

CORNERSTONE

Monthly Newsletter



**Vacation Bible
School will be
Mon-Thurs,
July 12-15,
5:30-8:00 p.m.**

**Concrete & Cranes:
Building on the Love of
Jesus** shows kids the
foundation that lasts. So
grab your hard hat and
tool belt! As kids explore
a world of concrete and
cranes, rivets and rebar,
bulldozers and
backhoes, they will
discover that skyscrapers
aren't the only things
that need a rock solid
foundation. During
Vacation Bible School,
kids will learn to build
their faith on Jesus as
they uncover the truth
that He who began a
good work will be
faithful to carry it on to
completion.

**Registration will be
available online.**

Meet New Member: Martha Baker

I am Martha Baker, a native Memphian who now lives in Lakeland. My husband, Denny and I were married over 51 years before he passed away last December. I have two sons and a daughter who along with two daughters-in-law and a son-in-law have given me six amazing grandchildren! They range in age from 20 months to 16 years old, and spending time with them is one of my greatest joys.

I retired from teaching first and second grade in 2009 after having taught over 24 years. Sewing, reading, shopping and traveling are activities I enjoy.

Since I grew up in the Presbyterian Church, I feel right at home at HHPC. Everyone has been so welcoming to me, and I look forward to becoming more active.

Martha joined HHPC by transfer of membership on May 9, 2021.



Inviting all HHPC Seniors and friends to attend *Autumn Gold!*

Tuesday, June 22 from 10:00 -11:15 in the HHPC Sanctuary.

Come meet and hear from author Tony Souder who wrote the *Pray for Me* prayer guide that our church has been using to pray for our youth and their families.

Tony will share from his recent research on 'Why young people are leaving the church and what it is this generation wants and needs'.

The *Grandparent Legacy Edition of the Pray for Me Campaign* has just been released so Tony will focus on a combined presentation concerning the *Pray for Me* Campaign in general with an emphasis on the importance of Grandparents praying for grandchildren. One of the things he will be stressing to Grandparents is that every child is the grandchild of someone and every grandchild needs to be saturated with prayer by God's people. For more information contact Barb James at barbjames51@gmail.com or 901.356.5743.

Church Leadership

Staff

Tim Foster Senior Pastor/Head of Staff
Jason Gatlin Youth Director, AV Technician
Lesa Hart Children's Ministry Director
Aaron Proctor Recreation Ministry Director
Mary Smith Financial Administrator
Rosie Blatt Administrative Assistant
Chiquita Paulson Music Director
Lauren Fiveash Ensemble Director & Pianist
Cindy Phillips Organist
Russell Mann Guitarist
Donald Miller Guitarist
Chrissy Thornton Parents' Day Out Director

Elders

Tim Foster - **Moderator**
 Bob Donan - **Clerk**
 Richard Armour - **Treasurer**
Class of 2021
 Steve Allen
 Steve Deaux
 Charle Dunstan

Class of 2022

Josh Bond
 Lin Fryman
 Traci Gatlin

Class of 2023

Kendra Bowers
 Lesa Hart
 Perk Perkins

Deacons

Class of 2021

Joey Clark
 George Krug
 Debra Wright

Class of 2022

Janice Linder
 Linda Melear - **Moderator**
 Karen Huddleston

Class of 2023

Barbara Almond
 Joe Dobson
 Barb James

Pastor's Remarks



This year as we celebrate 100 years of worship and work, I have been highlighting some of the history of HHPC in my "Cornerstone" articles. Since the June newsletter will be sent out at the end of May, **I want to share with you some history related to Memorial Day.**

A booklet titled "Commemorating the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of Highland Heights Presbyterian Church" was printed in December of 1946. The end of World War II had come the year before, with VE Day on May 8, 1945 and VJ Day on August 15, 1945, so memories of both victory and sacrifice were still fresh on the minds of the congregation.

Here is an excerpt from that booklet: "A communion service set was given to Chaplain E. L. Wade to be used among men in the Navy. During all the period of the terrible war, the young people of our Church, numbering 99, were kept in touch with by Mrs. Ellie Jones, Sr., Mrs. Roy Perryman and others who assisted them with Church bulletins, 'Day by Days' and letters. A banquet was given after the war was over for our young people, their wives and sweethearts. **We cherish in tender memory the names of three of our fine young men who paid the supreme sacrifice during the war: Roy K. Smith Jr., Earl Terry Jr. and William Grimes.**"

Fast forward seventy-five years, and the memories of both victory and sacrifice in World War II and in subsequent wars and conflicts are still fresh on the minds of our congregation. Freedom has never been free. After you read this article, **please take a few moments to thank God for the members of HHPC who lost their lives while fighting for freedom as they served in our Armed Forces.**

Remember that I love you, and please continue to be faithful in worship and in giving.

