

# Highlands Highlights

## Want to Make Your Easter Worship Experience Even More Special?



From a Christian perspective of course, celebrating the resurrection of our Living Lord through worship is indeed a very special experience. After a pandemic and chaotic 2020, we have an opportunity to enhance our Easter celebration through worshipping IN PERSON with our family and brothers and sisters in Christ at Highlands. Having participated in “cyber worship” for almost a year, our 2021 Easter Worship service will be even more special by having the privilege of being with “old friends” while we worship and celebrate our risen Lord – He indeed lives!

As information, you may have noted that our electronic sign now contains a message indicating that in-person worship has resumed at Highlands. We still are operating under previous safety precautions such as mask

requirement, temperature check, social distancing, and online pre-registration for each worship service. But if you forget to pre-register, please do not panic and come to worship with us anyway – we will take care of noting your attendance.

As always, if you are not comfortable yet with larger group settings, we will continue to live-stream our worship services each week via the technology with which we have been blessed – not to mention our techno-guru who doubles as our Senior Pastor!

We hope to see you each Sunday morning as we continue to praise and worship our loving and awesome Heavenly Father.

~ HPC Pastors and Session

## Happy Easter!



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### Special Dates of Interest

- Apr 1 - Online Maundy Thursday Worship Services
- Apr 4 - Children's Church Resumes
- Apr 4 - Easter Worship Service
- Apr 6 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- Apr 7 - Midweek Message
- Apr 8 - Online Adult Bible Study
- Apr 11 - Children's Church
- Apr 11 - Worship Service
- Apr 11 - Deacon's Meeting
- Apr 12 - Soup Night
- Apr 13 - Weekly Online Prayer & Praise
- Apr 13 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- Apr 14 - Midweek Message
- Apr 14 - Children's & Youth Group Zooms
- Apr 15 - Online Adult Bible Study
- Apr 17 - Memorial Service for John Cerny
- Apr 18 - Children's Church
- Apr 18 - Worship Service
- Apr 18 - Session Meeting
- Apr 18 - Grandma Shower for Lea Whittle
- Apr 20 - Weekly Online Prayer & Praise
- Apr 20 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- Apr 21 - Midweek Message
- Apr 21 - Children's & Youth Group Zooms
- Apr 22 - Online Adult Bible Study
- Apr 25 - Children's Church
- Apr 25 - Worship Service
- Apr 26 - Soup Night
- Apr 27 - Weekly Online Prayer & Praise
- Apr 27 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- Apr 28 - Midweek Message
- Apr 28 - Children's & Youth Group Zooms
- Apr 29 - Online Adult Bible Study

# HE IS RISEN

CELEBRATE THE SAVIOR

EASTER WORSHIP 10AM

## **From the Pastor**

*"Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."*

*(1 Corinthians 15:51-54 NIV)*

The resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, is the greatest accomplishment of God's great plan of redemption and is a wonderful promise given to us as we too will share in a bodily resurrection at the last day. This year we've been looking at various promises of God given to us in His Word, and I believe the promised resurrection of God's people, those who've come to genuine faith in Jesus, is our greatest hope as we move ever closer to our Lord's return as it points to a bright and eternal future with Jesus.

In 1 Corinthians 15, the Apostle Paul gives us a very descriptive argument regarding the necessity of Jesus's resurrection after His sacrificial death on the cross. The Apostle Paul tells us in verses 12-19, as he argues much like a lawyer would in a court of law, that it's only because of our Lord's resurrection that we have hope as it's God's stamp of approval on the atoning sacrifice of Jesus on our behalf. He tells us that if Christ has not been raised, then we're still in our sins as the payment wasn't sufficient and that our faith in Him will be in vain. However, since Jesus has been raised, as is proclaimed in all the gospels, then we have every reason for hope in our resurrection as we're transformed from bodies of disease and death to glorified bodies that will never experience such again.

