

Highlands Highlights



call for NOMINATIONS

The HPC Officer Nomination process will begin in September. During this year’s process, we can nominate up to four (4) Deacons and two (2) Elders. Elected Deacons will serve through 2025 and elected Elders will serve through 2026. The Session will be collecting nominations throughout September. Nomination forms (for Deacon and Elder separately) will contain the list of eligible nominees with respective summarized qualifications for each office and will be available in the Narthex.

Each official member of HPC may submit one nomination form for each office. Please carefully review each office’s qualifications before submitting your nominations. You are also encouraged to contact the nominee **before** submitting his/her name to determine the nominee’s **willingness to serve**. Using submitted nominations, the Session will develop a slate of officer nominees that will be submitted for election in a December Congregational Meeting.

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Important Dates this Month

- Sept 4 - Sunday School
Worship & Children’s Church
- Sept 5 - Labor Day
- Sept 6 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- Sept 11 - Sunday School
Worship & Children’s Church
Puppet Show
Diaconate Meeting
Family Fellowship & Youth
Grandparents’ Day
- Sept 12 - Soup Nite
- Sept 13 - Senior Meal Deliveries
Ladies’ Bible Study
- Sept 18 - Sunday School
Worship & Children’s Church
Session Meeting
Family Fellowship & Youth
- Sept 20 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- Sept 21 - Covered Dish Dinner &
Bible Study
- Sept 25 - Sunday School
Worship & Children’s Church
Family Fellowship & Youth
- Sept 26 - Soup Nite 10th Anniversary
- Sept 27 - Senior Meal Deliveries
Ladies’ Bible Study
- Sept 30 - Painting with Carrie



From the Pastor

"You do not have because you do not ask. When you do ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives."

(James 4:2b-3b NIV)

We all know that it is the Lord who builds his church. But we must also realize that God never does anything in a vacuum. As he grows his church, he uses very ordinary instruments, people like you and me, to carry out his plans.

One of the ways in which God uses us in establishing his church is found in the practice of prayer. Now I can't explain it or even begin to understand it, but I know that in some way God uses the prayers of his people to accomplish his work.

James tells us that we don't receive because we don't ask. Now, in context, he's talking about the desires of our lives and how we can fight with others over what we want to obtain or see happen. Instead, he tells us to ask the Lord, to spend time in prayer for what we desire to see accomplished. In other words, if we really desire to see Highlands grow, we need to spend time in prayer, asking God to accomplish the task.

I believe that all of us want to see Highlands grow and become a pillar of the good news of Jesus Christ in Grayson. We all want to see the sanctuary filled with people who love Christ and also love each other. We all want to see new believers being brought into the family of God; their eternal state secured in Christ. But this won't happen unless we pray.

However, it's not just any prayer that we must offer unto God. When we pray, we must also ask with the right motives. It would be so easy to slip into selfish prayer, seeking to satisfy some craving that is within us to have the largest and best church in town, making us feel good about ourselves and about the church. That's not asking with right motives.

When we pray, our prayers must always be such that God would be honored and glorified in what we are asking. We should never ask for selfish motives, or for such as to satisfy our own pleasures, but only for those things that we know would be honoring to our Lord.

Jesus has promised to build his church and we'd certainly like to see that continue to happen at Highlands, but he often waits until we begin to earnestly seek him in prayer. Our passion to see Highlands grow may well be measured by how earnestly and diligently we pray.

Are you praying for Highlands? Join with me in daily prayer that God will bless us and grow us into a church that will always seek to honor him.

Pastor Mark



2022-2023 Bible Verse – 2 Peter 3:18

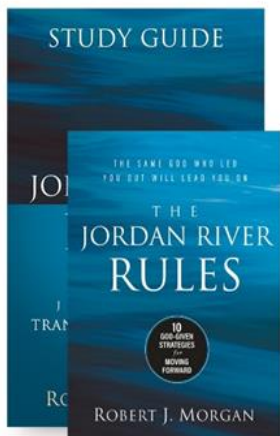
We have adopted a new bible verse for the coming year. Please prayerfully consider how this verse can help you grow in faith this year:

- What burdens do you need to surrender to God?
- What are you grateful for today? Count your blessings!
- What is God speaking to you through 2 Peter 3:18?