Your Pastor and Friend,

JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Richard & Sue Armour	2 6:00 Ensemble 6:30 Jr. & Sr. High Youth 7:00 Choir practice Shannia Bailey Richard & Martha Gunter	3 Jonathan Wade Debbie Hummel Andy & Shanon Fortolis	4	5 Ben & Mary White
6 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:45 Sunday school Paul Pitt Don & Deb Wade 6:00 Grace Bible Church	7	8	9 6:00 Ensemble 6:30 Jr. & Sr. High Youth 7:00 Choir practice Traci Gatlin Ralph & Donna Hyde - 65 years	10 5:30 Forever Young - Women's Fellowship 6:30 Men's Supper John & Shannon Foster	11 Bill Agnew	12 Shea & Holley Sullivan
13 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:45 Sunday school 12:15 Deacons' mtg Deborah Womack 6:00 Grace Bible Church	14	15 11:00 TOPS lunch at Coastal Fish Co. 7:00 Marine Corps League	16 6:00 Ensemble 6:30 Jr. & Sr. High Youth 7:00 Choir practice Steve & Becky Deaux	17 10:30 Hope Circle 6:30 Elders' mtg	18 5:30 Trivia Night Dot Jenkins Jana Billings Bob & Tina Donan	19 Linda Rush
20 Fathers' Day 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:45 Sunday school Anthony Pollina Larry & Cindy Phillips Phil & Linda Mace 6:00 Grace Bible Church	21	22 10:00 Tony Souder Presentation Kathe Spencer Quinton & Mary Laura Caples	23 6:00 Ensemble 6:30 Jr. & Sr. High Youth 7:00 Choir practice Carolyn Allen	24 10:30 Sarah Circle	25 Paul Redding	26 Janette Thornton
EPC General Assembly at 2nd PC, Memphis						
27 Patriotic Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:45 Sunday school 12:15 Potluck lunch 6:00 Grace Bible Church	28 Josh & Nikki Bond George & Janice Linder	29 Bill & Janice Dalrymple	30 6:00 Ensemble 6:30 Jr. & Sr. High Youth 7:00 Choir practice	Jun 27th Patriotic Pot Luck Lunchand homemade ice cream, desserts. We'll have Kroger fried chicken. Please bring sides and ice cream or other desserts. We'll have iced tea, lemonade, and water. We'll need help decorating on Saturday, time TBA, and assisting in clean up, it's going to be really quick... and appreciated.		

Blue names = Birthdays

Red Couples = Anniversaries

Preschool News

Highland Heights Presbyterian PDO/Pre-K

Highland Heights PDO closed out another great year with an in person graduation on May 14th. The kids did a great job and we are grateful for all of the hard work done by the PDO staff, the Pre-k teacher Ms Fannie and our wonderful music teacher Ms Terri and Jason Gatlin. We are taking a break over the summer but will return in late July to get ready for the new school year that starts on August 9th. *Pictures are from the last day of school.*





5th Annual Trivia Night

June 18th, Doors open @ 5:30,
Trivia starts @ 6:30

**COME JOIN US FOR PRIZES, FOOD and FUN
while contributing to a great cause!**

Cost is **\$15** per person, no table max, but recommend up to 8 people per table.

For the first time, we will also offer a virtual play option (via Zoom and we cannot be responsible for any technical difficulties), \$25 per household.

There will be lots of opportunities to win prizes during the in-person trivia event, including a GRAND PRIZE of \$200 cash. Our virtual winner will win a \$50 Amazon gift card.

All proceeds will be used to benefit the Kenyan orphans by building a girls' dormitory.

BONUS: Pre-register by **Thursday, June 17th @ 11pm** and receive an email hint the day of the event.

DOUBLE BONUS: Pay before the event and in-person players will receive 1 extra door prize ticket.

Registration forms will be available at church starting Sunday, May 30th! Can't wait!?! Register now using the link below or QR code: <https://app.easytithes.com/App/Form/5a425450-fe1b-46cf-a013-f9d0895bd346>



Unable to play, but want to help?

We can always use donated prizes to help make the event a success. Feel free to put donations in Traci Gatlin's church box or in Rosie's office. Also, please feel free to give a monetary donation by noting **Kenya Orphanage - girls' dormitory or trivia night** on the donation.

Questions: Call or text Traci Gatlin @ 901-336-2425

We look forward to seeing you June 18th!

JUNE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Sunday	8:30 Nursery	Sunday School Nursery	11:00 Nursery	Children's Church	8:30 Acolyte	11:00 Acolyte
1st Sunday 6-June	Katie Mann	Katie Mann Dolgor Tsagaan	Carolyn Allen Haley Moody	Lesa Hart	Chloe Mann	TBA
2nd Sunday 13-June	Deborah Womack	Kendra Bowers Melanie Hayes	Deborah Womack Lydia Johnson	Rebecca England	JT Bowers	Munhuush Amgalan
3rd Sunday 20-June	Katie Mann	Traci Gatlin Nikki Bond	Shanon Fortolis	Lydia Johnson	Chloe Mann	Sophia Fortolis
4th Sunday 27-June	Deborah Womack	Ginger Wood	Barb James Keira Bowers	Shanon Fortolis	JT Bowers	Levi Wood

YOUTH



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June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	31 Memorial Day Pool Party	1	2 Lesson & Activity	3	4	5
6 Knowing God	7	8	9 Lesson & Activity	10	11	12
13 Knowing God	14	15	16 Movie Night	17	18 Trivia Night	19
20 Wild at Heart	21	22	23 Field Trip	24	25	26
27 Wild at Heart	28	29	30 Lesson & Activity			

Youth News

Summer Camp MVP will be held July 19th through the 24th. It will be a week of bible study, games, zip lining, rock wall climbing, swimming, boating and just about everything else you can think of for a great summer trip. I am awaiting info from the planners but should have additional info in a week or so.

