

Highlands Highlights

Congregational Care Ministry Team

We had a great time visiting with everyone at the first covered dish lunch (in a very long time!) on Sunday, April 10. In fact, we'd like to do it again! Join us on Wednesday, June 22 at 6:30 pm for a light dinner of picnic food – just bring fried chicken, sandwiches, potato salad, deviled eggs or dessert. Depending on the temperature, we'll either eat in the pavilion or Fellowship hall. Drinks will be provided – come share a meal with your brothers and sisters in Christ!



Then, we'll do it again on Sunday, July 10 after worship – we all have to eat, don't we? Same menu – you provide the casseroles, sides, salads and desserts and Congregational Care will provide the drinks and bread. What better way to get to know each other better than to share a meal – hope you'll join us!



Congregational Care sent out a survey towards the end of May requesting input from Highlands' members on social activities they'd like to see, anything from movie nights to meals to game nights. If you haven't had a chance to respond, click the link below. It will also be sent out again June 3rd. Copies are also available on the table in the narthex. We'd love to hear your thoughts!

<https://us19.list-manage.com/survey?>

Online Church DIRECTORY

Effective June 1st, the updated Highlands Church Directory will be available online. Members are encouraged to print their new version which includes five different sections.



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Important Dates this Month

- June 3-5 Bonclarken Family Retreat
- June 5 - Worship, Children's Church
- June 7 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- June 11 - Women's Ministries Meet & Greet Luncheon
- June 12 - Worship, Children's Church & Puppet Show
Diaconate & Session Mtgs
- June 13 - Soup Nite
- June 13-17 - VBS
- June 14 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- June 19 - Worship & Children's Church
- June 21 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- June 22 - Congregational Covered Dish
- June 25 - Ladies' visit to Farmview Mkt
- June 26 - Worship & Children's Church
- June 27 - Soup Nite
- June 28 - Blood Drive
- June 28 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- July 3 - Worship, Communion & Children's Church
- July 4 - Independence Day
- July 5 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- July 10 - Worship & Children's Church
Covered Dish Luncheon
Diaconate & Session Mtgs
- July 11 - Soup Nite
- July 12 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- July 17 - Worship & Children's Church
- July 18 & 19 - Community Mission Trip
- July 19 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- July 20 - Family Day @ Urban Air
- July 22 - Ladies Nite In
- July 21 - Youth Day @ Six Flags
- July 24 - Worship & Children's Church
- July 25 - Soup Nite
- July 26 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- July 31 - Worship & Children's Church

From the Pastor

You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Romans 8:9-11 ESV

As believers in and followers of Jesus we all have received the Holy Spirit who lives within each and every one of us. In the passage cited above the Apostle Paul makes it quite obvious that if we're truly Christians then we have the Spirit within us. If the Spirit is not within us then, as he also states, we aren't Christians. His point is that the two, becoming a believer and having the indwelling Holy Spirit, go hand in hand.

June 5th is Pentecost Sunday in which we're to be reminded of the presence and power of God the Holy Spirit who lives within us as believers in and followers of Jesus. Several years ago, I preached a brief study of the person and work of the Holy Spirit and perhaps at some point in the coming years we'll look at it once again. However, I thought it would be good for us to be reminded of some of the work regarding what the Holy Spirit does in us.

1. The Holy Spirit Convicts Us of Sin – that is, He convinces us of our guilt before God so that we can grasp our need of Salvation.
2. The Holy Spirit Converts Us to Saints – that is, He applies the atonement of Jesus to us and enables to believe that we might be saved.
3. The Holy Spirit Certifies Us with Surety – that is, He becomes the down payment of God that secures and seals us for the day when salvation will fully come.
4. The Holy Spirit Counsels Us from Scripture – that is, He is the Author of Scripture and is the One through Whom that truth can be grasped.
5. The Holy Spirit Conforms Us through Sanctification – that is, He assists us in understanding those areas in our lives that need transformation and then enables us to live in holiness.
6. The Holy Spirit Consecrates Us for Service – that is, He has given us spiritual gifts to be used for the common good and empowers us for service to those around us.
7. The Holy Spirit Convinces Us of Salvation – that is, He bears witness with our spirits that we belong to God and that our salvation is real and our hope is not in vain.
8. The Holy Spirit Comforts Us in Sorrow – that is, He instills peace and confidence in our lives when we find ourselves having to face the struggles and difficulties of life.
9. The Holy Spirit Covers Us by Supplication – that is, He intercedes with words that we cannot even begin to grasp as He conveys the deepest desires of our hearts to God.
10. The Holy Spirit Commissions Us as Spokespersons – that is, He works in and through us as we live our lives in testimony to the world of the great and wondrous grace of God.