Now, we don't actually know how all this will take place as the Apostle Paul calls this a mystery yet to be revealed. What we do know is what the Apostle John tells us when he writes: *"Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is"* (1 John 3:2 NIV). There's a lot there regarding what we have yet to experience. However, we know that we'll be like Jesus and I believe that'll be revealed both in our spiritual and physical lives. We'll be like Jesus in holiness where we'll never fall prey to sin again and we'll be like Him in glorified bodies that'll never experience disease, death, or anything else that came about because of humanity's fall into sin.

Can you imagine that moment, that in *the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet*, the tombs of all those who've passed on before those still alive are opened and the glorious resurrection of the saints commences and that while those still alive are watching this occur, they too are transformed from perishable to imperishable, mortal to immortal? Maybe we have a picture of what that will look like, but I can promise you it'll be far more glorious than we can ever imagine. Death will then be swallowed up in victory and all of us who've believed in and followed Jesus will live and reign with Him in a new world, a restored paradise, for all eternity.

You see, regardless of all the issues we face in this life, this life isn't the end of all things. We have the wondrous promise of a better life to come which gives us every reason to hope and continue on toward the day when our Lord returns. It's all because of our Lord's resurrection that we can say with all the saints, *"Even so, come Lord Jesus!"*

***Pastor Mark***



*Highlands Women's Ministry*

CULTIVATE YOUR JOURNEY WITH CHRIST



## Lemon Cake

*Shortcuts like cake mix and instant pudding leave more time for dessert.*

- |                                    |                                 |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 pkg (15-16 oz) lemon cake mix    | 1/2 cup orange juice            |
| 1 pkg (3 oz) lemon instant pudding | 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar    |
| 1/2 cup vegetable oil              | Whipped topping (optional)      |
| 1 1/3 cups water                   | Lemon zest or thin lemon slices |
| 2 eggs                             | (optional)                      |

1. Preheat oven to 350F.
2. In large bowl, combine cake mix, instant pudding, oil, water and eggs. Pour into 13x9-inch pan. Bake 30-40 minutes or until cake is golden and cooked throughout.
3. Meanwhile, whisk together orange juice and confectioners' sugar
4. Cool cake slightly. Using fork, make holes in top. Pour juice mixture overtop. Serve with whipped topping and lemon zest or lemon slices, if desired. Refrigerate any leftovers.

**Prep: 10 min. | Cook: 40 min | Total: 50 min. | Serves: 16**

*Per Serving: 210 Cal; 10 g Tot Fat; 2 g Sat Fat; 0 g Trans Fat; 25 mg Cholesterol; 190 mg Sodium; 27 g Carb; 0 g Fiber; 17 g Sugar; 2 g Protein*



**May the God of hope  
fill you with all joy  
and peace as you  
trust in Him,  
so that you may  
overflow with hope  
by the power of the  
Holy Spirit.**

***Romans 15:13***

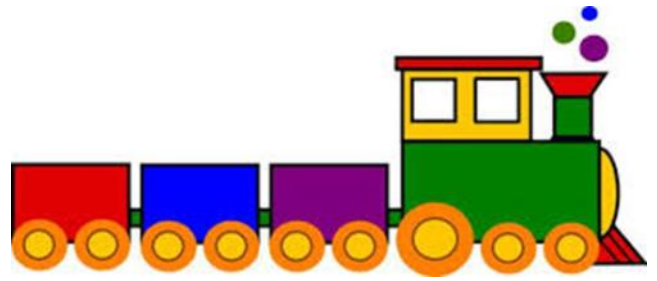




Highlands MMO & Preschool

# April

Theme: Transportation



**Theme for the Month:** This month we will continue learning online! We will be learning about "Transportation!" We will be talking about planes, trains, cars, bicycles, and more! We will also be learning about letters "W, X, Y & Z" and the numbers, "1, 2, 3 & 4." Look at the fun we had at MMO last year!



**Silly Fun Day:** "Paper Airplane Day" April 28<sup>th</sup>. The students will have fun making paper airplanes and then seeing how far the planes will fly!

