

The Highland Messenger

October 2010

From the Pastor

We know that recently we have been receiving weekly emails that speak to the "Treasurers of the Transformed Life" stewardship campaign.

Significantly, there has been some correspondence offered in response to one of these letters. The response of these letters has witnessed to a desire to strengthen commitment to church, aware that the church has need of us to honor our promise to support the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service.

We have also heard during this campaign, and will continue to hear from Highland members who offer remembrance, gratitude, and challenge for this campaign.

I appreciate the challenge offered by these stewardship letters, and the thoughtful response offered by these follow up letters and by those who speak in worship. We are reminded again in all of this of how seriously we are to take our connection to this community of faith; and of how this is a perfect time for renewal and recommitment to God by way of worship and service offered at Highland Church.

This Stewardship conversation is occurring within the context of significant financial challenges at Highland. Specific steps are being taken to resolve our financial difficulties, and while there may be little comfort in this fact, the truth is that the situation in which we find ourselves is a situation in which countless churches now find themselves.

The truth also is that while we are responding faithfully and with urgency to these challenges, we are at the same time engaging in some exciting, vital and different making ministry at Highland. Our work with the conference 5 talent academy continues to grow! We have participated in a faith development event and are now putting into effect an action plan that offers new experiences in faith development, such as small group opportunities, a new advent small group experience, and accessing conference resources.

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Sunday Morning Schedule

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School

11 am Worship (Sanctuary)

11 am The Compass

(in the Fellowship Hall
Casual dress)

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Friday

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

From the Pastor – Continued

Missions work is seeking new outreach by way of recent construction of a wheel chair ramp for a neighbor (and the likelihood of more such construction to occur,) providing for needy school children by way of “Backpack Blessings,” welcoming all by way of Wednesday Night Suppers, and a deepening involvement with the Colonial Heights Food Pantry.

Both Worship and Hospitality ministries will soon have in place their respective activities for Fall and Winter.

The responses offered to the Stewardship letters remain before us: now is the time to rededicate; now is the time to re-commit; now is the time to connect to the wonderful opportunities for ministry at Highland; and now is the time to remember and honor our promise, “As members of this congregation, (to) faithfully participate in its ministries by (our) prayers, (our) presence, (our) gifts, and (our) service.

The peace of God be with you,

Keith

Highland United Methodist Church is sponsoring a Blood Drive

Date: Saturday, November 13

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: Bloodmobile

125 Westover Avenue, Colonial Heights

**Please sign up for an appointment to donate at church
or by calling the church office – 526-3870**

**Please remember to eat a good meal and drink plenty of fluids prior to donating.
Please bring an ID to the blood drive and/or your VBS donor card.**

***If you cannot make an appointment, please stop by the blood drive and we will
make every effort to fit you in!
Every Donation Saves THREE Lives.***

**If you have questions about eligibility please visit the VBS website –
<http://www.vablood.org/>**



Listed are our Shut-in's – Give them a call, send a note let them know you care and they are in your prayers (Those with asterisk would enjoy visits).

Daphane Andrews	2
Larry & Mary Amiss	*
Virginia & Fred Barker	*
Anne Burgess	5
Bruce Branton	
Evelyn Dail	4*
Jackie Fenderson	*
Barbara Kellam	*
Clyde Long	*
Bea Mann	*
Edyth Martin	2*
Estelle Morris	*
Josie Phelps	3
Nancy Price	*
Nancy Robertson	1*
Addie Rountree	1
Lillian Ross	*
Betty Story	6
Marty Thorne	2
Clarence Wells	*
Ann Webb	*
Martha Woolfolk	*
Joyce Westfall	*
Alex Westmoreland	*
James E. Yates	*

Out of State

Elizabeth Bedford - 2521 Don Juan Loop NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104

Helen Moore - 332 Buna Vista Avenue, Arnold, MD 21012

Marguerite Widdop – Wingate at Brighton, Room 204 B, 100 North Beacon Street, Boston, MA
02134

Legend= 1 **Colonial Heights Health Care Center** – 831 E. Ellerslie Avenue, Colonial Heights, VA 23834

2 **Dunlop House** – 235 Dunlop Farms Boulevard, Colonial Heights, VA 23834

3 **Lucy Corr Nursing Home** – 6800 Lucy Coor Village, Chesterfield, VA 23832

4 **Brighter Living** – 5301 Plaza Drive, Hopewell, VA 23860

5 **Dinwiddie Nursing and Rehabilitation Home** – 46 Diamond Drive, Petersburg, VA 23803