The life of the believer truly is an amazing journey. Is it any wonder the Apostle Paul could say with such confidence: *What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?*

(Romans 8:31, 32 ESV)

Pastor Mark

Highlands Women's Ministry



CULTIVATE YOUR JOURNEY WITH CHRIST

*"Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid, do not be discouraged.
The Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9*

Highlands Women's Ministry is delighted to host a meet and greet luncheon for all women in the Western Division of the ARP Second Presbytery. Please see invitation below and make your plans to join us and represent Highlands. This will be a unique opportunity to meet, learn from and grow in faith with women from other ARP Churches. A picnic lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by June 1st to the church office at highlandarp@gmail.com. Contact Vickie Fledderjohann with questions at vfledderjohann@gmail.com.

Women's Ministries of Second Presbytery Western Georgia Area

Join us for a meet and greet picnic lunch.

June 11, 2022 • 11:30 - 1:30

Highlands Presbyterian Church

830 Grayson Parkway

Grayson, GA

This is an opportunity to meet other ARP women from the Western Georgia Area and learn more about Women's Ministries in Second Presbytery. Seating is picnic benches, though you are welcome to bring your own lawn or camp chair.

Ladies Night IN

SAVE THE DATE

July 22, 2022

6:00 - 8:30 pm

*Trust us,
you will
enjoy this!*



In addition to the Second Presbytery picnic lunch, we are planning several fun Women's events for this summer.

On June 25th, join us for a Not-So-Secret Magical Mystery Tour to Farmview Market in Eatonton, GA. We will enjoy a delicious breakfast or lunch and shop for special, locally sourced items from their country store and Saturday open-air Farmers Market. We will meet at the church at 8:30 and should return before 3:00. Transportation will be provided.



YOUNG FAMILIES

MINISTRY



Join us for Worship!

Puppet Show



June 13 - 17
9:30-Noon

Jesus is the Son of God
who is able to forgive sins
and died in our place
and rose victoriously!
Will you follow Jesus?



We Love Vacation Bible School!
Hope to see you June 13-17!



Dear Youth,

We had a great month of Sunday School and Family Fellowship and have an exciting summer planned for the youth! We look forward to serving together and enjoying good fellowship this summer. Please be in prayer for the youth as they finish school, and especially for our two seniors Helen Tata and Edward Akins as they start their next adventures!

Thank you!
Pastor Chris





Children's Church

JUNE

5 Lynn Avitabile
12 Bonnie Hornby
19 Lyn Alimena
26 Corie Kuykendall

JULY

3 Bonnie Hornby
10 Lynn Avitabile
17 Lyn Alimena
27 Corie Kuykendall
31 Bonnie Hornby

Join Us for VBS



Highlands' 2022 Vacation Bible School "**Epic Explorers**" is approaching rapidly!! We will be exploring the life of Jesus in the book of Mark.

That said, we need the family of Highlands to come together to make this VBS happen from June 13th-17th from 9:30 to noon each day!

We need volunteers of all sorts: craft helpers to prep crafts and help the littler attendees, group leaders to walk our groups around from station to station, snack makers and helpers, Bible teachers, and scripture memory helpers.

Are you available to help the week of June 13th-17th? We need you!! If so, contact Corie Kuykendall at corieandrob@gmail.com or at (678)787-0863 and we will find a position for you. Or you can talk with Bonnie Hornby.

REGISTER ONLINE!

A banner for Urban Air Trampoline Park. At the top, it says "URBAN AIR TRAMPOLINE PARK" in white on a blue background, followed by "JULY 20 AT 4 PM" in white on a blue background. Below this is a photo of a young boy in a black t-shirt and dark pants performing a handstand on a yellow and orange trampoline structure. The text "GRAVITY IS OVERRATED" is written in large, blue, stylized letters across the middle of the photo. In the bottom left corner, there is a small logo that says "URBAN AIR TRAMPOLINE PARK".

URBAN AIR TRAMPOLINE PARK
JULY 20 AT 4 PM

GRAVITY IS OVERRATED

A banner for Bonclarken Family Retreat. The background is a scenic view of a forested mountain range under a cloudy sky. At the top center, there is a white logo consisting of three stylized evergreen trees. Below the logo, the text "BONCLARKEN" is written in large, white, bold, serif font. Underneath that, "• FAMILY RETREAT •" is written in a smaller, white, serif font. At the bottom, "June 3-5" is written in a large, white, cursive font.

