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HIGHLAND SAYS GOODBYE TO JENNIFER WEITZEL

It is hard to believe that on May 14, 2021 – one year ago – Highland welcomed Jennifer Weitzel to become our new Interim Christian Education Director for Children’s Ministry. We have rejoiced in the creative moments that Jenn has brought to us in Sunday morning worship, participated in the many fun projects for children and young families that she has initiated, and cheered her on through her Seminary Field Placement Internship with Lancaster Theological Seminary that began in August and finished in April. She has brought energy, imagination, and creativity to Highland during this time. She has been a blessing to us all.

On May 17, 2022, Jennifer informed the Session and Ministers that she has accepted a position as Admissions Counselor at Moravian University for the newly merged Lancaster Theological Seminary and Moravian University. In that capacity she will be involved in recruiting students to attend the combined classes and seminary training that will continue.

Jennifer says: “It is with much contemplation and prayerful consideration that I submit my resignation. This past year as Interim Director of Christian Education has been a rich and meaningful opportunity for me. The experiences, people, and planning have offered me refreshment as I sought to serve the Highland community to the best of my ability. I am also deeply grateful for the opportunity to complete my Field Education placement during this time.

Please know that my decision to leave has come with an abundance of careful discernment and reflects a closer alignment with my future goals in ministry. Staying at Highland would have been a joy for me. However, the opportunity available elsewhere allows me to consider my call to ministry more directly.

My sincerest hope is that my relationship with Highland remains open and fruitful. I have been so encouraged by the congregation and leadership over the past year. I desire for those connections to continue.

I hope all the best for Highland and its members in the coming months and years. It has been a pleasure to be a part of this Christ community.”

Jennifer’s last Sunday in worship will be next week, June 5. She will also lead Vacation Bible School June 13 - 16. **Please plan to join us in worship next week, Sunday, June 5 at 10am as we send her off with a fond farewell.**

WORSHIP SERVICES

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

⇒ Psalm 105:1-5 & Philippians 3:10-16

Here's how to view our online services:

- 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.
- Worship services are livestreamed here at 10 am on Sunday mornings so you can watch it as it happens.
- Visit our Website at www.HighlandPC.org for this week's service



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 below 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

In Memory

Family of Charles Bibleheimer
Family of Don Eidam
Family of Robin Evans
Family of Audrey Hallgren
Family of Nancy Netscher
Family of John "Ken" Rankin
Family of Leroy Werst

Peggy Apgar
Mike & Marge Carpenter
Scott Clark (Son of Doris Steinman)
Cindy Eidam
Debbie Evans
Carolyn Fitzgerald (Carolyn Daneker's Mother)
Joyce Good (In the death of her mother, Marcia Scott)
Pam Gress
Betty Grogan
Charles Grube (Kitty Smoker's husband)
Linda Guimond

Kent & Lois Hagedorn
Sharon & Rick Heisley
Ann Henry (Sister of Florence Clay)
Marge Herrmann
Diane (Mitchell) Hostetter (John & Judy Mitchell's Daughter)
Lois Irvine
Jerry & Al Knouse
Andrew & Dana Mead
Phyllis Miller
Betsy Piasecki's Friend
Pat Rankin
David & Nancy Roy
Heidi & Herwig Schutzler
Janelle Shaffer (Daughter of Diane Ingham)
Doris Smith
Cathy Sorg
Joe & Peggy Wible
Rachel Womer (Granddaughter-in-law of Mary Weirich)
All who are affected by mass shootings & violence

PASTOR ON CALL

Rev. Dr. Robert Burns

717-653-6095

May 30 - June 5

Office Closed on

Monday, May 30

Announcements & Updates

Highland Resettlement Initiative - We have recently welcomed two more Afghan refugees to Lancaster. These two young men are the brother and cousin of a husband in another family we resettled in Lancaster two months ago. The extended family is happy to be reunited but everyone is now *very* cramped for space in a house which already held two families. **We are in desperate need of a 1-2 bedroom apartment or house for a young couple and their one month old baby.** It needs to be in downtown Lancaster or close by on a public bus route so the dad can get to work by bike or bus. Looking to pay \$800 - \$950 per month. Since Lancaster, like most cities, is experiencing a housing crisis, we hope you will help us spread the word of this need. Any leads to receptive landlords will be greatly appreciated! Please email Cyndi Delong (cyndiandelong@yahoo.com) or Lynn Dawson (dawsonlynnnc@gmail.com).

We also have a need for two car seats, any size will be helpful. Please contact Tom Whitworth at 717-725-1462 or tom8motk@yahoo.com if you can help with this.

Softball Games - The games this week are **Tuesday, May 31 at 6PM** and **Thursday, June 2 at 7PM** at the Highland field. There is no parking allowed at Long Home—please park at Highland and walk to the field.

Rise Against Hunger Event - Save the date of **Sunday, July 10th** for a meal packing event with Rise Against Hunger after the service. Plan to join us to package a little over 10,000 meals to support Rise Against Hunger at about 11:15 AM in the Fellowship Hall. We will have some jobs that require standing, some that can be done sitting down, some that involve lifting heavy containers, and some that require walking; something for everyone! Last year the 10,152 meals we packed were sent in a container totaling 285,120 meals from Philadelphia to Rise Against Hunger's in-country partner Convoy of Hope in Haiti.

