

In worship this week:

September 11, 2016

Preacher: Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith
Music Director: Dr. Kit Long Yee (Raymond)
Liturgist: Mary Martin
Youth Liturgist: Caitlin Thompson
Ushers: Bill and Mary Lambert
Hospitality: Mike and Connie Leonard



Flowers this morning are presented to the
glory of God
by Jim and Mary Martin

Joys and Concerns of the HPC Family

Immediate Church Family*:

Mary Etta & Shelby Brown; Catherine Hackney;
Jacob, Audrie, & Lexi John; Bill and Mary Lambert;
Betty Lancaster; Mike and Connie Leonard; family of
Jane Payton; Mary Perry; Deanna Lewis Sklar; Brad
Smith; family of Bonner Stewart

Extended Church Family*:

Cary Bargas (friend of the Leonards); Brandon
Behrmann (Carol's nephew); Gloria Boone (Catherine
Hackney's sister); Austin Casey (Bagents' grandson);
Eva Fuller (Inez Geoghegan's niece); Rhonda and
Howard Matthews (friend of the Lancasters); Kirby
Perry; Earl Rabe (friend of Rick Gurtner); Neomi
Robinson (Mary Perry's helper)

**New names added to the prayer list this week are in italics.*

Birthdays:

September 1 – 10: Mary Lambert, Bill Lambert,
Eric Kleinpeter, Sherry Hutchinson

September 11 – 17: Anne McKnight, Neville
Mbarika

Anniversaries:

Sept. 5 – Bob and Connie Buck
Sept. 21 – Robert and Amy Stewart



**HIGHLAND
Presbyterian
Church**

*Connecting us with one another,
our community, and the world...*

**C
O
N
N
E
C
T
I
O
N
S**



**This week in
Global Mission:**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Mark Hinds remembers the effect that confirmation had on both himself and his brothers. "In our family it had a 30 percent success rate," Hinds told a room full of Christian educators at the 2016 Association of Presbyterian Church Educators gathering in Chicago. "I'm still in the church; my brothers aren't." As heads nodded in response to Hinds' admission, the room hummed with questions about the efficacy and future direction of the confirmation process in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Hinds, publisher of the Presbyterian Mission Agency's Congregational Ministries Publishing, and Rev. Dr. Gordon Mikoski, associate professor of Christian Education at Princeton Theological Seminary, co-taught a workshop on the Confirmation Project, which seeks to determine the extent to which confirmation and equivalent practices strengthen discipleship in youth. The study, which is underwritten by a Lilly Endowment grant, focuses on five Protestant denominations and will help in the development and publication of a new denominational curriculum expected in the fall of 2018.

To learn more, visit:

www.presbyterianmission.org/yearbook

Welcome!!!

Highland Presbyterian Church is a vibrant tree in God's grace-filled orchard. Deeply rooted in God's life-giving presence here on earth, this tree extends its branches to support one another in faith and reach into the world around it to produce fruit. Whether you are seeking God's presence through questions or service, discussion or fellowship, there is a home for you at Highland.



Connecting with our pastor, Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith

Cell Phone: 314.283.7596

Email: revjaniehp@gmail.com

Instagram and Twitter: @jmcElweesmith

Her regular office hours are 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Upcoming Opportunities at HPC

- **Bible Study** (*Jesus and the Gospels*) continues on Tuesdays, at 10:30 a.m. in the adult Sunday school classroom. Contact Mary Martin for more information.
- **Yard Crew**, September 17 is Jack Bagent and Bob Buck. Contact Jack or Bob for more information
- **Third Sunday Lunch** is September 18. Baked Potatoes will be the entrée. A sign-up sheet is posted to help complete the menu. Contact Mary Lambert for more information.
- **Next Sunday's Sermon** – "Two Masters" on Luke 16:1-13 and 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Thought for the Week:

*"Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he sees,
Yours are the feet with which he walks,
Yours are the hands with which he blesses all
the world."* - Teresa of Avila

Calendar

Monday, September 12:
12:00 p.m. AA

Tuesday, September 13:
9:30 a.m. WW Quilters
10:00 a.m. Presbytery Council
(Church of the Way)
10:30 a.m. Bible Study
12:00 p.m. AA
7:30 p.m. AA

Wednesday, September 14:
12:00 p.m. AA
7:00 p.m. Ladies' AA

Thursday, September 15:
12:00 p.m. AA
8:00 p.m. Men's AA

Friday, September 16:
12:00 p.m. AA

Saturday, September 17:
BR Caledonian Pipes Rehearsal

Sunday, September 18:
9:30 a.m. Worship
3rd Sunday Luncheon
12:30 p.m. Youth Group

The Giving Tree

Our new theme for the coming year, "The Giving Tree" is meant to draw our attention to all the ways that we give. Not only has God abundantly given to us, but we too have multitudinous chances to give to one another and to the world around us.

Consider some of our ministries at Highland through this lens: Christian Education is *giving* knowledge & equipping ministry; Congregational Care is *giving* to one another; Mission is *giving* to God's world; Building & Grounds is *giving* a home to our community; and Worship & Music is *giving* through God's gifts.

There is much to celebrate and more to come in the months ahead. Keep an eye out for the "Highland Family Tree" set to be making its premiere next Sunday, September 18. And don't forget to turn in your answer to "What has HPC given you?"

For more information: Contact your pastor, Janie (revjaniehp@gmail.com)



Highland Presbyterian Church (USA)

10024 Highland Road • Baton Rouge, LA 70810 • 225.766.5775 • www.highlandpresbyterian.org