

# CORNERSTONE

#### **Monthly Newsletter**

#### September Wednesday Night Menus

#### September 6th

Lasagna, Salad, French Bread, Birthday Cake, Cookies, & Ice Cream

#### September 13th

Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Dessert, & Ice Cream

#### September 20th

Beef or Cheese Enchiladas, Refried Beans, Salad, & Dessert

#### September 27th

Chicken Marsala, Noodles, Salad, & Dessert

Every meal includes hot dogs for the kids. Also, no matter what the dessert is, there is always vanilla ice cream on the table.

#### Meet Our New Music Director, Terry Walker



A native of Tupelo, MS, Terry Walker taught for twelve years at Long Beach High School in Gulfport, MS, and was Director of Choral Activities there for nine years. His responsibilities included conducting the Long Beach Concert Choir, Madrigal Singers, Women's Choir, and sixth grade choir. He taught courses in General Music, Dual Credit Music Appreciation and Music Theory. In the summer of 2017 the Concert Choir traveled to Italy. Under his direction, they performed solo concerts at St. Peter's in Rome and St. Mark's in Venice. Additionally, they performed in a concert series in Perugia. In the spring of 2018, the LBHS Chorale was selected to perform at the Mississippi MENC/ACDA State Choral Convention. The choir was also

selected to perform at the Louisiana ACDA Vocal conference in the fall of 2019.

Terry has conducted several extended or major works including Vivaldi's "Gloria," Handel's Chandos Anthem "Let God Arise" and Vytautas Miskinis's "Missa Brevis es Dur." Choirs and ensembles under his direction have perennially earned superior ratings at District and State festivals.

Mr. Walker earned both his Bachelor's Degree in Music Education in 2009 and his Master's Degree in Choral Conducting in 2011 from the University of Southern Mississippi. During his time there he was a member of Spirit of Southern, the USM Concert Choir and the Southern Chorale.

While at USM, he also performed and studied in New York, Jamaica, Finland, and Estonia. In 2006, he toured Spain with the Triumph Ministries Chorale. This choir specializes in spirituals and gospel music.

Upon graduation, he was hired as the Assistant Choral Director at Warren Central High School in Vicksburg, Mississippi. During his time at Warren Central, he directed Total Sound and the Concert, Women's, Men's, and Varsity Choirs. He also assisted the Warren Central High School's Chamber Choir performance at the 2013 MENC/ADCA State Choral convention.

He served as the Director of Music at Main St. United Methodist Church in Bay St. Louis, MS, from June, 2018 to May, 2020.

Terry has served as a judge at the MS Gulf Coast Baptist choral festival.

He is currently pursuing his Doctorate in Choral Directing at the University of Memphis.

Terry is married to Angelique, and they have two children, Terry III and Adelaide.

#### **Church Leadership**

#### Staff

Tim Foster Senior Pastor/Head of Staff
Jason Gatlin Youth Director, AV Technician
Lesa Hart Children's Ministry Director
Jev Windham Young Adult Ministry Director,
Guitarist

Mary Smith Financial Administrator
Rosie Blatt Administrative Assistant
Terry Walker Music Director
Lauren Fiveash Ensemble Director & Pianist

**Cindy Phillips** Organist

Amaa Togtokh Asian Ministry Director, Guitarist Chrissy Thornton Parents' Day Out Director

#### **Elders**

Tim Foster - **Moderator**Bob Donan - **Clerk**Richard Armour - **Treasurer** 

#### Class of 2023

Kendra Bowers Lesa Hart Perk Perkins

#### Class of 2024

Steve Allen Richard Armour Charle Dunstan

#### Class of 2025

Lin Fryman Traci Gatlin Dennis Glaze

# Deacons Class of 2023

Barbara Almond Joe Dobson Barb James

#### Class of 2024

Joey Clark Sue Frost Rob McCleary

#### Class of 2025

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

#### Pastor's Remarks



At Highland Heights we observe the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of the month. We also have communion on Maundy Thursday, Easter Sunday and on Christmas Eve. Those fifteen "meals," if you will, are integral to our congregation's spiritual life, because we are encouraged to

remember with gratitude Jesus' sacrificial death for us on the cross.

Before the Elders distribute the elements, I always quote 1 Corinthians 11:23-25. "The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.' In the same manner, after supper He took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new testament in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.'"

Some times when we take the Lord's Supper, we may feel unworthy. Other times we may not feel much at all. Both of those are to be expected. We are not worthy - in fact, that's the point; Jesus died because we are sinners. And because we are easily distracted and often tired, we are not always going to be moved by Jesus' sacrifice on our behalf.

I like what C. S. Lewis had to say about communion. "An angel would not be really fit to receive communion. And don't expect that you will have all the feelings you would like to have when you take communion - it is quite real whether you feel as you would wish or not."

