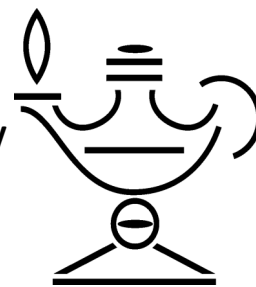


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JUNE 2024

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FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

Some months when I need to write this front page, I already have an idea of what I am going to write. Then there are months where so much is swirling in my brain I'm not sure where to go. In times like this I write in sort of a free form – thoughts that are just there, that might give you something to encourage you or something to think about. So here we go! STRENGTH...Every single day I am aware of people who need strength to face their moments and their days. People who are caring for aging parents, people who have long term health issues, people who are grieving...the list goes on and on. But folks, understand that this strength we all need – isn't of our own making – it is God's strength. It is only God's strength that does run out, it is only God's strength that carries us through these times. One of the bravest people I know, who is also dealing with long term health issues, said to me not long ago: "Pastor Nancy, my strength has run out long ago. This is all God's strength."

FORGIVENESS: I've been thinking a lot about this. Partly because it is in the Lord's Prayer that we are studying, but partly because this world, and all of us as individuals, so desperately need forgiveness and to forgive others. How different our lives would be – our world would be – if forgiveness became our lifestyle. Understand when I speak of forgiveness, I am speaking of the Bible's definition of forgiveness, not the world's. The world's definition is 'it's no problem,' 'it is what it is' – but is that really forgiveness. Forgiveness means to let go of, to release the resentment and the anger and the right to revenge. LET IT GO...not for them, but for yourself. Carrying those hurts and wounds around hurts us, not the ones who have hurt us. **FORGIVENESS IS SOMETHING WE DO FOR OURSELVES AND MUST LEARN TO SHARE WITH OTHERS.**

We are more than willing to accept God's mercy and grace in our lives – we need it! But the challenge is in the call to forgive others – that's not fun! In 2 Timothy, Paul speaks of a time when he was badly hurt and betrayed by someone. The Greek word indicates something big – not the little things that so often offend us. What does Paul do with all that anger and bitterness? He prays for those who hurt him!! And then he releases all that hurt to God – and basically says God will take care of me. **THIS IS A HARD THING...**but it is the healthy thing for us emotionally and spiritually. **FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS.**



Just some things to think about.

HIGHLAND UNITED

HIGHLAND UNITED FINANCES—MARCH 2024

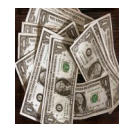


<u>Date</u>	<u>G. Fund</u>	<u>B. Fund</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Adult SS</u>	<u>K. Ministry</u>	<u>Per Capita</u>	<u>Total</u>
3/03/24	\$ 3,649.00	\$ 425.00	\$ 210.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 165.00	\$ 4,449.00
3/10/24	\$ 1,167.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 1,252.00
3/17/24	\$ 2,143.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 2,341.00
3/24/24	\$ 872.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 942.00
3/31/24	\$ 1,268.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 66.00	\$ 1,434.00
TOTALS	\$ 9,099.00	\$ 595.00	\$ 395.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 329.00	\$ 10,418.00

Per Capita Assessment for 2024 is for 124 members @ \$33.00/member-\$4,092.00.
Total given to date for 2024 is \$1,376.50.

March Mission Linda's House —\$395.00

February Mission Perry County Animal Rescue—\$555.00



HIGHLAND UNITED FINANCES—APRIL 2024

<u>Date</u>	<u>G. Fund</u>	<u>B. Fund</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Adult SS</u>	<u>K. Ministry</u>	<u>Per Capita</u>	<u>Total</u>
4/07/24	\$ 2,438.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 33.00	\$ 2,966.00
4/14/24	\$ 2,487.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 957.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,654.50
4/21/24	\$ 2,079.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,134.00
4/28/24	\$ 1,027.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,023.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,250.00
TOTALS	\$ 8,031.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 410.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,980.50	\$ 33.00	\$ 11,004.50

Per Capita Assessment for 2024 is for 124 members @ \$33.00/member-\$4,092.00.
Total given to date for 2024 is \$1,409.30.

