



The Highland Heartbeat

Highland, a Place to be Seen, Known, and Loved

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In the Reformed Tradition we celebrate All Saints Day – a day set aside to honor all the saints, known and unknown. The emphasis is on the ongoing sanctification of the whole people of God. It is a day set aside to give thanks to members of the community of faith who have died in the past year.

In commemoration of All Saints Day, the Memorial Garden Committee has provided white roses on the round table in the narthex in honor of those who departed within this past year. Family and friends are invited to take a white rose as they leave the Sanctuary.

For those congregation members who are interested in exploring the Memorial Garden concept, a continuous loop video, brochures, applications and a sheet of frequently asked questions is available on a table in the Narthex.



The Highland Presbyterian Church Dorothy Rose Smith Concerts, celebrating its 25th Anniversary, presents the **U.S. Naval Academy Orchestra and Mariachi Band** under the Direction of Monte Maxwell on Sunday, **November 3rd, 2024, at 4:00PM**. This Brigade of Midshipmen perform both on and off the 'yard' in everything from chapel services to musicals and concerts, highlighting both soloists and ensembles. In tribute to the late Dorothy Rose Smith tenure as Highland's Director of Music for 29 years, a performance of an original composition written by her will be performed by an Academy soloist. The concert will also include selections by one of the orchestra's newest ensembles; The Mariachi Marineros, who play a genre of Latin style music. **You will not want to miss this event!**

WORSHIP SERVICE/PREACHING CALENDAR

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE: John 11:17-27

SERMON TITLE: "Crash Helmets and Tears of Joy"

PREACHING SCHEDULE

November 10 ~ Pastor Allison
November 24 ~ Pastor Allison
December 8 ~ Pastor Allison
December 22 ~ Pastor Matt

November 17 ~ Pastor Allison
December 1 ~ Pastor Allison
December 15 ~ Pastor Allison
December 29 ~ Hymn Sing



VIEWING OF ONLINE SERVICES

- Go to www.youtube.com
- In the YouTube search bar, type "Highland Presbyterian Church"
- You should see a picture of Highland at the top of the search results; click it.
- Here, you will find all of our weekly services and devotionals by date, including our recent online services.
- Worship services are livestreamed here at 10 am on Sunday mornings so you can watch it as it happens.

GIVING

- Mail your contributions to Highland Presbyterian church at 500 E. Roseville Road, Lancaster, PA 17601.
 - Go to our www.highlandpc.org and select the "Give Now" button in the upper right-hand corner. It will walk you through how to give using your credit or debit card.
 - Scan the QR code below and it will take you to the online giving on our website.
- If you have general questions, please contact the church office at 717-569-2651.



PROGRAM STAFF

Rev. Allison Beaulieu, Senior Pastor
Rev. Matt Drumheller, Associate Pastor for Missions & Discipleship
Rev. Ken Osborne, Parish Associate
Jonathan Lefever, Organist
Jennifer Weitzel, Director of Children & Family Ministries

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne, Pastor for Congregational Care
Rev. Dr. Robert Burns, Parish Associate
Dr. Paul Thorlakson, Music Director
Sarah Hostetter, Director Of Youth Ministries

PRAYER LIST

PASTOR ON CALL

In Memory

Family of Robert Coup
Family of James Pressley
Family of Patricia Smith

Family of Bill Mann
Family of Eleanor Taylor
Family of Beth Terry

In Prayer

Julie Bender
Pete Faber
Lois Hagedorn
Marge Herrmann
Cheryl Markle
Shirley Offermann
Fred & Shelley O'Neill (death of Charles O'Neill)
Maggie Brightman (sister-in-law of the Gazdziak's)
Charlotte & Gene Rohrer (death of their daughter, Lynn)
Ronna Swinehart (death of her sister, Barbara)
Jeff Chisman (brother of Jen Winter)
Doris Ramsdell (sister of Lee Heisey)
John Ray (father of Trixi Ray)

Bill Ebel
Linda Guimond
Luther Heiser
Gretchen Laubach
Martha Matt
Dorie Steinman

Our Nation
Joyce Witmer



If you or a family member is in the hospital and would like a visit from a pastor or hospital visitor please contact the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2024 Highland Christmas Giving Tree ~ During the 2024 Christmas Season Highland Presbyterian Church is providing Christmas gifts for clients in fifteen agencies and local organizations. One of the organizations which we will be again supporting is the Transitional Living Center, an agency which is located at Duke and King Streets in Lancaster City and which provides short term living facilities for homeless families. It currently can provide shelter for up to fifty-two families in hotel type rooms with common areas. Our gifts often include items for meal preparation and as items to be used when families find new living arrangements. Please show your support by taking one or a few tags from the Giving Trees in the Narthex.



Time of Prayer ~ The election season is a stressful time, and we know that Election Day itself can be a source of great anxiety. We are called by God to pray without ceasing, and you may find yourself in need of an opportunity for prayer on November 5. You are invited to stop by the church between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm on Tuesday, November 5 for prayer in the Chapel. There will be several creative self-guided stations available. Church staff will also be periodically available for individual prayer.

