

Highland United Methodist Church

P.O. Box 34, Callaway, VA 24067

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August 12, 2018

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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: Moses and Joshua went up the mountain together.

People: Together, they helped each other listen and learn from God.

Leader: Ruth said to a grieving Naomi: "Where you go, I will go."

People: Together, they helped each other find new life in loss.

Leader: Eli helped Samuel open his heart to God.

People: Together, they got ready for what new thing God is doing!

(From stories found in Exodus 24, Ruth 1, 1 Samuel 3)

*Opening Hymn *This is the Day* (sing twice)

UMH # 657

*Opening Prayer

Good Morning God! Thank you for the gift of this day.

I can either use it or throw it away.

**I promise I will use this day to its fullest,
realizing it can never come back again.**

You have given me this life; I can use or to throw away.

I am loved. I am learning. I am not alone. Amen.

(Adapted from a morning pledge said by 3rd graders in Durham, NC in 2000)

Celebrating Sunday School and Blessing of Bibles

Scripture Lesson and Sermon: *1 King 19, selected verses*

Rev. Amy Pannell

Blessing for a New School Year

*Responsive Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth*

UMH# 92

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and 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...)

UMH #95

*Closing Hymn: *Take My Life*

UMH # 399

*Benediction

“” indicates congregation standing, if able*

Welcome! If this is your first time today, thank you for being here! You are a gift to us and to God. Highland United Methodist Church is part of the Callaway Cooperative Parish, with New Hope United Methodist Church. If you would like to know more about Jesus Christ and Highland, please contact Rev. Amy Pannell: (540) 694-9759 (cell) and (540) 483-1053 (parsonage) and AmyPannell@vaumc.org

Prayer Requests

August 5—Kenny and Jean Bernard, Sheldon Mankes and family (surgery Monday), Dawn Hall (Monday—Dr.), Janice Murray, Family of Henry Martin, Andy and Audrey Daniels and a tough month: Audrey's cousin died, best friends Maggie Smith and Pat Speakes died, Andy's nephew Mike in Florida in hospice but helping his roommate, Mike Broomhall (Mitch Webb's friend), Wayne, Marie, Anthony, Steven Stanley and family Dale, Wanda, Betsy Gail, Pam and Alan Messenger, Betsy Williams, Lupita Ortiz (co-worker of Crystal Weaver), Ms. Mary (Vera's neighbor), Joyce Sledd and family, Kelly Moran, Family of Lulu Hutton, Children back to school!, Marie Bolling (Joyce Sledd's daughter), Andrew Snead, General Conference of the UMC Feb. 23-26, 2019

July 29, 22, and 15—(those not listed above) Joys: Vicky Hodges, Hannah, Sarah, and Jared Jamison, Baby Evelyn and parents Ben Rhodes and Jacqueline Concerns: Joyce Johnson, Georgia (care giver with Joyce and Benny), Wanda McGhee (Dawn Akers' scrapbooking friend), Family of John Bussey, Lucas Williams (student of Michelle's), Baby Norton and parents (Kelly Moran's friends), Meredith and Logan's engagement, Eddie Webster, Branda Morgan (friend of Pam and Alan Messenger), Linda Midkaff and family, Dillion Davis,

Please write down the names shared in worship so that together we can pray.

Remembering those for whom a call or visit says: You are part of the church! Emily Bayley (Fork Mountain Rest Home), Mildred Jamison Boitnot, Wilenia Furrow, Bob Gaubatz (Tanyard Village), Joyce Johnson and Benny Fisher, Jeanette Sledd, Joyce Sledd, Eva Woolridge *Who else does God move you to reach out to say hello and visit?*

Wayne and Marie Stanley's address: 1305 Old Forge Road, Callaway, VA 24067

Shelton and Barbara Mankes: 235 Old Plantation Road, Rocky Mount, VA 24151

Chuck and Dawn Hall 9536 Callaway Road, Callaway, VA 24067

TODAY

(9 am) Donuts and Devotions in the Fellowship Hall—fun and fellowship!

(10 am) Blessing of Backpacks, Etc. and Celebrating Sunday School

(After Worship) Council meeting. What's your WHY? Why do we meet? Why even be part of the church? Why do we have discussions, plan together, or even make decisions together? Why? Why does it all matter? What is your WHY? How can our WHY shape how we do our work for Jesus?

(4 pm) Ordination of Rev. Jessica Slusher at Bethany Church of the Brethren. Jessi has blessed us as part of the community. Worship with finger foods and fellowship following.

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:

5/27/18 63 Present for Worship and \$ 3,949 received in gifts

6/3/18 69 Present for Worship and \$ 2,694 received in gifts