

# The Highland Heartbeat

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

## Sunday, March 1, 2026

### Save the Date Easter Egg Hunt



Families are invited to join us on **Saturday, March 28** for an interactive Easter scavenger hunt! Beginning **today**, we will have eggs available in the narthex to take, fill, and then return.

### Volunteers Needed: Reception Support

We are so thankful for the many ways our church family supports the life of the church, and we'd like to share another opportunity to help. We are looking for a few volunteers to provide reception support on **Mondays and Fridays** between **10:00 AM and 2:00 PM**. This opportunity involves answering phone calls, welcoming guests, and helping with light clerical tasks as needed. Our hope is to create a rotating schedule so each volunteer would serve just **2 to 4 hours per month**. If this sounds like something you'd enjoy, please call the church office.

### Bible Sunday

We are excited to celebrate Bible Sunday on **March 22**. Bible Sunday is a special day when we place age-appropriate Bibles into the hands of our children and youth as they continue to grow in faith and deepen their relationship with God's Word.

Families with children and youth are invited to participate by filling out a form in the narthex (or using the QR code) to let us know how you would like your child/youth's name printed in their Bible. For our youth in 4th-12th grade, we invite them to choose the Bible that best fits their reading and learning style: a traditional NRSV Bible, study Bible, or note-taking Bible.

This is a meaningful milestone in the faith journey of our young people, and we are grateful to walk alongside them as they explore scripture together. Please submit your information **as soon as possible**, so we can purchase the Bibles before March 22.



### Learning to Walk in the Dark Lenten Small Groups in March

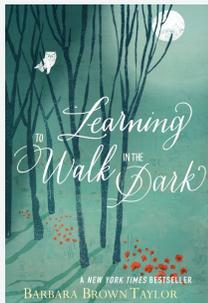
Celebrate Lent by reading and discussing *Learning to Walk in the Dark* by Barbara Brown Taylor. Order the book from your favorite bookseller in your preferred format: book, e-book or audio book, and join one of our discussions!

#### Online (Zoom)

**Fridays in March**  
1:30 - 3:00 PM

*Facilitators*  
Mary Kay Hymes  
Nancy Mudloff  
Pastor Ann Osborne

Contact **Pastor Ann** at [annosborne@highlandpc.org](mailto:annosborne@highlandpc.org) to register.



#### In Person (Library)

**Sundays during Lent**  
9:00 - 9:45 AM

*Facilitator*  
Sara Woodbury

Call the church office at **717-569-2651** to register.

### Highland Performing Arts Upcoming Concert

**Saturday, March 21 at 7:00 PM**  
**Paloma Performance Troupe**

For more information, scan the QR code



**From Your  
Stewardship  
Committee:  
Using God's  
Gifts to Us**

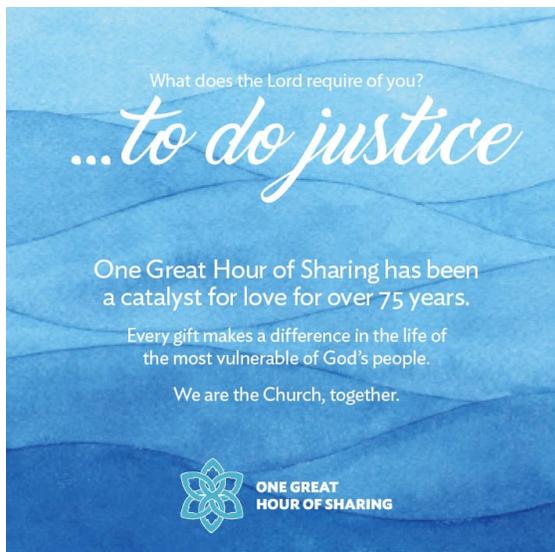
## A Charitable Gift Deduction for Non-Itemizers

Federal tax legislation enacted in 2025 allows taxpayers who do not itemize deductions to deduct certain gifts to charities, something that could not be done in the past. Beginning with the 2026 tax year, individuals may deduct \$1,000 in cash gifts to charities, and married couples filing jointly may deduct \$2,000 in such gifts. These deductions get added to a taxpayer's standard deduction, reducing the amount of taxable income. Since the vast majority of taxpayers use the standard deduction and do not itemize deductions, this change provides one more reason to make cash gifts to Highland and other charities.

## A Gift for Pastor Matt

As mentioned during Matt Drumheller's installation service, we are gifting him a beautiful stole. The stole has already been ordered, but we invite our church family to join in contributing toward this meaningful gift. Designed with Jacob's Ladder in mind and perfectly matching the colors of the sanctuary's stained glass, the stole is a symbol of faith, leadership, and the journey ahead.

If you would like to contribute to this gift, donations can be made by check to **Highland Presbyterian Church** with **Matt Stole** in the memo line. Our goal is \$350, but any gift, large or small, is greatly appreciated.



## Caps Off to Zero Waste

*The Earth Care Committee is challenging the congregation to fill the **Terracycle Zero Waste Bottle Caps Box** before **Earth Day on Wednesday, April 9!***

After the service, please take a collection bag (located in the narthex) home with you and collect ALL sizes and brands of **plastic and metal caps/lids** from soda, water, or beer bottles; or packaged jar goods like peanut butter, jelly, pickles, pasta sauce, parmesan cheese, etc. The box will remain in the narthex until it is full — we hope you'll participate!

