

## June /July 2016

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<b>26</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>Worship</b> 9:30 am	<b>27</b>  Noon AA	<b>28</b> WW Quilters 9:30 am  Noon AA  AA 7:30 pm	<b>29</b> <b>Prayer</b> <b>Group</b> 8:30 am  Noon AA  <b>Ladies' AA</b> 7:00 pm	<b>30</b>  Noon AA  <b>Men's AA</b> 8:00 pm	<b>1</b>  Noon AA	<b>2</b> <b>John Dye &amp;</b> <b>Mike Groves</b> Yard Crew
<b>3</b> <b>Sunday</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>&amp; Communion</b> 9:30 am  <b>Food Bank</b> <b>Collection</b>	<b>4</b>  Noon AA	<b>5</b>  Noon AA  AA 7:30 pm	<b>6</b> <b>Prayer</b> <b>Group</b> 8:30 am  Noon AA  <b>Ladies' AA</b> 7:00 pm	<b>7</b>  Noon AA  <b>Men's AA</b> 8:00 pm	<b>8</b>  Noon AA	<b>9</b> <b>Bill &amp; Mary</b> <b>Lambert</b> Yard Crew

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# Connections

## Highland Presbyterian Church PC (USA)



Here you will find opportunities to

- 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.

### Worship Leaders for June 26, 2016

Pastor .....Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith  
 Liturgist .....Carol Behrmann  
 Ushers .....Bob and Connie Buck  
 Hospitality.....Mike and Connie Leonard  
 Music Director .....Dr. Kit Loong Yee (Raymond)



*When you have only two pennies left in the world, buy a loaf of bread with one, and a lily with the other.*

*~Chinese Proverb*

*Flowers today are presented by Carol Behrmann*

## Thought for the Week

“The rule for all of us is perfectly simple. Do not waste time bothering whether you ‘love’ your neighbor; act as if you did. As soon as we do this we find one of the great secrets. When you are behaving as if you loved someone, you will presently come to love him. ... There is, indeed, one exception. If you do him a good turn, not to please God or obey the law of charity, but to show him what a fine forgiving chap you are, and to put him in your debt, and then sit down to wait for his ‘gratitude,’ you will probably be disappointed. But whenever we do good to another self, just because it is a self, made (like us) by God, and desiring its own happiness as we desire ours, we shall have learned to love it a little more or, at least, to dislike it a little less.”

- C.S. Lewis, from *Mere Christianity*

## Reminders

- **Food Bank Collection Sunday** is next Sunday, July 3.
  - **“Mercy Not Sacrifice”** is the title for next Sunday’s sermon on the Beatitudes.
  - **Third Quarter sign-up sheet** for assisting with worship is posted.
- Thanks for volunteering to be usher, liturgist, or hospitality host.

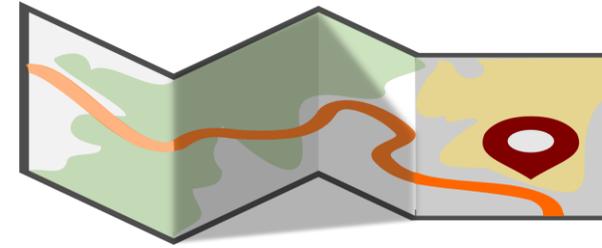
## Collection for Troops



Once again HPC is collecting supplies for our troops. Our contributions will be given to the local chapter of Blue Star Mothers of Louisiana for distribution. Items to be collected include small sizes of beef jerky, pop tarts, Raman noodle soup, toothpaste, shampoo, and skin lotions. A supply list can be found near our collection basket in the narthex or at [www.bluestarmoms.net](http://www.bluestarmoms.net).

## BIRTHDAYS

June 29 – John Dye  
July 5-- Elvis Dioke  
July 6 -- Betty Bagent  
July 7 – Sufna John  
July 7 - Jane Payton  
July 10 – Brandon Lithgoe  
July 17 – Joseph John  
July 17 - Rosemary John  
July 21 – John Kleinpeter  
July 23 – Jacob John  
July 25 – Shaylon Taylor  
July 28 – Brandi Thompson  
July 28 – Rickie Taylor  
July 29 – Rick Gurtner  
July 31 – Connie Buck



## Buy-A-Mile for our Youth Mission Trip

We “sold” 108 more miles last week – or \$540 worth of miles -- enough miles for us get past Smithfield; almost to Austin. Our goal for this week is to raise enough to arrive in Austin and start our return journey, getting as far as Columbus, Texas.

Our HPC Youth are looking forward to July 10-14 and their trip to Austin, Texas! They will join 100 other youth and adults in a variety of Mission Activities – providing backyard Bible clubs, assisting with summer children’s programs, working with a retirement center, and supporting the work of a crisis pregnancy center for women and teens who need housing and medical care as they work toward independence.

Thanks to all who have helped so far by sponsoring miles at \$5.00 per mile! You can still participate, and help our group return to Baton Rouge after their Mission Trip! “Buy” a few miles at \$5.00 a mile. Simply make your check to HPC with “Buy-A-Mile” in the memo line. Thank you for continuing support of our youth and our brothers and sisters in Austin!

## Joys and Concerns of the HPC Family

**Immediate Family:** Jack and Betty Bagent; Mary Etta and Shelby Brown; Catherine Hackney; Jacob, Audrie, & Lexi John; Betty Lancaster; Jane Payton; Mary Perry; Deanna Lewis Sklar; Brad Smith; Bonner Stewart  
**Extended Family:** Cary Bargas (friend of the Leonards); Gloria Boone (Catherine Hackney’s sister); Austin Casey (Bagents’ grandson); Eva Fuller (Inez Geoghegan’s niece); Rhonda and Howard Matthews (friends of the Lancasters); Jean Oakley (Bob Buck’s sister); Kirby Perry; Neomi Robinson (Mary Perry’s helper); Mike Tucker