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HEARTBEAT

July 5, 2020



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WEEKLY MESSAGE - REV. DR. ROGER RABEY

Greetings and Salutations on this *unique* July 4th weekend celebration of our Independence Day!

- No Barnstormers ballgame with hotdogs & fireworks.
- No large gatherings of hamburger cookouts with family & friends.
- No parades, marching bands, or Long's Park Patriotic concerts.
- No playing of the bombastic, cannon-driven *1812 Overture*, which is interesting for its popularity by Americans for our victory over the British in what some people call our "second war of independence," even though Russian composer Tchaikovsky wrote it to commemorate Russia's successful defense against Napoleon's invading Grande Armée in 1812. (As Americans, we seem to enjoy expressing ourselves with bells, cannons & drums, plus it does seem to coordinate well with fireworks!)

But this year, 2020 will be a unique July 4th celebration. Two reasons:

Covid-19 Coronavirus & Intense Awareness of Racial Discrimination.

Unfortunately, the personal desire & intense pressure to return to "normal" seems to have increased the numbers of positive cases in two-thirds of our states! Lancaster is holding even, so far, but please be extra cautious this holiday of how and where to celebrate our most popular summer holiday.

The recent deaths, riots, protests and removal of statues and names have also caused all of us to consider how we each need to understand, react, and support equal justice and non-discrimination. As we all have heard now over and over, it's no longer enough to be non-racist, we need to be anti-racists, as Americans and as Christians.

I'm half-way through reading "Stamped From the Beginning: The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America" by Ibram X. Kendi. As a student of history, I'm embarrassed to admit how much I am learning that I did not make a point to know before today. In the coming weeks, several of us will work with Highland's Social Justice committee to offer all of us a platform to increase our commitment to racial justice in our community and church.

Please keep praying for our nation's health and overcoming this terrible virus, as well as pray for how you can celebrate the Freedom that our Independence Day represents, for all Americans! Blessings to you and have a happy 4th!

SUPPORT HIGHLAND

Many of you may be wondering how to continue to support Highland. You may give in several ways:

- Mail your contributions to Highland Presbyterian church at 500 E. Roseville Road, Lancaster, PA 17601.
- Go to our www.highlandpc.org and select the "Give Now" button in the upper right-hand corner. It will walk you through how to give using your credit or debit card.
- Scan the QR code above if you are familiar with doing this and it will take you to the online giving on our website.

If you have general questions, please contact
Mike Nolt, Church Administrator at mikenolt@highlandpc.org / 717-569-2651.



PRAYER LIST

Scott & Michelle Billig & Family	Gary and Jennifer Funck
Bonnie (Anita Bongartz's sister)	Harriet Weaver
Sam & Patti Smith	Reese Family
Bev Korman (friend of Shetromphs)	Richard Hankel
Joyce & Jim Witmer	Polly Brooks
Elaine Foreman	Virginia Michael and family
Family of Jim Chesney	Dennis Family
Medical & Military Personnel	Shirley McMinn
Roger Moore	Lindsay Lewis (Doctor in NY, Daughter of Mike & Karen Gibeault)
Luca (Connie Towers' great nephew)	Scott & Sara Shank
Patty Armstrong	Fran Kauffman
	Jocelyn & Stan Pyett
	Linda Guimond

PASTOR ON CALL

REV. DR. ROGER RABEY

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July 6 - July 12

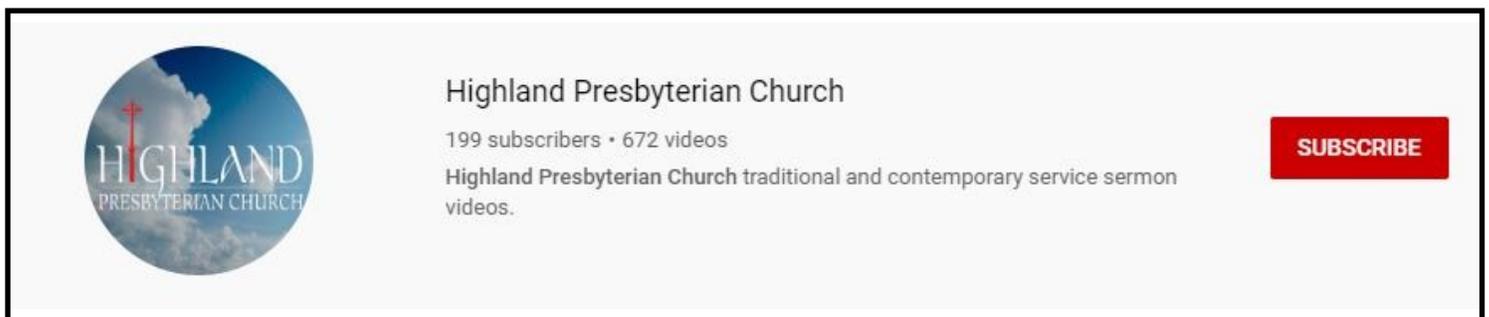


HOW TO: ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICES



Here's how to view our online services and devotionals:

- Go to www.youtube.com
- In the YouTube search bar, type "Highland Presbyterian Church"
- You should see the Highland picture (as seen below) at the top of the search results, click it.
- Here, you will find all of our weekly services and devotionals by date, including our recent online services.