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

Your Pastor and Friend,

Tim

# SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Gerhard & Susan Schubert	2
3 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:45 Sunday school 10:45 Community of Faith worship service Elizabeth Pritt Jeff Bowers Valerie Schwab	4 Labor Day Office Closed	5 Bob & Barb James	6 5:00 Cont. Praise Team Practice 5:30 Supper 6:30 Children's activities Pastor Tim's Bible Survey Pastor Bob's Men's Bible Study, Jr. & Sr. High Youth, Ensemble & Bell Choir practices 7:30 Choir practice Peggy Dufek	7 Don Wade Lori Brown Jim Cook	8 Brenda Paoni	9 Judy McMillen
10 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:45 Sunday school 10:45 Community of Faith worship service 12:15 Deacons' Mtg	11	12 Tom Bright Janice Linder	13 5:00 Cont. Praise Team Practice 5:30 Supper 6:30 Children's activities Pastor Tim's Bible Survey Pastor Bob's Men's Bible Study, Jr. & Sr. High Youth, Ensemble & Bell Choir practices 7:30 Choir practice	14 5:30 Forever Young 6:30 Men's Supper Gabbi Huffstetler	15	16 Justin Bryant
17 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:45 Sunday School 10:45 Community of Faith worship service	18 Lavon Hayes	19 4:45 Volunteer at Memphis Union Mission Ralph Hyde	20 5:00 Cont. Praise Team Practice 5:30 Supper 6:30 Children's activities Pastor Tim's Bible Survey Pastor Bob's Men's Bible Study, Jr. & Sr. High Youth, Ensemble & Bell Choir practices 7:30 Choir practice John Conway Steve Cooper	21 <b>10:30</b> Hope Circle	22 Presbytery @ First Presbyterian in Covington Abbott & Amanda Moses	23 Presbytery @ First Presbyterian in Covington
24 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:45 Sunday school 10:45 Community of Faith worship service Martha Baker	25	26 Samantha IIsley Price	27 5:00 Cont. Praise Team Practice 5:30 Supper 6:30 Children's activities Pastor Tim's Bible Survey Pastor Bob's Men's Bible Study, Jr. & Sr. High Youth, Ensemble & Bell Choir practices 7:30 Choir practice	28 11:00 Sarah Circle 6:00 Elders' meeting	29 Emily Bringhurst	30 HHPC's Day to Pray for Memphis Eli Womack Lettie Ellis

Blue names = Birthdays

Red Couples = Anniversaries



# **Highland Heights Presbyterian PDO/Pre-K**

PDO has had a great start in August! We are looking forward to our music classes and Soccer Shots starting in the next few weeks!







We still have a couple of spots available. Call the PDO Director for availability. 901.385.9000.

#### How are We to Welcome Our Lord?



At that time the disciples came to Jesus. They asked him, "Then who is the most important person in the kingdom of heaven?" <sup>2</sup> Jesus called a little child over to him. He had the child stand among them... <sup>5</sup> Anyone who welcomes a little child like this one in my name welcomes me. Matthew 18:1-5 NIRV

May we welcome our Lord as He directs us to. Many members of Highland Heights do this through the PRAY for ME ministry. At the beginning of the

school year children and youth of our church are paired up with an adult prayer champion through the drawing of names. The adult prays daily for their child throughout the year and engages with them whenever possible at church.

The PRAY for ME prayer guide focuses on The Seven Biblical Essentials for raising up a child – Wisdom, Favor, Speech, Conduct, Love, Faith and Purity. May HHPC be known for the spiritual legacy of prayer we give to our children. To learn more contact Barb James, barbjames51@gmail.com or 901.356.5743.

### WHITE IN THE WORLD ARE OUR COLLEGE KIDS?

Abby Perkins 600 W. Main St. #516 Durham, NC 27701 Alina Gatlin 361 Huguelet Dr. 212 Donovan Hall University of Kentucky Lexington, KY 40526-0079

Keira Bowers 1000 Irving Ave. Mailbox #165 Syracuse, NY 13244

#### SEPTEMBER CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Sunday	8:30	Sunday School	11:00	Children's	8:30	11:00	Wed.
	Nursery	Nursery	Nursery	Church	Acolyte	Acolyte	Night
1st Sunday September 3	Lesa Hart	Dolgor Tsagaan Grace Amgalan	Carolyn Allen Haley Moody	Lesa Hart Melanie Hayes	Allison Schwab	Beth Ellis	<b>Sept. 6</b> Ginger Wood
2nd Sunday September 10	Pat Edwards	Melanie Hayes	Deborah Womack Barbara Fombang	Rebecca & Abbi England	Munhuush Amgalan	Oliver Bailey	<b>Sept. 13</b> Sue Frost
3rd Sunday	Nancy Purcell	Traci Gatlin	Lydia Johnson	Ben & Gabbi	Allison	Sam	<b>Sept. 20</b>
September 17		Amanda Clark	Sue Frost	Huffstetler	Schwab	Clements	Noelle Ellis
4th Sunday	Deborah	Ginger Wood	Noelle Ellis	Lesa Hart	Munhuush	Levi	<b>Sept. 27</b>
September 24	Womack		Cortney Stone	Barbara Glaze	Amgalan	Wood	René Foster

