

# The Highland Heartbeat

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## 25th Anniversary Season of Dorothy Rose Smith Concert Series

Highland will kick off the 25th Anniversary Season of the Dorothy Rose Smith Concerts with Dr. Robert Horton, organist on **Wednesday, October 9, 2024**. Dr. Horton is the former Organist and Director of Music at Trinity Lutheran Church, Lancaster. He also served as Interim Chapel Organist at Duke University and Director of Keyboard Studies at Dordt College. His playing has garnered numerous accolades including highest honors at the Tariverdiev Competition in Russia and first prize at the AGO National Competition in Organ Improvisation.

### Other concerts this season include:

Sun., Nov. 3, 2024, 4:00 p.m. – U.S. Naval Academy Orchestra and Mariachi Band

Sun., Dec. 15, 2025, 4:00 p.m. – Highland Chancel Choir and Orchestra in *Gloria*

Wed., Mar. 12, 2025, 7:00 p.m. – Silent Film with Don Kinnier, Organist

Wed., May 7, 2025, 7:00 p.m. – Dr. Eric Fung, Pianist

Wed., June 11, 2025, 7:00 p.m. – The King's Brass



The impact of Helene has been felt across multiple states. With the storm surge, wind damage, and flooding, it is crucial to have the necessary resources to support the many communities that are affected. Helene caused devastating damage in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee.

**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)** is in communication with affected presbyteries and National VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster) to share information and coordinate resources as damage is assessed. PDA has deployed a National Response Team to Tampa Bay Presbytery, Presbytery of Western North Carolina and Northeast Georgia Presbytery. They have approved several initial assistance grant requests and are anticipating additional requests from affected presbyteries to help respond to needs in their communities.

As you are able, please consider contributing to the important work done by PDA. Your generous gifts will bring hope and encouragement.

## WORSHIP SERVICE/PREACHING CALENDAR

**THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE:** Mark 1:35-39

**SERMON TITLE:** "The Unhurried Life"

### PREACHING SCHEDULE

October 13 ~ Pastor Allison

October 27 ~ Pastor Matt

November 10 ~ Pastor Allison

November 24 ~ Pastor Allison

December 8 ~ Pastor

October 20 ~ Sarah Hostetter

November 3 ~ Pastor Ann

November 17 ~ Pastor Allison

December 1 ~ Pastor Allison

December 15 ~ Pastor Allison



## VIEWING OF ONLINE SERVICES

- Go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)
- In the YouTube search bar, type "Highland Presbyterian Church"
- You should see a picture of Highland 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](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 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) or call the church office at 717-569-2651.



## PROGRAM STAFF

Rev. Allison Beaulieu, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Matt Drumheller, Associate Pastor for Missions & Discipleship  
Rev. Ken Osborne, Parish Associate  
Jonathan Lefever, Organist  
Jennifer Weitzel, Director of Children & Family Ministries

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne, Pastor for Congregational Care  
Rev. Dr. Robert Burns, Parish Associate  
Dr. Paul Thorlakson, Music Director  
Sarah Hostetter, Director Of Youth Ministries

## PRAYER LIST

### In Memory

Family of Bill Mann  
Family of Charlotte & Gene Rohrer  
Family of Eleanor Taylor

### In Prayer

Julie Bender  
Jeff Chisman  
(brother of Jennifer Winter)  
Robert Coup  
Bill Ebel  
Pete Faber  
Linda Guimond  
Lois Hagedorn  
Luther Heiser  
Marge Herrmann  
Gretchen Laubach  
Martha Matt

Shirley Offermann  
Charles O'Neill  
Doris Ramdsdell  
(sister of Lee Heisey)  
Dorie Steinman

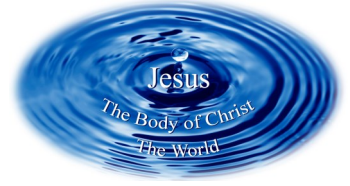
## PASTOR ON CALL

**Pastor Matt Drumheller**  
**October 7~ October 13**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**What's next** ~ We hope you enjoyed Pastor Allison's sermon series on our strategic plan and found the handouts useful for the high-level goals. Next Sunday, you will receive our "plan on a page" where you can see all our ministry goals on one sheet of paper! The next step is to form implementation teams aligned with each of the goals in this plan. If you are passionate about any of the goals included in the plan, we'd like to hear from you! Please contact the church office if interested in being a part of the implementation teams. With God's help, we will live into this plan and our vision to be seen, known, and loved!



**Be a part of Highland's Vision: Be a Leader!** The nominating committee has begun the process of selecting candidates for Session, Deacons and Trustees, for the Class of 2027. This is a three-year commitment. Names for a one-year term on the Nominating Committee will also be selected. The completed slate will be presented at the next Congregational meeting. Do you know someone who is ready to take on a leadership role? Are *you* ready to take on that responsibility? Start thinking about potential leaders today. Nominating forms will be available next Sunday.

