

Highlands Highlights



Join us For a Thanksgiving Breakfast! Sunday November 20 at 9am

God has blessed us in so many ways, and we all have so much to be thankful for! This is a great time to get together with your church family to think back over the year, and give thanks to the Lord.

Highlands has been giving thanks to God with a Thanksgiving breakfast for almost a century! It began in 1932, and was started by Ernest Bell to raise money for the Youth. This was during the depression when money was tight. Ernest had arranged for the pancake mix, sausage and syrup when he suddenly died at the age of 42. With Thanksgiving approaching his family thought it would be appropriate to have the breakfast on Thanksgiving morning as a memorial for Ernest. The tradition has continued now for 90 years.

The Bell family still try to join us every year and help provide the supplies for the pancake breakfast. This year the Thanksgiving Breakfast will be on Sunday morning, November 20 at 9:00AM. The men of the church help the youth by cooking and the youth eagerly serve up the piping hot pancakes and sausage.

The money raised for the Youth at the breakfast helps fund all the Youth Group activities for the year. So your support will help send the kids to the retreats at Bonclarken, support their mission trip, and other activities during the year. Thank you for considering a gift to the Youth this year! Hope to see you at Thanksgiving Breakfast!



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Important Dates this Month

- Nov 1 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- Nov 2 - Bible Study
- Nov 5 - Finance Team Meeting
- Nov 6 - Sunday School
Worship & Children's Church
Fellowship Dinner
Puppet Show
Covered Dish Lunch
Family Fellowship—Missions
- Nov 8 - Senior Meal Deliveries
Ladies' Bible Study
- Nov 10 - Magical Mystery Tour
- Nov 11 - Veterans Day
- Nov 13 - Sunday School
Worship & Children's Church
Diaconate Meeting
NO Family Fellowship & Youth
- Nov 14 - Soup Nite
- Nov 15 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- Nov 16 - Bible Study
- Nov 20 - Thanksgiving Breakfast
Worship & Children's Church
Decorate for Advent
- Nov 22 - Senior Meal Deliveries
- Nov 24 - Thanksgiving Day
- Nov 27 - Sunday School
Worship & Children's Church
Session Meeting
NO Family Fellowship & Youth
- Nov 28 - Soup Nite
- Nov 29 - Senior Meal Deliveries
Ladies' Bible Study

From the Pastor

“Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.” (Psalm 106:1 NIV)

It's hard to believe but God has blessed me with 20 years of ministry here at Highlands. Since it is Thanksgiving, I thought I might like to encourage you with 20 things for which you can give thanks to the Lord with me for all the blessings that He has poured out at Highlands over the years.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for an amazing church family that loves the Lord.
2. Give thanks to the Lord for Elders and Deacons that are faithful to the Lord and to Highlands.
3. Give thanks to the Lord for Sunday School teachers that are so committed and faithful to the Lord and to Highlands.
4. Give thanks to the Lord for Ministry Teams that have helped Highlands thrive and flourish.
5. Give thanks to the Lord for our Worship. Worship that comes from the heart and done in spirit and truth. Worship that honors and glorifies God.
6. Give thanks to the Lord for all the Christian Education opportunities that are at Highlands. Give thanks for the Bible Studies, Sunday School, VBS, and the Communicant's Class.
7. Give thanks to the Lord for the Missionaries that Highlands directly supports and the message of the gospel that goes forth each week here at Highlands, in our community, and around the world.
8. Give thanks to the Lord for our beautiful church building that is so suited to ministry here in our community.
9. Give thanks to the Lord for our church treasurer and bookkeeper as well as the elders and deacons who wisely keep our finances in order, and exercise good stewardship with all of God's blessings.
10. Give thanks to the Lord for the special fellowship dinners and other fellowship times we enjoy at Highlands.
11. Give thanks to the Lord for the outreach activities at Highlands, especially for the 10 years of faithful service at Soup Nite.

12. Give thanks to the Lord for all the people who work behind the scenes to provide all that we need to keep the ministries at Highlands working at their very best.
13. Give thanks to the Lord for the Highlands Men's Association that has done so many things over the years to help Highlands glorify God.
14. Give thanks to the Lord for the Women's Ministries and all that the ladies do to help make Highlands such a wonderful place to come together to serve the Lord.
15. Give thanks to the Lord for the opportunities to use our gifts to serve the Lord here at Highlands.
16. Give thanks to the Lord for the way He has used Highlands to bless and enrich our families.
17. Give thanks to the Lord for a church family that will hold you accountable so that you can be all that God wants you to be.
18. Give thanks to the Lord for a church family that will be with you in the struggles of life and pray for you and comfort and encourage you.
19. Give thanks to the Lord for a church family that will rejoice with you and celebrate the amazing things God does for each of us, even celebrating 20 years with their pastor.
20. Give thanks to the Lord for a Thanksgiving Breakfast to help us remember to always give thanks to the Lord!

