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Music Ministry at Highland

Lenten Cantata On Sunday March 10th, during the 10 AM morning service, the Highland choir and soloists will be presenting, along with chamber orchestra, Gabriel Faure's Requiem. In the history of Lenten presentations at Highland, settings of the Requiem have been quite common. Two years ago we presented the Rutter Requiem. The focus of the contemplative texts is on eternal rest and consolation. There are some very powerful and moving movements in this setting; from the dramatic Kyrie to the soaring Pie Jesu, and the heart-tugging Agnes Dei. Faure wrote of the work, "Everything I managed to entertain by way of religious sentiment I put into my Requiem, which moreover is dominated from beginning to by the very human feeling of faith in eternal rest." You will not want to miss this presentation as part of your Lenten journey.

Dorothy Rose Smith ~ Concert Series ~ March 13 "Pipes and Keys"

On Wednesday March 13 at 7 PM, The Dorothy Rose Concert Series will be presenting Jonathan Lefever, organist and pianist, and Paul Thorlakson, pianist in recital. Week by week Highland is treated to organ and piano selections performed by these two gentlemen. At this concert, the keyboardists join forces to present an eclectic program that features organ and piano solos, organ and piano duets, and two-piano works. A central work in the concert is the fun and whimsical *Carnival of the Animals* for two pianos by Camille Saint-Saens. Kids of every age would love this piece as it explores musical depictions of Kangaroos, Elephants, Turtles, Lions, fish and birds. Dr. Geoffrey Reiter, Literature professor at LBC will be narrating the equally delightful and humorous poems by Ogden Nash, written to accompany this musical work. Ending the concert is a musical romp of Waltzes made famous in Disney movies. Jonathan will play a stirring arrangement of the Adagio for Strings by Samuel Barber. Dr. Thorlakson will play a selection of musical pictures from Robert Schumann's Carnival. For those who have enjoyed our piano and organ duets, you will be treated to two hymn arrangements, the *Overture to the Magic Flute* and Gounod's *Ave Maria*. For the two-piano selections on the program, the audience will be treated to a matching Steinway concert grand to accompany our magnificent sanctuary Steinway D – definitely dueling pianos! Something for everyone! Jonathan and I, and the committee would love to see you there! Dr. Paul Thorlakson



WORSHIP SERVICE/PREACHING CALENDAR

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE: Psalm 19: 7-14 and
Matthew 16:13-20

SERMON: "Praise the Mount"

PREACHING SCHEDULE:

March 10 ~ Pastor Allison

March 24 ~ Pastor Allison

April 7 ~ Pastor Allison

March 17 ~ Will Massey

March 31 ~ Pastor Allison

April 14 ~ Pastor Allison



VIEWING OF 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.

GIVING

- 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 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 or call the church office at 717-569-2651.



PRAYER LIST

In Memory

In Prayer

Julie Bender
Donna Benson
Harper Brooks
(grand-daughter of Jim Eberle)
Hadley Chisman
(great niece of Jen Winter)
Robert Coup
Allen Deaver
Helen Emmitt
Fred Engle
Sue Esch
George Estevez
Pete Faber
Linda Guimond
Marge Herrmann

Diane Hostetter (Mitchell)
Joan Lewis
Bill Mann
Beverly Moore
Shirley Offermann
Bill Rhoads
Dorie Steinman
Mary Lou Stoner

PASTOR ON CALL

March 4 ~ March 10

Rev. Dr. Robert 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

Lenten Series Faith is a constant journey. It is a steadfast pursuit; one that often ebbs and flows with the seasons of life. Sometimes we find ourselves close to God and other times, we find ourselves in a swirl of questions and doubts. When we find ourselves a bit more distant from God, we have a tendency to feel guilty. But, actually, we are just HUMAN. This Lent, we are going to take a journey with one of Jesus' most famous disciples:



Peter. In Peter, we see a person who is both steadfast and unsteady, a dear friend and a betrayer, a follower and a wanderer. We see Peter as a human being-- just like us, whose faith ebbs and flows. By following Peter's journey, we will watch the story of Jesus unfold through the eyes of a regular human being trying to figure it out—just like us. Ultimately, in Peter's story, we are reminded that God loves imperfect people-- in fact, time and time again, that's precisely who God calls...and who God claims. For the weeks of Lent, we'll be tracing Peter's journey by using the popular hymn, "Come Thou Fount." Each sermon title below is taken from a phrase of that precious hymn.

Friends, I'm really looking forward to taking this journey with you. May it be a holy Lent and blessed Easter for all of us! See you on the Lord's Day! **Pastor Allison**

4th Sunday in Lent- "I'm Fixed Upon It" Matthew 16:21-23, Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

5th Sunday in Lent- "Teach Me" Matthew 18:15-22, Psalm 119: 9-16

Palm Sunday- "Songs of Loudest Praise" John 12:12-16

Easter Sunday- "And I Hope" Luke 24:1-12

Highland's Ministers' Visits to Members and Guests living in Retirement Communities

The Pastors plan to be at locations to be announced at various retirement communities to visit and fellowship with Highland's members who reside at that particular location for a time of fellowship and connection. They look forward to seeing long-time Highland members who no longer drive, new members who have joined in the past six months, and former members who have recently returned to Lancaster, as well as all who worship each week in Highland's Sanctuary. Mark your calendars to plan to meet with them according to the anticipated schedule. **Thursday, March 21** Moravian Manor meeting in the Zinzendorf Room in the main building of the old campus of Moravian Manor. They will meet residents from 2:00pm to 3:30pm.

