

the highland HEARTBEAT

June 18, 2023



CONNECTING YOU
WITH CHRIST AND COMMUNITY

Happy Father's Day



Join us in packing meals after the service on

Sunday July 9th, with the Rise Against Hunger organization. We are planning to pack 12,000 meals this year, and we need your help. There will be signup sheets in the Narthex next week. To defray the expenses we will have a free will offering at the event. People of all ages and abilities can help, there will be jobs for everyone, some will involve standing, walking, and others are done seated. We will begin about 11:30 and should finish in about an hour. There will be a free will offering to defray expenses, and we have support through the Market Share and Global Mission.

Here is an example of how the meal packing program can have important effects on those who are hungry. In response to extreme El Nino drought conditions that left nearly 23 million people in need of urgent humanitarian assistance, Rise Against Hunger started the Southern Africa School Feeding Initiative in early 2017 to meet the need of school age children facing hunger in the region. Through this project tens of thousands of students across Madagascar, Mozambique, Zambia, eSwatini, and Zimbabwe have been served by distributing volunteer packaged meals through school feeding programs that ensure children have access to education even during these extremely trying times. After several years of distributing these meals in Zimbabwe, the School Feeding Initiative was able to transition to providing the resources and training necessary to grow enough food to supply the school feeding programs through farming initiatives in the local community. This project has established a self-sufficient model of school feeding so successful that excess food is able to be sold in local markets. Rise Against Hunger can fully exit the project in Zimbabwe this year knowing the food necessary to continue the school feeding program is being produced in the communities there and the project will be stewarded by local leaders. What started with meals packaged by volunteers like Highland, has become a sustainable source of food for the children and families we have served in Zimbabwe.

If you have questions, contact Dick Entz or Will Massey.



WORSHIP SERVICES

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE: 2 Peter 1:3-8

SERMON: "Putting First Things First: Creating Space for God"



HOW TO VIEW OUR ONLINE SERVICES

- Visit our website for the current week's service at www.highlandpc.org
- Worship services are livestreamed at 10:00 AM on Sunday mornings so you can watch it as it happens.
- Visit our Youtube Channel at www.youtube.com/c/highlandpresbyterian for access to all of our past services and events

PREACHING/WORSHIP CALENDAR

6/18 Pastor Ann preaching
6/25 Pastor Bob Burns preaching
7/2 Don Hackett preaching
7/9 Will Massey preaching
7/16 Pastor Allison preaching
7/23 WV Mission Team
7/30 Pastor Allison preaching
8/6 Pastor Ann preaching
8/12 Pastor Allison preaching
8/19 Pastor Allison preaching
8/27 Pastor Allison preaching



PRAYER LIST

In Memory

The life of Joan Beshore
Family of Michael Carpenter
Family of Rebecca Hanna
The life of Carol Klahn
Family of Bill Lauris

Julie Bender
Zitella Buzby
Debbie Curran (niece of Rudy Ginn)
Bill & Claudia Dyson (friends of Lee Heisey)
Fred Engle
Marilyn Frandsen
Adam Ritchey (Sandy & Marty Leaman's grandson)
Dorie Steinman & Family
Dorothy Wadsworth & Family

Harriet Weaver
Mary Louise Wylie

PASTOR ON CALL

Rev. Bob Burns

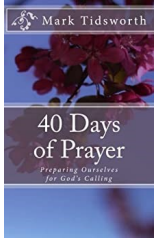
June 19 ~ June 25



Names found on the Heartbeat prayer list will remain on the list for 30 days. If you would like the name to be included after 30 days, please contact the church office to re-add them. To request a name to be added to the Prayer List, kindly first obtain permission from the individual then call the church office to have them added.

Announcements & Updates

Next steps on our prayer journey You've taken the first step...you've got the book "40 Days of Prayer"! You're ready to join the Highland family as we prepare our hearts, minds, and spirits to discern God's plans for us through prayer. By now, some of you have found your "triad" to share your thoughts, and some of you are already having rich discussions in small groups. But some of you are reading the devotionals on your own and would love to discuss with others. Here's your opportunity! On **June 25** we'll have our first of four gatherings in the Fellowship Hall to discuss the thought-provoking questions posed in the book. Just drop in after the service and join the conversation. We'll focus on the first segment of the book: "Starting Well: Praying In Faith". There will be three other gatherings, on **July 16, August 6, and August 20** – each focused on one of the three remaining segments of the book. Whether you choose to read the book with one or two others, in a small group, or individually, you can start any time and cover the 40 days in a way convenient to you. The goal is to finish by the end of August. We're looking forward to how this journey will prepare us for our fall discernment process! A video by Pastor Allison on Highland's You Tube channel provides more information.