This November, I challenge you to give thanks to the Lord over and over. Don't stop at just these 20 things but be amazed and in awe of all God has done for us and for Highlands!

Pastor Mark

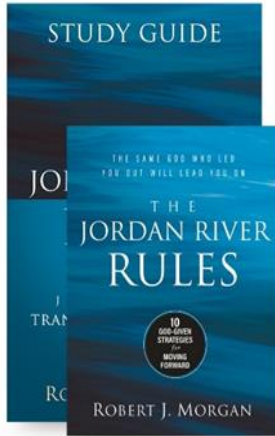




Highlands Women's Ministry

CULTIVATE YOUR JOURNEY WITH CHRIST

Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen!
~ 2 Peter 3:18



Jordan River Rules

Fall Bible Study

Please join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month as we learn together how to move forward with God.

Nov 8th Chapter 6 - Prepare Today for Tomorrow's Wonders
Chapter 7 - Trust God to Turn Problems into Pathways

Nov 29th Chapter 8 - Build a Monument

See Betsy Whitson if you need the book and study guide - we still have a few copies left!

SAVE THE DATE!

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10th

Magical Mystery Destination Tour

Join us for a magical tour! The destination is a mystery, and the “magic” of building deeper friendships while having fun is the goal! We will meet at the church, and “tour bus” to our destination. Look in the Friday News for additional information. Emails and texts will also be sent out with specific details. Contact Betsy Whitson if you have any questions.



Chili Dinner on a chilly night!



YOUNG FAMILIES MINISTRY

Hope to see you at
Sunday School & Worship



Puppet Show on Nov 6 at 10am



Please join us for a
pancake
breakfast



November 20 at 9am

Can you please help decorate for
Advent on Nov. 20 at 9:30pm?



**PIZZA PARTY
DINNER**

**GAMES, CRAFTS,
MUSIC, & MORE**

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

FREE

DEC 2

5:30 - 8:00 PM

REGISTER ONLINE

WWW.HIGHLANDSARP.ORG/PNO

Can you help with Parent's Night Out?

Sign up to help this Sunday! Sign up sheet is by the name tags!

Thanks so much! - Bonnie

Children's Nativity Program

December 4 at 4:30





Thank you so much for all the candy donations! Trunk or Treat was a great success! The damp rain and cold sent us into the fellowship hall, but it turned out even better to be warm and dry! Even the community visitors came and enjoyed the fun inside! Thanks to all the volunteers who hosted games, and handed out candy to all the excited children who attended! The bounce house inside was enjoyed by all the children! Surprisingly, the huge scary dinosaur turned out to be the favorite for all the little ones, and the dinosaur chased them all til they giggled and laughed! Thanks again, for a wonderful outreach event! - Bonnie Hornby



Thank
you!



November Children's Church

6	Lyn Alimena
13	Karen Akins
20	Corie Kuykendall
27	Bonnie Hornby





Communicants Class

Novembr 13 - December 18
9am in the Youth Room

Dear Youth,

We had a wonderful turn out for our Trunk or Treat despite the rain. Thank you to the youth who were able to come and participate! We will also be hosting a pancake breakfast November 20 during the Sunday School hour. Let me know if you can help serve! Your Middle and High School students are invited to participate in a communicants class November 13 - December 18. We will meet at 9am in the youth room. We will be learning together what it means to be a believer in Jesus and a member of a church. We look forward to this time of learning and growing together! Please continue to pray for the youth as they finish their school semesters.

Thank you!

Pastor Chris



Army

Melvin Crook
Temple Elam
Ken Fordham
Mark Hornby
Bill Keoho
Paul McInnish
Bobby Rice
Charles Roberts
Gene Streng
Gene Wade
John West
Stan Whitaker
Jim Whitson

Navy

John Jones
Paul McInnish
Phillip Wallace

Air Force

Gus Bartenfeld
Alex McGill
Russell Smith
Ron Wimer

Army National Guard

George O'Farrell



Honoring all who served

**HAPPY
VETERANS
DAY**

11TH NOVEMBER



Heritage Sunday



Pride for Parents TOY DRIVE



The Community Outreach ministry team has decided this year to participate again in the Pride for Parents toy drive. This is a community-based toy drive that benefits families in the historic South Atlanta neighborhood



The plan is quite easy – Highlands collects toys which are delivered to the Pride for Parents toy drive in South Atlanta in time for their toy sale beginning December 15. Items are priced at garage sale prices and parents are able to purchase specific toys for their children. If they are unable to pay even these low prices, parents are allowed to work in the store in exchange for vouchers which they use to buy items for their children.



