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Highland Highlight







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Important Dates this Month

•	Aug 2 -	Senior	Meal	Del	iveries
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- Aug 7 Sunday Breakfast Worship, Children's Church
- Aug 8 Soup Nite
- Aug 9 Senior Meal Deliveries
- Aug 14 Sunday School
 Worship & Children's Church
 Puppet Show
 Diaconate Meeting
- Aug 16 Senior Meal Deliveries
- Aug 21 Sunday School
 Worship & Children's Church
 Session Meeting
- Aug 22 Soup Nite
- Aug 23 Senior Meal Deliveries
- Aug 26 Movie Night
- Aug 28 Sunday School
 Worship & Children's Church
 Youth & Young Families'
 Splash Party

Aug 30 - Senior Meal Deliveries

From the Pastor

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

(Ephesians 6:11 ESV)

Some time ago, I came across an article by Syndicated Columnist Paul Harvey that I thought I would like to share with you. He titled it "If I were the Devil"

"If I Were the Devil . . . "

I would gain control of the most powerful nation in the world.

I would delude their minds into thinking that they had come from man's effort, instead of God's blessings.

I would promote an attitude of loving things and using people, instead of the other way around.

I would dupe entire states into relying on gambling for their state revenue.

I would convince people that character is not an issue when it comes to leadership.

I would make it legal to take the life of unborn babies.

I would make it socially acceptable to take one's own life and make it convenient.

I would cheapen human life as much as possible so that the life of animals are valued more than human beings.

I would take God out of the schools, where even the mention of His name was grounds for a lawsuit.

I would come up with drugs that sedate the mind and target the young, and I would get sports heroes to advertise them.

I would get control of the media, so that every night I could pollute the mind of every family member for my agenda.

I would attack the family, the backbone of the nation.

I would make divorce acceptable and easy, even fashionable. If the family crumbles, so does the nation.

I would compel people to express their most deprived fantasies on canvas and movie screens and I would call it art.

I would convince the world that people are born homosexuals and that their lifestyles should be accepted and marveled.

I would convince the people that right and wrong are determined by a few who call themselves authorities and refer to their agenda as politically correct.

I would persuade people that the Church is irrelevant and out of date, and the Bible is for the naive.

I would dull the minds of Christians and make them believe that prayer is not important and that faithfulness and obedience are optional.

I guess I would leave things pretty much the way they are.

As believers, we need to stand firm upon the Word of God, knowing it and living it every day as they alone will make us wise to the Devil's schemes.

Paston 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



Praise God for a fabulous summer that gave us an opportunity to spend quality time with our families, to grow in faith with other women and enjoy the bounty that God generously provides.

On June 11th Highlands Women's Ministry partnered with Peachtree Corners Women's Ministry team to host a meet and greet luncheon for all women in the Western Division of the ARP Second Presbytery. About 20 ladies representing Highlands and Peachtree Corners attended, enjoying a festive picnic lunch. Jana Evans of Peachtree Corners presented information on Women's Ministry in the Western Division and how we can all work together to advance the kingdom of Christ. We all look forward to joining together for events in the future.

On June 25th, we took a different approach to our Magical Mystery Tours and told everyone what our destination would be in advance. After gathering at the church, we traveled to Farmview Market in Eatonton, GA. We shopped in the Saturday only, open-air farmers market for fresh produce and unique gift items before having lunch in the Farmview Market cafeteria. After lunch we did a little more shopping inside Farmview's special grocery and butcher shop. We had a great time and will keep this location on our list for future visits. For more information on Farmview go to www.Farmviewmarket.com.

Our last summer event was Ladies Night In featuring Salads, Desserts and Games on July 22nd. Fifteen of us came together for one of the best nights of fellowship and fun we've had. We enjoyed being with old friends and especially meeting a few new ones. Carol Streng presented a moving devotional and Vickie Fledderjohann led a spirited trivia game based on movies from the 50's to the present. Thanks to all that attended and made this a success!











Macaluso Painting Workshop, Magical Mystery Tours and More! Oh, My!

Women's Ministry will host a brunch to launch activities planned for the fall (including a painting class led by Carrie Macaluso, Magical Mystery Tours, Holiday activities) and introduce our next Bible study "Jordan River Rules". More information on date and time will be sent out in The Friday news and by text and email.



Celebrate moving up in Sunday School



Join us for brekfast August 7 at 9am!