Antique Automobile Club of America Highland welcomes the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) on their Library Eastern Divisional Memorial Tour stopover for an organ recital on Tuesday afternoon, **June 27**. Members driving their antique and classic cars will be arriving around 3PM for the 4PM organ recital by Margaret Marsch. The tour, in memory of their library director, is being led by Chuck Gibson, Highland's organ installer and service company, who is also a AACA member. Highland members are invited to join the afternoon festivities. Any Highland members interested in being part of a welcome party to guide the AACA folks from the parking lots to the narthex, restrooms, and sanctuary, please contact the church office if you wish to volunteer.

PW is collecting toiletries! As you travel this summer, don't forget to pack a plastic bag for any toiletries you don't use at your hotels. Just drop it in the basket by the food pantry in the narthex. Or when you see a good sale, pick up a few extra things for the Christmas Bags we give to Red Rose Manor. Or use your OTC Medicare Advantage benefits that gives you monies to spend on these kinds of things – toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, lip balm, lotion, etc, if you haven't taken full advantage of it before. Everything helps.



HiLites June event - Let's get together for a polo match! We will gather at the Lancaster Polo Club Field in Rothsville, **June 25**. Bring your own lunch and chair. HiLites will provide some drinks and snacks. Gate opens at 1:00, the match starts at 2:30. Cost \$10 cash per person at the gate. Free parking. Look for our tent. No rain date. Contact Jodie Kornman, to let her know you are coming or call the church office. Our next gathering, **July 15** for miniature golf & ice cream organized by Marty & Jack Hynd. More details will be forthcoming.



How does a 9 foot, 1,000 pound Concert Grand Piano go missing? Answer, it doesn't. Our Steinway has been taken back to the manufacturer's restoration shop for repair of a purely cosmetic flaw. Complements of Jacob's Music Company, their representative, it will return in a few weeks.

Church office is now on a summer schedule. The office will close each Friday at 2:00pm until Labor Day.

Happy Father's Day

He is always my pillar, When I knew I'd fall
Always my anchor, So strong and tall
author unknown



Announcements & Updates

Changemaker's Lab (VBS) is 2 weeks away and we could use a few household supplies.

Drop off the following items by Tuesday, June 20th at the church office:

- 30 Cleaned, wrapper-free, clear, smooth 12 oz. glass jars (ex. pickle jars, jelly jars, etc.)
- 60 cleaned, wrapper-free, 64 oz. soda or juice bottles (preferably clear, but color is also ok)
- 60 cleaned, wrapper-free, 16 or 24 oz. soda bottles (preferably clear, but color is ok)
- 4 shoeboxes
- 12 clear, smooth 12 oz or greater drinking glasses or wine glasses
- Cornstarch (24 - 16 oz. containers)
- Conditioner (12 - 16 oz. bottles - Dollar Store brands will work)
- Vegetable oil (15 - 48 oz containers - any brand)
- White vinegar (8 - 128 oz bottles - any brand)
- 10 adult sized lab coats (for donation or to borrow)

From Stewardship Committee

Pay it Forward! There are ways you can “pay it forward” by creating a legacy for Highland Presbyterian Church. These options below have the advantages of not reducing your current financial situation or income (perhaps even enhancing it) while in many cases allowing you to escape federal and state taxation.

Bequests are the easiest way to “pay it forward.” Including a bequest in your will to Highland Presbyterian can take several forms. Cash is easy to designate but runs the risk of reduced value due to inflation. Percentage of assets avoids the problem of the amount being eroded by inflation.

Real Estate can provide a unique opportunity. The donor may transfer a home or other property. If it is a personal residence or farm, the donor can retain use of it during their lifetime.

Life insurance with Highland as the beneficiary ensures that a fixed sum goes to Highland. Often this is an “old” policy whose cash value has risen over the years and you may not realize its current value.

Appreciated assets transferred to Highland “cheat” our favorite Uncle. Many stocks and other securities have a value far in excess of original cost. Transferring these to Highland avoids the capital gains tax.

Charitable remainder trusts allow a future gift to Highland while receiving income during your lifetime. A trustee makes payments to you during your lifetime. When the income payments end the remaining assets go to Highland.

Retirement Plans have since January 2023 become increasingly important. Designate a charitable beneficiary such as Highland for retirement accounts such as IRAs, 401(k)/403(b) Keogh and others may reduce your income tax and those of your heirs.

Annuities take a variety of forms and should be individually tailored for your situation. All of them have a tax advantage, but their main benefit is to guarantee lifetime income for the owner. Annuities may be for a single life or for two. Remaining funds (if any) could go to Highland as a beneficiary.

These are examples and should not be considered financial advice.

For that information see an advisor or lawyer.

Highland as a Plan or Policy Beneficiary Recent notes from the Stewardship Committee have emphasized the importance of checking employment-related retirement plans, IRAs, and life insurance policies to ensure that your beneficiary designations are up to date. Especially in cases where you believe that there are adequate provisions for loved ones, consider adding Highland as a beneficiary for a percentage of the assets. Most plan and policy administrators provide a way to make this change conveniently.