April Mission Camp Krislund —\$410.00

March Mission Linda's House —\$395.00

DEACON NEWS

DEACON FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE IS:
DARLENE FITZPATRICK

HIGHLAND UNITED CONTINUED

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Janice Zaring

Joyce Heintzelman

James Turner

Michael Byers

Cecile Willet

Dennis Tressler

Abigail Worthy

Pat Shutt

DEACONS

Linda Bitting

Elaine Buffington

Darlene Fitzpatrick

Kim Drum

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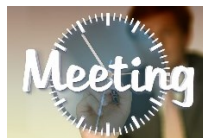
Melissa Neidigh

Wendy Brunner

Susan Robinson



June	4	Richard Brunner	Anniversaries:
		Gerald Walton	
	5	Gary Heller	9 Jerry and Linda Sanderson
	8	Karen Turner	11 Frank and Sally Tengeres
	9	Kurt Kauffman	13 Gerald and Billi Walton
	11	Aiken Smith	15 William and Joan Brodisch
	18	Frank Tengeres	16 James and Beatrice Myers
	19	Audrey Frerotte	19 Donald and Linda Barlup
	22	Charles Kinzer	20 Marvin and Janice Zaring
	24	Nancy U. Sweger	22 Jeffrey and Laurie Zaring
	27	Riley Babski	23 Troy and Lori Little
	28	Scott Wright	27 Ken and Cecile Willet



Highland Session has called for the annual meeting to be held on June 30th following worship for the purpose of receiving reports, electing new officers and acting on by-law amendments. Reports will be available June 16th in the foyer at church and via email. Please review before the meeting.

WESTMINSTER UNITED

WESTMINSTER

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Church Secretary

Judy Armstrong

Church Treasurer

Sunday School

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John Shirk

Sunday School Treasurer

Diane Marshall

ELDERS ON

SESSION

Aaron Geedey

Diane Marshall

Kit Parks

Vera Zimmerman

Jody Satzler

Jan Manbeck

Rob Digon

DEACONS

Chris Fisher

Barbara Koppenhaver

Michelle Parks

Beth Stoner

Polly Digon

TRUSTEES

Brett Satzler

Rachel Dowling

Jane Shirk

Mike Stoner

Petey Crater

Dick Crozier

Kathie Eichenberger

Rachel Dowling

(Cemetery Treasurer)

June Lector: Shelly Horning

June Counters: Diane Marshall and Rob Digon

June Closer: Rob Digon

June Ushers/Greeters: Deb Heisey and Shelly Horning

Children's Activities for June 2 Shelly Horning and Jody Satzler

9 Meghan Geedey **16** Kit Parks and Michelle Parks **23** Picnic at Westminster

Park **30** Chrissy Campagna and Heather McClure

June Birthdays: **2** Carson Horning **8** Eddi Kay Gill, Jody Satzler **11** Ava Stoner

June Anniversaries: **22** Bret and Jody Satzler **28** Terry and Nancy Dolin

ANYONE NEEDING MEALS PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE DEACONS: Michelle Parks, Polly Digon, Beth Stoner, Chris Fisher, Barb Koppenhaver or Marie McNaught.



DON'T FORGET you can now zoom into worship at Westminster at 11am. The link for Westminster worship is found in the worship section of this newsletter.



Please add the following dates to your calendar:

6/6/24 Trustees meeting at 3:45 p.m. in Church Office

***6/16/24 The Session has called a congregational meeting following the worship service to elect a new Trustee.

6/27/24 Session Meeting at 6:00 in Church Office



ARE YOU HUNGRY?--I AM - So on June 11, 2024, I will be going to Harshberger's Sub N' Malt for Fund-Raiser Tuesdays. This will benefit the ministry and mission of Westminster United Presbyterian Church in Mifflintown so that they may continue feeding the hungry both spiritually and physically. Some of this money will go toward food for our "Blessing Box" and for Community Outreach meals. Please help us out if you can! You can dine in or take out on the day of the Fund-Raiser.

Blessings to each of you, Diane Marshall, Coordinator

HEADLINES IN THE SHARED MINISTRY

MISSION



HIGHLAND'S MONTHLY MISSION: OUR JUNE MISSION IS NEWPORT AMBULANCE. PEOPLE YOU CAN RELY ON AND THERE WHEN YOU NEED THEM MOST!



WESTMINSTER'S MONTHLY MISSION FOR JUNE: The Mission for June will go to Children and Youth Services—Back to School Program.



JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD BANK NEEDS: ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS, PERSONAL CARE ITEMS, CLEANING SUPPLIES, AND PAPER PRODUCTS, SUMMER BACKPACK LUNCH PROGRAM: SINGLE-SERVE MEALS, JELL-O CUPS, AND NON-CHOCOLATE PUDDING. MONEY DONATIONS ARE ALSO APPRECIATED.