Grow in the
grace and
knowledge of our
LORD &
SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.
To him be glory
both now and forever! Amen.

2 Peter 3:18

Jordan River Rules Fall Bible Study



The *Jordan River Rules* reminds us that the same God who led you out of trouble will lead you on to triumph! *Jordan River Rules* follows *Red Sea Rules* with 10 God-given strategies for moving forward. God intends for you to go forward. Everything so far in your life - including your Red Sea moments of crisis - is simply God's preparation for stronger days ahead. Now it's time to move onward toward all the promises He has given you - the Promised Land of a rewarding future. The same God who led you out will lead you on.

Please join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month as we learn together how to move forward with God. Our first lesson is September 13th at 10:00 am. Lunch will be provided after the lesson. The cost of study materials is \$10.

Paint with Carrie!

Friday, September 30th at 6:00 pm

The very talented Carrie Macaluso will lead us in creating our very own masterpieces! All materials will be provided but there will be a small fee to offset the cost of these. Please come prepared to have a unique experience and wonderful time! Family and friends are welcome. Please RSVP to Faith Wallace or Betsy Whitson by Tuesday, September 27th so we can have supplies for everyone.



Ladies Bible Study

JOIN US FOR OUR FALL STUDY:
THE JORDAN RIVER RULES



YOU'RE INVITED TO FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

KINGDOM CUBS

Resumes Sept. 11

4 - 5:30PM





YOUNG FAMILIES MINISTRY

Join us for
Worship
Sundays
at 10am



Puppet Show



Sept 11 during Worship



*Celebrating
with Soup Nite*

10 Years



**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

Join us each week at 9am!

FAMILY FELLOWSHIP
Sunday Afternoons at 4:30pm

KINGDOM CUBS

2022 Study: Lead Me to Zion
Teaching Covenant Theology
to Covenant Children



SEPTEMBER

Children's Church



4
11
18
25

Bonnie Hornby
Lyn Alimena
Corie Kuykendall
Bonnie Hornby

**BE STILL AND KNOW
THAT I AM GOD.**

PSALM 46:10

Sunday School
every week at 9am





YOUTH GROUP

SEPT. 11 AT 4:30PM

Dear Youth,

I want to invite all of our middle and high school students to attend Sunday School at 9AM every Sunday morning. Sunday School is a time where we can dig deep into God's word together. It's a great place to learn more about our God and how he has called us to live as Christians. We are currently studying the Gospel of Mark together, taking it verse by verse and learning to discern what the Bible is teaching us.

I also want to invite you to Youth Group on Sunday evenings at 4:30PM beginning September 11. It will be great to be together on the Lord's day and to have the time to talk and learn together. We are continuing Sunday Family Fellowship this fall. This will begin with a time of singing all together and after this we will break up into the adult, youth, and children's groups. In youth group this year we will be doing a study called Thread: Discovering the Thread of the Gospel Through the Big-Picture Story of the Bible. This study helps to trace the gospel through the narrative of the Bible and live out the gospel in their lives.

Please continue to pray for the students as they get into the rhythms of school and work and that our studies this school year would help them to grow in their relationship with the Lord.

Thank you!
Pastor Chris



Congregational Care

Highlands went to the movies! On Friday, August 26, 18 folks braved the football traffic and came out to enjoy food and fellowship. The pizzas arrived shortly after Brookwood football had picked up their 60 boxes and we enjoyed pizza and soft drinks before settling in to the movie "Me Again". Our resident popcorn wizards, AKA Cindy and Dennis, brought regular popcorn with several different toppings and a big batch of caramel corn. With the sodas and candy, you would have thought we were at AMC. In spite of a few glitches, everyone had a good time and we'll schedule another one – just not on a home football night.

