

July 2016

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
3 Sunday Worship & Communion 9:30 am Food Bank Collections	4 Office Closed Independence Day Noon AA	5 Noon AA AA 7:30 pm	6 Prayer Group 8:30 am Noon AA Ladies' AA 7:00 pm	7 Noon AA Men's AA 8:00 pm	8 Noon AA	9 Bill & Mary Lambert Yard Crew Pilgrimage Ultreya (Reunion) 11 am – 3 pm
10 Session Mtg. Sunday Worship 9:30 am Youth Mission Trip begins	11 Noon AA	12 WW Quilters 9:30 am Noon AA Lagniappe Ladies 6:00 pm AA 7:30 pm	13 Prayer Group 8:30 am Noon AA Ladies' AA 7:00 pm	14 Noon AA Men's AA 8:00 pm	15 Noon AA	16 Mike Leonard & Brandon Lithgoe 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 July 3, 2016

PastorRev. Janie McElwee-Smith
 LiturgistAlan Cutter
 Communion Preparer/Servers.....Rick Gurtner & Anne McKnight
 UshersAnn and Alan Cutter
 Music DirectorDr. Kit Loong Yee (Raymond)



*Flowers are presented to the glory of God
 and in celebration of Jane Payton's birthday
 by Dudley Payton*

Thought for the Week

“And now we begin to see what it is that the New Testament is always talking about. It talks about Christians ‘being born again’; it talks about them ‘putting on Christ’; about Christ ‘being formed in us’; about our coming to ‘have the mind of Christ’.

Put right out of your head the idea that these are only fancy ways of saying that Christians are to read what Christ said and try to carry it out - as a man may read what Plato or Marx said and try to carry it out. They mean something much more than that. They mean that a real Person, Christ, here and now, in that very room where you are saying your prayers, is doing things to you. It is not a question of a good man who died two thousand years ago. It is a living Man, still as much a man as you, and still as much God as He was when He created the world, really coming and interfering with your very self; killing the old natural self in you and replacing it with the kind of self He has. At first, only for moments. Then for longer periods. Finally, if all goes well, turning you permanently into a different sort of thing; into a new little Christ, a being which, in its own small way, has the same kind of life as God; which shares His power, joy, knowledge, and eternity.”

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

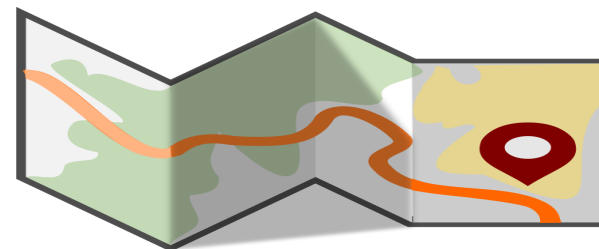
Collection for Troops



Again HPC is collecting supplies for our troops. Our contributions will go to the local chapter of Blue Star Mothers of Louisiana for distribution. Items being collected include small sizes of beef jerky, pop tarts, Raman noodle soup, toothpaste, shampoo, and skin lotions. See the supply list near our collection basket in the narthex or go to www.bluestarmoms.net.

BIRTHDAYS

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-One-More-Mile for our Youth Mission Trip

This Sunday, July 3, is the **final day** for our *Buy-A-Mile* fundraiser. So far, the church family and friends of Highland have purchased over 600 miles, bringing our current total to just over \$3,000.

But our Youth still aren't home yet (in terms of miles). Please consider sponsoring even 1 or 2 more miles today, because every bit helps. Thank you for your remarkable generosity.

Also, be sure to come for worship on **Sunday, July 10**, when our youth and their advisors will be commissioned before they leave for Austin. Thank you for supporting our youth!

REMINDERS

- The sermon topic for Sunday July 10 is “**Thin Places**” and the scripture readings are James 1:22-27 and Matthew 5:8.
- Session will meet **before Worship** on Sunday, July 10.
- **Lagniappe Ladies** will meet Tuesday, July 12 at 6:00 p.m. at Albasha's.
- **Third Sunday Luncheon** on July 17 will be our annual summer picnic (indoors, of course), featuring hamburgers and hot dogs as attractions.
- The sign up sheets for sides and desserts are posted.

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; *Mary Martin*, 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