

Mission & Outreach

YWCA Race Against Racism April 26, 2025 ~ Please join Highland's **Matthew 25 Committee** by participating in the nation's biggest and longest consecutively run **Race Against Racism!** The Lancaster YWCA's 27th RAR is on **Saturday, April 26th** at Musser Park in Lancaster City. You can run, walk, or stand along the 5K course to cheer on our Highland team racers! Plenty of food, music, and activities throughout the event which starts at 8:30 am with a Kids Fun Run.



To participate, please register online at <https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Lancaster/YWCALancasterRaceAgainstRacism>. Click on the **Groups** tab at the top, then enter **Highland Presbyterian Church – Mt 25**. The cost is: \$6.94 for the Kids Fun Run; \$14.41 for racers ages 14 & under; and \$38.96 for racers 15 & up. (Scholarships are available for low-income and marginalized children.) All 5K participants who register by April 6th will receive a free RAR t-shirt. There is a price increase for registration after

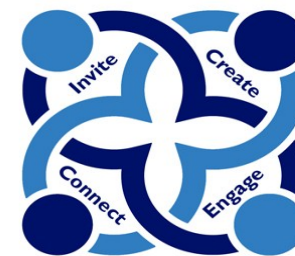
that date. Lynn Dawson, the Team Administrator, will pick up the teams' t-shirts and racing bibs which will then be available at the church office two days before the race. For more information, or if you have questions, please feel free to contact Lynn Dawson or call the church office.



Henri Nouwen once wrote, ***“O Lord, make this Lenten season different from the other ones. Let me find you again. Amen.”*** Every year at Highland we pick a new theme for Lent. This year we will be wrestling with Jesus' parables through both a challenging sermon series and book study. Although this theme is different from years past, we always have the same goal—to re-connect with the Lord. Lent is a season we set aside for preparing our hearts and minds for Easter. If you have felt disconnected from the Lord, now is the time to put practices in place to draw closer to Him. We hope that attending Sunday services and participating in small groups will be part of your Lenten practice. Here are some other practices that you may want to try during Lent. Let us know if you need help or encouragement with any of these practices!

We'd be happy to help in any way we can. We will pray that you have a blessed and holy Lent. May God bless us as we travel this Lenten journey together. *Pastors Allison, Ann, and Matt*

1. Commit to a morning or evening quiet time/devotional time
2. Set a reminder to pause and pray 3x a day
3. Memorize one Bible verse a day
4. Complete a 40-day Bible reading plan (We recommend the YouVersion Bible app)
5. Limit or completely abstain from media or anything else that might take time away from God.
6. Find a way to serve your community by volunteering
7. Write a thank you note each week
8. Go for a walk each day to spend time with God in nature
9. Commit to spending more time with your family demonstrate hospitality by having friends and family for dinner each week



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Heartbeat
Highland, a Place to be Seen, Known, and Loved

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Upward at Highland Basketball and Cheer League - where athletes and their families are seen, known, and loved!

As the winter chill began to set in, the gym at Highland was filled with the warmth of community spirit, teamwork, and excitement. This year's Upward at Highland Basketball and Cheer League was an absolute success, bringing together 185 athletes and their families, 45 coaches, 25 announcers, and more than 20 Highland volunteers for a season of fun, growth, and unforgettable memories.

Our young athletes showcased their skills on the court and practiced working together as a team. With each game, they not only learned the fundamentals of basketball, but also the invaluable lessons of sportsmanship, determination, and respect.

The cheerleaders were equally impressive, energizing the crowd and supporting their teams with enthusiasm and spirit. Their vibrant routines and cheers added an extra layer of excitement to each game, lifting everyone's spirits and reminding us all of the importance of encouragement and positivity.

This season's league was more than just sports; it was a chance for our community to come together, foster friendships, and create lasting memories. A special thank you to our incredible coaches, volunteers, and all the families who supported this program!



Thank you, Highlanders, for advocating for this missional opportunity to see, know, and love the children and families of Highland and our local community!



WORSHIP | March 23, 2025

THIS WEEK’S SCRIPTURE: Matthew 13:45-46

Sermon ~ “The Pearl of Great Price”

Pastor Matt

Next week ~ Pastor Allison



Office Hours

Mon - Thurs | 9AM - 3:30 PM

Friday | 9:00AM - 3:30 PM

Contact Information

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Worship Times

Ignite Worship | 9:30AM

Traditional Worship | 10AM

Program Staff

Senior Pastor—Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Pastor for Congregational Care—Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Associate Pastor for Missions & Discipleship—Rev. Matt Drumheller

Parish Associate— Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

Parish Associate—Rev. Ken Osborne

Music Director—Dr. Paul Thorlakson

Organist—Jonathan Lefever

Director of Youth Ministries—Sarah Hostetter

Director of Children & Family Ministries—Jennifer Weitzel.