6 **Tyler's Retreat at Ironbridge** (New Nursing Home – Rt 10) – 12001 Ironbridge Road,
(Phone: 706-1023) Chester, VA 23831

FEEDING MINISTRY

Monday, October 11, 2010, 12 p. m. at Quinn Hall, Petersburg

Menu

Hotdog Macaroni/Cheese Casserole

String Beans

Bread

Brownies

Tea and Orange Drink

For more information contact: Betty Skaggs (530-2116), Maxine Pollock (526-2848), or Johnnie Davis (796-6958)

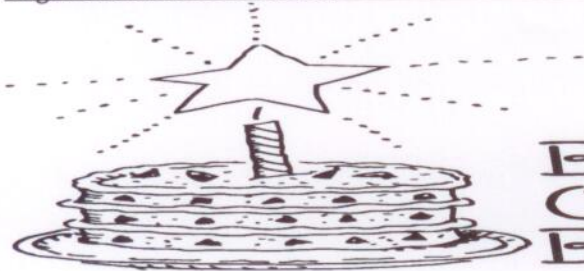
Small Group Study

Does life seem stressful? Do you have worries about finances? Are you wondering how to be happy with what life offers? Please consider joining us for a six week small group study using Adam Hamilton's book *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. Leaders will be Chris and Delilah Caldwell. We will meet on Sunday evenings from 6:15 to 7:30 p. m. beginning October 24 in the Day Classroom, (3rd floor).

Financial Up-Date

August 22 – September 19, 2010

2010 Budget	\$427,019.00
Amount needed each month	35,585.00
Amount received (8/22 – 9/19)	33,420.23
Amount needed Year-to-date	
39 weeks @ \$8,211.91 per week budgeted	312,052.50
Amount collected year-to-date	288,471.71
Amount needed each Month for Building/Capital Improvement	
Loan Payment	3,997.41
Amount received Building/Capital Improvement (8/22-9/19)	2,895.50
Memorials received (8/22-9/19)	25.00



BLESSINGS ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

- | | |
|---|--|
| 01 – Evelyn Bland
David Gottshall | 14 – Charlotte Lucas
Steven Odom |
| 02 – Johnnie Davis
Stephen James
Joanna Klein-Graves | 16 – Lynn Bell |
| 03 – Hannah Carper
Bobby Clarke
Michael Coleman
Carla Crigger | 17 – Vernon Bullock |
| 04 – Frances Bowers
Michael Duncan
Jewell Rose | 18 – Mellissa Harrison
Doris Kuehn
Mary Perkinson
Ashley Thomasson-Barton |
| 05 – Sharon Barker
Graham Ferguson
Mark Leimberger
Betty Skaggs
Thelma Tiedeken | 19 – Gladys Chobanian
Yolanda Jenkins
Brian Mallery
Richard Railey
Darlene Reigle-Symorski |
| 07 – Donald Mayes
Robert Nelson
Betty Perkins
Wilson Treaster | 20 – Barbara Brown
John DiGiacomo |
| 08 – Sarah Vess
Sidney Watkins | 21 – Noelwin Hunter
Stephanie Lucie-Montague |
| 09 – Nicole Mills
Barbara Valenta | 22 – Tammy Foster |
| 10 – Marianne Bartholomew
Carolyn Curtis
Susan Harrison
John Lukomski, III | 23 – Joyce Barnes
Carol Ferguson
Linda Morton |
| 11 – Randy Gulledege
Walter Heath | 24 – Skyler Broaddus |
| 12 – Andrew Gaskins | 25 – Margaret Burfoot
Bailey H. Patterson |
| 13 – Jean Martin-Laine | 26 – Tara Lorentz
Charlie Williams
Dwayne Wohning |
| | 28 – Jean Blankenship
Deanna Gunn |
| | 29 – Ray Schaeffer
Ann Sovocool
Jon Walker |
| | 30 – Martina "Marty" Tuck |

ANN DOUGLAS GUILD**Bake and Yard Sale**

Saturday, October 16, 2010

7 a. m. – 1 p. m.

Any donations are appreciated but no clothing (except children's). Items may be brought to the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, (13th), Thursday, (14th), and Friday (15th), from 9 a. m. until 1 p. m. For questions???? call:

Marie Rowan	732-2947
Pat Wilson	526-4891
Betty Leighton	520-6472

HIGHLAND'S UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

In support of the

"On the Road Again in Mission" Express

the UMW is currently collecting the following items:

LIGHTHOUSE CHILDREN'S CENTER

Lysol spray

Boxes of disposable gloves

Kid's bandaids

Girls underwear – sizes 4-6

Boy's underwear – sizes 4-8

KINGSWAY PRISON & FAMILY OUTREACH

ChapStick

Plastic tubes of toothpaste (regular size)

Small legal pads – 5"x8" yellow or white

Small standard envelopes

Books of stamps.

