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A thinking, feeling, healing community of faith

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Lunch & Learn on July 24: Time to Make a Change

We will meet this Wednesday, July 24, to explore exclusion and reconnection in connection with traumatizing theology. What compels someone to leave behind traumatizing theology? What are the catalyst moments that lead someone to visit Highland? How does that affect our outreach and welcome to new people? We will gather in the Commons to explore these questions together on July 24. We will gather at noon to eat lunch and then begin formal conversation at 12:20 p.m. All are welcome to join.

QCC This Sunday

Our Quarterly Church Conference this Sunday, July 28, will be right after church in Fellowship Hall. The agenda will include reports from the Pastor Search Committee, Finance, Congregational Engagement Ministry Group, and Membership. Included in the agenda will be a proposal from the deacons to elect Reece Little and Billie Johnson as Honor Deacons.

Gather 'Round—Worship on Sunday, August 18

Highland's hymn, *Look, You Saints, the Cloud of Witness*, speaks of "gathering 'round this sacred place." We adopted this well-loved text in late summer, 2018, for a special Sunday morning with everyone gathered together in worship. It was such a success that we are repeating it this summer on Sunday, August 18, at 10:30 a.m.! *Gathered 'Round*, we will sing favorite hymns of faith, experience a children's story, hear a rousing anthem from Sanctuary Choir and a good word from Renee Purtlebaugh, Highland's Associate Pastor to Children and Their Families. *Our regular summer Sunday worship schedule of 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services will not be held on this one Sunday, August 18. Also, there will be no Bible study classes, nursery, or Worship Care for children so we can all experience worship together.* Children's books and other child-friendly activities will be available in the Commons for our youngest children accompanied by a family member, should you need space to move about more freely.



Following worship, the doors will open and everyone will be invited to picnic on the church's green-spaces either by packing a lunch for yourself or your family or purchase lunch from a food truck. *Is there a rain plan?* We're working on that—more information coming soon!

Hymns for the Hymnless This Sunday

This Sunday, July 28, at 7:00 p.m., in Fellowship Hall, all ages are invited to the next Hymns for the Hymnless, a unique worship opportunity that is planned and led by young adults. Our theme for this service is Immigration.



Food and School Supply Collections for Highlands Community Ministries

Highlands Community Ministries needs help stocking their food pantry. All local churches participate in this annual drive. We here at Highland Baptist are tasked with collecting cans of tuna for the month of July.

Additionally, we join them in their annual school supply collection. This year, we are responsible for backpacks, markers, and scissors. We need oodles of all of this.

Please place your donations in the brown bin outside the choir room no later than this Sunday, July 28. Thank you in advance for your repeated generosity!



Anti-Racism Team, Viewing of *When They See Us*

The Anti-Racism Team and Young Adults will be sponsoring a screening of *When They See Us*, a dramatic television miniseries based on the lives of five African American and Hispanic American teenagers who were wrongly convicted of rape and other assault charges after a string of violent crimes in Central Park in 1989. In 2002, only after the Central Park Five had already served their full sentences, the true assailant was identified through confession and DNA evidence.

When They See Us highlights some of the terrible effects of systemic racism in the criminal justice system, in the media, and in everyday life. Over a series of four evenings, Sundays during the month of August, we will watch all four episodes of the miniseries while incorporating time for guided questions and reflections. This is a free event open to all age-appropriate viewers. Parental discretion is strongly advised.



Missions Corner

**Weekend Services
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Luke 11:1-13
Jim England, Proclaimer
Baptism of Emily Moyers (11:00)
String Ensemble:
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Meditation on O WALY, WALY

Youth Return from Full Summer

The youth community has returned from a full summer of finding God together through shared experiences in Virginia (Passport Missions) and Florida (Touching Miami with Love). It is impossible to fully capture our experiences; in some sense, you only know if you know. But at the same time, the church should be incredibly proud of how our youth treated one another, served alongside friends across the country, invested in the children and staff of Touching Miami with Love, sparked joy at every step, thrived amidst unexpected difficulties, and lived out Resurrection as a way of being in the world. You should especially thank these adults for the ministry of presence and support they gave to our youth and to Perry: *Gabi Bleuel (our Story Teller in Residence), Beth Metcalf, Tyler Swim, Paxton Vaughn, John Bell, Mac Brown, Matt Iler, Meredith Bell, Anna Kate McWhorter.*