**Important Dates:** Spring Break - NO School - April 5-9

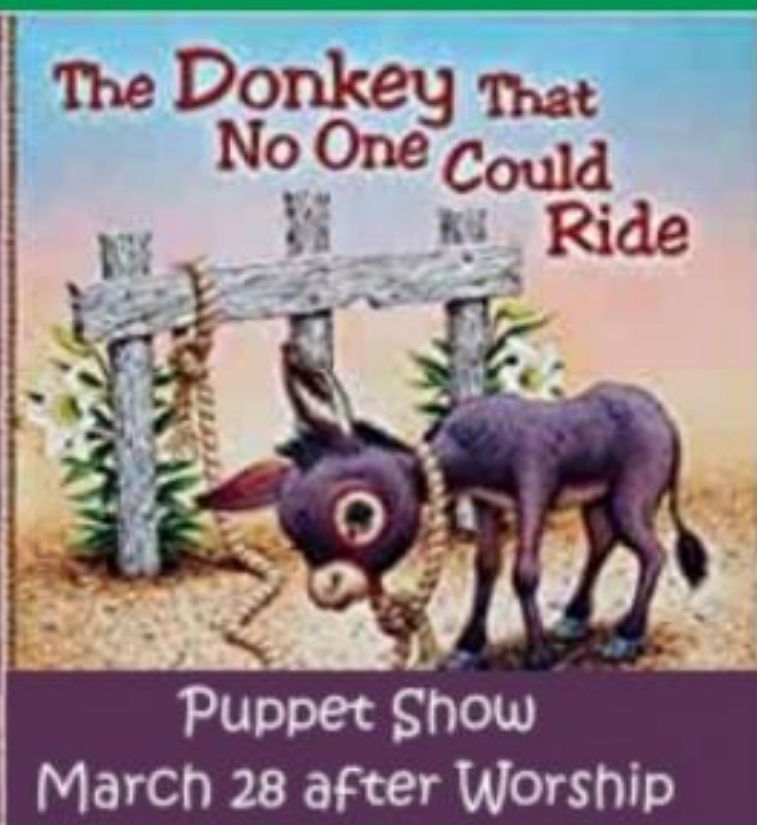
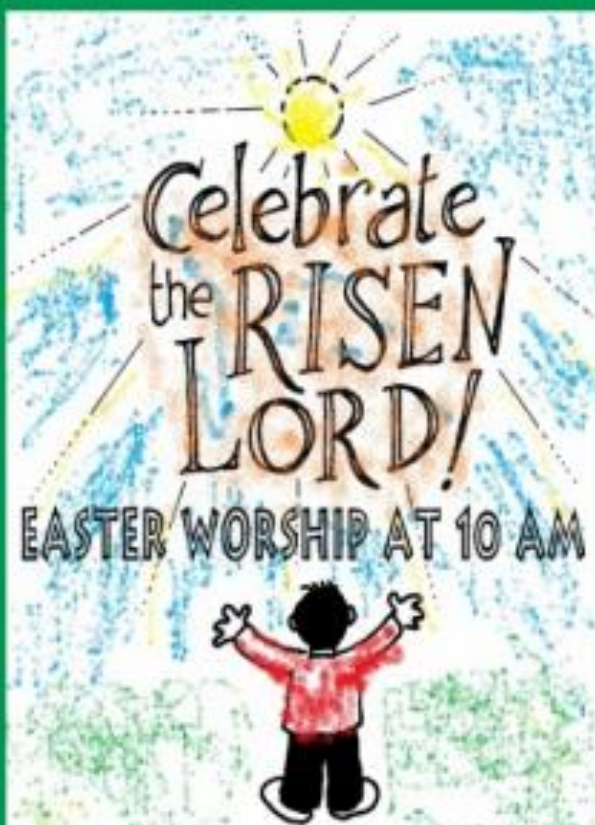


Highlands MMO & Preschool is reaching out to our community to provide quality Christian childcare and instruction for families with young children. Please pray for this outreach ministry of Highlands ARP Church.



