

# LUNCH WITH CHRIS August 9, 16, and 23 12:30pm

Youth and Adults: Do you have ideas about youth ministry?

Have you been thinking about volunteering, but not sure where you fit it?

Do you just need someone to talk to? Just wanna catch up?

For 3 Tuesdays in August, you can meet Chris

for Lunch at Chick-Fil-A (on him!!)

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# Friendship Community Gardens Farm-to-Fender

Just letting you know that the Farm-to-Fender produce bus can be found parked in the Haymont Post Office parking lot each Monday from 10:00am-4:00pm until Labor Day.

Fayetteville Community Gardens appreciates you!

# HPC Session Highlights July 26, 2022

- Received a financial update from our new Financial Administrator, Sara Marada, with explanations that she and the Finance Committee would be collaborating to make revisions and changes to the reporting of the church's finances to Session.
- Approved Chris Jackson to preach at both services on August 21, 2022, in the absence of Rev. Stapleton.
- Approved HPC having a unified service at 11:00am on September 18, 2022, to commemorate the national effort of 'Back to Church Sunday' with lunch to follow in the fellowship hall. Getting people back to in-person worship and in-person church programming will be the main emphasis.

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

# In Search of......Volunteers for the Front Desk!

Answer phones, point visitors in the right direction, enjoy some quiet time, get to know the HPC staff a little better - all this for the low, low price of a few hours a week! Usually 9-1 or 1-4...one day a week, or two, or whatever times/days work for you. If you see Ralph Spivey, chat with him about it or you may contact Kelli at kellilu@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you!

In Search of......2nd Mile Communion Volunteers!

Want to contribute to Second Mile worship, but don't feel comfortable singing or reading in front of everyone? As we have returned to something a little more like normal, we are in need of volunteers to fill communion cups and prepare the elements each week. If you'd like to help, please contact Chris Jackson.



## **SHARING GOD'S LOVE**

GATHERING MUSIC

Harriet McDonald

### **GATHERING**

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

Prelude Festive Trumpet Tune German

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God called Abraham and Sarah and promised to bless them. All: Through faith, they obeyed and received God's inheritance.

One: God called Isaac and Jacob, as heirs of that promise.

All: They too followed in faith, seeking God's realm.

One: God calls us to join them, as heirs with the faithful.

All: We come here in faith, assured by the hope that was fulfilled in the lives of our servants.

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

†HYMN #163 Lord, Our Lord, Thy Glorious Name

This is a new hymn for Highland. It was introduced each Sunday in July by choir and instruments.

CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Forgiving God, you know how easy it is for us to celebrate with joy the wonders of your love. We create wonderful art to represent the joy we feel. Our music soars to the heavens in praise of you. Yet how often we have left our service to you as mere thoughts and intentions without fulfillment. You ask us to be ready to serve you at any time, but we place our commitment on the "to do" list of life; we will do these things when we get to them. Forgive our hesitancy and our self-serving ways, O Lord. Heal us of the disease of seeking first our own comfort before we engage in acts of justice and mercy. Open our eyes and eyes to the cries of those in need. Help us to give and also to receive ministries of love and reconciliation as we serve you with our whole hearts. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### THE WORD

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH Rev. Chip Stapleton

Psalm 50:1-8; 22-23

Anthem Hiding in Thee arr. Kerrick

NEW TESTAMENT Hebrews 11:1-3; 8-16

Message Final Instructions Rev. Chip Stapleton

Week 1: Seeking A Homeland

#### RESPONSE

†Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### OFFERTORY Be Not Afraid Courtney

Be not afraid for I have redeemed you; Be not afraid, I have called you by name.

When you pass through the waters I will be with you.

When you pass through the floods they will not sweep o'er you.

When you walk through the fire you will not be consumed.

You are mine, you are precious in my sight.

†DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him, above Ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

†Prayer of Dedication

#### **SENDING**

†Hymn #383 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Blessing & Benediction

Postlude Jubilate Deo Purvis



#### **Worship Leaders**

Rev. Chip Stapleton, Senior Minister Pam Langston, Dir. of Music Ministries Jen Jammer, Dir. of Children's Ministry Chris Jackson, Dir. of Youth Ministry Terry Morris, Pastoral Care Intern

# Notes on Today's Music from Pam Langston...

**Prelude:** "Festive Trumpet Tune" by David German calls for the melody to be played on a single rank of solo reed pipes which we will have in 2023! It will be played on an 8' principal for now, but with the new pipes we will hear this joyful piece the way it was intended to sound.

**Opening Hymn:** "Lord, Our Lord, Thy Glorious Name" is sung to a tune by composer Johann Freylinghausen. 163 hymnals contain this tune (GOTT SEI DANK, 1704) with 59 different texts. Knowing all this, it might be difficult to believe that this is a new hymn today here at Highland!

**Anthem:** "Hiding In Thee" is a new anthem for our choir. This is arranger Mary Ellen Kerrick's 50th year as an organist/composer. She says that singing new songs in worship prepares us for an eternity of of praising God together.

**Offertory:** "Be Not Afraid" by Craig Courtney speaks of God's presence with us in times of hardships and of His infinite mercy. It convey's God's love through Isaiah's words: "You are precious in My sight."

Closing Hymn: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" is one of America's best 19th century hymns. Ray Palmer wrote the words in a notebook that he kept in his pocket. Lowell Mason, who was about to publish a hymnbook, asked Palmer if he had anything to contribute. The words written two years earlier were offered. Later, Mason said "You may do many good things, but I think you will be best-known as the author of "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" - and that is now true.

**Postlude:** "Jubilate Deo" means "rejoice in God" and this piece by Richard Purvis is our final musical offering. "O be joyful in the Lord...serve the Lord with gladness. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving....be thankful unto Him. For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting." Go in peace to love and serve.

#### ~~~PASTORAL CONCERNS~~~

We ask that you keep our home-bound in your thoughts and prayers.

P.W. and Martha Jessup
Jean Robinson
Lisa Hitt
(daughter of Gayle McDonald)
Charlotte Ingram
June Marie Smith
Doris English
John English

Steve & Orion Gaynos
Madie Rae Locklear
("Grandma" to the Guy Family)
Lib Yarborough
Bill Johnson
Patsy Thames
Gayle McDonald
Betty Graham
Claudia Thornton

Please let us know if you have concerns that you think the church should know about. Please limit to close-extended family. We will put their names (and relation to you if you desire) in the email update. The names will be removed after a few weeks unless requested otherwise. Thank you.

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