What would you buy? Whatever you purchase for your children or grandchildren, buy an extra one for the toy drive. If you need ideas, you can visit FCS' links to [Target](#) and [Amazon](#). Toys range in price from \$6 for card games up to \$35-\$45 scooters or for Fisher-Price toys. If you choose to donate cash, someone can shop for you.

Here are pictures of last year's Christmas shop – shelves filled with donated toys and games and books for little hands to discover. Toys have already started coming in – we'd like your help for these families to provide for their own by donating between November 6 and December 12. Drop your gifts in the box located near the youth room.



Shelves stocked with toys



Time for a good book



Fun for preschoolers



Deacons Meeting

Nov. 13 in the children's classroom

Session Meeting

Nov. 27 in the fellowship hall

Decorate for Advent

NOVEMBER 20 AT 4:30

Choir Cantata

& CHRISTMAS DINNER

D E C E M B E R 1 1 A T 4 : 3 0

RSVP TO THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR DINNER

DoNaTe WHILE YOU SHOP!

- and help save lives -



As many people continue to shop online each year, did you know that there are several ways you can generate cash for Highlands' ministries when you shop? The most popular program, called Amazon Smile, gives 0.5% of the online purchase price to the charity of your choice – Highlands! Simply visit www.smile.amazon.com, type "Highlands Presbyterian Church" in the search bar, select the one in Grayson GA and your next online purchase will generate a donation to the church.

If you shop at Kroger, you can register for their rewards program at www.krogercommunityrewards.com. Log into your account with the email address you used to enroll for a Kroger Plus card (If you don't have one, you will need to acquire one first). Again, search for Highlands Presbyterian Church and make that selection. When you shop at Kroger, simply give them your Kroger Plus card and a percentage of your purchase will benefit Highlands' ministries.



Another program is called iGive. This site www.iGive.com is an online shopping mall with thousands of stores which donate a portion of each purchase to your favorite cause. Again, simply log in, search for Highlands Presbyterian Church in Georgia, select and shop! It's that easy.

A similar site is Rakuten at www.rakuten.com. Rakuten works like iGive – create an account, then when you shop at various stores (Walmart, Target, Office Depot, JCPenney), you can generate from 1% up to 10% of your total purchase as cash back for the church.



The Finance and Stewardship team has recommended that any donations generated through these programs benefit two ministries of Highlands – Soup Nite and Missions. The team also wants Highlands's members to know that while we don't endorse these companies, they provide the rewards programs that we are aware of. You might be enrolled in a program that provides similar rewards – if you do, contact the office and we can look into it. This year, with 15+ families participating in these online programs, they have generated more than \$200 in donations to our church. Imagine what it would be if more of us took advantage of this service! Please consider participating in one or all four of these programs. If you need help enrolling, contact the office at highlandarp@gmail.com or at (770) 978-3001.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
DONATE TODAY.



JOIN US SUNDAY


WORSHIP AT 10AM



SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAYS AT 9AM

BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL AGES



**PRAISE THE LORD.
GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD,
FOR HE IS GOOD;
HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER.**

PSALM 106:1

Hi All,

What a beautiful day it was on our 1st Soup Nite in October. It was cool outside and we had the doors open on this Columbus Day. We served Autumn Chili with cornbread. In the past on this holiday, we haven't had more than 140 people come by and that was 2 years ago. We planned on making the same amount this year, thinking we wouldn't even get that amount of people. However, the kitchen got very busy when all the chili was near gone before the 1st hour ended. Jane quickly started making more chili with the "saved" ingredients and she cooked another 40 something chili dishes for our guests to end with 187 meals! Yes, we did turn people away, but they were very understanding and they hope to come to our next one in 2 weeks. All in all, it was fun and very rewarding. I think our reputation for good food has increased!



Our 2nd Soup Nite was October 24th and it was another glorious day in Grayson! We served Chicken Ranch Wraps with chips, fruit cups and drinks. It was so different than our other meals. Everything was done in the morning. The chicken was cooked so all that was needed was to put it all together. There was an assembly line to put all the ingredients on the wrap and "wrap" them up! The wraps were then put in containers and stored in our huge refrigerator until show time! Chips were packaged already and so were the fruit cups that chilled in the cooler. The last hour before we started serving was weird, as the kitchen was clean and we sat looking at each other, like, what? We served 209 meals by 5:45! It was amazing! Again, we turned away people. I can't imagine how many meals we would have to make to not run out. We are already over 200. Crazy!

Senior meals are going very smoothly! Every week on Monday, we make 2 meals for each senior on the route. There is a list of seniors in the kitchen. If you are interested in helping out and seeing what goes into this part of our ministry, please let Jane or me know. There will be a meeting in December to discuss how we will proceed into the new year.