# YOUNG FAMILIES

## MINISTRY



Join us FOR ALL THE  
**FUN!**  
**on Zoom!**  
Wednesdays at 6:30pm







# MAUNDY THURSDAY

## ONLINE WORSHIP 7PM

[WWW.HIGHLANDSARP.ORG](http://WWW.HIGHLANDSARP.ORG)



### Children's Church Resumes!

Starting April 4th, Palm Sunday, Highlands is pleased to announce that in person children's church will resume! Ms. Corie has graciously offered to teach! Children 3rd grade and under are welcome to participate in a socially distanced children's church.

Children's Church will begin after the children's message and include a snack, Bible story, and play time or playground time. Please register online if you plan to attend. If you decide Sunday morning that you would like to attend, the Session welcomes you to go ahead and come to church without registering!



[#RedCrossOnTheWay](https://www.redcross.org/crossontheroad)

Did you know that 1 donation can potentially save up to 3 lives? And every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.

**Watch for emails with the Highlands' May Blood Drive Dates, Times & Sign-up information.**



# YOUTH GROUP ON ZOOM WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30

MESSAGE PASTOR CHRIS FOR INFO

Hello everyone! I am so thankful for all of you and have enjoyed seeing so many of you in person on Sundays. I am thankful for the grace God has given us and that we are now worshipping in person on Sunday mornings. We have continued to have digital youth group for those that are available and have been enjoying our study of Philippians. It has been encouraging to learn about Paul's life and struggles and how he turns to Christ in his sorrows and trials. I am praying for each of you and can't wait til we can resume in person youth group. May God bless you as you continue to work hard at school in the midst of this pandemic. Please continue to pray for each other and build each other up!

Pastor Chris





# ADULT BIBLE STUDY

*Online Thursdays at 7pm*

## WEEKLY PRAYER TIME

*Tuesdays at 10am on Zoom*



## MIDWEEK MESSAGE

FROM PASTOR MARK



**JOIN US FOR  
ONLINE WORSHIP  
[WWW.HIGHLANDSARP.ORG](http://WWW.HIGHLANDSARP.ORG)**

**Therefore, if anyone is  
in Christ, he is a new  
creation. The old has  
passed away; behold,  
the new has come.**

**2 CORINTHIANS 5:17**

## **DEACONS**

**April 11, 2021  
11:30 AM  
Fellowship Hall**

## **SESSION**

**April 18, 2021  
11:15 AM  
Pavilion  
(weather permitting)**



*Hi All,*

We have had a very busy burst into Spring! On our 1st Soup Nite, on the 8th, we served hamburger soup with mini croissants. We had 14 crock pots and used every one of them that

night! It was a beautiful day, and we had many guests in the drive thru line. Some guests, who were once new, are very much familiar to us now! I enjoy seeing them and hearing about how much they enjoy our meals or not. LOL. But no matter what, they are very grateful! We had some help from Camille and Jonathan, from Faith Church, on the serving line. It helped Bob out since his foot is still healing and really shouldn't be standing so much. Praise God for all the help.

On our 2nd serving, we had chicken teriyaki on the menu with mixed vegetables. We didn't make as much as we usually do because the CoOp hasn't been overwhelmed with people coming by them. With stimulus checks and tax refunds, the need has lessened, or so we thought. It must have been what was on the menu because we served 194 meals on this Soup Nite! Lots of new people and also familiar faces. I have to laugh because I should have known when I saw 3 of our serving volunteers pull up in the parking lot that the Lord has plans for us! There were so many cars in line, that I wondered how this was



going to work out. Jane and her team in the kitchen were scrambling and putting out rice and vegetables like I never saw! Another fishes and loaves story for our Soup Nite. We did run out of chicken teriyaki but since Bob made a Food Bank run that very day, we were able to give out a couple dozen frozen meals. It was ALL Good!

Our Distribution Day on the 25th was loaded with frozen meals, fresh zucchini and lots of snacks to get thru Easter and Spring Break. It was a gloomy day with the sun peeping out for about 5 minutes, but there was a line of cars waiting on us to open before 11am. And.....we passed out all the food in 30 minutes! It was a total of 906 lbs. Crazy, just crazy. The need is still great.