On Wednesday, September 21st, right before Dennis Bennett begins his semimonthly Bible study, we'll gather for a covered dish supper – similar to the one we had in June. We'll meet at 6pm when everyone brings a large dish to share and finish up by 7pm, in time for the Bible study to start. Drinks will be provided. Everyone is encouraged to attend both – for fellowship and God's Word. It doesn't get much better than that.

SAVE THE DATE

Christmas Dinner

December 11th at 6:00 pm

Reservations will be strongly encouraged as Eagle's Landing will be catering our dinner.





Join Us!
Wednesday, September 21
Covered Dish Dinner
at 6:00 pm
&
Bible Study
at 7:00 pm

New Evening Bible Study Begins Sept. 21

STUDIES IN THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Every first and third Wednesday night Highlands we'll be gathering in the fellowship hall for a time of worship, prayer, and Bible study led by Dennis Bennett. We will be doing a topical study through John. John wrote his gospel to prove Jesus is the Son of God. We will be looking at the many ways John does this, such as Jesus' miracles (water into wine - can we do that?), what He calls Himself (Bread of Life), His teaching everyone from street people to religious leaders to government officials, and **much** more.

We will be meeting from 7:00-8:00 pm. However, the first night we will gather to enjoy a feast together beginning at 6:00 pm.

If you are unable to come and meet in person, you will be able to join us through Zoom (except for the meal 😊). More details of the dinner and Zoom will be coming soon.



Monthly Meetings

Sept. 11th - 11:30am

DIACONATE

Fellowship Hall

Sept. 18th - 11:30am

SESSION

Fellowship Hall



Let's study the Gospel of Mark together

Sundays at 9am



Worship with us

SUNDAYS AT 10AM



Family Fellowship



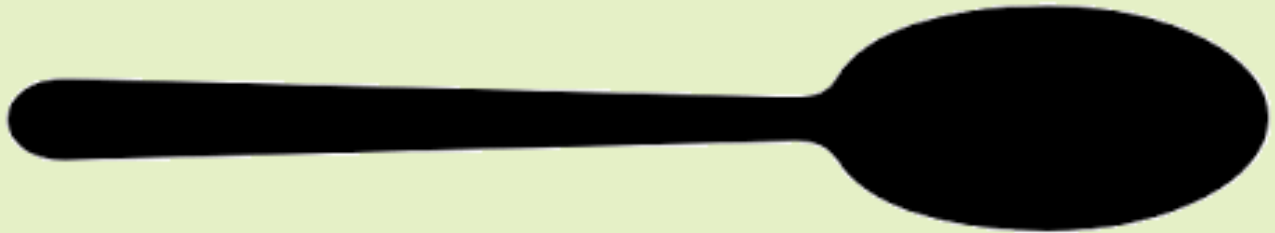
Adult Bible Study
Sundays at 4:30pm

RESTORING OUR JOY

Philippians: The Epistle of Joy

"Rejoice in the Lord always;
again I will say, rejoice."

Philippians 4:4 ESV



Hi All,

We are back serving and phew... it was a whirlwind. Our first serving was Cowboy Lasagna on August 8th. Jane found this fantastic recipe using tortillas as the layering part such as the lasagna noodles. She and Corie put together all 19 trays in the morning and we gave away 201 meals by 6pm. We have decided that when our food runs out, we close the kitchen. So, it was a very busy evening and thank you to all our volunteers. You were missed!

On our second Soup Nite, we served Chili Dogs, Chips and Brownies. Jane and her kitchen team rocked it! The serving lines ran smoothly and once again we served 200+. We are blessed.

The senior meal deliveries are going nicely. Each week we make two meals for each senior on the route. As the CoOp puts it, It's such a treat for them. It's a treat for us too!

