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Bill Leonard Preaches on World Communion This Sunday

We join Christians around the world this Sunday, October 7, in celebrating World Communion in our morning worship services. We will hear the words of the psalmist in different languages and sing hymns that awaken our awareness of the global need for our unity in Jesus Christ and each other. We look forward to welcoming Dr. Bill Leonard as our guest proclaimer in the 9:30 and 11:00 services. Dr. Leonard is the Professor of Divinity Emeritus at Wake Forest Divinity where he recently retired from a long career as its founding dean and professor of church history.



The idea of a day to celebrate Communion with Christians around the globe began in 1933 at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. At that time "the prevailing mood of the world was anxiety—fear about economics, fear about politics and fear about the future...when we all share the Meal where Christ is our Host, we are connected in ways that go beyond our personal preferences, or theological scuffles, as well as transcending boundaries of geography and language." Unfortunately, these same fears and anxieties exist still today so may we put on the reality of our Oneness in Christ as we gather to break bread with the world.

*O praise the gracious power that tumbles walls of fear and gathers in one house of faith all strangers far and near.
O praise persistent truth that opens fisted minds and eases from their anxious clutch the prejudice that binds.*
~ Thomas Troeger

Highland Welcomes


Jani Bear


Becky Hurtgen


Laura Jenkins


Shelby May


Holly Wallace


Alan & Hollie Spade

Deacons Prepare for a Year of Service at Annual Retreat

Beautiful fall weather and the picturesque setting of Wooded Glen Conference Center in Henryville, Indiana, combined for a sacred time for ministers and deacons to gather together for a deacon retreat over the final weekend of September. With sessions led by Carol, Lauren, Renee, Perry, and transition chairs Bob Cunningham (Pastor Search) and Roy Fuller (Pastoral Interim) the deacons engaged in thoughtful discussion and learning of how we can deepen our church family connections and strengthen our courage to serve boldly during this interim time.

God's presence was affirmed through the shared stories, laughter, and prayers for how to best care for a congregation in transition. Please continue to pray for the deacons as we care for the church and discern our way forward together through this interim season. ~ *Bill Martin*, Vice Chair of Deacons



**Weekend Services
World Communion**



Genesis 2:18-24

Adam and Eve: Naming and Un-naming the World
Dr. Bill Leonard, Guest Proclaimer
Celebration of Holy Communion

Anthem: *O Praise the Gracious Power*

In Memoriam



Alice Bartley
April 8, 1948-September 30, 2018
Member of Highland since 2012



- * Quarterly Church Conference
Wednesday, October 17, 6:15 p.m.
- * Commitment Sunday, October 21
- * No Evening Activities/Supper
Wednesday, October 31

**Highland's Word
To Our Community**

**BE STRONG
AND TAKE HEART
PSALM 31
SUN 8:30 9:30 & 11 FRI 7**

A Renewed Season of Men's Ministry at Highland

The Men's Ministry is taking root in a new way at Highland this fall, looking toward new life in the journey ahead. The Ministry seeks to provide Christian fellowship, welcome, growth, and support for all who identify as men at Highland Baptist Church. Two important announcements are at hand!

First, on **October 13**, at 9:30 a.m., in the Fireside Room, we will host a pot luck **Men's Breakfast** for all men in the church age 18 and up. This will be a great time to get to know one another, make new connections, and reaffirm familiar friendships. This breakfast will recur monthly and is the foundation for the Men's Ministry, but it is not the only dreaming we are doing together. RSVP to Michael French.

Second, Perry is looking to bring back Friday morning gatherings for men in the church to gather for breakfast, fellowship and prayer. These particular gatherings will be for, but not exclusive to, more seasoned men in the church looking for ways to connect. If you are interested in receiving information about our first **Friday Men's Fellowship** gathering later this month, please call the church office to ask to speak to Perry!

With Perry moving into a role as liaison for the ministry, we will continue with clergy support as we offer book studies and smaller, focused groups, while also exploring new opportunities as the men in the church feel led.

The leadership team for the Men's Ministry currently includes: Michael French, Phillip Garrett, Billy Flood, Eric Cutler, and Ben Self. Please speak with them, or with Perry, if you would like to hear more about the Men's Ministry in this new season together.

Important Dates to Remember

October 28 Pastries for Parents, 9:00-9:30 a.m. and 10:30-11:00 a.m., Children's Commons
October 31 No Wednesday Evening Activities/Supper

Children's Corner

Mark Your Calendar!