Our Senior Meal program is going along just fine. This month we still picked up some meals from LettunEat, and Joy Community Kitchen donated some Salisbury steak meals for one of the routes this month! We also served baked macaroni, and beef and broccoli over rice. Sadly, we lost Mr. Jefferson this month. His daughter, Denise, sent us a lovely note saying how much she appreciated what we do!

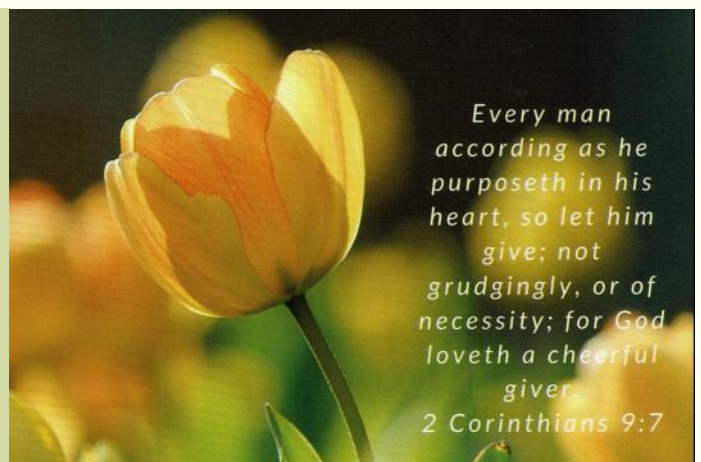
Thank you to all the volunteers! The kitchen seemed back to normal last serving. It's still awkward to roll meals out of the kitchen to the Narthex (not sure that is the correct term) for the drive thru, but now volunteers who used to do pre-Covid jobs are now doing them our "new normal" way. I hope everyone has a Blessed Easter. We have some time off until we serve again on April 12th!

In Christ,

*Carrie*



The **Easter Offering** for the ARP benefits the Christian Education Ministry, World Witness, Erskine College and the Bonclarken Conference Center. Please consider giving generously to these special causes beyond your regular tithe. You may also give online at [www.highlandsarp.org/give/](http://www.highlandsarp.org/give/) by selecting the ARP Easter Offering.



Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver.  
2 Corinthians 9:7





*You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene,  
who was crucified.*

***He has risen!***

*He is not here.*

*See the place  
where they laid him.*

*Mark 16:6*



# Highlands

## Operating Budget as of Feb. 2021

February Income	\$ 17,310.14
February Expenses	\$ 17,694.75
YTD Gifts & Offerings	\$ 31,836.68
YTD Expenses	\$ 34,461.35

*The monthly YTD Summary is posted on the Members' page on our website.  
Contact the church office if you would like a copy of the 2021 Budget.*

## Prayer Corner Update

- John Cerny passed away March 27<sup>th</sup> after a serious injury. Please continue to remember his family in your prayers, especially John's granddaughter who lived with him. May God comfort and grant peace to his family.
- Michelle McCoy's surgery went well—they repaired her torn tendon and the torn ligaments in her right ankle. She is resting and recovering. Hoping for full recovery in 3 months.
- Please pray for Justin Jacques' aunt Kelly Evans. She was just diagnosed with breast cancer, is starting the process of testing for staging, and then is planned for a mastectomy, chemo, and radiation. She has asked for prayer for her to make it through this cancer free, and for her family, husband Bob and their three children.
- Ken Fordham as he works with the doctors at the Cancer Treatment Center of America.
- Mark and Bonnie's grandson, Hudson, as he heals from his broken leg.
- Bonnie Hornby as she recovers from her skin cancer surgery. It is healing nicely, and she appreciates all the prayers.
- Other church members who have cancer.
- Church members who have had Covid and continue to recover.

## Praises

- Praise for news about Ken's daughter, Sharon. The surgeon determined she had Stage I cancer and he was able to get it all during surgery. She will not need any further treatment. Praise God for His mercy to Sharon and her family!

**If you have a prayer need, please contact your shepherd or email the office to let the congregation know. Please use the [highlandarp@gmail.com](mailto:highlandarp@gmail.com) address.**

### Memorial Service for

*John Cerny*

**April 17th at 2pm**

We will have an in-person service which will also be live-streamed.