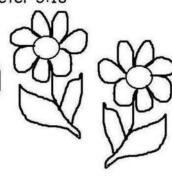


at Family Fellowship
Sundays at 4:30pm
Resumes September 11





But Grow in Grace and in the Knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ 2 Peter 3:18











Dear Youth,

The summer was great for our youth group! The youth served at VBS and did a wonderful job helping out! Our local mission trip went very well. On the first day, we cleaned the church kitchen for soup nite, unloaded and sorted an order from the food bank, made birdhouses and cards for the shut-ins, and organized the attic. On the second day we helped a church family with some projects around their house. I was very grateful for the youth that came and helped. They had wonderful attitudes and it was great to see them serving others. We also had a lot of fun - with a trip to Urban Air for our young families and a youth trip to Six Flags.

I am looking forward to the start of the new school year and getting back into the gospel of Mark during Sunday school, and meeting together to talk, study, and fellowship during Sunday Night Family Fellowship. Please be in prayer for all of our youth as they start school and as church activities resume!

Thank you! Pastor Chris





















































Congregational Care

The Congregational Care continues to work to provide fellowship opportunities for Highlands' members and friends. Our June 22nd dinner was lots of fun even though, with illness and vacations, we only had about 20 attend. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship and good food!

Our July 10th luncheon after worship was well-attended with about 45 people staying after worship to enjoy some delicious home-made

items. The Diaconate meeting got a late start due to many of the officers staying to eat first. Highlanders are always up for a good meal!

Highlands goes to the movies!

Friday, August 26 at 6:30pm

Join us on Friday, August 26 as we kick off our fall activities with the movie "Me, Again" starring David A. R. White, Bruce McGill and featuring Della Reese. PureFlix Entertainment, producer, says about the film – "Frustrated, deeply dissatisfied and burned out, Pastor Chaplin prays to have a different life. Much to his consternation (and in resemblance to his favorite TV show, Quantum Leap), his "request" is granted. Now he finds himself living the lives of many other, all living about in his town, and wishing this nightmare would end."

We'll gather at 6:30pm for pizza and movie snacks – the film will start about 7pm. Running about 100 minutes, we'll finish up our evening before 9:00pm. Watch your inbox for an evite and RSVP – we don't want to run out of pizzas or popcorn!



EPIC FUN at VBS!

This year Highlands Vacation Bible School was "Epic Explorers" during the week of June 13-17, from 9:30 to noon each day. The children who attended each day heard the truth of God's Word from the book of Mark!

Every year VBS is an amazing outreach event for our church, and God never fails to amaze us at His goodness. Each day we met for opening and worshipped God. Then the 3 different groups rotated between 4 stations: Bible story, craft, snack, and outside recreation. Then back together for closing. I had the amazing opportunity to teach the Bible story each day, and it was awesome to see the children engaged and interested in hearing about what Mark wrote about Jesus.



That said, there are so many people to thank! Many thanks to the youth who came each day to serve: Edward Akins, Azalae Akins, Francina Akins, Nate Edmondson, Mia Nkefor, Andrew Smith, Marissa Spiller, and Ethan Spiller! Some helped supervise the groups as they traveled from station to station, some led rec (it was HOT outside), some helped with crafts, and some led worship. They were a huge help and a blessing to the children who attended! Thanks to craft leaders Rachel Bratley and Carol Streng who served with smiles and laughs each day! Thanks to snack leader Andrea Eklund who makes snack time fun! Thanks to Lyn Alimena who supervised and loved on the youngest class! Thanks to Bonnie Hornby for organizing the schedule, putting together the worship playlists and videos for opening and closing, planning the crafts, etc! Bonnie constantly turns what little she has into abundance. Thanks to Michelle McCoy for help with online registration! Thanks to Karen and Deborah Akins who each came and served as needed!

God provided what we needed each day. I sure hope I haven't forgotten anyone and I sincerely apologize if I did. We truly could not have made the week happen without each and every one of our wonderful volunteers!! Thanks to the congregation for your support and prayers!

