

Highland United Methodist Church

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*We are an open community of Christians sharing Christ's love and helping each other
to develop and strengthen their relationship with God.*

August 14, 2016

A Service of Word

Prelude

The Ministry of the Acolytes

Welcoming our Guests, Sharing Ministry Opportunities and Celebrating Special Days

Greeting and Sharing the Peace of Christ

Prepare For Worship: Ringing of the church bell

Choral Introit

Call to Worship:

Leader: This is the time we come together and remember who we are. We are the church,

People: yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

Leader: The Spirit of Jesus welcomes us. The Spirit is with us,

People: yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

Leader: We stretch out our hands, to share and serve together. We remain in God's love,

People: yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

*Hymn of Praise "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" UMH pg. 384

Prayer for the Day:

We believe in you, God, for you are with us. You are bringing the Kingdom of God to heaven. Today we sing to you, because you are alive, you have saved us, you have made us free. Amen.

Special Music

Scripture Lesson Luke 14:1, 7-14

Sermon "Be My Guest," Invites Jesus" Rev. Amy E. Pannell

Responsive Hymn "Christ Is Alive" UMH pg. 318

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (At this time you are invited to share how we can pray with you and for you or someone you care about this week)

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Offering; Prayer and Offertory

*The Doxology (Praise God from whom all blessings flow...)

UMH pg. 95

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn of Dedication

“Go Tell It On the Mountain”

UMH pg.251

*Benediction

* Postlude

“” indicates congregation standing, if able*

GREETERS

August – Pat Webb

ACOLYTES

August 14 – Abby Krauss

August 21 – Hannah McPherson

USHERS

August 14 – The Men

August 21 – The Women

CHURCH LIFE

Scripture for Next Sunday, August 21 – Jeremiah 1:4-10

Today, Sunday, August 14 – Finance Meeting following Worship Service. All are welcome as we plan the budget for 2017.

Thursday, August 18 – The **PPR** will meet at **7:00 p.m.** If you have comments or concerns, please see Terry Jamison or a member of the PPR committee

Sunday, August 21 – District Mission Encounter at Smith Memorial UMC in Collinsville. Registration, fellowship and goodies begin at 2:30. Two classes will be offered: “The Bible and Human Sexuality,” led by Lisa Nichols and Creation Care,” led by Samantha (Sam) Wilds. Mission Encounter is an annual event held by United Methodist Women. Contact Barbara Guilliams or Audrey Daniels for further information.

Monday, August 22 – The **UMW** will meet at **7:00 pm.** Refreshments will be served by Sue Bernard and Shelby Nemeth. Please come and join us.

Sunday, August 28 - All students and employees related to a school... please bring your bookbags, bus keys etc. anything that relates to you as a student or as an employee. When you come in, please place your "School" item on the altar. A special blessing will be given upon all our student and people working with student in any way. All schools should be back in session at that point. Also, we will have Sunday School Recognition Day the same day. If you know of children entering kindergarten or the middle school, please let Jennifer know so we can get them a bible. Thank you for participating in this special day.

Monday, August 29 – 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm - Ferrum College has invited Highland to be part of Praise on the Patio event. If you would like for Highland to participate, please tell Pastor Amy by Today! If no one is interested, we will not go (Apologies from the chaplain-the invitation to Highland was late).

Operation Christmas Child – August's collection is Pencils, Colored Pencils, Erasers and Sharpeners. School Supplies are on sale now! (September's donation is ink pens; black, blue, red and green.) We are hoping you'll participate with us. Thank you for all the support and love you show for us.

Sunday, September 18 – Disciple I begins again from 4-6pm. We will begin the New Testament. For a schedule or the reading on CD, see Pastor Amy

God's Activities to Pray for and Participate In:

August 14 – Finance Meeting

August 18 – PPR Meeting

September 11 – Administrative Council Meeting

September 18 – Disciple I begins

September 25 - October 16, November 13 – Highland Visioning Gathering

October 29 – Cowbell Service at Piedmont

As members of this congregation, we will faithfully participate in its ministries by our prayers (see the prayer list), our presence, our gifts, our service (see announcements) and our witness (all you do and who you are.) We are thankful that you have blessed Highland United Methodist Church with your presence and your gifts:

7/31/16 73 Present for Worship and \$3,351.00 received in Gifts

8/7/16 74 Present for Worship and \$1,038.00 received in Gifts

Prayer Requests

August 7 – Bob Gaubatz, Verna Gravely, Ronnie "Rooster" Hodges, Mark Overstreet, Hattie Sanders, Marcus Wade, Praise for safe travels for Michelle and Jacob

July 31 – Danielle McPherson and family, Andrew Snead, the start of a new school year

July 24 – The Krauss family because they are having to put a family pet down.

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