

the highland HEARTBEAT

August 13, 2023



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WITH CHRIST AND COMMUNITY

Fall Sermon Series

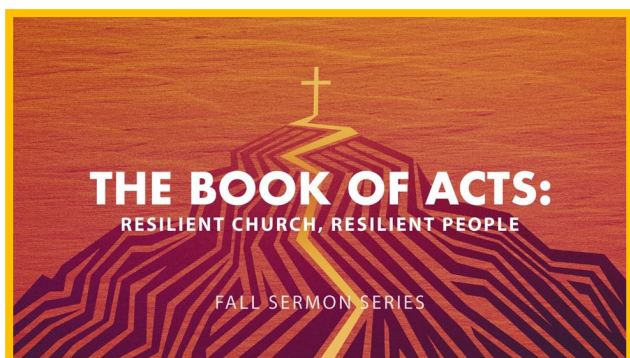
The Book of Acts: Resilient Church, Resilient People Sign-ups for our fall small group studies will begin soon. There are four options for small group studies and the study books are on tables in the Narthex for your review and selection preference to study. Look at them, please indicate your interest on the sheets provided – **today if possible**. Here are some summary notes to help you decide which study group is right for you.

Max Lucado "Life Lessons from Acts" - 12 lessons ask intriguing questions, offer inspirational stories, offer Reflections, background information, excerpts of the text, exploration questions, inspirational thoughts from Max and a closing takeaway. Chapters/Lessons range in length from 8-10 pages. Book Price \$9.00

N.T. Wright "Acts for Everyone" with 24 lessons, leader guide, suggestions for group members, with brief historical background, maps, opening, questions for reflection and learning, prayers and notes on the learning from commentators. Chapter/Lessons range in length from 4-6 pages. Book price \$9.00

Interpretation Bible Studies "Acts" by Charles C. Williamson with 10 lessons featuring maps, illustrations, definitions of key terms, interesting biblical facts and questions for reflection and discussion and a leader guide. Chapter/Lessons range in length between 7 or 8 pages. Book price \$13.00

John Stott Bible Studies, "Acts: Seeing the Spirit at Work" by John Stott with 18 lessons including a historical background introduction to each lesson, opening questions, study & reflection questions, life application and prayer and a leader guide. Chapter/Lessons range in length between 4 or 5 pages. Book price \$12.00



Rally Day will be held following Worship on **Sunday, August 27th**. Plan to join us for food, fun and fellowship. The Corsair Jazz Orchestra will be performing, there will be face painting for children and our Hospitality Committee will be serving lunch. A sign-up table for Mission & Ministry opportunities will also be available.



WORSHIP SERVICE

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE: Luke 24: 13-35

SERMON: "Come Alongside (Revisited)"

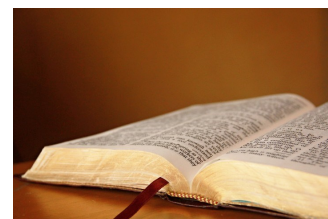


HOW TO VIEW OUR ONLINE SERVICES

- 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

8/20 Will Massey preaching
8/27 Pastor Allison preaching
9/03 Pastor Allison preaching
9/10 Pastor Allison preaching
9/17 Pastor Allison preaching
9/24 Pastor Allison preaching
10/1 Pastor Allison preaching
10/8 Pastor Allison preaching



PRAYER LIST

In Memory

Family of Zitella (Zit) Buzby
Family of Lewis Hershey
Family of Harriett Weaver

In Prayer

Julie Bender
Robert Coup
Bill & Claudia Dyson (Friends of Lee Heisey)
Marilyn Frandsen
Ryan Ginn
Linda Guimond
Diane Hostetter (Mitchell)
Joan Lewis
Carolyn McGuigan
Beverly Moore
Heather Sievers
Family of Jack & Shelby Snyder
Dorie Steinman

PASTOR ON CALL

August 14 ~ August 20

Rev. Dr. Bob Burns



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

Ignite Returns on Sept. 10th! Ignite, which is a time of extended worship with our praise band, starts back up on Sunday, Sept. 10th at 9:30am in Fellowship Hall. Due to high demand, Ignite will be EVERY SUNDAY at 9:30am in fellowship hall, except the Sunday after Thanksgiving and Christmas. We are so excited to hear more from our talented praise band and Ignite worship leader, Jeff Martin. Come join us any Sunday for inspiration and praise at IGNITE!



Please note Highland Church has so many wonderful ministries and mission projects which we want to share with the congregation from the pulpit on Sunday mornings. Given the realities of a one-hour worship service, livestreamed and saved on YouTube, the following guidelines are being implemented.

