

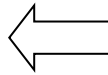
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New Youth Director information



HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 2021

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

God's love, described in Greek as *agape* love places no limits on its object. It gives and gives .. gives all there is to give. Therefore, since God gave His only Son to bear our sins on the cross, God's *agape* for us is immeasurable. Likewise, as Christ is the head of the church and offered his body as a sacrifice for it, there is no limit to Christ's love for the church. As members of the body, we too are called to love the church.

The object of Christ's love and the love of a growing Christian is the church. The Greek word for church is *ekklesia*. The prefix, *ek* means "out" or "out of." The suffix, *kaleo* means "to call." In its most basic sense, *ekklesia* means "the called out." The New Testament uses *ekklesia* in two ways. First there is the general sense, referring to all believers of this age, all the redeemed. We've already seen it used this way in Ephesians 5:25 which says, "**Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her.**" However, most of the time the New Testament uses the word "church" in a local sense, referring to a particular fellowship of believers in one locality. For example, there is the church of Antioch or the church at Corinth or even Highland CP Church in Paducah, KY. The local church is a visible, tangible representation of the eternal church that is being gathered in heaven (Heb. 12:23). We are to love all believers everywhere, but we are especially to love the believers of our local church with whom we share our lives.

So we must ask the question: *how do we love the church?* Hebrews 10:24-25 gives good instructions: "**And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.**"

What can we quickly learn here? We are to "**consider one another.**" We are to think about one another, fellowship with one another, be genuine brothers and sisters in Christ. We are to look for ways to "**stir up**" or excite each other in "**love and good works**" to do the many ministries of the church. We should always make a point to be present for worship, study groups and fellowship, not "**forsaking the assembling of ourselves together**" as even "**some**" in Paul's day already were. Finally, we are called to "**exhort one another**" by encouraging faithful discipleship in the church as the world grows darker and "**the Day**" of God's judgment draws nearer.

God loves you, I love you and I hope to see you in church Sunday,

CPWM

CPWM met in the Fellowship Hall Monday, August 2nd. Diane presented an interesting study on Delilah, the Philistine woman who was the downfall of Samson. Our lesson from Delilah is to honor God with our finances,. The love of money really is the root of all evil. Velva Mullen reported on the crafts she and Jeanne are working on for our Christmas Festival. She had pictures of wreaths and told us that Jeanne has been making wooden tree ornaments with the help of Velva's daughter, Tammie. Sidney brought an assortment of potholders she made. We are so excited about this event on November 20th! If you have questions or want to help, please talk to Velva or Jeanne.

Our next meeting will be in the Fellowship Hall Monday, September 13th at 10:00 a.m. Sidney will be telling us about Sarah. Please join us!

Session Highlights

Items approved at the August meeting:

- The list of teachers for Sunday School and Wednesday evening programs was presented by the Christian Education Committee. Teachers will be installed Sunday, August 29.
 - Designate September 19 as Seminary Sunday. The congregation will be given the opportunity to make donations to Memphis Theological Seminary/PAS.
 - Continue following CDC guidelines regarding masks. If you are not vaccinated, you are encouraged to wear a mask.
 - Sponsor a table of seven for the September 14 annual banquet held by Missionary Kamal Madala at a cost of \$250.00. There will be a sign-up sheet for anyone who would like to attend.
 - Marlene Wallace will serve as our delegate to Presbytery to be held at Highland September 18th. Elaine Overton will be the alternate.
 - Increase the authorization for a fire-proof cabinet up to \$2,000.00.
 - Host a Christmas Bazaar November 20 in the Outreach Center as requested by the CPWM.
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August Numbers

Financial Record as of August 30, 2021

income - \$ 23,102.50

expenses - \$ 17,061.15

Attendance

August 1 - 83

August 8 - 96

August 15 - 80

August 22 - 90

August 29 - 81

September Calendar

September 6 - Labor Day Holiday, office closed

September 13 - CPWM, 10:00

September 16 - Highlanders

September 19 - Seminary Sunday

Session Meeting, 2:00

September 24, 25 - Barbeque "Off" the River

Ushers – Steve and Diane Shrewsberry

Johnny Overton, Tanner Parker

Elder - Elaine Overton

Highlanders Host - Jeanne Mullen and Velva Mullen

Youth and Children's News

We would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to our Laura DeHart for all of the time and work as our volunteer Youth Director.

Elizabeth Spann has been hired as our new Youth Director. We can't wait to see what Elizabeth has in store for us.

Helping others

Operation Christmas Child Combs and brushes, wash cloths, colored ink pens and pencils

Paducah Cooperative Ministry Canned Fruit

Toys for Tots NEW unwrapped toys (no realistic-looking weapons)

Barbeque Off the River - Highland will once again sell our famous Chocolate Dipped Key Lime Pies slices on a Stick September 24 and 25 in the church parking lot. A sign up sheet will be on the bulletin board.

Change of Address

Addison Dumes (she has a birthday this month)

201 Simpson Ave., Apt 730

Lexington, KY 40504

September Birthdays

1 – Bettie Stoll

Pam Russell

3 – Kevin Perdue

6 – Barb Dolezal

Kenna Kilgore

JJ Owens

8 – Elaine Kaye

11 - Ryan Spann

12 – Roy Rushing

15 – Scott Cunningham

Wayne Coleman

Mike Haynes

16 – Ansley Golightly

17 – Joseph David Robinson-Lehan

18 – Suzan Roberts

Jenny Cooper

20 – Karen Bryan

21 – May Parker

Billy Winsett

22 – Jared Roberts

23 – Evalena Duncan
27 – Betty Hall
28 – Randy Robertson
Peggy Clifton
30 – Addison Dumes

September Anniversaries

1 - Matt and Carolyn Stowell
5 – Nick and Emily Ferrer
10 – Randy and Laura DeHart
Brad and Betty Hall
12 – Jeff and Donna Yates
14 - Jimmy and Deborah Russell

Christian Education Teachers

2021-2022

Sunday School

Pre-school – Linda Cunningham
Suzan Roberts
Elementary – Laura DeHart
Middle School – Lori and Dean Kauffman
High School – Elaine Overton
College and Career - Diane Shrewsberry
Safe Haven – Rev. Bud Russell
20 Something – Mike Golightly
Recycled Teenagers – Jeff Parker
Adult I – Buddy Rushing, Linda Johnson,
Sidney Milton
Children's Church – Dean and Lori Kauffman

Wednesday night Program

Preschool (ages 1-4) – Suzan Roberts
Elementary 1 (ages 5-1st grade) – Pam Russell
Elementary 2 (2nd grade – 5th grade) –
Elaine Overton
Middle School (6th grade – 8th grade) –
Laura DeHart
High School - Dean and Lori Kauffman
Adult - Bro. Bud

We have a class for everyone. If you don't attend yet, what are you waiting for?? This is your invitation!!