**Session is the leadership body of HPC, called to lead, govern, discern and discipline.**

**Deacons are the heart & hands of HPC, focusing on sympathy, witness & service to others.**

**Trustees are the leadership body of the corporate entity of HPC: stewards of church finances & managers of facility operations, maintenance, and security.** Each board has a monthly meeting. For further information or questions, contact Dana Mead or the church office at 717-569-2651

**To view a list of the committee responsibilities, navigate to our website at [www.highlandpc.org](http://www.highlandpc.org), then click *Policies & Resources* under the *About Us* tab.**

## **An Unhurried Life: Learning to Follow Jesus in a Calendar-Driven Culture**

As we begin the fall season, we are all aware that we live in a culture of speed...a culture driven by technology, social media, the endless news reel, and our to-do lists. This sermon series will identify our "idolatry of speed." But it will also be practical in nature. Drawing from John Mark Comer's book "The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry," we will identify four spiritual practices designed to slow us down and ground us in our relationship with God. These practices will also help us as we launch into the election season. As things heat up in the political arena, we will be focusing on staying spiritually and mentally healthy, as well as grounded in God's promises for us. We will carefully reflect on the ways in which Jesus led an unhurried life. Comer suggests that "to walk with Jesus is to walk with a slow, unhurried pace." This sermon series will explore how we do that.

**Follow along starting October 6 thru October 27.**

In coordination with our October sermon series, we will be offering small groups for church members to further engage in this topic. Each small group will be facilitated by a volunteer. They will meet for about an hour once a week for four weeks at a consistent time and location. Participants are encouraged to read the book, *The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry*, which can be ordered online or acquired through the church. In small groups, we will explore Scripture, engage with spiritual practices, and discuss the impacts of an unhurried life. Small groups will begin in the week following Sunday, October 6 and continue for four consecutive weeks. No matter how many sessions you can attend, we encourage you to get involved! In the weeks leading up to October you can sign up for a small group in the Narthex or online using the provided QR code. **Join us as we explore this important topic together!**



## **Small Groups Offered:**

- Sunday morning following Worship ~ in the Upper Room ~ led by Dick Entz
- Sunday evening 5-6 pm ~ meeting in Room 105 ~ led by Pete & Laura Rothacker
- Wednesday evening 6-7 ~ via Zoom ~ led by Jocelyn Pyett
- Thursday evening 7-8 pm ~ meeting at Lyndon Diner (Manheim Pike) ~ Led By Andrew Hostetter
- Friday morning 10 am ~ meeting at the Activities Room at Spring Run/Willow Valley ~ led by Betty Price
- Friday afternoon ~ 2 pm ~ meeting in the Hudson Room ~ led by Mary Ellen Cantrell



## MISSION & OUTREACH CORNER

**Children's Sunday School** All children in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and under are invited to attend Sunday School on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> through the rest of the school year. Please note that the children will be dismissed from the Sanctuary before the Prayer of Confession this year. See Jennifer Weitzel or email her at [jenniferweitzel@highlandpc.org](mailto:jenniferweitzel@highlandpc.org)



Highland Children & Family Ministries continue to grow! We can use your help to make our classroom Spaces and gym activities more meaningful and age-appropriate. Check out our Amazon Wish list at <https://t.ly/HPCKidsWishList2425> to donate items and help our spaces become even more welcoming for children of all ages! Email [jenniferweitzel@highlandpc.org](mailto:jenniferweitzel@highlandpc.org) with questions. Thank you for your support of Children & Families at Highland!

### Upward Basketball and Cheer Registration begins October 1st.

Early Bird Discounts available from October 1<sup>st</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> - \$115/player.

Regular Rates from October 16<sup>th</sup> to November 20<sup>th</sup> - \$125/player.

Donations always welcome online at HighlandPC.org or at our Registration Link

<https://registration.upward.org/UPW87439>.



### BASKETBALL:

- Kindergarten: Our kindergarten season lasts 8 weeks and starts on January 25th. Players practice and play games at the same time on Saturday mornings at one of two different time slots.
- 1st through 4th graders: This age group's season lasts 10 weeks and start the week of January 6th. Players practice one hour at the same time each week and play one hour games on the weekends.

### CHEER:

- This is a PILOT program, so please be kind and considerate as we work out the kinks of this program.
  - CHEER UNIFORMS RUN SMALLER. Always best to order a size up to be on the safe side for these uniforms. Be sure to use the sizing chart in the online registration.
  - Unless there is an overwhelming response, we will keep all ages together for this first season. This will be a great opportunity for older cheerleaders to take leadership roles.
- This program will last 8 weeks and will start the week of January 20th.

### Support the building campaign for Juan Calvino school ~ In partnership with the Reformed Calvinist Church



of El Salvador (IRCES), Highland has supported the private church-run Juan Calvino school in El Limon, El Salvador for more than 20 years. We've offered scholarships for up to 50 elementary aged children (kindergarten through sixth grade). This is crucial for the children of El Limon, a poor neighborhood where many families could not afford the modest tuition for this private school. Recently high school students (grades 10 - 12) have also joined the school. Our partners in IRCES want to fill the gap, offering junior high (grades 7-9) too. But to do that they need more classrooms. To build and equip those classrooms, they need our help. This October, Highland will be receiving donations to support the Juan Calvino school's building plans. If you want to contribute, mark

checks for the Juan Calvino school and get them to the office, or place them in the offering plate. Help us support our church partners as they work to educate the families of El Limon.

**Market Share** ~ Are you planting shrubs or trees this Fall from Stauffers? Are you purchasing pumpkins or mums at Weis, Giant or Oregon Dairy on your way in? Please remember our gift cards can be used for anything sold at these stores. And as the holidays approach, remember to purchase your gift cards to cover your grocery expenses. Every card sold contributes a little bit to the mission pool to help us combat hunger. The next donation will be in December. With your card purchases, we can make it a generous one!