This Wednesday, October 3—Youth Gathering, 6:00-7:15 p.m., Youth Suite
This Sunday, October 7—Bible Study, 9:30-10:30 a.m.; MS Girls Group, 3:00-4:30 p.m.;
HS Girls Group, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Youth Corner

October 3 and 10: Courage to Take Root – An Exploration of Ruth

Courageous Ruth. Ingenious Naomi. Generous Boaz. Silent God. Join us for a two-week Wednesday night study of the deceptively simple book of Ruth as we seek courage for our journey. Dr. Tyler Mayfield will lead adults, 6:10-7:10 p.m., in Fellowship Hall.

Tuesday Adult Bible Study – Fall 2018

You are invited to join us for seven Tuesday mornings, September 18-October 30, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., in the Commons, for TABS (Tuesday Adult Bible Study). The fall study is based on the Revelation to John. John Hendrix will be our guide as we discover insights about "The Reputation of a Church." The fourth session on October 9 will be about The Church in Thyatira, Rev. 2:18-29. Bring a Bible and a friend; and if you are on your lunch hour, feel free to bring your lunch. Beverages will be available. All are welcome. For more information, contact Lela Hendrix or Carol Harston.



Adult Bible Study: Meet the SALT Class!

Time & Location: 9:30 Bible Study Hour, Fellowship Hall

Class Description: Sharing the challenges and joys of parenting elementary, middle, and high school students and caring for aging parents, The Salt Bible study class offers nourishment, encouragement, and companionship for one another during the toughest days. Ron Smith serves as their guide through the journey, as the group seeks a faith deeper than the simple answers that no longer satisfy. Healing comes as the class stands in the tension of life's challenges, our country's conflicts, and the comfort of long-lasting relationships formed by faith.

Currently: The SALT Class follows the lectionary, but not so closely as to ignore how scripture can help us respond to current events.

A Word from the SALT Class: "When we first joined the SALT class many years ago, it was the first Bible study class I had ever been apart of in my adult life. In this class, I have found friendship, forged through tears and laughter and difficult conversations. I have learned it takes courage to give voice to your own fears about parenting, about aging parents and grandparents, about career choice, about the wider global events that leave me wondering about the meaning of it all. But in this class I have found a safe space to ask questions, expose my vulnerability and in doing so have found a deeper sense of how beautiful and life sustaining a church community can be." ~ Beth Metcalf



Collecting Items

We invite you to once again fill the wooden bins outside the choir room with items for Highlands Community Ministries and the Mayfields' upcoming trek to Morocco. **HCM needs small toiletries**, which they pass out at their food pantry: bars of soap, toothpaste, shampoo, toilet paper, deodorant, laundry detergent, shaving cream and razors.

The Global Partnerships Team always stocks those traveling to **Morocco** with lots of goods to donate to the migrant ministries that have a surplus of need. Namely, we will collect this Sunday: acetaminophen, ibuprofen, snack size and quart size baggies, travel size soap, washcloths, toothbrushes, toothpaste, band-aids, razors, gauze, and other small medical needs. Perhaps your Bible study class would like to commit to providing a certain number of health packets. If so, or for more information, please contact Terri Connolly or Robert Davis.



Empty Bowls, Highlands Community Ministries

Highlands Community Ministries' 22nd annual "Empty Bowls Hunger Benefit" will take place Thursday, October 11, 5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m., at Bellarmine's Frazier Hall. Empty Bowls is an effort to help feed the hungry in The Highlands. The bowl and simple meal of soup, bread, cheese, and fruit stand as a reminder that many of our neighbors suffer from food insecurity. HCM's food pantry and senior nutrition programs help those in need, and the demand grows every year. To reserve your spot, visit <http://hcmloouisville.org/Event.aspx?id=29>.

This Week at Highland

Tuesday, October 2

Tuesday Adult Bible Study (Commons) .11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
 Hope for a Brighter Day (FH) 5:30 p.m.
 G.R.O.W. (103) 6 p.m.
 Pastor Search Committee (Pastor's Study) 7 p.m.
 Rohr Book Study (FS) 7 p.m.
 Alcoholics Anonymous (FH) 10 p.m.

Wednesday, October 3

Fellowship Supper (FH)5:20-6 p.m.
 Children's Activities6-7:15 p.m.
 Youth Group (Youth Suite)6-7:15 p.m.
 Adult Class—Courage to Take Root:
 An Exploration of Ruth (FH)6:10-7:10 p.m.
 Sanctuary Choir rehearsal (Choir Room)7:15-8:15 p.m.

Thursday, October 4

Theology on Tap (Off-site) 6 p.m.
 Alcoholics Anonymous (FH) 7 p.m.

Friday, October 5

Friday Church (Sanctuary)7-7:45 p.m.
 Narcotics Anonymous (FH) 8 p.m.