BONCLARKEN
• FAMILY RETREAT •
June 3-5

A banner for Mission to C.A.R.E. The background is a top-down view of several people's hands stacked on top of each other in a circle, symbolizing teamwork. The text "MISSION TO C.A.R.E." is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif font across the top. Below it, the mission statement "Mission to have Compassion, to take Action, to build Relationships, and to Encourage one another." is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. At the bottom, "Local Mission Trip to our Community" and "July 18-19" are written in a white, sans-serif font.

MISSION TO C.A.R.E.
Mission to have Compassion, to take Action, to build Relationships, and to Encourage one another.
Local Mission Trip to our Community
July 18-19



MEETINGS

JUNE 12th - 11:30am

Diaconate - *Junior Classroom*

Session - *Fellowship Hall*

JULY 10th - 1:00pm

Diaconate - *Junior Classroom*

Session - *Fellowship Hall*





We are happy to welcome several new members who've joined our fold. Hazel Stephens joined Highlands recently, via transfer from Graystone. She works for the Gwinnett Board of Education, enjoys gardening, music, spending time with her friends, and going to the movies. Hazel has four grown children, Mechelle, Christopher, Michael and Amanda.



Liz and Stan Darmochwal came to us from Lake Wylie, SC. They now live in Grayson. Stan retired from TW Metals in Charlotte, NC, and enjoys woodworking. His favorite hymn and bible verse are "Great is Thy Faithfulness" and Matthew 22:34-40. Liz retired from Bristol Myers Squibb and likes crafts and puppy sitting their two dogs Cricket and Rusty. Her favorite verse is Romans 8:28, and hymns are "As the Deer" and "How Great Thou Art." They also like spending time camping, traveling and motorcycle riding. They have two grown sons, Daniel and Andrew (married to Christine), and two granddaughters Fiona and Iris. We're so pleased to see our church family grow!

**"THE LORD IS MY PORTION," SAYS MY SOUL,
"THEREFORE I WILL HOPE IN HIM."**

LAMENTATIONS 3:24

Hi All,

I cannot express the excitement we had in facing the challenges over this month's servings! We had decided at the last Board meeting to make all meals using Food Bank food items in the church's kitchen to adhere to our contract with them. Our first challenge was to make an Italian dish with pasta and lots of cheese and guess what.....? Jane found a recipe that allowed us to not have to cook pasta all afternoon. It called for the pasta to be cooked raw in a crock pot. Who knew??? and it turned out fantastic! Actually, we served 197 meals of it!!!! That's a lot of crock pots. We had two crews of volunteers, a morning crew to prep and an afternoon crew to serve. It was great! The second challenge was met too, as we made it through the day!

Our second serving in May was fish sandwiches with Spring veggies and we also had a Food Bank run to pick up more food items, in the rain!!! The first challenge was to not get wet. LOL. Bob had the truck covered in plastic drop cloths and the rain stopped so we could unload without getting wet. YAY! Next challenge was to cook 175 breaded fish burgers in the oven. Jane kept the oven going, timing and turning trays out. Veggies were cooked on the stove and we cleared out the freezer of frozen fish meals only to make room for 6 cases of ground beef for another Soup Nite. That was the second challenge. Done! We served 183 fish sandwich meals and we were extremely satisfied and tired!

The senior meal program has gone on without a hitch. Thank you to a couple of new volunteers, the meals were a lot easier to put together this month. We now bag up two meals with drinks and sides for each senior on each Monday and bring them over to the CoOp to deliver on Tuesdays. There are a total of 32 seniors each month who get two meals per month, a total of 64 meals. Then it starts fresh again the next month. If interested in helping with this part of the Soup Nite ministry, I would like this to have its own volunteers, separate from Soup Nite, so as to not burden one person with too much. A new challenge!!!!

In June, we have a Beanie Weenie meal planned on the first Soup Nite and a pasta salad dish on the last Soup Nite Monday. I will keep you posted. We will be down on volunteers from time to time over the summer because of vacations and travel but I know that the Lord will provide for us. It's always a blessing to see how God helps us meet these challenges and holds us to a greater standard to continue to serve nutritious meals to our community. Thank you so much for your continued willingness to serve and a heart for compassion and an extraordinary generous spirit.