OR

- Visit our Website at www.HighlandPC.org for this week's service and devotional

If you are not receiving our weekly e-mails, which includes our online service, weekly devotionals, and church updates, please e-mail the Communications Coordinator at cassidygodber@highlandpc.org

Announcements & Updates

Memorial Garden– The Memorial Garden Flag will be flying over the July 4th weekend! The flag flies during Memorial Day, July 4th, and Veterans Day. The Memorial Garden Committee is also in need for 2 people to serve on its committee. No gardening required. The Committee meets once a month. Its responsibility is to maintain the beauty and serenity of the Garden. Please consider being a part of this jewel on the hill that is so special to Highland.



Call or email Fran Stefany, Chair, if you need more information. fstefany0209@gmail.com or 717-575-4234.

Arch Street Lunch Update: Thank you to the 15 families who have volunteered to make sandwiches and/or bake cookies for Arch Street's free daily lunches. Our Lancaster City neighbors truly appreciate Highland's generosity. During May and June Highland members helped with lunches on 4 different days by providing over 300 sandwiches, 35 dozen cookies as well as 25 lb of macaroni salad, 3 cartons of chips and 2 gallons of soup. We now have dates for 5 more lunches: **July 14, July 21, July 28, August 4, and August 25.** Sandwiches and cookies are prepared in your home and dropped off at church the night before the lunch. If you are interested in helping with this project, please contact Linda Neumann at lgneu56@gmail.com or 717-371-4427. Thank you!



Tree-Planting at Saylor Park in Lititz

July 11, 9 AM – 12 PM and July 12, 2 PM – 5 PM

Highland's Youth Group is hosting this event, in partnership with Trout Unlimited, but all are welcome for an intergenerational work day. Sign up if you like to keep streams clean, enjoy the outdoors, connect with your community, or show some love for the land that God gives us. You may come one day or both. There is plenty of parking, and please bring sunscreen, water, snacks and masks.

Click the link to sign up and see other details, including the address for Millport Conservancy.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F45AEAB2FA3F58-planting>



Market Share cards for Giant, Oregon Dairy, Stauffers, and Weis are available to purchase with a check or cash on Monday mornings in the Highland parking lot from 11:00-11:30 am. With all the grocery shopping you are doing, please consider using the cards we sell so we can raise money for the Food Hub. Our community is in desperate need of help. Raising funds for the Food Hub helps the greatest amount of people. You are always welcome to donate a card also! Remember, you purchase the cards at face value. We get a return of 5%. **Please look for us on Mondays!**



UPDATE!!: With generous donations and the money raised from the sale of our cards, \$1350 is being donated to the Food Hub. Thank you to everyone who is stopping by on Mondays to purchase grocery cards! Let's keep up this great work to help others!

Local Mission Opportunities

Highland Intergenerational Mission Trip-

West Virginia- Lancaster/Lebanon: **July 20-24:** Have you heard of our church's mission trips to Mars Hill and West Virginia and thought, "Maybe next year"? Well this could be the perfect year to see what it is like. Come and work with members of Highland to help people in need stay warmer, dryer, and safer. Due to COVID-19 we are staying local and partnering with Habitat for Humanity July 20-24. There will be work for all ages. Habitat for Humanity has secured 5 sites (2 houses in Lancaster City and 3 in Lebanon)

for Highland. In addition to the work with Habit for Humanity we are also planning on helping other members of the church with home repairs. Habitat for Humanity is following CDC guidelines and limiting the number of people at each house. There are also outdoor projects that need to be completed. In order for our committee to plan properly please fill out this survey by June 28. Thank you and we hope this is the year for you and your family to join us in helping others in this special way. Please contact Jim Eberle at ebtide86@gmail.com or Noe Juarez at noejuarez@highlandpc.org with any questions about the trip.



SIGN UP HERE: <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/20F0C4FAEA72CABFB6-highland>

Mental Health America: Needs volunteers who will call a "friend" who is in recovery from a mental health challenge. A brief phone training will be provided.

Contact person:

John Hershey, 717-606-9836

Arch Street Center: Provide sandwiches etc. for boxed lunches for hungry people in Lancaster City. Can be prepared in your own home and delivered to Highland.

Contact Person:

Linda Neumann, 717-371-4427.

Power Packs Project: Please consider a financial donation to this important organization that provides food to families in need.

They also need masks and gloves. To donate, or get more information-

Contact Person:

John Hershey, 717-606-9836

Market Share: Volunteers needed to sell grocery store gift cards, currently on Monday mornings from 11-11:30. Members are asked to please purchase these cards before shopping at your local store.

Contact Person:

Diana Ludwig, 717-569-6750

Highland Family Summer Activities!

- June 22-25 – Mini Camps! (*FULL)
- July 3 – Bingo Bike Night – Decorate your Bike for 4th of July, come and participate in an obstacle course and parade! Every entry gets a popsicle 😊 After the parade you can stay and play some Bingo on the lawn for prizes! 6-7:30pm
- July 10 – 8:30pm Outdoor Movie
- July 24 – If all goes well we will have an outdoor Steven Courtney concert!!! More info to come 😊
- Until we know what phase we are in, August dates are all tentative:
- August 3-6 – Mini camp – offer to highland and musical kids
- August 7 – First Friday Drive In Bingo or Bingo on the lawn
- August 14 – Last Summer Drive in Movie



July 3rd, 5:30-7pm
Join us for our Bike Parade and
Bingo night!



4TH OF
JULY