

April 3rd

BREAKFAST FOR
DINNER & BIRTHDAY
CAKE

April 10th

BEEF STROGANOFF,
SALAD & DESSERT

April 17th

CHICKEN MARSALA,
NOODLES, SALAD &
DESSERT

April 24th

HAMBURGERS, BEANS,
POTATO SALAD, CHIPS,
& DESSERT

CORNERSTONE

2024 Confirmation Class

There was a total of seven students in this year's Confirmation Class. Pastor Tim and Mrs. René enjoyed teaching the class. We apologize that Riley White is not pictured. Unfortunately, she was sick on this particular Sunday. Riley is 16 years old and in the 11th grade. She is the daughter of Ben & Mary White and the granddaughter of Mary and Newt Hewes.

In the picture are Abigail & Grayson Palmer. She is 12 years old and in the 7th grade, and he is 10 years old and in the 5th grade. Their parents are Lee and Valerie Palmer, and their grandmother is Edith Palmer. The Palmers have been worshipping at Highland Heights regularly.



Pictured next is Lindsey Robinson, who was recently baptized. She is 9 years old and is in 3rd grade. Her parents are Mike and Ginger Robinson.

Then next is Bayleigh Billings. She is 10 years old and in 5th grade and is the daughter of Ronnie and Jana Billings. She has an older sister, Ellie Kate, who made her profession of faith several years ago.

Oliver Bailey is 9 years old and in the 3rd grade. He is the grandson of James Rollins and cousin of Sue Keith, who faithfully brings him and his siblings to Church. His brother Jaxson made his profession of faith on Easter Sunday in 2022.

Beau Schmidt is 8 years old and in the 2nd grade. He is the son of Katelyn and Jeff Schmidt. He also has a younger brother, Silas. The Schmidts have been worshipping at Highland Heights regularly.

All of the students did very well. Riley, Lindsey, Bayleigh, Oliver, and Beau will make their professions of faith in Jesus as their Lord and Savior on Easter Sunday - first with the Elders and then during the 11:00 worship service. Abigail and Grayson will make their professions of faith the next Sunday, because they will be spending Easter with their Mom's family in Camden, Tennessee.

From the Pastor's Desk

Recently in the Bible Survey class I teach on Wednesday nights, we were looking at 1 Thessalonians 3. The Apostle Paul described his friend Timothy, a young pastor, as "God's fellow worker in spreading the gospel of Christ" (verse 2). We then talked about **the ways that we, too, can work with God in spreading the good news of Jesus.**



According to the latest Gallup report on church attendance, **only three in ten Americans attend religious services on a regular basis**, representing a sharp decline compared to the past twenty years. Of those who reported attending regularly, 21% said they attend on a weekly basis and 11% of respondents reported attending about once a month. 31% of Americans said that they never go to religious services.

A decade ago, Gallup found that 38% of Americans attended weekly or almost weekly. Two decades ago, 42% of Americans reported attending weekly or almost weekly. **Obviously, church attendance is headed in the wrong direction.**

Breaking down the data of those who reported going to church, Gallup found that **44% of Protestants**, 33% of Catholics and 26% of Orthodox Christians said they attended weekly or almost weekly.

Most Americans - our family members, friends, neighbors, and co-workers - are not going to church. God is calling us to work with Him in spreading the good news about His Son. **We need to routinely and humbly tell others where our hope is found. We need to routinely invite people to come to church with us.** Their lives and the future of our nation depend on it.