Evening at Slugger Field on Saturday, August 3

Join us on Saturday, August 3, at 6:30 p.m., for a night at Slugger Field to see the Louisville Bats take on the Toledo Mud Hens. That evening's game will be a special MARVEL Super Hero Night with an opportunity to meet Black Panther during the game. Buy a ticket online at <https://tinyurl.com/y5tx9wom>. **This Sunday, July 28, is the last day to purchase your ticket.**

Highland's Word To Our Community

... on NPR: ... *A church dedicated to the transforming nature of mercy and grace.*
... on our marquee:



This Week at Highland

- Tuesday, July 23**
 Hope for a Brighter Day (FH) 5:30 p.m.
 Alcoholics Anonymous (FH) 10 p.m.
- Wednesday, July 24**
 No Evening Activities/Supper
 Lunch and Learn (Commons) 12 p.m.
- Thursday, July 25**
 Senior Adult MG (103) 1 p.m.
 Alcoholics Anonymous (FH) 7 p.m.
- Friday, July 26**
 Men's Fellowship Gathering (FS) 8 a.m.
 Friday Church (Sanctuary) 7-7:45 p.m.
 Friday Church MG (Commons) 8 p.m.
 Narcotics Anonymous (FH) 8 p.m.
- Sunday, July 28**
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 11 a.m.
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 Quarterly Church Conference (FH) 12 p.m.
 Brass Ensemble rehearsal (Sanctuary) 12:30 p.m.
 Hymns for the Hymnless (FH) 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 30**
 Hope for a Brighter Day (FH) 5:30 p.m.
 Alcoholics Anonymous (FH) 10 p.m.

Upcoming Events at Highland

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| July 24 | Lunch and Learn |
| July 28 | Quarterly Church Conference; Hymns for the Hymnless |
| August 1 | Theology on Tap |
| August 3 | Night at Slugger Field |
| August 8 | Table Talk |
| August 13 | Cream of the Crop Potluck and Movie |
| August 18 | Gather 'Round—One worship service at 10:30 a.m.—no Bible study, no childcare, no worship care |
| August 21 | Regular Wednesday programming resumes; Cloud of Witnesses: Stories from Saints-in-Process |
| August 25 | Promotion Sunday; Regular Sunday morning schedule resumes |
| September 2 | Church Offices Closed |
| September 5 | Theology on Tap |
| September 8 | Highlights Class Begins; Deacon Ordination and Installation Service |
| September 12 | Table Talk |
| September 27-28 | Women's Retreat |
| October 3 | Theology on Tap |

Children's Corner

Important Dates to Remember

August 25 Promotion Sunday

Wednesday Night Dinner Help Needed

Volunteer teams serve one week per month to set up for the caterers, make desserts and do the dishes. We are still in need of several more volunteers for the weekly teams.

- * 2 people for catering set up
- * 2 people to make desserts
- * 1 dish washer
- * 3 dish dryers

If you can help or want more information, please contact Kathy Belcher.

This Week's Deacons

- Friday, 7:00 p.m.
 Jeff Grey (C), Becky Smith (G)
- Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
 Larry Davis (G), Michael DeWhatley, Bill Martin (C), Gene Streible
- Sunday, 11:00 a.m.
 Suzanne Busse (G), Tony Dougherty, Guthrie Graves-Fitzsimmons, Doris Hornbuckle (C)

Free Breakfast for LGBTQIA Youth and Young Adults

This September, Highland host our first free breakfast for LGBTQIA youth and young adults the morning of the Louisville Pride Festival. On September 21, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., LGBTQIA youth, young adults, and those seeking to be allies are invited to serve one another and enjoy a free breakfast with a welcoming menu for vegetarian and vegan friends alike. Louisville has space to grow in the services it provides for LGBTQIA youth and young adults. With this breakfast, we seek to create a safe, unique space for connection, fellowship, and affirmation. We will need donations of food and time—sign up in the Commons after worship if you are willing to help!


 PLEASE JOIN US
 TO CELEBRATE *the golden*
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 IN HONOR of
JIM & MARY ENGLAND
 SATURDAY, AUGUST 10
 2 - 5 PM
 HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
No gifts, please


 THE ANGELA PROJECT PRESENTS
THE 400TH YEAR COMMEMORATION CEREMONY
 1619 - 2019: COMMEMORATING 400 YEARS OF SLAVERY IN AMERICA
Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 12 Noon EST
at St. Stephen Baptist Church
 (1018 South 15th Street Louisville, Kentucky 40210)
 STREAMING LIVE AT: WWW.SIMMONSCOLLEGEKY.EDU/LIVE
 OUR PARTNERS: 



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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.