Happening at Highlands

Week of March 25, 2018

Bread for the Journey

Hospes venit, Christes venit - When the guest comes, Christ comes. Join us in the Greeting Space following 10:30 AM worship for a sample of delicious, homemade bread prepared by our members. Visitors are especially encouraged to come by for a special gift. If you are interested in joining the baking team, contact Kathleen Lalor at kblalor@gmail.com.

Flowers for Easter Lawn Cross

Each Easter Sunday, the Highlands congregation brings flowers to transform our front lawn cross — a symbol of death, darkness, and pain — into something beautiful, new, and alive in celebration of the Resurrection of Christ. Don't forget to bring flowers next Sunday!

People In Motion - Tuesdays

People in Motion offers a dance class at Highlands each Tuesday at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Each class costs \$10 and is open to adults of all ages and abilities – no previous dance training required. Come join in for an hour of fun, fellowship, and dance! Contact Cynthia Brennan at 205-213-7322 or caemip@bellsouth.net to learn more.

Men's Fellowship Lunch - April 4

Join the men of Highlands at Dave's Pizza in Homewood for lunch and fellowship on Wednesday, April 4 at 11:30 AM. Contact Mark Chambers at marke205@yahoo.com for more information. All Are Welcome!

Be Still: Contemplative Worship - April 8

Join us on Sunday, April 8 for *be still* contemplative worship at 7 PM in the Sanctuary. Worshipers can expect a welcoming, sacred space lit by candlelight, contemplative prayer, scripture readings, silence, and simple, distinctive music that calls us to a richer communion with God and our neighbor. Contemplative worship is offered every second Sunday of the month at Highlands.

Church Council Meeting - April 9

Last week's canceled Church Council meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, April 9. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm with the meeting to follow at 6 pm. Church Council meetings are open to everyone and all are welcome to observe our church leadership at work.

Youth Group Meeting - April 15

Youth Group will not meet next week on Easter Sunday, April 1. Our next meeting will be April 15 at Highlands.

Reconciling Ministries Network Potluck - April 24

On Tuesday, April 24 at 6 PM, Open Table will host a potluck dinner for all Birmingham-area members of the Reconciling Ministries Network. Bring a dish to share and join us for delicious food and warm fellowship. Children are welcome to attend. RSVP on Facebook @HighlandsUMC.

Fifth Sunday Potluck Lunch - April 29

All are invited to an after-church potluck lunch on Sunday, April 29, sponsored by Open Table. No program, no agenda, just warm fellowship and delicious food with your Highlands family. Those who attend the potluck lunch are asked to stay following the meal to help us label water bottles for the upcoming Pride Parade. Many hands make light work!

Open Table Business Meeting - April 29

Following the potluck lunch, the Open Table committee will meet to prepare for our upcoming events, including this year's Pride Parade. Open Table seeks to help Highlands be an open and inclusive church for all. Anyone is welcome to attend Open Table meetings. Contact Reina McFarlin at reinamc3@gmail.com for more information.

UMCOR Disaster Response

In the aftermath of the storms that struck Jacksonville, Cullman, and Southside Gadsden this week, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is already on the ground providing aid. Monetary donations can be given at www.umcor.org. For updates on local United Methodist disaster response efforts and ways to volunteer, visit www.umcna.org/disasterresponse.

Atrium Flowers Sign Up

Fresh flowers are needed for the flower arranging lesson in the children's Atrium. If you have a garden or are willing to pick up a few bouquets at the grocery store, you can help! To sign up, visit www.highlandsumc.net/children. Contact Allison Solomon at asolomon@uab.edu for more information.

KEEP IN PRAYER ... Virginia Timmons; Nancy Sawyer; Brook Morris; Lisa, sister of Angela Chramer; Pamela Huck; Mark Carleton, brother of Lynn Hairston; Denise Jordan, sister of Cheryl Williams; Judy Trench, mother of Bart Trench; Sharon Turner; John Patrick Maya; Brian McFarlin; the Izcaray family; Chuck Tyndal; Roger Ash; Charles McFarlin; Therese Avant; Jeanine Carmichael; Allison and Charlie Fell; Denny Bearce; Dan Sibley; Peggy Carey; John McFarlin; Jim McCoy, brother of Jettye Davis; Whitney Smith; Walter Arms, father of Denise Williams; Lisa Mason Gay, sister of Creighton Mason



The palms in the altar are given to the glory of God by Andrea and Goodloe White

The palms on the Processional Cross is given to the glory of God by Reina and John McFarlin in honor of their grandchildren.

The palms on the Processional Cross is given to the glory of God by Allison and Josh Chandler in memory of Evelyn Chandler and Mary Ruth Atkinson.

The palms on the Processional Torches are given to the glory of God by Deirdre and Creighton Mason in memory of Wilson E. Seaman and Bud Johnson.

A potted palm is given to the glory of God by Ann Day Hunt in honor of her parents, Liz and Phil Day.

A potted palm is given to the glory of God by PJ and Steve Ellis in memory of Joanna Mitchell Heard.

A potted palm is given to the glory of God by Lauri and Weily Soong in honor of May Soong.

A potted palm is given to the glory of God by Doreen Fell in honor of Allison Fell.

A potted palm is given to the glory of God by Carolyn and Jim Delk.

A potted palm is given to the glory of God by Kathy Burdette.

Checks for Palm Sunday and Easter flowers may be left in the offering plate today. Please include "Easter Flowers" in the memo line.

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Monday-Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
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