Please place items in box in the Hospitality area.

See Jennifer Webb or Marie Rowan with questions or for additional information.

BACKPACK BLESSINGS APPROVED FOOD LIST

It is most helpful to provide foods in individual serving sizes and those which are easy for kids to open and prepare. The backpacks can become heavy for young children so we are asking for smaller sizes of some items.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANYTHING GLASS

WE ARE NOT ACCEPTING CANS THAT REQUIRE A CAN OPENER OR BOILING WATER AS MANY KIDS WILL BE PREPARING FOODS ON THEIR OWN.

Whole grain cereals – no larger than 9 oz. box (Cheerios, Chex, Raisin Bran, etc.)

Pop Tarts

Cereal Bars/Granola Bars/Nutrigrain Bars

Shelf Stable Milk – Individual serving size or quart size chocolate or regular

Peanut Butter – Not larger than 28 oz.

Jelly – Plastic squeeze bottles

100 % Juice – Individual serving size juice boxes or bottles (Plastic or Paper Packaging)

Snack Pack Pudding Cups

Individual serving size apple sauce

Fruit Cups – Individual serving size

Fruit snacks

Individual packages of raisins

Nuts/trail mix – individual serving size

Small Packs of beef jerky, pepperoni or meat sticks

Individual packages of peanut butter or cheese crackers

Handi-Snacks

Microwave popcorn

Pull top cans of soup (think kid)

Chef Boyardee pull top microwavable individual meals

Chef Boyardee pull top cans of spaghetti and meatballs

Kraft Easy Mac or Velveeta shells and cheese individual microwavable meals

Minute Rice ready to serve individual cups (microwavable)

Donations may be dropped off at the Backpack Blessings Table in the Hospitality area.

In Memoriam

Addie Young Rountree September 14, 2010

Sympathy

We express our condolences to the family of Mildred "Millie" Eubank Corrigan, who passed away August 25, 2010. She was the mother to Pete Corrigan.

The family of Frances Houchins Tipton on August 26, 2010, she was the aunt to Louise Frenier.

The family of Robert Ledford, he was the brother to Cathy Holladay.

The family of Addie Y. Rountree, who passed away on September 14, 2010.

May God comfort all who knew and loved them.

Address Up-Dates

Sarah Curtis
201 W. 9th North Street
Unit 85
Summerville, SC 29483

Zachary D. Murdock
Hampden-Sydney College
Box 1424, Graham Hall
Hampden-Sydney, VA 23943

Michael Watkins
800 S. Main Street
James Madison University Box 3087
Harrisonburg, VA 22807

Thank You

A very big thank you to Margaret Carper (Chair person), Kay Walker and Sandra Coleman for their piloting of the campaign to purchase new chairs for the Family Life Center. Many thanks to those who contributed to the fund.

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"I want to express my deep appreciation to the Day Class for honoring me at the church's September Sunday School Social. The food was delicious and seeing all the smiling faces was a joy.

To the Education Committee many thanks for making me feel so special. The acoladies were great and humbling. I'm looking forward to seeing the tree to be planted for me – what a grand gesture!

Highland's dedicated Sunday School teachers will always hold a special place in my heart – as will Kay, Scarlett, Betty and Mike Eyler, Thelma and Phyllis."

Gratefully,  
Nancy McNeer

"My heartfelt thanks for the many visits, calls, gifts, cards and personal letters you sent me while I was in the hospital.

The prayers from my pastors and church family helped make my days brighter."

In Christian love,  
Marie Rowan

**BIRTH**

Congratulations to James "Jim" and Amanda Mitchell Vick upon the birth of their son, Laythan Poole Vick, who was born on September 17, 2010, and weighed 5 lbs., 10ozs.

The proud grandparents are Phillip D. Mitchell and Lynn and Clyde Bell.