Sunday, October 7

Worship8:30 a.m.
 Worship9:30 a.m.
 Bible Study9:30 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
 Bible Study 11 a.m.
 Orchestra rehearsal (Sanctuary) 12:30 p.m.
 Adult Handbell rehearsal (200)2-3 p.m.

Monday, October 8

Anti-Racism Ministry Team (Commons) 6:30 p.m.
 Committee on MG (103) 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 9

Tuesday Adult Bible Study (Commons) .11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
 Hope for a Brighter Day (FH) 5:30 p.m.
 Finance MG (103) 6 p.m.
 Rohr Book Study (FS) 7 p.m.
 Alcoholics Anonymous (FH) 10 p.m.

Upcoming Events at Highland

October 4	Theology on Tap
October 7	World Communion Sunday
October 9	Tuesday Adult Bible Study
October 11	Libation Theology
October 14	New Members Luncheon; Memorial Service for Alice Bartley
October 14-15	Senior Adults Retreat
October 16	Tuesday Adult Bible Study
October 17	Quarterly Church Conference
October 20	Sanctuary Choir Retreat
October 21	Commitment Sunday #1; Young Adult Newbie Lunch
October 23	Tuesday Adult Bible Study
October 24	Cloud of Witnesses: Stories from Saints-in-Progress
October 28	Commitment Sunday #2; Highland Book Club

Wednesday Night Menus

October 3

Egg Casserole
 Bacon
 Hash Brown Casserole
 Biscuits and Gravy
 Mixed Greens w/ Citrus
 Fruit Bowl
 Dessert

October 10

Chicken Pot Pie
 Green Beans
 Orange Jello Salad
 Wedge Salad
 Rolls
 Dessert

Adults: \$7; Children ages 4-11: \$3.50; Max per family: \$21

Reminder: If you have a reservation you are responsible to pay for it. Cancellations must be made *no later than 11:00 a.m. the Tuesday before your reservation.* You may also contact the church office to make your reservations/cancellations.

This Week's Deacons (Communion)

Friday, 7:00 p.m.

Jeff Grey, John Pacyga, Becky Smith (C)

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Joey Eubank (G), Jill Ligon Davis (C), Nathan Marrs, Gene Streible

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Libby Cunningham, Sally Evans, Michael French, Becky Holloman, Doris Hornbuckle, Jill Ligon Davis, Lewis Miller (C)

Sunday, 11:00 a.m.

Troy Burden, Suzanne Busse, Cheryl Davis, Guthrie Graves-Fitzsimmons, Doris Hornbuckle, Bill Martin (C), Lewis Miller (G), Kim Shippey, David Tucker, Kelly Young

Highlights from Last Sunday



Our Mission

God's Love compels us to cultivate a safe, welcoming community of faith where all are challenged to discover, grow, and serve, as together we boldly live out the worship that is our very lives.

Our Vision

We dream of being an engaging, vibrant Christian church, where transformed people are joining the work of God, creating a world where justice and Love are abundant.

Our Values

- We value a **deeply spiritual, Christ-centered faith** that opens us to life, equips us to serve, and calls us to action.
- We value a **courageous, progressive theology** whose relevance extends from the pew to the street, that engages both the mind and the heart, and that welcomes everyone from the skeptic to the devoted.
- We value **all people**, not in spite of, but precisely because of all that makes each one unique.
- We value **being doers of the word**, living out what Jesus taught: showing hospitality to strangers, confronting injustice, giving voice to those who have been silenced.
- We value a **healthy community**, where honest relationships provide all people safety, encouragement, acceptance, and healing, and challenge us to practice gentleness, forgiveness, and continued growth.
- We value **embracing challenge and change**: naming hard things, asking questions, and leaning into tensions and ambiguity.
- We value **growing together across the lifespan**, through multi-generational and intergenerational relationships and ministries.
- We value being rooted in our **distinct and radical heritage** that compels us to breathe new life into bedrock Baptist principles.
- We value **broad and deep worship** that invites us into the mystery of a loving God.
- We value **being good stewards** of all we have been given, discerning together how best to use our financial, physical, human, and spiritual gifts to follow Jesus and carry out our mission.

Weekly Financial Report September 23, 2018 (38 weeks)

	Weekly Requirement	Receipts This Week	YTD Requirements	YTD Receipts	YTD Over/Under
Contributions	\$21,846.91	\$15,493.20	\$762,456.35	\$713,216.03	(\$49,240.32)
Other Income	\$1,103.37	\$810.24	\$41,927.82	\$43,161.45	\$1,233.63
Total	\$22,950.28	\$16,303.54	\$804,384.17	\$756,377.48	(\$48,006.69)



2015 Building Renovation Project

Contributed this week	\$182.00	Loan Balance	\$25,255.00
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