

# 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.*

**July 31, 2016**

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## 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: God has gathered us to this place,

**People: where we hear those stories which show us**

Leader: what the kingdom of God is like.

**People: God summons us to this place,**

Leader: where we can learn how to serve our God

**People: without reservation, or hesitation.**

Leader: God will send us from this place,

**People: to tell others of God's hopes and dreams,**

Leader: so they, too, can choose to follow God. (written by Thom Shuman)

\*Hymn of Praise "Maker, In Whom We Live" UMH pg. 88

Prayer for the Day:

**Your word is a lamp to our feet, our guide through the dark, the wisdom  
and truth that we follow each day. Your word is sweeter than honey, yet  
sharper than swords, is healing and justice and ours to obey. Your word  
is our understanding of grace, peace and love, the reason we gather to  
worship today!** (written by John Birch)

Scholarship Presentations

Special Music

Scripture Lesson

Colossians 2:6-15

Sermon

"Live"

Rev. Amy E. Pannell

Responsive Hymn

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

UMH pg. 400

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

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

UMH pg.327

\*Benediction

\* Postlude

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*\*\*\* indicates congregation standing, if able*

### **GREETERS**

July – Cheryl Bailey

August – Pat Webb

### **ACOLYTES**

July 31 – Jared Jamison

### **USHERS**

July 31 – The Women

August 7 – The Youth

### **CHURCH LIFE**

Scripture for Next Sunday, August 7 – Colossians 3:1-11

Congratulations to the Hartie Price Scholarship recipients: Meredith Brubaker, Logan Krauss and Cassidy Moran.

Operation Christmas Child – For all those who participated in the youth group's July collection, thank you so much. August's collection is Pencils, Colored Pencils, Erasers and Sharpeners. Please purchase the item and place it in the box in the hall. We will be collecting a different item each month through October. In November we will fill the shoe boxes and send them to children in need. Thank you for all the support and love you show for us.

**Sunday, August 7** – The Music/Worship Committee will meet following morning Worship. If you have suggestions or concerns, please see a member of the committee or Pastor Amy.

Do you have a student or students heading of or returning to a Virginia college, community college or university this fall? Submit their names to the conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministries, so our campus ministers and chaplains can connect with them. It's easy to do. Just go to [www.vaumc.org/Collegeinfo](http://www.vaumc.org/Collegeinfo) and fill out the form and submit. Our campus ministries will take it from there. The schools can't give our ministries student names, so we rely on you to help us make these connections. Your campus ministers, chaplains and conference Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministries thank you.

### **5 Talent Academy - Oct. 4**

Registration is now open for the 5 Talent Academy *Equipping People for Ministry Outside the Walls of the Church* event to be held 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Tuesday, Oct. 4**, at Ebenezer UMC in Stafford. The event will be live streamed to 10 additional locations across the conference (Danville, Eastern Shore, Farmville, Lynchburg, Richmond, Roanoke, Shenandoah Valley, Tidewater, Winchester and York River). Featured speaker is Andy Crouch, executive editor of *Christianity Today* and author of several books, including *Strong and Weak: Embracing a Life of Love, Risk and True Flourishing*, *Playing God: Redeeming the Gift of Power* and *Culture Making: Recovering Our Creative Calling*. Cost is \$35 per person. Those who register prior to Aug. 31 will receive an early-bird discount and pay only \$25. Group pricing is available for teams. **Registration closes on Sept. 19.** Visit [vaumc.org/5talent](http://vaumc.org/5talent) to register.

God's Activities to Pray for and Participate In:

August 7 – Lay Leadership Meeting

August 7 – Music/Worship Meeting

August 14 – Finance Meeting

September 11 – Administrative Council Meeting

September 25 - October 16, November 6 – 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:

7/10/16            76 Present for Worship and \$2326.00 received in Gifts

7/17/16            66 Present for Worship and \$762.00 received in Gifts

## **Prayer Requests**

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

July 17 – The Family of Billy Cole, Peggy Nunn, Sarah Haskins, and our campers from Highland

July 10 – Our New Bishop, Steven Pauley, Michelle and Jacob Dudley, Newton Guilliams, Ruth Carter, Alice Young, Families in Texas

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