

HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 2022

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

Our Tuesday evening Discipleship Class has finished the first part of this great study. I want to share the opening statement by the author to give you an idea of where we started and the basis of our study.

LIFE-CHANGING COMMUNITY

Most of us have felt some measure of frustration with the church. At times we can't help feeling that the Spirit-driven, culturally relevant body of Christ has become a confused and ineffective institution. The church has been attacked from the outside and compromised on the inside, and in many places it is showing signs of wear. Those of us with the courage to be honest realize we have even made the situation worse on occasion. It is true there are churches that have been faithful witnesses for Christ, but too many others have been put to sleep.

It's one thing to declare, "Things are bad." It's another to say, "Here's the way out." Anybody can criticize. We must go further than diagnose—we must revive. We need to not only discover the church but also discover our place in it. We need to discover what contributions we can make to the church so it can again become the beautiful bride of Christ that God intended.

People must come together to become the church, but it's rare to find members who come together to give and not just to take. Your small group is a perfect place to change this pattern. The first step toward "contributing to the work" can happen there. It is a place where you are able to experience not only the joy of the church in action but also feel the satisfaction of being players in God's great plan.¹

I have thoroughly enjoyed not only leading this class, but learning *from* this class. The fellowship and the participation were beyond what I anticipated or expected! Many in the group experienced eye-opening things about the church and ways in which they can contribute to the life and work of the church.

Part Two will begin April 19, 2022 @ 6:00. It is never too late to join. I am praying new discussion groups can develop as we continue learning about God's plan to impact our church and community.

¹ Don Cousins and Judson Poling, The Work of a Disciple: Living like Jesus (Grand Rapids, MI: HarperChristian Resources, 2016).

CPWM

CPWM met Monday, March 7th in the Fellowship Hall. Jeanne Mullen guided us in assembling Blessing Bags for the working mothers and healthcare workers in our Church. We all learned that coloring the message cards is a lot of work. Thank you Jeanne and Velve Mullen for doing most of the work. They were to be distributed Sunday, March 13. We voted to tentatively set Sunday, June 26 as our Stott Wallace fundraiser Lip Sync night. We are also working to replace the Pulpit Bible in the Sanctuary.

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 4th in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. We will be planning for the Covenant Regional CPWM meeting scheduled to be held at Highland Saturday, April 23. We are so excited to host this event and would love your input!

Session Highlights

Items approved at the March meeting:

- Allow Youth Director Elizabeth Spann to rent a bounce house for the April 16th Journey to the Cross event for the children
- Donate \$10,000.00 from our Disaster Relief Fund contributions to the Mayfield Rotary Club "Hope and Homes" ministry for tornado victims in Graves County.
- Deacon Meeting Report and have a joint meeting Sunday, March 27th.
- Host a meeting of the Covenant Presbytery Regional CPWM Saturday, April 23rd.
- Expenses related to the Sound Room upgrade including all cables and microphones that are needed.
- Allow the Session to determine the qualifications of persons filling the pulpit.

March Numbers

Financial Record as of March 28, 2022

income - \$ 16,439.05

expenses - \$ 26,281.31

Attendance

March 6 - 80

March 13 - 90

March 20 - 120

March 27 - 86

April Calendar

April 4 - CPWM, 10:00 a.m.

April 10 - Palm Sunday

April 13 - Deacon Meeting, 4:30 p.m.

April 16 - Journey to the Cross children's event

April 17 - Easter

April 21 - Highlanders, Willow Pond

April 23 - CPWM Regional meeting, 10:00 a.m.

No Session Meeting this month

Ushers – Debby Hughes, Johnny Overton,
Mike Haynes, Jimmy Russell

Elder - Cindy Robertson

Highlanders Hosts Peggy Adams and Marlene Wallace

They have made plans to go to Willow Pond, April 21 at 4:30 p.m.

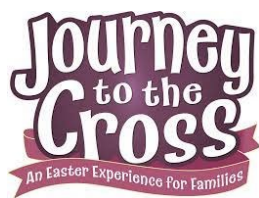
Paducah Cooperative Ministry - New Item for April, May and June small canned vegetables or fruit with pop-top style lids for transient people AND plastic shopping bags (WalMart, Kroger, Banks, etc.)

Welcome New Members

Graham Hill (attending UK)
Seth Hill (a Sr. at MCHS and soon attending UK)
Cooper Hill (a Jr. at MCHS)
Jacob Hill and Olivia Hill (8th graders at LOMS)
Their mom, Kathy is already a member.

Glenda Newton

Youth News



Saturday April 16 10:00 am - 12 noon
Experience the final days of Christ's life with
an Interactive Easter Experience Walk Through
Egg Hunt
Bounce House and Games

Visit <https://vbspro.events/p/events/68ac48> or see Elizabeth to register. Invite your friends

Help Needed - We are in need of candy for our Easter Egg Hunt. If you are able to donate candy, please bring it to church and place it in the bucket found in the fellowship hall prior to April 10.

No Wednesday Evening Activities - There will be no Wednesday evening activities for youth on April 6. Enjoy spring break and extra time with family!

Third Thursday Hang: Humans Vs. Zombies

Calling all 6th-12th Graders! You've been infected! Quarantine Instructions: On April 21 at 6 pm, proceed to Highland CP Church's fall-out shelter. BYOB - Bring Your Own Brains! Dinner is included.

SAVE THE DATE! Youth Camp 2022

Juniors (4th-5th Grade) July 17-22, 2022
Middle School July 17-22, 2022
High School June 26-July 1, 2022
Registration information coming soon!

April Birthdays

2 – Melanie Massie

Sharon Rushing

11 – Lori Kauffman

12 – Mike Bryan

13 – David Robinson

15 – Brenda Dodd

Linda Johnson

Debby Hughes

26 – Allen Rushing

27 – Lindsay Gamble

30 – Alec Golightly

April Anniversaries

3 – Daniel and Jennifer Rushing

16 – Michael and Felicia Cornwell

19 – Gordon and Kelly Foltz

28 – Max and Brenda Dodd

Hallelujah, What A Savior!

"Man of Sorrows!" what a name For the Son of God, who came Ruined sinners to reclaim!

Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, In my place condemned He stood Sealed my pardon with His blood

Hallelujah, what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die, "It is finished" was His cry;

Now in heaven exalted high:

Hallelujah, what a Savior!

What a Savior indeed!

Happy Easter