Highland also serves as a polling place for our community, we encourage you to enter the church through the office door (#10) to access the Chapel.

Poinsettias ~ It is hard to believe it is that time of the year. Christmas is around the corner! One of the Deacon's many ministries provide the opportunity to order Poinsettias to donate for delivery to someone homebound, grieving or who is ill. You can also order a Poinsettia memory of a loved one or for your personal enjoyment. When you purchase Memorial Plants in memory of or in honor of a loved one their names will be printed in the bulletin. Poinsettias will decorate the Sanctuary on Sunday, December 22 and Christmas Eve. Stop by the Deacon table in the Narthex **before or after Sunday services starting November 3 and continuing until December 1 to place your order. Plants are \$10 each.**



From Your Stewardship Committee: Please check your mail. This time of year, is when many of us receive many mailings about the upcoming elections (and, for those of a certain age, health care insurance options). With such a volume of mail, it can be easy to overlook this year's stewardship mailing from Highland. It contains a brochure, a letter from Pastor Allison, a pledge card, and a return envelope. Please prayerfully consider your financial commitment for 2025 and return your pledge card, which will be dedicated in worship on November 17. If you believe that you have missed this mailing, please call the church office and a replacement will be sent.

The Matthew 25 Committee would like to invite you to join a book discussion hosted by the Donegal Presbytery's Racial Justice Task Group. The discussion group – called Brave Spaces – will begin meeting this fall over Zoom to discuss the Racial Healing Handbook. If you would like to register or receive more information about this small group, please email Betty Angelini at bettyangelini529@gmail.com or Ann Hatfield at ahatfield@westminsterpc.org



Thursday, December 5 at 11 am. Senior Ministry Christmas "Joy" Gathering.

Thursday, December 19 at Noon ~ All the women of Highland are invited to the annual Christmas Tea. More details on both events will be forthcoming.



Thank you, Mike Nolt, from all the quilters and the staff and the entire congregation! We will miss you. May God bless you as you begin a new chapter.

Presbyterian Disaster Relief Buckets ~ Thank you to our youth and church members who assembled disaster relief buckets. We have collected the buckets filled with supplies and they have been sent to North Carolina. If you would like to support further relief efforts and are able you may make a monetary donation to Highland Presbyterian Church ~ noting PDA on the memo line. Thank you for your support. Your generous gifts will bring hope and encouragement.

MISSION & OUTREACH CORNER

Veteran's Day Concert ~ Join us Sunday, November 10 starting at 7pm. In the Sanctuary as we welcome Corsair Blue Jazz Orchestra with their special guests, America's Sweethearts who come all the way from New York City. Big band music from all era's to Honor our Veterans. Admission is free, a voluntary offering will be taken for Wounded Warrior Project. See you there.



The Conversation on Caregiving originally scheduled for Nov. 9th has been postponed until later in 2025. Contact Pastor Ann Osborne if you have questions."

Highland Children & Family Ministries continue to grow! We can use your help to make our classroom spaces and gym activities more meaningful and age-appropriate. Check out our Amazon Wish list at for <https://t.ly/HPCKidsWishList2425> to donate items and help our spaces become even more welcoming children of all ages! Email jenniferweitzel@highlandpc.org with questions. Thank you for your support of Children & Families at Highland!



Youth Group Changes: For all Youth 6th grade-12th grade, our Sunday night youth group time is changing to 4:00PM-5:30PM on Sunday nights starting this Sunday. We will have a large snack instead of a sponsored meal. We are moving our times to reflect busy schedules of youth, and busy schedules in families where providing meals has become harder and harder, If you are not on our email list, please email Sarah Hostetter sarahhostetter@highlandpc.org to add you.

Sunday, November 17th Giving Tree Service Event

Youth Giving Tree Service Event will kick off at 4pm on **Sunday, November 17th** starting at MOD Pizza off Fruitville Pike. We will break into groups then head over to Target to shop for a few giving tree families in groups. Please email Sarah at sarahhostetter@highlandpc.org for more details or if you plan to attend.



Sunday, November 24th- Highland Christmas Decorating

Youth and families, we have been invited to participate in the annual church Christmas decoration on **Sunday, November 24th at 4pm.** Please join us for some wonderful festivities, laughter, and food and please bring your decorating eye!

Saturday, December 7th- Refreshing Mountain Christmas Zipline ~ Youth 6th-12th grade please join us on Saturday for a day of fun, fellowship and meaningful connection as we embark on an adventure they may challenge you, but also bring you a little closer to God's creation. We will be leaving the parking lot at 10:30am on Saturday to enjoy some team building activities, a few meals, a ropes course and the grand finale of zip lining under the Christmas lights. To sign-up please fill out this waiver: <https://go.theflybook.com/manage/OW023L#/lite>