# YOUTH



#### JASON GATLIN YOUTH DIRECTOR 901.337.4125 gatlinj007@gmail.com

# September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 Modern Christian Thought	4	5	6 Lesson & Activity	7	8	9
10 Modern Christian Thought	11	12	13 Lesson & Activity	14	15	16
17 Modern Christian Thought	18	19	20 Lesson & Activity	21	22	23
24 Modern Christian Thought	25	26	27 Lesson & Activity	28	29	30

#### **Youth News**

And there you have it, another summer in the books and another school year up and running. For this reason, September will be quiet as the youth get into their school groove again. A couple of them play football, others are already working on theatre or dance projects all while getting used to new teachers and expectations of a new grade so they are already pretty busy without me trying to squeeze in more to do.

On Sundays in September, we will have lessons on modern Christian thought. Just some general discussion on how the church was formed, the various denominations, their differences and of course how it all lines up biblically. It was one of my favorite classes in college, and I want to see if I can garner the same discussion with the youth.

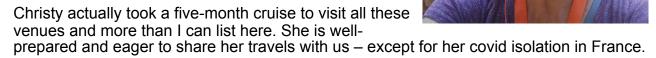
Lastly, as we are very quickly approaching it, the annual fall retreat at **Nathan Bedford Forrest State Park will be October 13-15**. I am really pushing for everyone to bring friends this year so we can get even larger games going. I will have further info out soon, but if you do have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

# TOPS, SR. ADULT EVENT International Tasting and Cruise Event @ HHPC Thursday, September 14, 2023 Noon

Come enjoy some international cuisine and take a cruise around the world...all in one afternoon. No passport required!

Arrive at noon to enjoy an array of European, African, Island, Australian, Middle Eastern, and Central American fare.

Once your palate has been satisfied, Christy Tinnen will take you on a fascinating PowerPoint cruise covering such exotic places – not in this order – as American Samoa (Pago Pago), Tahiti, Komodo Island (where you'll find Komodo dragons) of Indonesia, Canary Islands (where you'll find pigeons, not canaries), Jordan, Greece, Turkey, Israel, Oman, Morocco, New Zealand, Australia, Dubai, Turkey, Thailand, Sri Lanka, two canals – Panama and Suez, three European countries and more!



Please, book a seat for the international lunch and world-wide cruise for an all-time low fare of \$10 by Sunday, September 10 by contacting Linda Rush (Irrush@aol.com or 901-743-1100). You are welcome to bring guests; just let Linda know and pay \$10 for each one. You'll be so glad you did not miss the boat!!

SEPTEMBER 2023						
	Early Service 8:30 – 9:45	Sunday School 9:45 – 11:00	Late Service 11:00 – 12:15	Wednesday 6:45 – 9:00		
09/03/23	BLATT	SPENCER	FOSTER			
09/06/23				ARMOUR		
09/10/23	ALLEN (S)	FORTE	RUSH			
09/13/23				CLARK (J)		
09/17/23	DARLYMPLE	DOBSON	NOSNHOL			
09/20/23				CLARK (M)		
09/24/23	SCHWAB	GOODWIN	PERKINS			
09/27/23				MOSES		

## Elders' Notes from August 24, 2023

- 1) Thanks to the generosity of those who have participated in the **Poor and Needy Offering** on the Sundays we have the Lord's Supper, the Deacons have been able to help many more people with Walmart gift cards, gasoline, medical assistance, funeral assistance, home repairs, PDO tuition assistance, and motel rooms. This year \$6,433 has been contributed, and \$2,779 in assistance has been given.
- 2) Gratitude was expressed to **Mary Ann Cole** for serving as the interim music director and for her hard work reorganizing the church's music library.
- 3) The Church received a gift of \$25,000. The elders tithed \$2,500, which they split between EPC missionaries Aaron & Katie Musser, who are going to Jordan, and the Dr. James Quillin Seminary Scholarship Fund. \$6,710 was put toward building the pastor's home at our orphanage in Kenya. The remaining \$15,790 will be put toward bulletproofing the glass doors and the start-up costs for our new Church app.
- 4) **Jubilation Jazz will present a Veterans' Day concert at HHPC** on Wednesday, November 15, from 5:30-6:30, followed by supper from 6:30-7:30. *Invite a friend!*
- 5) **From Memphis to Kenya** \$30/month per HHPC family helps to feed the 80+ children in our adopted orphanage in Kenya. *Are you giving to this important ministry?*
- 6) **General Ministry Fund** income through July 31 was \$277,402 and expenses were \$268,625 for a surplus of \$8,777. The **General Ministry Fund balance** on July 31 was \$77,303.