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| Sun                                                                                                                                                                  | Mon                                                                                           | Tue                                                                                                                                      | Wed                                                                                                                                                            | Thu                                                                                            | Fri                                            | Sat                                             |
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| Every Sunday<br>Worship 8:30<br>& 11 (Trad.)<br>11 am Compass<br>(Alternative<br>Service)                                                                            | Every Sunday<br>9:30 a. m.<br>Sunday School<br>for all ages.                                  | Agape Circle<br>responsible<br>for removing<br>the altar<br>flowers this<br>month                                                        | October 3,<br>10 & 17<br>6:15—8 pm<br>Small Group<br>Study                                                                                                     |                                                                                                | 1<br>5—7 p. m.<br>UMM Fish<br>Fry/             | 2                                               |
| 3 12:15 pm<br>State of the Commu-<br>nion address: Compass<br>Potluck<br>4—4:30 pm Young<br>Children's Choir<br>4-5 Children & Youth<br>Choir<br>5-6 pm Sr. High Mtg | 4 6:30 pm<br>Finance (Budget)<br>Workshop                                                     | 5 No Mark<br>Study<br>6-8 pm Community<br>Night Out—Floral<br>Hill Park.<br>6:00-8:30 pm<br>Faithfinders<br>Exercise & Karate<br>Classes | 6 5:30 pm<br>Community/<br>Church Supper<br>6:15 pm Jr. High<br>Youth Mtg.<br>7 pm Sanct.<br>Choir rehearsal                                                   | 7 6-8:30 pm<br>Faithfinders<br>Exercise & Ka-<br>rate Classes<br>6:30 pm Youth<br>Council Mtg. | 8                                              | 9<br>9:30 am Colonial<br>Hights Food<br>Pantry. |
| 10 9:15 am Blood<br>Pressure Clinic—<br>Parlor<br>1-5:30 pm Youth<br>trip Chesterfield<br>Berry Farm<br>No Sr. High Youth<br>No Youth Choirs                         | 11<br>12 pm Downtown<br>Feeding Ministry<br>At Quinn Hall.<br>6:30 pm UMM<br>Meeting          | 12 12:30 pm<br>Geri Andrews Cr.<br>6-8:30 pm Faith-<br>Finders Exercise<br>& Karate Classes<br>6:30 pm Mark<br>Bible Study               | 13 11:30 am Joy<br>Club<br>5:30 pm Community/<br>Church Supper<br>6:15 pm Jr. High<br>Youth<br>7 pm Sanct. Choir<br>7 pm Hospitality Mtg.<br>7:30 pm Agape Cr. | 14                                                                                             | 15<br>Ann Douglas<br>Guild Yard &<br>Bake Sale | 16<br>Ann Douglas<br>Guild Yard &<br>Bake Sale  |
| 17 9:30 am Sunday<br>School Social<br>4 pm Young Children's<br>Choir<br>4 pm Children & Youth<br>choir<br>5-6 pm Adult Bells<br>5 pm Sr. High Youth                  | 18 10:30 am<br>Eunice Reynolds<br>7 pm Missions<br>Committee Mtg.<br>7:30 pm Bykota<br>Circle | 19 6:30 pm<br>Faithfinders<br>Exercise & Karate<br>6:30 pm Mark St.<br>7 pm Sisters In<br>Faith Circle                                   | 20 5:30 pm<br>Community/Ch.<br>Supper<br>6:15 pm Jr. High<br>Youth Fellowship<br>7 pm Sanct.<br>Choir rehearsal                                                | 21 11 am Ann<br>Douglas Guild<br>6-8:30 pm<br>Faithfinders<br>Exercise &<br>Karate             | 22                                             | 23                                              |
| 24 12:30 PM<br>UMW Luncheon<br>4 pm Young Children's<br>4-5 pm Children's<br>& Youth<br>5 pm Adult Bells<br>5-6 Sr. High Youth<br>6:15 pm Small Gr. St.              | 25                                                                                            | 26 8 am Domestic<br>Violence Task Group<br>6 pm Faithfinders<br>Exercise & Karate<br>6:30 Mark Bible<br>St.udy.                          | 27 5:30 pm<br>Community/<br>Church Supper<br>6:15 pm Jr. High<br>Youth Fellowship<br>7 pm Sanct.<br>Choir rehearsal                                            | 28<br>6-8:30 pm<br>Faithfinders<br>Exercise &<br>Karate Classes                                | 29                                             | 30                                              |
| 31 Laity Sun.<br>4 pm Young Chil-<br>dren's Choir<br>4-5 pm Children &<br>Youth choir<br>5—6 pm Adult Bells<br>2 pm Youth Paint-<br>ball—Hopewell                    |                                                                                               | 9:30 am O K Café<br>will be open each<br>Sunday, except<br>for Oct. 17th!                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                |                                                |                                                 |