VBS EXPLORERS













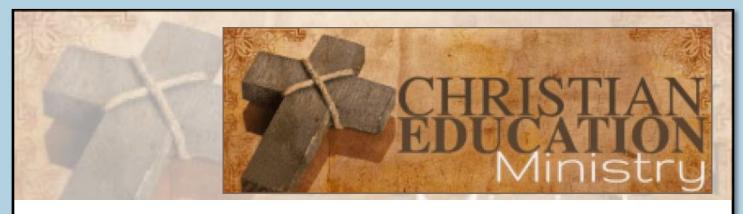












Highlands' Brothers and Sisters, we have finished a year of Christian Ed and are ready for a new year. Thanks to Corie and Rob Kuykendall, Bonnie Hornby, Dennis Bennett and Sal Macaluso for your diligent and important contributions to Highlands' Christian Education.

- 1. This Fall at the August 7 breakfast gathering, Dennis Bennett will give a 10 minute intro to a long-term study on 1 Corinthians.
- 2. Other studies are also under consideration and any suggestions or teachings that you would like us to consider please let me know.
- 3. Finally, we need substitute and fill-in primary school and preschool helpers and teachers from time to time.

Prayerfully consider bring an active part of teaching or helping in any way that you can or feel led. God's Blessings be with you, now and always.

In Christ's love, Don Reinhardt





HIGHLANDS BENEVOLENCE FUND POLICY

Galatians 6:10 states "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." This verse forms the basis for Highlands' Benevolence Fund, administered by a team of 3 deacons and assisted by an elder.

Members of Highlands ARP Church are encouraged to give freely and generously to assist in maintaining

"I tell you the truth,
whatever you did for one of
the least of these brothers and
sisters of mine,
you did for
NIE"

a healthy balance in the fund. Any gift should be over and above the tithe. Any amount, small or large, is beneficial in helping the Benevolence Team have the funds ready when an emergency arises.

We have had several requests over the past year and look to Highlands' members to build this valuable fund back to a good balance. Simply mark your check "Benevolence" and it will be allocated to the correct funds.

You can read the entire policy document on the Members' page of the website or by requesting a copy from the office.

Be Joyful in hope Patient in affliction Faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

Prayer Items

- Please continue in prayer for Omar and Sharon Edmondson and their family
 with the recent loss of their grandson, Aris Tyler. They are back home in Monroe. A
 funeral service is planned for Friday, August 12 at 11am in Athens, with visitation
 preceding (location to follow). Burial will be in Monroe, GA. Continue to pray that
 the Lord will comfort and strengthen them.
- It seems that COVID has returned please pray for those in our congregation who has been recently diagnosed after family celebrations.
- Continue to pray for those who are recovering from surgery or who have continuing health issues.
- Pray for our country and its leaders.

Please send prayer requests to

highlandarp@gmail.com



Highlands Blood Drive CANCELLED

The Red Cross has made a decision to cancel the August 30 blood drive at Highlands due, in part, to our low collection rate. This does not eliminate the need for blood every day – you are encouraged to find a drive close by and donate that week if possible. We do not know yet what the status of the November 1 drive is – stay tuned!

Thanks to all who have participated in Highlands' blood drives in the past. Over the past 4 years, we have collected 343 pints of whole blood which have gone to over a dozen different area hospitals. We have made a difference in the lives of hundreds of families. Thank you for your participation.

Soup Nite

Will be back
August 8th with
COWBOY LASAGNA!





August 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT				
	1	2 Senior Meal Deliveries	3	4	5 Happy Birthday Faith Wallace	6 Happy Birthday Ajavon Tarpeh				
7 Happy Birthday Ethan Spiller 9am Sunday Breakfast 10am Worship & Children's Church	8 4-7pm Soup Nite	9 Senior Meal Deliveries	10	11	12	13 Happy Birthday Jerita Hunt Bobby Rice				
14 9am Sunday School 10am Worship, Children's Church & Puppet Show 11:30am Diaconate Mtg	15 Happy Birthday Temple Elam	16 Happy Birthday Lena Tata Senior Meal Deliveries	17	18	19 Happy Birthday Karen Caughman	20 Happy Birthday Bob Statham				
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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 2022Class of 2023Omar EdmondsonJohn AvitabilePhillip WallaceFru ChifenBetsy WhitsonDeron 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

Ushers for August:

Aug 7 Omar Edmundson, Don Reinhardt, Bob Statham
Aug 14 Lee Hunt, Deron Smith, Edward Spiller, Gene Wade

Aug 21 Rob Kuykendall, Charles Roberts, Jim Whitson, Phillip Wallace

Aug 28 Omar Edmundson, Don Reinhardt, Bob Statham



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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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

^{*}See calendar for scheduled events or cancellations.