PRAYER LIST

PASTOR ON CALL - Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne March 24 ~ March 30

In Memory

Family of Dot Bisalski

Family of John Wylie

Family of Barbara Holran

In Prayer

Judy Berg

David Dagen

Faye Gemmill

Richard Hankel

Luther Heiser

Shirley Offermann

Stacy Self & her family

Eric (son-in-law of Jean Fontes)

Elizabeth Devitry (grand-daughter of Jack Sapper)

Lewis Fitzgerald (father of Carolyn Danaker)

Marge Carpenter

Sandy Cross

Linda Guimond

Gretchen Laubach

Martha Matt

John Ray (father of Trixi Ray)

Megan Stock

If you or a family member are in the hospital and would like a visit from a pastor or hospital visitor please contact the church office.



VIEWING OF ONLINE SERVICES

GIVING

Go to 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 by date.
- Worship services are livestreamed at 10 am on Sunday mornings.

- Mail your contributions to the church office.
- 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 and it will take you to the online giving on our website.
- If you have general questions, please contact the church office at 717-569-2651.



Easter Tulips ~ Did you know tulips symbolize passion, belief, and love in our Christian faith? White tulips represent forgiveness and purple tulips represent royalty. Sound familiar to anyone? One of the Deacons’ many ministries is to provide you with the opportunity to order beautiful tulips. These tulips can be purchased and then donated for delivery to someone who is homebound, grieving, or ill. You can also order a tulip in memory of, in honor of a loved one or you can order one for your personal enjoyment. When you purchase a tulip in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one, their names will be printed in the bulletin. Tulips will decorate the Sanctuary for Easter (Sunday, April 20). Stop by the Deacon table in the Narthex the following Sundays either before or after the service: **MARCH 16 – MARCH 23 – MARCH 30. Tulips are \$8 each. If you have any questions, please contact Trixi Ray or call the church office**



Local Author to visit Book Group ~ Sherry V Ostroff of Lititz will be talking about her latest book, "The Wall at the Sugar Factory" on **Wednesday, March 26 at 1 p.m. in the choir room.** The Sugar Factory is an historical novel about the civil war in Ukraine in 1919. Sherry's presentations always include additional research she has done that provides interesting background for the book. The book group begins at 1 and lasts about an hour with additional time for questions. Everyone is welcome. **Please join the book group on March 26.** Questions? Call the church office.

Say Farewell to the Weitzel Family Jennifer Weitzel's last Sunday with us will be **March 30th.** As we announced, Jenn will be moving to England and working at Cliff College. We will be having a reception for the family after worship in the narthex that day. We are also accepting donations for a purse for Jenn, which will be a sum of money offered to her as a thank-you for her ministry among us. You can submit checks to Highland Presbyterian Church with "Jennifer Weitzel's purse" in the memo line. **Please have those donations to the church office by March 24th.**

The Highland Annual Easter Egg Hunt is almost here! The Easter Bunny has graciously agreed to hide eggs for us to find after worship on Sunday April 6th from 11am-12:30pm. He's even planning on staying around for pictures! Hunt is open to those 1 year old through 5th grade. **Please sign up in the narthex today!**

Summer mission trips have a rich history at Highland Presbyterian Church! They are a great opportunity to help our neighbors beyond the Lancaster area and to build community with our church family. Whether you’ve been going on mission trips your whole life or this would be a brand new experience, these trips are open to you! No matter your age or skill level, we hope you will join us this Summer in one or both of our two mission trip options!

The Intergenerational Mission Trip will take place in Altoona, PA the week of July 13-18. All people from elementary-school (with a parent or guardian) through adulthood are welcome to join us for this trip. If you can’t commit to a full week, there is a partial week option for July 13-16. The cost for the full week is \$399 per person while the partial week option is \$329. Please keep in mind that this cost will be reduced by our fundraising efforts throughout the Spring. To register, use the QR code or go to <https://forms.gle/Yv6SvosiaIoHAqTf6>. **The registration deadline is March 31,** and deposits of ½ the total cost are due by April 30th. Be sure to sign up soon!



The Youth Mission trip will take place in Ashville, NC the week of July 27-August 1. All youth rising 8th grade to completed 12th are invited to join this disaster relief mission trip. The cost as of right now is \$500 before it is offset with our fundraising. **Registration is due by March 31st** and deposits of \$250 are due by April 30th. At this stage some projects you can expect are cleaning up the rivers and roads from the devastation done by Hurricane Helene, home and community projects, and working in a local food bank. Our projects will develop as the summer progresses. To register, us the QR code or go to <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSemscYxgzdOutC15q7nNK8ikLYLV-U49aXzoV0FBW9mZ6Nvcw/viewform?usp=sharing>

