

# the highland HEARTBEAT

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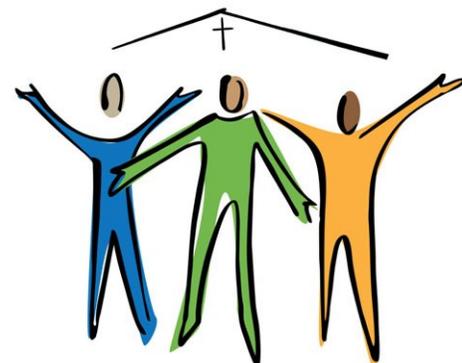
## WELCOME REV. DR. MICHAEL WILSON!



Michael Wilson has been the Stated Clerk for Donegal Presbytery since the beginning of 2016. Prior to this, he was the pastor of Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church for 15 years. As Stated Clerk, Michael supports congregations and pastors in our presbytery. He seeks to strengthen them for their mission, walk with them through transitions, and equip them for ministry in a constantly changing world. You can see him “up front” at a presbytery gathering where he provides parliamentary guidance, at (many!) meetings, and visiting with pastors and congregations as often as he can. While lots of this has been via Zoom, he is happy to be emerging to “in-person” gatherings these days. Michael also teaches at Lancaster Theological Seminary and will defend his Ph.D. dissertation in missional ecclesiology this fall, at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. Michael was raised at Centre Presbyterian Church and spent much of his youth hiking and canoeing on Muddy Creek in southern York County. Michael and his wife, Tricia, have three kids (Julia, Clint, and Emma). Julia is a graduate student at Fuller Seminary. Clint is a senior at Calvin University. Emma is in 11<sup>th</sup> grade in Lancaster. He looks forward to reading and walking his son’s chocolate lab, Brom. He is delighted to be with us this morning!

**Welcome Cards for Allison** - Rev. Allison Beaulieu will become Highland’s new Senior Pastor on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Let’s let her know how excited we are to start this new journey together by sending her welcoming cards and notes.

Mail your greetings to the church office:  
Rev. Allison Beaulieu  
500 East Roseville Rd  
Lancaster, PA 17601



## WORSHIP SERVICES

### THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

⇒ Isaiah 43:1-7; Matthew 7:24-29

### Here's how to view our online services:

- Go to [www.youtube.com](http://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](http://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](http://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](mailto:mikenolt@highlandpc.org) / 717-569-2651.

## PRAYER LIST

### In Memory

Family of Ray Hillard  
Family of Lois Irvine  
Family of Paul B. Murray  
Family of Rev. T. Dennis Walker

Donna Benson  
Zitella Buzby  
Mike & Marge Carpenter  
Arlene Caye (Sue Esch's Sister in Law)  
Cindy Eidam  
Kent & Lois Hagedorn

Lee Heisey  
Marge Herrmann  
Carolyn McGuigan  
Andrew & Dana Mead  
Ginny Michael  
Pat Rankin  
Brian Rogan (Nephew of Lois Snyder)  
Janelle Shaffer (Daughter of Diane Ingham)  
Cathy Sorg  
Joe & Peggy Wible

## PASTOR ON CALL

**Rev. Dr. Robert Burns**

**717-653-6095**

**August 8 - 14**

# Announcements & Updates

**Sunday Sundaes** - Join us after worship on **Sunday, August 21** for ice cream sundaes and fellowship to welcome Rev. Allison Beaulieu.



**Are You a Recent Visitor to Highland?** - A get-together for recent visitors will be held after the worship service on **Sunday, August 28**, in the Upper Room. This will offer an opportunity for you to interact with staff members and each other, learn more about the overall scope of Highland's ministry, and get answers to some questions that you might have. We look forward to seeing you then. For further information, please contact the church office or Larry and Anita Ewing at [larryanita1896@comcast.net](mailto:larryanita1896@comcast.net).