Our next Soup Nite is November 14th and we are serving Hamburger Soup! I will be out of town and Jane can really use your help. Please contact her at 770.853.2436 and see how you can be of service. Our last Soup Nite in November is on the 28th and we are serving Chicken Tortilla Soup. This will be the Monday after the Thanksgiving Weekend and again will need help. Not sure how many people will want to cook after cooking all weekend, but we are going to give it a whirl!

Thank you for all you do to serve our God, our community and each other. We are almost finished with our Soup Nites as there are only 3 left. Please be praying for us as we press forward into a new adventure of serving.

In Christ,

Carrie

Prayer Items

Please pray for these Highlands' members -

- Vickie Fledderjohann is in rehab after her ankle surgery in Cumming. She will be there until next week. Pray for her continued recovery.
- *Joe Bath had a large tumor removed from his scalp along with a small cancerous spot next to it. The doctor thinks she got all the cancer but there were some immature cells so she wants him to see a radiologist after he heals.*
- *MaryBradley Bayne requests prayer for an upcoming decision on shoulder replacement surgery. She received a shot for pain management in each shoulder this week and reports back to the doctor in a month for an update.*
- Paul McInnish had gallbladder surgery on October 28. Please keep Paul in your prayers as he is experiencing some pain.
- *Gene Wade and Edward Spiller had successful cataract surgeries.*
- Norma Elam had hip replacement surgery on October 26.
- Prayers for Karen Caughman, her sister, Keri Ashe and her mom, Mary Ashe, as they visit with Emma Caughman in Ireland.
- Pray for the Kulp Family in the recent passing of Holly's grandmother.
- Pray for Bill & Kaity Wright with their ongoing health struggles.

Please send any prayer requests to

highlandarp@gmail.com

GOD IS FAITHFUL.

PSALM 100:5



Give With A Thankful Heart

Highlands has the opportunity this fall to support several ministries of the ARP denomination:

American Bible Society - getting God's Word into people's hands & hearts around the world for over 200 years

Outreach North America - our challenge: plant or receive 90 new ARP churches by 2030

Erskine Seminary - supporting seminary education through prayer, encouragement & funds

Christmas Benevolent Ministry - ministering to those who have served in the past as a minister, missionary or General Synod employee.

Offering envelopes will be available in the bulletins on Nov. 18th. You may also contribute before or after that date by noting "Thanks Offering" on the memo line of your check.

SPECIAL FALL OFFERING

Supporting the
work & missions of the
Associate Reformed
Presbyterian Church

<http://arpchurch.org/thanksgiving-offering/>



Highlands 2022 Operating Budget Update

October Gifts & Offerings	\$ 22,973.75
October Expenses	\$ 21,144.47
YTD Income	\$179,912.43
YTD Expenses	\$190,862.48

November 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Azalea Akins</i> <i>Zack Sinclair</i> <i>Andrew Smith</i> Senior Meal Deliveries	2 7pm Bible Study	3	4	5 Finance Team Meeting
6 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Carrie Macaluso</i> 9am Sunday School 10am Worship, Children's Church & Puppet Show 11am Covered Dish Lunch 4:30pm Family Fellowship Missions Night <i>Daylight Savings Time Ends</i>	7	8 Senior Meal Deliveries 10am Ladies' Bible Study	9	10 Ladies' Magical Mystery Tour	11 	12
13 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Gene Streng</i> 9am Sunday School 10am Worship & Children's Church 11:30am Diaconate Mtg NO Family Fellowship or NO Kingdom Cubs NO Youth Group	14 4-7pm Soup Nite	15 Senior Meal Deliveries	16 6pm Dinner 7pm Bible Study	17	18 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Stan Darmochwal</i>	19 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Lori Martin</i>
20 9am Thanksgiving Breakfast 10am Worship & Children's Church 4:30pm Decorate for Advent	21 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Brianna Sinclair</i>	22 Senior Meal Deliveries	23	24 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Betsy Whitson</i> Thanksgiving 	25	26
27 9am Sunday School 10am Worship & Children's Church 11:30am Session Meeting NO Family Fellowship NO Youth Group	28 4-7pm Soup Nite	29 Senior Meal Deliveries 10am Ladies' Bible Study	30 <i>Happy Birthday</i> <i>Michelle McCoy</i>			

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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

Deacons:

Class of 2022 Class of 2023

Omar Edmondson Fru Chifen
Phillip Wallace Deron Smith
Betsy Whitson

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
Wednesday: 6:00pm Covered Dish Dinner (3rd Wednesdays)
7:00pm Bible Study (1st & 3rd Wednesdays)

**See calendar for scheduled events or cancellations.*

Ushers for the month:

Team 1 Omar Edmundson, Don Reinhardt, Bob Statham, Phillip Wallace
Team 2 Lee Hunt, Deron Smith, Edward Spiller, Gene Wade
Team 3 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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