Food Volunteers - Now that the church is opening up, more activities are requiring food. If you like to cook at home and/or church, here are some opportunities for you with the contact person listed. Most of them have an email list of volunteers and periodically send out requests. All opportunities are on your time schedule. The rewards for each of these is of course, helping to serve others and getting to know your fellow Highland members as you work together. Please consider volunteering for one of these opportunities.

HOSPITALITY - Contact Linda Brackbill (jrbrack7704@msn.com)

FUNERAL MEALS - Contact Ginny Kleppinger (ginnykleppinger@comcast.net)

CARING MEALS - Contact Johanna Gingher (rjgingher@comcast.net)

ARCH STREET - Contact Linda Neumann (lgneu56@gmail.com)

COFFEE HOUR - There is a sign up sheet in the kitchen or contact Jerry Rothacker (grothacker@aol.com)

HiLites - Let's Take a Hike together in the Woods! HiLites - we are planning some summer activities. Hope you can join us!! **Sunday afternoon, June 12**, Diana Ludwig has organized a hike at the Environmental Center at Governor Dick Park at Gretna starting at 3:00 p.m. Wear sturdy shoes, trail is a loop trail. We won't be hiking fast. Then we will drive to The Cat's Meow in Manheim for dinner. Contact Diana to join us. 717-475-2210 or DIANAKSL@comcast.net. Or contact Diana or Connie Towers for questions. 717-898-3820, jnctowers@gmail.com

Mark your calendars for a morning mini-golf then lunch out together -**Saturday, July 16**. Judy and Mike Eyster are organizing this one. More information later.

Haven't been to HiLites? Come join us. It is a great opportunity to meet friendly people and enjoy an activity, and food, always food, together.

DRS Concert: Highland Chancel Choir - Join us on **Wednesday, June 8 at 7 PM** for the traditional capstone of the season with the Highland Chancel Choir and orchestra. This year, the feature work is Kim Andre Arnesen's *Requiem*, written in 2013-14 for the Nidaros Cathedral Boys Choir in Norway. Punctuated with percussion and brass, this piece includes both the Latin requiem text and poems of remembrance. Viewing access, full program notes, and opportunity to donate to the concert series via an online "Free Will Offering" feature will be available via the website: <http://www.highlandpc.org/event-archive/drs-concert-highland-chancel-choir/> or scan the QR code using your phone's camera.



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Family Picnic - All families with children and youth are invited to attend a picnic on **Sunday, June 5** following the 10 AM service. Join us for lunch and games as we wrap up a great school year together at Highland! RSVP is requested but not required to help us plan for food: <https://forms.gle/5Z8xYfTLJUKjpcUUA>.



Arch Street Center Update- For over two years, since the beginning of COVID restrictions, Local Outreach has been helping Arch Street Center provide take-out lunches for their members as well as for needy community residents. Once or twice a month we have provided casseroles or sandwiches as well as cookies to serve between 30 and 90 people. To date, generous Highland volunteers have provided over 1100 sandwiches, 175 large casseroles and nearly 500 dozen cookies. We will continue contributing food for these meals from June-November with pick up at Highland on the third Thursdays of the month. **Right now we are looking for volunteers to contribute casseroles or cookies to be picked up at Highland on June 16.** To sign up to help in June, or later in the year, please contact Linda Neumann at lgneu56@gmail.com.



Morgantown Mission Trip - We're back, baby! After a (too) long hiatus, the Highland Intergenerational Mission Trip is back on the calendar, and boy are we jazzed! We've got a brand-new partner to complement our tried-and-true trip model. **Register by June 6!**



WHERE: Morgantown, West Virginia

WHEN: Sunday July 17 through Friday July 22, 2022.

WHO: This is a trip for the whole church! From school aged kids to retired grandparents, we've got something for you to do. All skills levels are welcome. Rising 6th-12th grade students can come on their own.

COST: \$250/adult, \$250/youth, \$200/child, scholarships available!

Please invite your friends and come along to help make folks **Warmer, Safer, and Drier!** Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/HPCMission> or ask Will for a printed registration form.



Donate for Building Supplies in Morgantown - You may have heard that construction supplies are *not* cheap right now! Even if you cannot participate, you can enhance the impact of the Morgantown mission trip by donating funds for supplies. Our goal is to raise \$5,000 for supplies. Stop by our bulletin board in the Narthex to "Buy a Tool," or to give an amount of your choice. You can also send checks to the church with "West Virginia Mission Trip" in the memo line. Highland volunteers always show up ready to work and make a difference; we pray that the cost of supplies will not hold us back in our mission to make homes warmer, safe and drier. In the coming weeks, look out for an opportunity to support us by eating at Isaac's Restaurant, on particular days when a percentage of sales will be given to the West Virginia Mission Trip.



Women's Bible Study - Looking for a small group Bible study over the summer months? Join Barb Droz on Thursday evenings from 7 pm - 8:30 pm to study the book of Galatians. All women are invited to participate in the Beth Moore study "Now That Faith Has Come: A Study of Galatians." The book of Galatians is "wildly interesting and astonishingly relevant to our present world." We will do a hybrid format, both in person in the Hudson room and on Zoom. Workbooks will be available first come, first served or an online workbook is available. The first meeting will be on **Thursday, June 16**, and we will meet for 7 weeks. Missing a week here or there is fine! If you have any questions, contact Barb Droz.