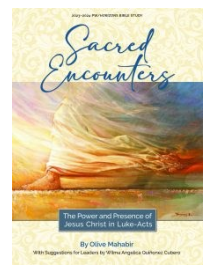
A **Minute for Mission** describes a Highland Mission endeavor in **1.5 – 2 minutes** about a particular mission project sponsored and supported by Highland's Mission Team. They are scheduled through the Director of Mission Ministries, Will Massey. Each Minute for Mission will be presented on the **2nd Sunday of the month**. Additional things to know:

- * When the content exceeds 2 minutes, the information will be presented in a 3-minute maximum video [developed by Highland's technology coordinator, Jonathan Lefever.](#)
- * Minute for Mission presentations are placed during the announcement time.
- * Send your request in writing to the Director of Mission Ministries at least **FIVE** weeks in advance of the date you would like to share.
- * Send your written script (for in-person and video presentations) to the Director of Mission Ministries to be approved (and edited, when necessary) by Highland's staff worship team at least **THREE** weeks prior to the Sunday it is scheduled to be presented.

Worship Presentations from the Pulpit are announcements of *3 minutes or less* about current ministry initiatives of Highland. They are scheduled through the Associate Minister, Rev. Ann Osborne. Each Worship Presentation will be presented no more than one time per quarter, unless otherwise approved. Additional things to know:

- * When the content exceeds 3 minutes, the information will be presented in a video [developed by Highland's technology coordinator, Jonathan Lefever.](#)
- * Worship presentations are placed during the announcement time, or following the Passing of the Peace, or as a congregational response to the Sermon.
- * Send your request in writing to the Associate Minister at least **FIVE** weeks in advance of the date you would like to share.
- * Send your written script (for in-person and video presentations) to the Associate Minister to be approved (and edited, when necessary) by Highland's staff worship team at least **THREE** weeks prior to the Sunday it is scheduled to be presented.

2023/24 Presbyterian Woman ~ Ellie Grove will present a preview of the new study, Sacred Encounters on **Saturday, August 26 at 9 am.** here at Highland. Registration is required. Registration forms can be found at the Welcome Center or on the round table in the Narthex.



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.

The Children's Ministry at Highland is growing!

Help us keep pace with this growth by occasionally volunteering to help on Sunday mornings. Currently, we are serving children in these age groups: nursery (infants to 3 years), PreK - 1st grade, 2nd - 4th grade, and 5th grade & above. What is involved, you ask? Here are the key components of a Sunday morning helper with children:



1. Submit your SafeChurch clearances (once every five years & free to everyone),
2. Join us for a team huddle on the morning you are scheduled to help,
3. Play, interact, guide, and build relationships with the children during the Sunday service, and Support other volunteers in the classroom.

A larger pool of volunteers equips us to share the load of our growing ministries. Grab a hard copy of the Fall Volunteer Availability Form today or sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/hpckidsfall2023>. **Submit your form TODAY.** (We also have volunteer openings for August.) See Jennifer Weitzel or email her at jenniferweitzel@highlandpc.org for more information.

Children and Youth Volunteers Training

If you're planning to assist with any children and/or youth related activities in the 2023-2024 school year, please plan to attend ONE of the two upcoming orientations:

Sunday, August 20th after service, 11:15 am - 12:15 pm, Youth Room

Monday, August 21st, 7:30 - 8:30 pm, Zoom

We will discuss upcoming events, roles of volunteers, safety measures, and more as it relates to children and youth at Highland. See Jennifer Weitzel or Will Massey for more information and to RSVP.

Invitation to the Confirmation Cohort Highland's 9th and 10th grade students are invited to participate in the next confirmation cohort! Older youth who were not previously confirmed as Highland members may also join. Confirmation encourages students to remember the promises that were made in their baptism, reflect on what God is doing in their lives, and express what it means for them to be disciples of Jesus. At the conclusion of the class, students may write a statement of faith and become members of Highland. This is a time of reflection and affirmation for Highland's young people, as they are invited to participate even more fully in the fellowship of God's church. Meeting times for the cohort are TBA, because we hope to find dates and times that will work for all participants over the course of this school year. Teachers will include Pastor Allison, Pastor Ann, and Will Massey. Please contact Will Massey by Friday, September 1 if your student would like to be invited to join the confirmation cohort! After that date you will be invited to an introductory meeting



Support Youth Ministry: Volunteers and Meals Youth Group kicks off on August 27, and once again we will need two types of contributions:

- Youth Group volunteers (adults with Child Protection Clearances who also attend orientation)
- Sunday Dinners

You can start signing up today for Sunday Youth Gatherings from now through December. Contributing in either way makes a big difference for our youth as they build relationships and explore their faith in a non-judgmental

Free Mulch is available near the circle in the Memorial Garden area. Help yourself.