Remember that Youth group does continue to meet over the summer and as we typically have the place to ourselves, we will have various activities, field trips, pool parties and movie nights until Wednesday nights officially pick up again. I will post info on Facebook typically the week of so keep an eye out as we may do meals together or I may request you bring food. As always, feel free to text if you have any questions. 901.337.4125

Trivia night will be June the 18th, I will be the MC for this event and look forward to seeing the youth and their parents there to have some fun and maybe win some prizes. This year we are fundraising for a girls dormitory for the orphanage.

For Sunday School we will wrap up Knowing God and move into Wild at Heart by John Eldridge. This read is geared toward guys, but I feel it can also contain great lessons for the girls as well in understanding a man's soul as designed in the image of a passionate God. We will work through this book through the summer.

TOPS OUTING
Coastal Fish Co. at
Shelby Farms
June 15, 11 a.m.

“For everything there is a season, a time to weep and a time to laugh.” Ecc. 3:4

We’ve just come through a year of lockdown, caution, uncertainty, and even weeping. But now that a lot of us have been vaccinated or have covid antibodies, we’re ready to laugh and to gather together.

We’re gradually returning to our pre-pandemic activities, especially attending Sunday School and Worship Services. Don and I are thrilled to be again worshipping in person.

Along those lines, TOPS – Trusting, Obeying, Praying Seniors – will be having our first event in 17 months. Wow!! That’s a long time to be without the fellowship of our loving friends.

We will meet for lunch at 11 am on Tuesday, June 15, at Coastal Fish Co. (where The Kitchen used to be) in Shelby Farms. This venue was chosen for its outdoors patio which is open on three sides and has many ceiling fans.

The menu includes seafood items and dishes, a variety of generous, crisp salads, Wagyu cheeseburger, Vanderbilt chicken sandwich, gumbo, jambalaya, shrimp/grits, fish tacos, and tasty desserts. To see a complete menu, Google: **<https://www.coastalfishcompany.com/menus-1>**

The spaces we were able to reserve are limited. To make a reservation – and if you need help with transportation – contact Linda Rush in person or by phone [386-4762 home] by **Sunday, June 6**. Note: To be on the safe side, **make sure you contact Linda even if you’ve already discussed it with her informally**. She needs a precise accounting to report to Coastal.

JUNE VOLUNTEER SECURITY SCHEDULE

Date	Early Service 0830-0945	Sunday School 0945-1100	Late Service 1100-1215	Wednesday 1800-2000
6/2/21				Linder
6/6/21	Blatt	Spencer	Foster	
6/9/21				Maki
6/13/21	Bright	Forte	Rush	
6/16/21				Armour
6/20/21	Dalrymple	Tremont	Perkins, P	
6/23/21				Clark, M
6/27/21	Allen (S)	Goodwin	Clark, J	
6/30/21				Bond

Elders' Notes - 5.20.21

- 1) **Martha Baker joined the Church** on May 9 by transfer of membership from Central Church in Collierville.
- 2) The request of **John Maki and Michelle Bushey to have their wedding** in the Sanctuary on April 1, 2022 was approved. Pastor Tim will officiate.
- 3) Save the date: **Trivia Night on Friday, June 18**, with the goal of raising \$4,000 to build a girls' dormitory at our orphanage in Kenya.
- 4) **HHPC will celebrate the 4th of July on Sunday, June 27**, with patriotic music and a salute to the Armed Forces during the worship services and a potluck lunch.
- 5) **Vacation Bible School** will be Monday-Thursday, July 12-15, from 5:30-8:00 p.m.
- 6) **From Memphis to Kenya** - \$30/month per HHPC family helps to feed the 90+ children in our adopted orphanage in Kenya. *Are you giving to this important ministry?*
- 7) **Burn the Mortgage Campaign** receipts through May 16 were \$120,986 which is 42.2% of the goal of \$287,000. The combination of BMC receipts and monthly mortgage payments has decreased the balance to \$123,363.
- 8) In order for the Church to be **100% Debt-Free by her 100th Birthday** on December 11, 2021, \$120,000 needs to be raised, which translates to approximately \$50/week or \$200/month per HHPC family. *In seven months, let's burn the mortgage!*
- 9) **General Ministry Fund** income through April 30 was \$132,476 and expenses were \$153,135 for a difference of \$20,659. The **General Ministry Fund balance** on April 30 was \$38,305.



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