In Christ,

Carrie



Highlands Presbyterian

Highlands Blood Drive June 28, 3pm - 7pm



American
Red Cross

Our May Blood Drive had challenges. While we had 20 slots available, only 15 were filled, and we were only able to finish up with 12 pints. But as the charge nurse told me, "That's more than we came with!"

Our next drive is scheduled for **June 28 from 3pm – 7pm**. The drive is already available for scheduling and we have 3 of the 24 slots filled. Visit www.redcrossblood.org, search for sponsor code "HPC" or zip code 30017 and find your place today!

Right now, The American Red Cross is experiencing a nationwide shortage of blood products, so much so that cancer patients are having treatments postponed and surgeries are being delayed.

If you haven't given in a while, or if you've never given, this is a great time to start! If you have any questions, please contact Betsy Whitson at 404-790-8936 or bjwhitson@bellsouth.net.



Church members enjoyed the Community Cookout on May 22nd. Everyone had a great time. The kids loved playing volleyball and on the waterslide!!



Prayer Items

- Pray for the families of those who lost children in the school shooting at Robb Elementary in Uvalde, Texas on May 24. Pray for the families of the 2 teachers who died as well.
- Hazel Stephens sends this update - *My Great Physician brought me thru my knee replacement surgery very well. I have a long way to go and I can't wait to be back to full force again. I'm doing well with walking and exercise and pain management. Ladies from Women's Ministry brought several days of dinners to see me and my daughter through this first week. I love my church family and each one of you are my new found brothers and sisters in Christ. So, until I see you in person, thank you for all the prayers and thoughts. Thank you, Pastor Mark and Bonnie, for your leadership and teacher of God's Word. See you all soon.*
- Bonnie Hornby sends this request - *Pastor Mark & I would appreciate your prayers for us. At my routine mammogram appointment, they found multiple spots that need further examination. I have a diagnostic mammogram and ultrasound scheduled for June 8. Please pray that God will grant us grace and peace. Thank you for praying for us!*
- Ozzie Ashe has been suffering with pain in his hips which has continued for several months. He's received multiple shots aimed at providing relief, but none have helped so far. It appears to be caused by arthritis, but they are also investigating for a bulging disc. The pain has greatly limited his mobility lately.
- Vickie Fledderjohann sends this update on her husband, Dean - *Dean's surgery to receive a pacemaker Vickie thanks her church family for praying and says it is what helped her through a stressful situation.*
- Temple Elam as he continues dialysis
- Bill Wright continues his rehab but is in a lot of pain still. Pray that his discomfort will end and the therapy will be effective
- Kaity Wright as she contemplates knee surgery
- Karen Akins' sister's surgery on May 2 to repair a blockage in her colon did not go as smoothly as hoped. She was readmitted to the hospital on Sunday night. Part of her bowel has collapsed and Karen and her father fear that Karen's sister is not getting the care she deserves. Pray that the doctor will be forthcoming with information and Karen's sister will begin to improve
- David Kearney, Barbara Fordham's son, had surgery recently

Praise Items

- Mary Ashe received relief once the infection in her mouth cleared up. Praises that her cancer markers and blood counts have continued to improve as well.
- Joyce Jones' procedure went well, and she does not need surgery. She had a follow-up appointment with her cardiologist on May 26.
- Michelle McCoy received results of her bone marrow biopsy from her hematologist. Everything was clear which is good news. The doctor also said that it appears her spleen is shrinking on its own, so no further tests are needed just now. They will watch and see what happens.

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 address.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

RESUMES AUGUST 7



SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAKFAST

AUGUST 7 AT 9AM

CELEBRATE THE STUDENTS
MOVING CLASSES!



COVERED DISH LUNCHEON

JULY 10

FOLLOWING WORSHIP

Highlands 2022 Operating Budget Update

April Gifts & Offerings	\$16,593.24
April Expenses	\$17,915.06
YTD Income	\$67,266.52
YTD Expenses	\$72,346.46



TITHE.LY

Summer is typically a time when giving slows down due to families being on vacation or on a different schedule. Please consider online giving at www.tithe.ly if you will be gone frequently this summer. Also remember that gifts to the Benevolence Fund are needed on a year-long basis as needs within the church family are on-going.

Church giving
should be easy!

