presented our Bible study on Rachel through the childless years. She helped us understand this first instance of romantic love in the Bible since most marriages were arranged by parents. Lessons learned from Rachel's story are: no polygamy, no jealousy, no nagging, avoid vengeance, and be satisfied and grateful! Thank you Melanie! We voted to send \$7,500 to the Stott Wallace Missionary Fund. We are so proud of Highland Church for our dedication and support of our Cumberland Presbyterian Missionaries! Sidney and Jeanne brought items they have made for our bazaar. We are very excited about this project!

Our next meeting will be Monday, August 2nd at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Diane Shrewsberry will present our Bible study on Delilah. Please join us as we fellowship together, learn more about the Bible, the CP denomination and continue to make plans for our bazaar.

Session Highlights

Items approved at the July meeting:

- Donate \$300.00 to Operation Tank Full of Love, a ministry of Eric Horner.
- Pay invoices in the amount of \$315.28 as requested by the Maintenance Committee for gutter repairs and light fixture replacement.
- Purchase a four drawer fireproof file cabinet at a cost of \$1,599.00. It will be used for cemetery records and other vital records of the Church.
- Send \$2,500.00 to the CP Denomination for an additional contribution to OOU.

July Numbers

Financial Record as of July 26, 2021

income - \$ 17,743.00
expenses - \$ 11,470.36

Attendance

July 4 - 77
July 11 - 90
July 18 - 66
July 25 - 87

August Calendar

August 2 - CPWM, 10:00
August 3 - Maintenance Committee, 9:00 a.m.
August 4 - Mission Committee, 5:00 pm
August 7 - Covenant Presbytery Committee
Meetings, 9:00 a.m., at Highland
August 15 - Congregational Meeting
Session Meeting, 2:00
August 19 - Highlanders

Ushers – Melissa Dumes, Abe Dumes
Ray Massie, Mike Haynes

Elder - Melissa Dumes

Highlanders Host - Buddy and Ann Rushing

Youth and Children's News

Swim Party - August 8 at 2:00
Home of John and Ella DeHart
275 North Gum Springs Rd.



August Collection Items:

Small Stuffed Animals, Deflated Soccer Balls Pencil Sharpeners

Paducah Cooperative Ministry

Canned Fruit

Bazaar

The Highland CPWM will host a Bazaar and luncheon in November. If you are the artsy-craftsy type, they would love to sell your creations. Proceeds will go toward CPWM projects and missions. If you would like to donate anything please see Velva Mullen or Jeanne Mullen.

Congregational Meeting

There will be a Congregational Meeting August 15 to approve the current slate of Deacons for the 2021-2022 Class. Originally, in 2020, they were elected to a one year term which is set to expire this September. The session and deacons agree that because of COVID restrictions, the deacons were not able to adequately perform the job to which they were elected. Current Deacons are Randy Hughes, Dean Kauffman, Mike Golightly, Johnny Overton, and Velva Mullen.

August Birthdays

- 1 – Betty Rushing
- 2 – Steve White
- 5 – Carrie (Rushing) McKee
- 7 – Daniel Rushing
- 8 – Jimmy Russell
- 9 – Kathy Hill
- 10 – Rita Gross
- 11 – Jeff Parker
 - Dayton Kilgore
- 12 – Mike Golightly
- 13 – Loretta Vasseur
- 15 – Tony Cornwell
- 18 – Amy Rushing
 - Bo Rushing
- 22 – Marjet Duncan
- 24 – Leona Shelby
- 25 – Haley Kauffman
- 27 – Deanna Miller
- 28 - Claire Parker
- 29 – Nora Cunningham

August Anniversaries

- 6 – Dean and Lori Kauffman
 - 7 – Jeff and Lisa Parker
 - 8 – Roddy and Linda Johnson
 - 10 – David and Joanne Robinson
 - 11 – Buddy and Ann Rushing
 - Bob and Rita Gross
 - 25 – Glenn and Gretta Ridings
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Change of Address

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