The Juniata Food Pantry's Summer Backpack Program will begin its 12th year beginning in June. Any Juniata County children who received free or reduced lunches and have completed Kindergarten through 8th grade are eligible for the Summer Backpack Program. Kids will receive at least 20 easy to prepare meals and some snacks and drinks beginning June 4th to help offset the cost of food during the summer months.



HIGHLAND'S MISSION COMMITTEE: Mission Committee is doing their hats, mittens, and scarfs tree again for Winterfest. I know it's early but for all you sewing people or knitting/crocheting people we are looking for homemade ones to hang on the tree. **NO EXCUSES**, you have time. If you aren't crafty and want to donate a yard of fleece that would be great (1 yd. makes 4 hats). If you have yarn to donate that would be wonderful also. Any questions please see Janice Zaring.

HEADLINES IN THE SHARED MINISTRY CONTINUED

THANK YOU FROM WESTMINSTER

THANK YOU: The members of the Joint Camp and Conference Committee of the Presbyteries of Carlisle, Huntingdon and Northumberland, and the members of the Krislund Staff would like to thank Westminster Presbyterian Church Sunday School for your generous gift to the Annual Fund. We are grateful for your thoughtful Christian stewardship this camp ministry of the Presbyteries.

With gratitude,
Phil Gardner, Interim Camp Director
Krislund Camp & Conference Center

THANK YOU FROM HIGHLAND



I want to take this opportunity to say a BIG thank you to our church family for making Bob's 100th birthday a surprise and so enjoyed by him. Also thanks for the many cards, phone calls and text messages. Thank you to the Kitchen Ministry for the delicious dinner and also the nieces and nephews for the cake and all the decorating. It truly was a team effort. To each and every one thank you for making Bob' day so special and a very memorable one!

Nancy Campbell

WORSHIP



JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE AND PICNIC JUNE 23RD. We will be gathering for a special time of worship and fellowship starting at 10:00am. The sacrament of Holy Communion will be part of the service. Everyone from both churches are invited to join us at the Mifflintown Park. Bring a chair and a dish to share. Please contact Pastor Nancy for directions.

HEADLINES IN THE SHARED MINISTRY CONTINUED

FELLOWSHIP



HIGHLAND'S COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE FOR 2024:

July 7 Carol Kauffman and Lori Little
Aug. 4 Karen Turner and Abigail Worthy
Sept. 1 Dana Bryan and Darlene Fitzpatrick
Oct. 6 Kathy Sanderson and Gail Frank
Nov. 3 Cecile Willet and Jeri Hall
Dec. 1 Pat Gouthail and Nancy Campbell

FUN QUOTES

QUOTES:

Happiness is not about getting all that you want. It is about enjoying all that you have.

To hear the whispers of God, You must turn down the volume of the world.

EDUCATION



HIGHLAND ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL IS TAKING A SUMMER BREAK.

Adult Sunday School will return on September 8. DON'T FORGET there is opportunity for Adult Education on Wednesday Nights both in person and on zoom.



HIGHLAND'S LITTLE LIBRARY STORY TIME begins June 11th at 9:30am, and will run each week until August. Each week there will be stories, crafts, snacks and fun! All children through 5th grade are welcome. If you are willing to read a story or two please contact Gail Frank.

HEADLINES IN THE SHARED MINISTRY CONTINUED

EDUCATION CONTINUED



Spring Bible Study Schedule. We continue to study the Lord's prayer, so familiar yet misunderstood. Please plan to join us!

June 12th 5:15 A time of fellowship (and food) Newport Family Restaurant
 6:30pm Chapter 5 "And Lead Us Not.." Highland United
 June 19th 5:00 A time of fellowship (and food) Harling's Restaurant
 6:30pm Chapter 6 "For THINE Is The Kingdom" Westminster

**this schedule is subject to change

***Bible study also available on zoom



We are going to be spending the summer, and some of the fall in the Gospel of Matthew. We are going to be using NT Wright's book: Matthew for Everyone. Books can be ordered on Amazon or through Pastor Nancy. The cost of the book is \$16 for the new 20th anniversary edition. Here is our schedule through July:

6/26 Session 1 5:15 pm fellowship and meal at Newport Family Restaurant
 6:30pm Bible Study Highland
 7/3 NO BIBLE STUDY
 7/10 NO BIBLES STUDY
 7/17 Session 2 5:00pm Harling's
 6:30pm Bible Study Westminster
 7/24 Session 3 5:15 pm fellowship and meal at Newport Family Restaurant
 6:30pm Bible Study Highland
 7/31 Session 4 5:00pm Harling's
 6:30pm Bible Study Westminster

HEADLINES IN THE SHARED MINISTRY CONTINUED

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please keep in prayer our church members and our friends:



Colton Cook, Darlene Shaffer, Ellen White, Jason Barlup, Emily Reeser, Charles Ebling, Marjory Miller, David Miller. Bill Baker, Russell LaForce, James Bryan, Steve Wetzler, Carol Rhoades, Diana Landis, Barry Cornell, Jack Richard, Julia, Avon and Delroy Wagner, Eddi Kay Gill, Bob Gill, Barb Koppenhaver, Glenn McNaight, Curtis Beatty, Mary Kleckner (Harry McNaight's mother), Jane Shirk, Emily, Joe Benner, Pastor Nancy's mother, Teedie Frankenbach, Darlene Adams and Curt Davys.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS



PASTOR NANCY'S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday at Highland United
Wednesday at Westminster

SECRETARY'S HOURS:

Highland United:	Tuesday 8:00-12:00	Thursday 8:00-2:00	Friday 8:00-12:00
Westminster:	Wednesday 8:00-5:00	Friday 7:30-12:30	



Distance Ministry

The Juniata Valley Shared Ministry offers the opportunities for worship and study via zoom each week. If there's a week you are ill, you are not physically able to leave your home...this ministry is for you! See all the links below.

ZOOM LINKS:: (HIGHLAND)

BIBLE STUDY LINK: Joint Zoom Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85829693534?pwd=WHRRRDRETVVvb1YvdDdFa2xDaW91QT09>

Meeting ID: 858 2969 3534 Passcode: 268410 One tap mobile: 16468769923,
+1 669 444 9171 US +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL (8:30am)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/619915621?pwd=NFN3ZzRPSWRGM2ZpVmhqWFRWWkdKUT09>

Meeting ID: 619 915 621 Passcode: 129308

DISTANCE MINISTRY

WORSHIP LINK 9:30am Sunday Worship - (HIGHLAND)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/912154723?pwd=cHI2eVJBVWM0azV4U0MzZ1NtdHEzUT09>

IF YOU ARE USING A CELL OR LAND LINE: +1 929 205 6099

Meeting ID: 912 154 723 Password: 664159

WORSHIP LINK (WESTMINSTER)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86533397349?pwd=MUE3M1BHVXQyRVhRUWRGZlNRNGtiQT09>

Meeting ID: 865 3339 7349 Passcode: 920593

Dial by location: 1 646 558 8656

EACH WEEK DVD'S AND CD'S ARE AVAILABLE FOR HIGHLAND SERVICE.

JVSM JUNE CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Hoy—Pavilion 10-12
2 HUPC Coffee Hour following worship HUPC Worship 9:30 and Zoom 9:30 SS (W) WUPC Worship 11:00	3	4	5 Bible Study @ Harling's Meal @ 5:00 Mtg. @ WPC @ 6:30	6 Trustees (W) 3:45	7	8 Bream Family Reunion 9-7 @ Pavilion
9 HUPC Worship 9:30 and Zoom 9:30 SS (W) WUPC Worship 11:00	10	11 Little Library 9:30—11	12 Bible Study @ Newport Family Rest. Meal @ 5:15 Mtg. @ HUPC @ 6:30	13 Session (H) 6:00	14	15
16 HUPC Worship 9:30 and Zoom 9:30 SS (W) WUPC Worship 11:00 WUPC CONGREGATION- AL MEETING AFTER WORSHIP	17	18 Little Library 9:30—11	19 Bible Study @ Harling's Meal @ 5:00 Mtg. @ WPC @ 6:30	20	21	22
23 Worship and Picnic at Westminster at Mifflintown Park at 10:00 a.m. Commu- nion will be served	24	25 Little Library 9:30—11	26 Bible Study @ Newport Family Rest. Meal @ 5:15 Mtg. @ HUPC @ 6:30	27 Property (H) 6:00	28	29
30 HUPC Worship 9:30 and Zoom 9:30 SS (W) WUPC Worship 11:00 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AT HUPC FOLLOWING WORSHIP						

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