WORSHIP WITH US
Sundays at 10am

June 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Yeluma Tata</i>	2 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Nyla Nkefor</i> <i>Anna Wimer</i>	3 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Robert Whittle</i> <i>Caralee Whittle</i>	4 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Erin Mueller</i> <i>Marian Wingfield</i>
					Bonclarken Family Retreat, June 3-5	
5 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Ron Wimer</i> 10am Worship & Children's Church <div style="background-color: #92d050; text-align: center; padding: 2px;"> Bonclarken </div>	6 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Ruthie Hunt</i> <i>Lea Whittle</i>	7 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Ricky Summers</i> Senior Meal Deliveries	8 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Elisabeth Badio</i>	9	10	11 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Matt Hunt</i> 11:30am Women's Ministries Meet & Greet Luncheon
12 10am Worship, Children's Church & Puppet Show 11:30am Diaconate & Session Meetings	13 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Trent Smith</i> 4-7pm Soup Nite	14 Senior Meal Deliveries	15 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Omekah</i> <i>Edmondson</i>	16	17 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Taylor Jacques</i>	18
	VBS - 9:30am to Noon, June 13 - 17					
19 10am Worship & Children's Church	20	21 Senior Meal Deliveries	22 6:30pm Congregational Covered Dish	23	24 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Lynn Avitabile</i>	25 8:30am Ladies' Magical Mystery Tour visit to Farmview Market
26 10am Worship & Children's Church	27 4-7pm Soup Nite	28 3-7pm Blood Drive Senior Meal Deliveries	29	30 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Rob Kuykendall</i>		

July 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Millie Kuykendall	2 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Edward Spiller
3 10am Worship, Communion & Children's Church	4 	5 Senior Meal Deliveries	6 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Carolyn Crook	7	8	9
10 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Lynsey Edmondson 10am Worship & Children's Church 11am Congregational Covered Dish Luncheon 1pm Diaconate & Session Meetings	11 4-7pm Soup Nite	12 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Phillip Wallace Senior Meal Deliveries	13 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Nathan Edmondson	14	15 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Marissa Spiller	16
17 10am Worship & Children's Church	18 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Alicia Avitabile Barak Badio Benji Badio Community Mission Trip	19 Senior Meal Deliveries	20 4pm Family Day at Urban Air Trampoline Park	21 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Liezl Spiller Youth Day at Six Flags Park	22 6-8:30pm Ladies' Night In	23
24 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Francina Akins Sal Macaluso 10am Worship & Children's Church	25 4-7pm Soup Nite	26 Senior Meal Deliveries	27 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Kaity Wright	28	29	30
31 <i>Happy Birthday</i> Joe Bath 10am Worship & Children's Church						

Highlands ARP Church

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 Associate Pastor: Chris McCoy
 Music Director: Bonnie Hornby
 Secretary: Betsy Whitson

Elders: 2022 Lee Hunt
 2022 Don Reinhardt
 2023 Charles Roberts
 2023 Jim Whitson
 2024 Bob Statham
 2025 Rob Kuykendall

Class of 2022

Omar Edmondson
 Phillip Wallace
 Betsy Whitson

Class of 2023

John Avitabile
 Fru Chifen
 Deron Smith

Class of 2024

Edward Spiller
 Gene Wade

Worship Times and Activities

Sunday: 9:00am Sunday School
 10:00am Worship
 11:30am Deacons' Meeting (2nd Sunday of the month)
 11:30am Session Meeting (3rd Sunday of the month)
 4:30pm Highlands Family Fellowship

*Weekly activities**

Monday: 4-7pm Soup Nite (2nd & 4th Mondays)
 Tuesday: 10:00am Ladies' Bible Study (2nd & 4th Tuesdays)
 Senior Meal Deliveries
 3-7pm Blood Drive (every other month)

**See calendar for scheduled events or cancellations.*

Ushers for June & July:

June 5 Omar Edmundson, Don Reinhardt, Bob Statham, Phillip Wallace
June 12 Lee Hunt, Deron Smith, Edward Spiller, Gene Wade
June 19 John Avitabile, Rob Kuykendall, Charles Roberts, Jim Whitson
June 26 Omar Edmundson, Don Reinhardt, Bob Statham, Phillip Wallace

July 3 Lee Hunt, Deron Smith, Edward Spiller, Gene Wade
July 10 John Avitabile, Rob Kuykendall, Charles Roberts, Jim Whitson
July 17 Omar Edmundson, Don Reinhardt, Bob Statham, Phillip Wallace
July 24 Lee Hunt, Deron Smith, Edward Spiller, Gene Wade



Please remember to wear your name tags at church each Sunday. They are located in the hallway just past the youth rooms. It helps those of us who need a gentle reminder of each other's names! When leaving after worship, just place your nametag in the clear boxes on the table – someone will return the tags to their rightful location.

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June & July 2022 Newsletter

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