April 4 -Homestead Village meeting in the Stauffer Spring House at the Farmstead location from 2:00-3:30pm

May 23 – Landis Homes from 2:00 -3:30pm

Plans are to visit Willow Valley Manor & Square in September and Willow Valley Lakes in October. Residents will receive a postcard invitation early in the month of the ministers' visits to advise them of where the gathering will be held.

Committee Spotlight ~ This week we highlight the Global Outreach. The role of the Global Outreach Committee is to seek and continue in two-way conversations and actions together with Highland's mission partners including the congregation, the Presbytery, IRCES, selected PCUSA missionaries, and victims of disasters. Responsibilities include; 1) to communicate, support and stay connected with our mission Partners; 2) encourage activities to involve the congregation; and 4) to administer the Global Outreach budget. The committee chair is Dick Entz. The staff representative is Will Massey.



Are you a recent visitor to Highland? A get-together for recent visitors will be held **after the worship service on Sunday, March 17**, in the McClintock Chapel. 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 may have. We look forward to seeing you then. For further information, please contact the church office or Larry and Anita Ewing.

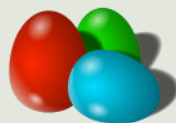
Mission & Outreach Corner

Save-the-Dates for Summer Trips! Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference, June 19-23.

A tradition like no other! We return to Massanetta Springs with our friends from First Pres and many other Presbyterian youth groups. Current 5th – 8th grade students may participate. We will drive to Harrisonburg, VA to worship, play, create, explore, and more! The cost is \$375, but please email Will with scholarship request at willmassey@highlandpc.org.

Inter-Generational Mission Trip, Sunday, July 14 to Friday, July 19. A week in Morgantown, WV for Highland's adults, youth, and school-aged children. Home repair and other service projects, daily worship, staying in dorms at West Virginia University. Cost and registration info coming soon!

RSVP for our Easter Egg Hunt! RSVP for our Easter Egg Hunt! All Highlanders and their children/grandchildren ages one through 4th grade are invited to RSVP to our Easter Egg Hunt on **Saturday, March 23rd from 9:30 - 11:00 am**. We will also be inviting the Upward Basketball community to this event; we are not advertising to the general public. Face painting, snacks, activities, and age-divided egg hunts will be provided. Limited spots available and RSVP is required to attend. Sign up soon at www.tinyurl.com/hpcEggHunt2024



Filled Easter Egg Collection Starts Now! Kids & Family Ministries are excited to announce our first community event in over 5 years. With many helpers, we can make this a delightful experience for everyone involved. Join us by dropping off your FILLED Easter eggs NO LATER THAN Sunday, March 10th to the collection bin in the Narthex or at the front office. Feel free to use the empty eggs in the Narthex or purchase new ones. Eggs can be filled with candy, chocolates, stickers, stampers, and more! Our goal is 2000 filled eggs (Highland's members provided 1800 last year, so we know we can reach this goal). Contact jenniferweitzel@highlandpc.org with any questions.

Easter Memorial Tulips for Sale in Narthex One of the Deacons' many ministries provide the opportunity to order tulips to donate for delivery to someone homebound, grieving or dealing with illness. You may, also, order tulips in memory of a loved one or for your personal enjoyment. When you purchase Memorial Plants in memory or honor of someone, their names will be printed in the bulletin. Tulips will decorate the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday. If you indicate on the order form that you wish to take home a plant, please pick it up after the Easter Worship Service you attend. Stop at the Deacon table in the Narthex before or after Sunday worship to place your order. **Plants are \$7 each. Orders accepted until Sunday March 17.**



Communication reminder Articles submitted for the Heartbeat will not include personal information such as email or phone numbers. The articles will be revised to have any interested parties contact the church office, who in turn will then reach out to any necessary contacts.



Blanket Offering: For over 75 years, Church World Service has been helping people of faith bring God's hope and healing to people in the U.S. and around the world. When difficult times happen, a kind and loving response can make all the difference. That's why the CWS Blankets program was created—to give a kind, loving and tangible response to someone facing a difficult time, reminding them that they are not alone. One blanket costs \$10.00. Please consider supporting this simple yet far reaching ministry of CWS. The offering will be collected on Sunday, March 10.



Senior Breakfast at Oregon Dairy Join the group for a time of fellowship & conversation on the **first Thursday of each month** at 9:00 a.m. They meet in the dining room at Oregon Dairy ~ tell the hostess your with the Highland Group and they will direct you to the table. Contact the church office 717-569-2651 with any questions.