

December/January 2015/2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 Worship 9:30 a.m.	28 AA Noon	29 AA Noon AA 7:30 p.m.	30 Prayer Group 8:30 a.m. AA Noon Ladies' AA 7:00 p.m.	31 AA Noon Men's AA 8:00 p.m.	1 New Year's Day AA Noon	2 Mike Leonard & Brandon Lithgoe Yard Crew
3 Worship Communion 9:30 a.m.	4 AA Noon	5 AA Noon Lagniappe Ladies 6:00 p.m. AA 7:30 p.m.	6 Prayer Group 8:30 a.m. AA Noon Ladies' AA 7:00 p.m.	7 AA Noon Men's AA 8:00 p.m.	8 AA Noon	9 Jack Bagent & Bob Buck Yard Crew

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- Connect with God in spirit and in truth,
- Connect with the Community of Faith in worship, study, and fellowship,
- Connect with the Neighborhood Community in friendship and service.

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Worship Leaders for December 27, 2015

Guest PreacherDr. Tom Tucker
 Liturgist.....Dr. Doris M. (Skippy) Thompson
 UshersJohn and Louise Dye
 Hospitality.....John and Louise Dye
 Music DirectorDr. Kit Loong Yee (Raymond)

Dear Friends

Thank you so much for the wonderful reception last Sunday. Thank you for all the kind words and the beautiful sentiments expressed in your letters. The scrapbook is a "keeper," even though I can't imagine how you got so many pictures. Thank you for the gift from Lagniappe Ladies, the lovingly-made church, and the very generous monetary gift from the congregation. My time with you has been especially meaningful and a grand send-off into retirement.

Thanks for the memories!

Pastor Kelly

Connections

Resolutions for the New Year

Start the year 2016 with a fresh interest in spiritual growth. Come and be with your friends at HPC for **one or both of these Christian Education opportunities --**

- ❖ **Tuesday Bible Study -- begins January 12 --** will look at the beliefs of the five major religions of the world: **Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism.** We will explore the similarities and differences among them under the guidance of **Dr. Charles Kimball**, Presidential Professor and Director of Religious Studies Program at the University of Oklahoma. Come on January 12 for **coffee and cookies at 10:30 a.m.** and the **DVD beginning at 10:45 a.m.**
- ❖ **Sunday Study** will resume **Sunday, January 24** after worship and hospitality. Ray Vander Laan's DVD series "**Faith Lessons on the Death and Resurrection of the Messiah**" will be used to help us better understand **God's revealed mission for our lives.**

Check it out

- ✓ Next Sunday is a **Food Collection Sunday** for the Shepherd's Pantry.
- ✓ **Rev. Dr. Alan Cutter** will be our guest preacher on Sunday, January 3. Our new pastor, **Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith**, will be with us Sunday, January 10!
- ✓ Lagniappe Ladies will meet **Tuesday, January 5**, at 6:00 p.m. at the church. **Anne McKnight** will lead the Bible study. **The meal will feature soups.** The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

ANNIVERSARIES

Raymond & Robin Yee January 11

BIRTHDAYS

Jim Martin	December 27
Arden Kleinpeter	January 2
Louise Dye	January 15
Betty Lancaster	January 15
Kate Stewart	January 27

HELP! HELP! HELP!

Share your time and talents by volunteering to prepare and serve communion, provide flowers, host hospitality, be an usher, or serve as liturgist. New sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board. Sign up early (and often!) for times and tasks that are convenient for you! Thank you very much!



End of Year Giving

December 31 is the last day for contributions to be made for the 2015 tax year. You can check your pledge record using the REALM program link found at www.highlandpresbyterian.org.

To track your pledge: Log into the site
 Click your name in the upper right corner
 Click the Giving tab
 Look in the Pledges section.

Bonner Stewart has a new address at Williamsburg --
 5445 Government Street, # 350, Baton Rouge, LA 70806.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession

Shelby and Mary Etta Brown, David Cook (Billie Dean's son-in-law), Eva Fuller, Catherine Hackney, Joe Heath, Lexi and her parents Audrie & Jacob John, Jeanette Lambert, Jean Nasse, **Linda O'Reilly**, Jane Payton, Kirby Perry, Mary Perry, Ms. Dell Perry, Karen Pride and family, Earl Rabe, Irlie Redmann, Deanna Lewis Sklar, Bonner Stewart, **Doug Tucker**, Mike Tucker, First Presbyterian Church of Iberia Parish, the Congregation and leaders of Matanzas Central Presbyterian Church (Cuba), the Congregation and leaders of Highland Presbyterian Church including Session Class of 2018, **the Rev Janie McElwee-Smith and family**, and HPC's Pastor Transition Team. *(New names added to prayer list are in bold italics.)*