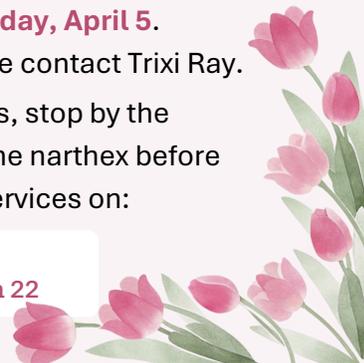
## Easter Tulips: On Sale Now!

Did you know in Christianity, tulips symbolize passion, belief, and love? White tulips represent forgiveness, while 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. Tulips cost **\$8**, and can be:

- Delivered to someone who is homebound, grieving, or ill;
- Dedicated in memory or honor of loved ones, and their names will be printed on an insert in the bulletin; or
- For your own personal enjoyment!

Tulips will decorate the Sanctuary for **Easter on Sunday, April 5**. Questions? Please contact Trixi Ray. To purchase tulips, stop by the Deacon table in the narthex before or after Sunday services on:

**March 1, March 8,  
March 15, & March 22**



## Slam Dunk Hunger: A Friendly Food Drive Showdown!

Highland Presbyterian Church and St. Peter's Lutheran Church are teaming up for a fun, faith-filled competition to fight hunger in our community! Get ready for **Slam Dunk Hunger** — a month-long, friendly rivalry where the two churches will go head-to-head to **collect the most non-perishable food items** for **Lancaster Food Hub**.

The food drive kicks off on **Sunday, March 8** and runs through the **end of March**. Members are encouraged to bring food items each Sunday to the designated area in the narthex. We will provide weekly updates for the amount gathered by Highland and St. Peter's to keep this effort fun and competitive.

At the end, we'll crown a winner and have two exciting exhibition basketball games between the two churches here at Highland. There will be a youth (ages 9-15) and an adult (ages 16-up) game at the end of March or beginning of April (exact date to be determined).

Please contact the church office or speak with Brian Summersgill if you or your child are interested in playing in the game.

*Let's show St. Peter's that Highland is in it to win it?*



## Intergenerational Mission Trip

Join us in Appalachia from **Sunday, July 5** through **Saturday, July 11** for a meaningful intergenerational mission trip! Partnering with **Appalachia Service Project**, we'll help provide critical home repairs for families in need while building lasting relationships and strengthening communities. This experience empowers both youth and adults to serve side by side through hands-on mission work. No matter your age, background, or skill level, there's a place for you to make a difference! Questions? Please contact Pastor Matt.

**Registration Deadline**  
Sunday, March 29

**Cost (Sunday - Saturday)**  
\$300 per person

**Deposit Due**  
April 15



*Please register using the QR code!*

## Weekly Study Groups

### Adult Sunday School

**Sundays**  
**11:30 AM - 12:30 PM**  
**Room 204**

Until Easter, we'll journey through the Gospel of Matthew, exploring its sweeping narrative and paying special attention to one of its central themes: the Kingdom of Heaven.

### Women's Bible Study

**Thursdays**  
**7:00 PM - 8:30 PM**  
**Room 208**

Through March 13, we'll study the book of Revelation by Jen Wilkin. The cost of the workbook is \$25, which includes video access. Interested? Contact Barb Droz or the church office.

## Highland Happenings

### Welcome to Highland!

On Sunday, February 22, we welcomed 18 new members! Each new member, shaped by unique backgrounds and life experiences, has chosen Highland as their spiritual home and committed to growing in faith, serving others, and supporting our shared mission. Their unique gifts, talents, and enthusiasm will strengthen our ministries and outreach efforts, and we look forward to the many ways they will enrich our church and community.



# Worship



## This Week's Scripture

John 4:7-30  
"Leaving the Jar Behind"  
Rev. Allison Beaulieu

## Upcoming Preaching Schedule

**March 8**  
Rev. Allison Beaulieu

## Lenten Sermon Series: February 22 - March 22

### Encounters with Jesus in the Gospel of John

This sermon series will explore powerful encounters between Jesus and ordinary people in the Gospel of John — men and women whose lives were radically transformed after coming into His presence. From the margins of society to the center of religious life, each person meets Christ and is never the same again. This Lent, we are invited to open our hearts to Jesus, believing that real and lasting change is still possible. When we encounter the living Christ, we are forever changed. How will the Lord change you this Lenten season?

## Upcoming Events

### Sunday, March 15

**2:30 PM** Curious Conversations

### Wednesday, March 18

**12:00 PM** Working Adult Lunch at Freshly Greek

**6:00 PM** Men's Trivia Night at Stoner Grille

### Saturday, March 21

**7:00 PM** Paloma Performance Troupe

### Sunday, March 22

**10:00 AM** Bible Sunday

### Thursday, March 26

**7:00 PM** Ladies Night Out at Harvest

## April Communion

This year, Easter falls on the first Sunday in April. Therefore, communion will be observed on the **second Sunday, April 12.**

## Financial Summary January 2026

	Actual	Budget
Revenue	\$178,288	\$122,440
Expenses	\$97,413	\$104,575
Surplus / (Deficit)	\$80,875	\$17,825

## Worship Times

Ignite Worship | 9:30 AM  
Traditional Worship | 10:00 AM

## 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  
Interim Music Director & Organist — Jonathan Lefever  
Ignite Worship Leader — Dr. Jeffrey Martin  
Director of Children, Youth, & Family Ministries — Sarah Hostetter



## Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday**  
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
**Friday**  
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

## Contact Us

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*For staff contact information, visit our website and go to [About Us > Staff](#), or contact the reception desk for a copy of our Staff & Committee Contacts brochure.*