

Happening at Highlands

Week of July 30, 2017

Open Table Meeting - Today

Open Table will meet today after 10:30 worship in the Fellowship Hall for a quarterly business meeting. Open Table seeks to help Highlands be an open, inviting, and inclusive church for all through outreach, fellowship, and education. Anyone who would like to be part of the work of Open Table is invited to this meeting. For more information or to RSVP to the meeting, contact Angela Stowe at mooneyham@yahoo.com.

130 Years and Forward - July 31

The Five Points Alliance is embarking on the development of a Master Plan for Five Points South to guide its sustainable development into the future and is inviting all stakeholders, residents and businesses to have a say. Highlands UMC is a vital part of the Five Points South neighborhood and our congregation is warmly invited to participate in the workshop on Monday, July 31 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Youth Leadership Team Meeting - August 6

The Youth Christian Formation Team will meet next Sunday, August 6 for a quarterly business meeting. This meeting will take place in the Griffin-Williams room following 10:30 a.m. worship. We will evaluate our summer activities and make plans for the fall. Committee members should RSVP to Bart Trench at b_trench@msn.com.

Men's Fellowship Lunch - August 7

Join the men of Highlands on Monday, August 7 at 11:30 a.m. at Dave's Pizza in Homewood for lunch and fellowship. For more information, contact Mark Chambers at markc205@yahoo.com.

August 9th Parenting Conversation Postponed

The last Parenting Conversation of the summer - *Your Kids Actually Want You To Talk To Them About Sex* - scheduled for August 9 has been postponed to Wednesday, August 23. Dr. Sonya Heath will lead this discussion about human sexuality education for children of all ages. Dinner is at 5:45 p.m. followed by programming and childcare at 6:30 p.m. Suggested donation of \$15 per family. Please contact Mary Elizabeth Neal at maryelizabeth@highlandsumc.net to make or update your reservations.

Youth Lake Retreat - August 11-12

All youth, including rising sixth graders, are asked to save the date for our annual end of summer Lake Retreat with our cooperative youth group, Birmingham Cooperative Youth Ministries. Contact Mary Elizabeth Neal at maryelizabeth@highlandsumc.net for more information.

YOU are invited to ENLIVEN! - August, 12

When? Saturday, August 12 from 9:00am - 1:30pm

What? Adult Christian Formation Half-Day Retreat

Where? Highlands United Methodist Church

Why? To engage in prayerful, creative conversation about how we will intentionally Encourage, Engage, Enrich and Embolden disciples of Christ at Highlands during the upcoming academic year—in other words, ENLIVEN!

Who? Whether you are an official member of the Adult Christian Formation Team or someone who is simply passionate about deepening discipleship and widening the circle of God's love and grace, you are welcome to join us for this worshipful work (and play) session.

We need a diversity of voices, ages, stages and backgrounds to make this as fruitful a day as possible!

How? RSVP to Reggie Holder at reggie@highlandsumc.net

Blessing of the Backpacks - August 13

Our annual back-to-school tradition of blessing our children and youth's backpacks for the new school year will be Sunday, August 13. This year, families are encouraged to fill their backpacks with donation items for the UAB Student Food and Supply Pantry. Suggested donations include cereal, oatmeal/grits, canned fruit/meats, mac and cheese, pasta and sauce, juice, snacks, hygiene items, college-rule paper, index cards, pens, pencils, and high-lighters. Students of all ages are encouraged to bring their backpacks to worship for the blessing.

Atrium Parent's Meeting - August 20

Parents of rising 4th, 5th, and 6th graders are asked to save the date for an important informational meeting regarding Atrium III on August 20 following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. All parents are encouraged to attend this important gathering. Contact Reggie Holder at reggie@highlandsumc.net for more information.

OUR SYMPATHY ... to Dan Starnes and family in the death of his father

KEEP IN PRAYER ... Diana Spencer; Virginia Timmons; Madge South; Sam Stayer; Nancy Sawyer; Juanita Parsons; Brook Morris; Charlotte Word; Kathleen Kauffman; Mary Louise Jones; Patricia Gerber; Jean Daniel; Lisa, sister of Angela Chramer; Pamela Huck; Mark Carleton, brother of Lynn Hairston; Denise Jordan, sister of Cheryl Williams; Martha Council; Ernest Statham; Judy Trench, mother of Bart Trench; Bob Reneau, father of Susan Rathmell



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MASTER PLAN PUBLIC WORKSHOP

WITH KPS & FIVE POINTS ALLIANCE

6PM TO 8PM
HIGHLANDS METHODIST CHURCH

1045 20th Street South
FELLOWSHIP HALL

PARKING OPTIONS
On street
Pickwick Parking Deck

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KPS (www.kpsgroup.com), the authors of a previous Five Points Streetscape Plan are facilitating a public workshop sponsored by Five Points Alliance with the Five Points South neighborhood stakeholder group. The goal of the workshop is to receive input and feedback from the Five Points South neighborhood for the commercial district, residential areas and the surrounding neighborhood. After the workshop, KPS will analyze and organize the input received in the workshop. This information will be incorporated into the Five Points Master Plan.

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