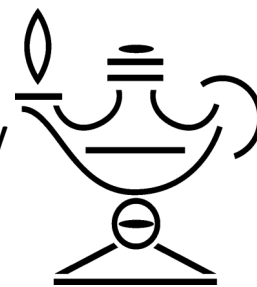


THE LAMP

A Newsletter of The Juniata Valley Shared Ministry

JUNE 2025

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FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

Up until a few years ago this column was called from the Pastor's Desk. Somewhere along the line I changed it to from the Pastor's heart. My call to ministry has always been led by my heart. My heart is filled with the belief that God can change lives. My heart is filled with the certainty that Jesus lived a new way of life and showed us what love is really all about. That love heals wounds, welcomes the unwelcome and breaks down walls. This is my heart, and it has been for almost 42 years.

Over those years my heart has been blessed in knowing, loving and supporting 6 different churches filled with wonderful people. Sharing in their joys, their struggles and their losses. It has been an honor.

After more than four decades I have made the difficult decision to retire from full time ministry. I love all of you Westminster and Highland folks so much! It has been an honor to be your Pastor for, what will be, over 9.5 years. I am looking forward above all to more time with my family and to continuing to work with small churches in our Presbytery. My retirement date is November 30th, so I'm going to be here for several more months and we will continue to serve God's people together. My final Sunday in the pulpit will be a couple of weeks earlier, as I will be taking some vacation time, leading up to my retirement.

As I look to the future of both Westminster and Highland there are a few things I know and some that I hope for.

I know:

*Both Shared Ministry churches have years of powerful, life changing ministry ahead.

*Both churches are filled with people who want to know and serve God.

I hope, that when I hear about Highland and Westminster in the coming years, I'll be hearing about:

*churches that are actively engaging in the community to meet their needs

*churches that are stepping outside the box to reach folks with Christ's love

*churches that are filled with joy and hope.


There are many words (and hugs) still to be said as we move through the rest of our time together. But I'll leave you these: You are loved.

Pastor Nancy

"I have plans for your future, plans for your welfare. When you pray I will hear you, when you seek Me, You will find me." Jeremiah 29

HIGHLAND UNITED

HIGHLAND UNITED FINANCES—MARCH 2025

<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>
03/02/25	\$ 3,015.00	\$ 285.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 67.00	\$ 3,527.00
03/09/25	\$ 1,953.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 2,076.00
03/16/25	\$ 3,004.58	\$ 50.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 29.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,128.58
03/23/25	\$ 1,654.50	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 31.50	\$ 1,786.00
03/30/25	\$ 1,290.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,290.50
TOTALS	\$10,917.58	\$ 460.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 29.00	\$ 161.50	\$ 11,808.08

Per Capita Assessment for 2025 is for 124 members @ \$34.07/member-\$4,225.00.

Total given to date for 2025 is \$1,038.70.

March Mission CAMP KRISLUND—\$240.00

February Mission BETHESDA MISSION—\$330.00

HIGHLAND UNITED FINANCES—APRIL 2025

<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>
04/06/25	\$ 3,910.00	\$ 415.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,565.00
04/13/25	\$ 2,182.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,272.00
04/20/25	\$ 1,711.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 912.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,623.00
04/27/25	\$ 775.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 835.00
TOTALS	\$ 8,578.00	\$ 435.00	\$ 370.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 912.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 10,295.00

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April Mission NEWPORT FIRE COMPANY—\$370.00

March Mission CAMP KRISLUND—\$240.00



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP CONTINUES each Monday at Highland United. Morning session is from 9:30-11. There will be an evening meeting the last Wednesday of each month from 5:30—7:00. **ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

GREETERS//USHERS ARE BACK!!!! The Worship and Music Committee received approval to restart having a Greeter/Usher for our worship services. We would like two people to handle one month at a time. We are looking for volunteers, for the rest of the year, to take on this task. We will be asking for your help, or if you would like to volunteer, please let Pastor Nancy or any member of the committee know if you are interested. The current committee members are Nancy Campbell, Pat Shutt, Dave Patton, Cecile Willet and Wendy Brunner. Thank you.

HIGHLAND UNITED CONTINUED

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Michael Byers

Cecile Willet

Dennis Tressler

Robert Rolston

Pat Shutt

DEACONS

Linda Bitting

Elaine Buffington

Darlene Fitzpatrick

Lori Little

Ethel Mohler

Michelle Byers

Carol Kauffman

Wendy Brunner

Susan Robinson

DEACONS

DEACON FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE IS: DARLENE FITZPATRICK

PRAYER BOX: Prayer is an important part of Christian life. It is a way we communicate with God and Praise Him. Praying for the needs of ourselves and others is needed and beneficial in our church. The Deacons here at Highland United want to pray for you and your loved ones. A Prayer Box and cards have been placed in the Narthex for your use. Each week, the Deacon of the Month will check the box for prayer requests. Once a request is given, the Deacon of the Month will share the request with all the Deacons. The Deacons will then add this prayer to their daily prayers. We care about everyone in our church family and will pray for all people as Jesus asks in (1 Timothy 2:1).