Our September Soup Nites are on the 12th and we are serving Chicken Parmesan and on the 26th, which will be our 10th Anniversary Celebration. Stay tuned for party info. Woohoo!

Thank you for these years of continued service to our Lord and community.

In Christ,
Carrie



Highlands Presbyterian



Prayer Items

- Rachel Bratley's nephew, Chris, surgery went well. The surgeon said that masses such as his are almost always benign. Pray that the results show that.
- Omar and Sharon Edmondson and their family with the recent loss of their grandson, Airis.
- Lee Ragas' granddaughter, Meghan, is back home after her colon surgery and awaiting the pathology results.
- Barbara Fordham's sons, David and Brian, as they deal with difficult health conditions.
- Gail Holland as she recovers from gallbladder surgery.
- Those in our congregation who are dealing with chronic health conditions.
- Those in our congregation who are suffering from COVID-19 infections.

Praise Items

- Praise for the recent scan reports for Mary Ashe. Her cancer has not spread and appears to be contained for the time being, so she will continue with her current treatment plans and physical therapy, which is helping her mobility and balance. While she continues to fight infections in her jaw, due to one of her medications (which has been discontinued), the doctor assures her it is not serious and they will continue treating it with antibiotics as needed. Prayers have been greatly appreciated and felt!

Please send any prayer requests to

highlandarp@gmail.com

***Support those in need by donating
to the Benevolence fund!***



Highlands 2022 Operating Budget Update

August Gifts & Offerings	\$ 18,236.50
August Expenses	\$ 19,750.29
YTD Income	\$140,869.99
YTD Expenses	\$148,677.87



September 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 <i>Happy Birthday Jan Wingfield</i>	2	3
4 <i>Happy Birthday Hansen Nkefor</i> 9am Sunday School 10am Worship & Children's Church	5 	6 <i>Happy Birthday Emma Caughman Paul McInnish Zachary Summers</i> Senior Meal Deliveries	7	8	9	10
11 9am Sunday School 10am Worship, Children's Church & Puppet Show 11:30am Diaconate Mtg 4:30pm Family Fellowship & Youth Group Grandparents' Day	12 <i>Happy Birthday Jackie Keoho</i> 4-7pm Soup Nite	13 Senior Meal Deliveries 10am Ladies' Bible Study	14	15	16 <i>Happy Birthday Gus Bartenfeld</i>	17 <i>Happy Birthday Margot Lusby</i>
18 9am Sunday School 10am Worship & Children's Church 11:30am Session Mtg 4:30pm Family Fellowship & Youth Group	19 <i>Happy Birthday Dennis Bennett</i>	20 <i>Happy Birthday Sonja Woodham</i> Senior Meal Deliveries	21 6pm Covered Dish Dinner 7pm Bible Study	22 <i>Happy Birthday Stephen Raubenstine</i>	23 <i>Happy Birthday Linda Chesney</i>	24
25 9am Sunday School 10am Worship & Children's Church 4:30pm Family Fellowship & Youth Group	26 4-7pm Soup Nite 10th Anniversary	27 <i>Happy Birthday Malaika Tata</i> Senior Meal Deliveries 10am Ladies' Bible Study	28	29 <i>Happy Birthday Jim Whitson</i>	30 6pm Painting with Carrie	

Highlands ARP Church

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Pastor: Mark Hornby
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

Deacons:

<u>Class of 2022</u>	<u>Class of 2023</u>
Omar Edmondson	John Avitabile
Phillip Wallace	Fru Chifen
Betsy Whitson	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

**See calendar for scheduled events or cancellations.*

Ushers for the month:

Week 1 Omar Edmundson, Don Reinhardt, Bob Statham, Phillip Wallace
Week 2 Lee Hunt, Deron Smith, Edward Spiller, Gene Wade
Week 3 John Avitabile, Rob Kuykendall, Charles Roberts, Jim Whitson



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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September 2022 Newsletter

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