

Highland United Methodist Church

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May 6, 2018

6th Sunday of Easter

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: Welcome to the community of faith, the family of God!

People: We come as families, large and small in number, seeking God's love.

Leader: God's love is here for you.

People: Help us to understand how we are connected to God.

Leader: We abide in Christ Jesus, in love and compassion.

People: May our spirits be renewed and our connectedion to God be strengthened through our worship today. Amen.

(Rev. Nancy Townley)

*Opening Hymn: *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

UMH # 384

Opening Prayer

Holy One, I begin today breathing in your love for me, for others, and for the world. Keep me mindful of all the marvelous things you are doing around and within me today. Help me to feel my friendship with Jesus and his confidence in me. Amen.

(From Feasting on the Word)

Special Music

Scripture Lesson: *John 15:9-17*

Sermon

Rev. Amy Pannell

*Responsive Hymn: *I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord*

UMH # 617

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

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 and Offertory

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

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The Celebration of Communion

All are welcome! This is Christ's table, come just as you are. When you come, reach out your hands, and a piece of bread will be given to you. Dip the bread into the cup. You may be served at your seat. The elements of grace are bread, non-gluten wafers, and non-alcoholic grape juice.

*Closing Hymn: *What a Friend We Have In Jesus*

UMH # 526

*Benediction

*** indicates congregation standing, if able

GREETERS

April —Shelby Nemeth

May—Fred Guilliams

ACOLYTES

May 6—Garrett Weaver

May 13—Aston Guilliams

USHERS

May 6—Women

May 13—Youth

THANK YOU to all those who helped come together for Ronnie Bernard.

TODAY (5:30 pm) **Community Celtic Worship** at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Come find a quiet center with Jesus and others. This ancient Irish worship has moments of silence, songs, and communion.

MONDAY (7 pm) **Choir** All are welcome! This is the last practice until Summer Break.

FRIDAY (6 pm) **Bingo and Pampered Chef** at the Callaway Firehouse This is a fundraiser for the Pack A Sack program that helps feed hungry children.

SUNDAY (8 am) **Mother's Day Breakfast** All women are welcome to enjoy a wonderful breakfast and fellowship in the fellowship hall. For more information see Terry Jamison.

Prayer Requests

April 29—Rusty Agee, Family of Ronnie Bernard, Jackie Ray Williams, Donna Janney (Caroline McPherson's friend), Henry Messenger, Family of Richard Myers, Bob Prettyman, Family of William Purcell, Carol Roberts, Annette Saul, Joyce Sledd, Chad Smith, Riley and Cameron (Susan's grandchildren, Judy Prettyman's nephews), college students and parents, Sturgill Reid Cook (infant baby of Lane and Cheka Cook, grandchild of Monty and Vicki Cook)

April 22 and April 15—Ronnie and Sue Bernard, Joyce Sledd, Family of Butch Wilcox and all first responders, Family of Mrs. Cline, Linda Higgins (friend of Kelly Moran), Annette Saul, Kenny and Jean Benard, Susan Crosen's mom died, Teresa Bynum's mother-in-law died, Henry Messenger, Debra Sapcarriu and daughter Anna (friends of Eric Krauss' mom)

Graduate Sunday May 27 we will celebrate the achievements of our graduates. If you know a graduate that needs celebrating contact Jennifer Brubaker. Please join us for a pot luck meal after worship.

Vacation Bible School June 3-7 (6 pm to 8:30 pm) Pre-K to 8th grade. Rolling River Rampage: Experience the Ride of a lifetime with God! Contact Katherine McPherson.

Commission on the Way Forward informational meeting June 3 (4:30 pm to 6 pm) at Rocky Mount UMC. Open to all to learn more about this time in our United Methodist Church. For more information see the prayer wall and hands outs near the pastor's office.

Henry and Lynda Messenger: 296 Bethany Road, Callaway, VA 24067

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:

4/22/18 56 Present for Worship and \$ 998 received in gifts

4/29/18 66 Present for Worship and \$ 847 received in gifts