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
	18	Frank Tengeres	15 William and Joan Brodisch
	22	Charles Kinzer	16 James and Beatrice Myers
	24	Nancy U. Sweger	19 Donald and Linda Barlup
			20 Marvin and Janice Zaring
			22 Jeffrey and Laurie Zaring
			23 Troy and Lori Little
			27 Ken and Cecile Willet



LITTLE LIBRARY STORY TIME: Come join the fun! Everybody's welcome! Tuesday June 24 at 9:30 A.M. through Aug. 12th at 9:30 A.M. We will be reading books, having snacks, doing crafts, and of course there's the playground. You can borrow books from the Little Library. Hope to see you then.

WESTMINSTER UNITED

WESTMINSTER

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Diane Marshall

ELDERS ON

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Aaron Geedey

Diane Marshall

Kit Parks

Jody Satzler

Jan Manbeck

Rob Digon

Chris Fisher

Marie McNaight

Pat Brown

TRUSTEES

Brett Satzler

Rachel Dowling

Jane Shirk

Mike Stoner

Petey Crater

Shelly Horning

Gabe Book

June Lector: Deb Heisey

June Counters: Diane Marshall, Marie McNaight

June Ushers and Greeters:

June Closer:: Marie McNaight

Children's Activities June 1 Crissy Campagna and Heather McClure **8** Gabe and Emily Book **15** Shelly Horning and Jody Satzler **22** Meghan Geedey **29** Kit Parks and Michelle Parks

June Birthdays: **2** Carson Horning **8** Jody Satzler **11** Ava Stoner **15** Beth Stoner **17** Vanessa Evola **24** Josslyn Geedey **25** Ben Digon **26** Sawyer Parks **28** Paul Wilt

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



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:

June 5 Trustees 4:30

June 5 Session 6:00

HEADLINES IN THE SHARED MINISTRY CONTINUED

MISSION



WESTMINSTER'S JUNE MONTHLY MISSION IS: JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY—BACKPACK PROGRAM NEEDS, P.O. BOX 44, 114 NORTH MAIN STREET, MIFFLINTOWN, PA 17059



JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: BACKPACK PROGRAM NEEDS: SINGLE-SERVE NON-PERISHABLE LUNCH ITEMS SUCH AS 15 OZ. CANS OF PASTA MEALS OR READY-TO-HEAT SOUP, MICROWAVEABLE MEALS, FRUIT CUPS, AND PUDDING CUPS. MONETARY DONATIONS ARE ALSO APPRECIATED.

HIGHLAND'S JUNE MONTHLY MISSION IS: PERRY COUNTY ANIMAL RESCUE: Perry County Animal Rescue will help you find your “new best friend.” Responsible pet ownership is promoted through spay/neuter education, vaccinations and general pet care. The shelter began in 2009 providing homes for lost and unwanted animals from Juniata and Perry Counties.

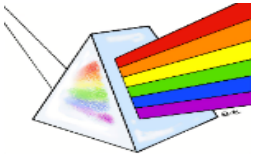
QUOTES

The happiest people don't have the best of everything., they just make the best of everything they have.

Joy is the happiness that doesn't depend on what happens.

HEADLINES IN THE SHARED MINISTRY CONTINUED

EDUCATION



ADULT BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

The Bible study schedule for the month of June Is:

On-line Bible study: 6/4, 6/11, 6/18 Wednesdays at 6:30pm.

In-person Bible study: 5/31 Highland

6/7 Westminster

6/14 Highland

6/21 Westminster

*in person studies begin at 8:30am.



SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Our summer Bible study begins the week of July 6th. We will continue to offer both on-line and in-person Bible studies. We will be using the book “The Message of Jesus” by Adam Hamilton.

Once again, Hamilton takes us on a surprising journey and suggests that maybe love isn’t Jesus’ main message! If love isn’t Jesus’ main message – what is???

Books can be ordered from Amazon, however, Pastor Nancy can order them for you and get a better price at Cokesbury.com. Please place orders by June 19th.

HEADLINES IN THE SHARED MINISTRY CONTINUED

FELLOWSHIP

HIGHLAND'S COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE FOR 2025:

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June 1	Carol Kauffman and Lori Little	July 6	Dixie Gordon and Darla Page
Aug. 3	Linda Sanderson and Kathy Sanderson	Sept. 7	Cecile Willet and Linda Bitting
Oct. 5	Susan Robinson and Elaine Buffington	Nov. 2	Darlene Fitzpatrick and Nancy Sweger
Dec. 7	Janice Zaring and Jessica Bryson		

IF THE MONTH DOESN'T WORK FOR YOU, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SWITCH WITH OTHERS AND PLEASE LET LINDA KNOW ALSO.