**Kick-Off Sunday** - Save the date for Kick-Off Sunday on **September 11!** More information coming soon.

## **New Help Yourself “Book Nook” for Congregational Care Support**

This Sunday, the Nurturing Spiritual Growth Team and The Congregational Care Council introduce “THE BOOK NOOK” to support Highland’s congregation with great books on a variety of important topics. The “NOOK” is located in the Narthex near the Nursery. Two shelves contain books on Grief, Health, Caregiving and Devotional subjects. The third shelf has resources and books to support families and individuals struggling to cope with addiction, recovery, and prevention. The BOOK NOOK resources are offered at no cost and do not need to be returned unless one would like to do so. The rationale for the Book Nook is to offer a cost-effective way to support Highland’s congregation with coping resources to respond to the many concerns of grief and loss, memory loss and health diagnoses, caregiving, and supporting spiritual nurture and deepening one’s faith in God. The Health and Hope Ministry will also support the BOOK NOOK with larger books and resources specifically dealing with education, prevention and recovery options for families and individuals facing a variety of addictions. Very soon, the Nurturing Spiritual Growth Team will also be offering a resource library for small group resources (books, videos, leader, and participant guides) that may be checked out to support small groups being offered in residential communities, individual small groups at Highland and prayer and share small groups. Contact Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne at [annosborne@highlandpc.org](mailto:annosborne@highlandpc.org) or call her at 717-327-6199 for more information.

## **Update on Vehicles for Refugee Neighbors**

Thank you all once again for your generosity in providing for our new Afghan neighbors. We raised over \$1,300 and had two vehicles offered as donations. We believe that we have what we need to make sure each family has a vehicle, and to temporarily support the costs for service, inspection, insurance, etc. Because of the quick response from the community, we are no longer requesting donations for these vehicles. Thank you for your support and continued prayers!

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**THANK YOU!** – Repeating what I said in my final sermon last week:

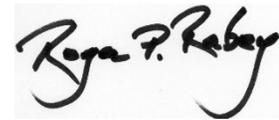
- How do I say “Thank you” in 50 different ways?
- How do I express in this brief span, the many life-changing experiences that will last the span of my life?
- How do I share in written words on paper, about cherished memories that are etched forever on my heart?

Sunday meant *so much* to me! – the standing ovation, the immense generosity of your “gift,” the absolutely beautiful one-of-a-kind personalized “biking” quilt, the spiritually uplifting music from the choir, praise band & bells, the delicious lunch afterwards in the Fellowship Hall, the wonderful prayers, all the heartfelt comments of so many people, and the overwhelming effort of my wife to gather in hundreds of comments, memories & well-wishers from all 6 of my previous pastorates! Wow! What a celebration!

I am still somewhat pleasantly numbed by it all. Didn’t have any idea what to expect, but all of this far surpassed any expectations of retirements I’ve witnessed. But then, that’s why ministers remain so long at Highland. You are a church known for loving (read: putting up with) their pastors – which is why you’ve only had 4 senior pastors in nearly 65 years! My 13 years are a distant second to pastor emeritus Ross McClintock’s 25 years, and Allison may break that record!

All this is my feeble effort to express my most heart-felt, genuine appreciation for all of you and for how you sent me off to the land of “Honorably Retirees” with such flair, panache, and style. I am sorry I cannot write each of you personally, but please accept these words of gratitude with an ear-grinning smile and a huge, non-covid-style bear hug!

Prayerfully,



## **HILITES Pool and Meet the New Pastor Party! -**

**Saturday, August 20** we will gather at Jim and Connie Towers home for our annual pool party, starting at 3:30 pm. It's a potluck! Please bring a hearty appetizer, veggie/fruit, or dessert. Cost \$5 a person. Pastor Allison is looking forward to meeting us. Hoping many can attend! Kindly respond to [jntowers@gmail.com](mailto:jntowers@gmail.com) or 717-898-3820 and let us know what dish you are bringing. Raindate, Sunday, August 21.



**Save a Book -** Our Highland Library is currently going through a spring/summer cleaning, and we could use some help! There are books on the round table, right inside the library doors, that have not been read recently. Please browse through them, sign out one or more, and take them with you on vacation. (The basket for library cards is on the table by our Volunteer calendar.) When you return your book, let us know if you think the book should remain in the library or go on to a new life. There are slips of paper under the card basket where you can declare your thoughts, then tuck it inside the front cover of the book. (The return basket is on the bookcase to your right.)