# APRIL 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 7pm Online Maundy Thursday Worship Service	2	3
4 <i>Happy Birthday Betty Reinhardt</i>  10am Children's Church Resumes  10am Easter Worship	5 <i>Happy Birthday George O'Farrell</i>	6 Senior Meal Deliveries	7 Midweek Message	8 7pm Online Adult Bible Study	9 <i>Happy Birthday John Avitabile</i>	10
11  10am Children's Church 10am Worship 11:30am Deacon's Mtg Fellowship Hall	12 <b>Soup Night</b>	13 10am Weekly Online Prayer & Praise  Senior Meal Deliveries	14 Midweek Message  6:30 Children's ZOOM with Ms. Bonnie & Youth ZOOM with Pastor Chris	15 7pm Online Adult Bible Study	16 <i>Happy Birthday Betty West</i>	17 2pm Memorial Service for John Cerny
18 10am Children's Church 10am Worship 11:15am Session Mtg Pavilion (weather permitting) 2-4pm Grandma Shower for Lea Whittle	19 <i>Happy Birthday Andrea Eklund Lee Hunt</i>	20 10am Weekly Online Prayer & Praise  Senior Meal Deliveries	21 <i>Happy Birthday Elliott Bayne Thomas Tata</i>  Midweek Message  6:30 Children's ZOOM with Ms. Bonnie & Youth ZOOM with Pastor Chris	22 <i>Happy Birthday Charles Roberts</i>  7pm Online Adult Bible Study	23	24
25 <i>Happy Birthday Stacie Edmondson</i>  10am Children's Church 10am Worship	26 <b>Soup Night</b>	27 <i>Happy Birthday Barbara Fordham</i>  10am Weekly Online Prayer & Praise  Senior Meal Deliveries	28 <i>Happy Birthday Theodore Edmondson Tyler Edmondson Gail O'Farrell</i>  Midweek Message  6:30 Children's ZOOM with Ms. Bonnie & Youth ZOOM with Pastor Chris	29 7pm Online Adult Bible Study	30	



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Music Director: Bonnie Hornby  
Secretary: Betsy Whitson

Elders: 2021 George O'Farrell  
2022 Lee Hunt  
2022 Don Reinhardt  
2023 Charles Roberts  
2023 Jim Whitson  
2024 Bob Statham

Deacons: Class of 2021  
Justin Jacques  
Jon Jones  
Earl Thomas

Class of 2022  
Omar Edmondson  
Phillip Wallace  
Betsy Whitson

Class of 2023  
John Avitabile  
Fru Chifen  
Deron Smith

## Worship Times and Activities

Sunday: 10:00am Worship  
11:00am Deacons' Meeting (2nd Sunday of the month)  
11:30am Session Meeting (3rd Sunday of the month)

### Weekly activities\*

Monday: 4-7pm Soup Nite (2nd & 4th Mondays)  
Tuesday: 10:00am Online Prayer Time  
Senior Meal Deliveries  
3-7pm Blood Drive (every other month)  
Wednesday: 12:00pm Midweek Message from Pastor Mark  
6:30pm Young Family Ministry ZOOM Meeting  
6:30pm Youth ZOOM Meeting  
Thursday: 7:00pm Adult Online Bible Study

*\*See calendar for scheduled events or cancellations.*

## Candle Lighters:

**April 4** Nate Edmondson  
**April 11** Thomas Kuykendall  
**April 18** Ethan Spiller  
**April 25** Sama Chifen

## Warmly Welcoming our Members & Visitors each week

**April 4** Jim Whitson, Stan Whitaker, Sal Macaluso, Jon Jones  
**April 11** Phillip Wallace, John Avitabile, Earl Thomas, Rob Kuykendall  
**April 18** Robert Whittle, Edward Spiller, George O'Farrell, Justin Jacques  
**April 25** Paul McInnish, Glenn Martin, Charles Roberts, John West

## Highlands ARP Church

### April 2021 Newsletter

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