PRAYER CONCERNS



Please keep in prayer our church members and our friends:

Colton Cook, Darlene Shaffer, Ellen White, Daniel Cox, Emily Reeser, Charles Ebling, Marjory Miller, David Miller, Bill Baker, Russell LaForce, James Bryan, Carol Rhoades, Avon and Delroy Wagner, Barb Koppenhaver, Glenn McNaught, Curtis Beatty, Jane Shirk, Pastor Nancy's mother, Teedie Frankenhach, Ida McClure, Don McClure, Jr., Lori Comp, J. R. Bair, and Donna Pontius.

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	

THANK YOU FROM WESTMINSTER

THANK YOU: To all who helped, in any way, to set us and serve the funeral meal we thank you. Thank you for providing and serving a nice lunch for our friends and family.

Connie Benner and Family



for your generous donation to Port Royal EMS. Your support helps us continue providing life-saving care to our community. Your kindness makes a real difference.

Port Royal EMS Staff



so much to members of Westminster Sunday School Class for your generous donation to the Juniata County Food Pantry in memory of Joe Benner. Your contribution is very much appreciated and will greatly bless the lives of his neighbors in need by providing them with well-balanced meals and the means to promote personal health and cleanliness. Your act of kindness will honor Joe's memory, as well as aid us in our mission to "feed His sheep" (John 21:17). Thank you for your caring gift!

Sincerely,
Patricia Brown, Treasurer
and the Juniata County Food Pantry
Board of Directors



THANK YOU to Westminster Presbyterian Church for your most generous donation to Shelter Service. We are grateful for your kind-heartedness and support during these challenging times and appreciate you coming alongside us in an effort to help the homeless, both inside and outside our shelter. Thank you for all you do and contribute.

Blessings to you,
Scott Allen, Site Coordinator
Jane Neff, Executive Director



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) (HIGHLAND)

<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=MUE3M1BHVXQyRVhRUWRGZINRNGtiQT09>

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
<i>1 HUPC Coffee Hour</i> <i>HUPC Worship 9:30</i> <i>and Zoom with</i> <i>8:30 SS (H)</i> <i>9:30 SS (W)</i> <i>WUPC Worship 11:00</i>	2	<i>3 Deacons</i> <i>Mtg. (H) 6:00</i> <i>Mission (H)</i> <i>6:00</i>	<i>4 On-Line Bible</i> <i>Study 6:30</i>	<i>5 Trustees (W)</i> <i>4:30</i> <i>Session (W)</i> <i>6:00</i>	6	<i>7 Bible Study @</i> <i>Westminster at</i> <i>8:30</i>
<i>8 HUPC Worship 9:30</i> <i>and Zoom with</i> <i>8:30 SS (H)</i> <i>9:30 SS (W)</i> <i>WUPC Worship 11:00</i> <i>Pat Sowers Memori-</i> <i>al Service @ Myers</i> <i>@ 2:00</i>	<i>9 Grief</i> <i>Support Group</i> <i>9:30-11</i>	10	<i>11 On-Line</i> <i>Bible Study 6:30</i>	<i>12 Session (H)</i> <i>6:00</i>	13	<i>14 Bream Picnic</i> <i>@ Pavillon</i> <i>10:00—6:00</i> <i>Bible Study @</i> <i>Highland at 8:30</i>
<i>15 HUPC Worship 9:30</i> <i>and Zoom</i> <i>8:30 SS (H)</i> <i>9:30 SS (W)</i> <i>WUPC Worship 11:00</i>	<i>16 Grief</i> <i>Support Group</i> <i>9:30-11</i>	17	<i>18 On—Line</i> <i>Bible Study 6:30</i>	19	20	<i>21 Bible Study @</i> <i>Westminster at</i> <i>8:30</i>
<i>22 HUPC Worship 9:30</i> <i>and Zoom</i> <i>8:30 SS (H)</i> <i>9 :30 SS (W)</i> <i>WUPC Worship 11:00</i>	<i>23 Grief</i> <i>Support Group</i> <i>9:30-11</i>	<i>24 Little Li-</i> <i>brary 9:30—</i> <i>11:00</i>	<i>25 Grief Support</i> <i>Group 5:30—</i> <i>7:00</i> <i>NO ON-LINE</i> <i>BIBLE STUDY</i>	26	27	<i>28 NO BIBLE</i> <i>STUDY</i>
<i>29 HUPC Worship 9:30</i> <i>and Zoom</i> <i>8:30 SS (H)</i> <i>9:30 SS (W)</i> <i>WUPC Worship 11:00</i>	<i>30 Grief</i> <i>Support Group</i> <i>9:30-11</i>					

I know the plans
I have for you.
Plans for your future...for your benefit.

When you seek me, you will find me.
When you pray to me, I will hear you.
Jeremiah 29

*Trust in the Lord with all Your heart and lean not on your
own understanding, but in all your ways acknowledge God
and God will direct your paths.*

Proverbs 3

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