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

Your Pastor and Friend,

Church Leadership

Staff

Tim Foster

Pastor/Head of Staff

Jason Gatlin

Youth Director, AV Technician

Lesa Hart

Children's Ministry Director

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Lauren Fiveash

Ensemble Director & Pianist

Cindy Phillips

Organist

Chiquita Paulson

Bell Choir Director

Amaa Togtokh

Asian Ministry Director, Guitarist

Chrissy Thornton

Parents' Day Out Director

Elders

Tim Foster - **Moderator**

Bob Donan - **Clerk**

Richard Armour - **Treasurer**

Class of 2024

Steve Allen

Richard Armour

Charle Dunstan

Class of 2025

Lin Fryman

Traci Gatlin

Dennis Glaze

Class of 2026

Kendra Bowers

Ben Huffstetler

Perk Perkins

Deacons

Class of 2024

Sue Keith

Sue Frost

Rob McCleary

Class of 2025

Karen Huddleston

Janice Linder

Linda Melear - **Moderator**

Class of 2026

Barbara Almond

Billy Stone

Stephanie Sumlar

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Todd Bringhurst	2 Ross Goodwin	3 5 pm Cont. Praise Team Practice 5:30 pm Supper 6:30 pm Children's Activities Jr. & Sr. High Youth Bible Survey, Men's Bible Study Ensemble & Bell Choir practices 7:30 pm Choir practice	4 Randy Brockwell Todd & Blair Bringhurst	5	6
7 8:30 & 11 am Worship 9:45 am Sunday school 10:45 am Community of Faith 12:15 pm Pastor's Lunch	8 Peggy Payne Abbi England Sam Buckley Bruce & Nancy Howland	9	10 5 pm Cont. Praise Team Practice 5:30 pm Supper 6:30 pm Children's Activities Jr. & Sr. High Youth Call to Worship concert 7:30 pm Choir practice Sandie Brockwell Mary Ann Cole	11 5:30 pm Forever Young 6:30 pm Men's Supper	12 Pegge Baughcum Garth Reid	13 9:30 am LifeWalk Kimber Street Mary Reid
14 8:30 & 11 am Worship 9:45 am Sunday School 10:45 am Community of Faith 12:15 pm Deacons' meeting	15	16 4:45 pm Volunteer at Memphis Union Mission	17 5 pm Cont. Praise Team Practice 5:30 pm Supper 6:30 pm Children's Activities Jr. & Sr. High Youth Bible Survey, Men's Bible Study Ensemble & Bell Choir practices 7:30 pm Choir practice	18 Baileigh Billings	19	20 Terry Butt
21 8:30 & 11 am Worship 9:45 am Sunday School 10:45 am Community of Faith Wes & Haley Moody	22 Robert & Shelly Ilsley	23 6 pm Couples' Bible Study	24 5 pm Cont. Praise Team Practice 5:30 pm Supper 6:30 pm Children's Activities Jr. & Sr. High Youth Bible Survey, Men's Bible Study Ensemble & Bell Choir practices 7:30 pm Choir practice Stephanie Sumlar	25 10:30 am Hope Circle 6 pm Elders' meeting	26 Presbytery meeting at FPC, Corinth, MS Ginger Robinson Kevin & Rebecca England	27 Presbytery meeting cont. Darren & Lori Brown
28 8:30 & 11 am Worship 9:45 am Sunday school 10:45 am Community of Faith Karl Dosch	29	30 Jamie Bowers Joey Clark Vaughn & Georgena Gantt				

Birthdays - Blue Names

Anniversaries - Red Couples



Highland Heights Presbyterian PDO/Pre-K



The PDO Easter parties are always lots of fun! We had classroom egg hunts, Easter crafts and lots of food! We enjoy doing all of the fun party things but MOST importantly we love telling the students about Jesus!



Prayer Adventures - April

Nature Walk

Imagine walking in a park or a garden and suddenly spotting a blooming flower. Take a moment to really look at it. Notice the vibrant colors, delicate petals, and the sweet fragrance. That flower is a beautiful gift from God!

Now, here’s a fun idea: why not use that flower as a prompt for prayer? Thank God for His incredible creativity and ask Him to help you “bloom” in your own life. Just like that flower, you have unique talents and gifts that can make the world a better place.

Any time you’re out in nature, keep your eyes open for something beautiful. It could be a singing bird, a shimmering butterfly, or even a towering tree. Use it as a reminder to talk to God.

“Call to Worship”

Music is very important to all of us and is an essential component of worship. **“Call to Worship,” a Gospel group of five local pastors and musicians,** is going to have a concert at Highland Heights Wednesday night, April 10, from 6:30-7:30. One of their members, Luke McGarrh, was our choir director from 2002-2005.

A love offering will be collected, and they will have CDs available for purchase.

Plan to come to dinner and then stay for the concert. There will be no adult Bible studies that evening.



APRIL CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

Sunday	8:30 Nursery	Sunday School Nursery	11:00 Nursery	Children’s Church	8:30 Acolyte	11:00 Acolyte	Wed. Night
1st Sunday April 7	Lesa Hart	Lydia Johnson Nancy Howland	Carolyn Allen Alina Gatlin	Lesa Hart Melanie Hayes	Allison Schwab	Beth Ellis	April 3 Ginger Wood
2nd Sunday April 14	Pat Edwards Debra Wright	Lydia Johnson Nancy Howland	Deborah Womack Barbara Fombang	Lesa Hart Christy Tinnen	Levi Wood	Sam Clements	April 10 Sue Frost
3rd Sunday April 21	Valerie Schwab Barb James	Lydia Johnson Nancy Howland	Lydia Johnson Sue Frost	Rebecca & Abbi England	Allison Schwab	Oliver Bailey	April 17 Noelle Ellis
4th Sunday April 28	Deborah Womack Lesa Hart	Lydia Johnson Nancy Howland	Noelle Ellis Cortney Stone	Lesa Hart Barbara Glaze	Levi Wood	Beau Schmidt	April 24 René Foster

YOUTH

Spring is in the air!!!



April

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

Youth News

As we run straight into April and Spring with it, it is time to think about Summer Camp. The dates for the camp are July 22 – 26. We are changing it up a bit and running Monday through Friday instead of the usual Monday through Saturday. If you like the outdoors, swimming, canoeing, rock climbing, archery and all kinds of games and fun activities, then you will love MVP. I will have some more information coming out in the next couple of weeks.

For the month of April, we will dive deep into the 10 Commandments through various Bible lessons and outside studies. We will cover a couple of commandments each Sunday until complete.

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone for their continued support of the youth. Many of the things we do would not be possible without your support. I would like to ask if you are able to add a little extra to the youth fund as I would love to be able to discount the cost of Summer Camp for all that would like to attend. When surveying other churches that attend this camp, they either cover the cost completely or heavily discount the cost. We have always charged the full price, passing the expense directly to the youth and their families and apparently that is atypical for this type of trip. I will work on a couple of fundraisers as well to help supplement the cost and get the youth involved in “earning” their trip as well. Look for that info to come out in the coming weeks.

WELCOME TABLE TALK

The Lord continues to bless our Church with new and returning guests almost every week and we have honored this blessing through door greeters, welcome table ministers, and you. It seems to be a good time to share some success stories and send a few reminders.

We have given a blue HHPC bag and materials to around 30 guests and their families, and two have commented how they have never had a Bible of their own. Others have expressed their thanks in various ways for both the materials for adults and for their children. This is a very satisfying start, I expect it will continue, and I am asking for your help.

The goal/purpose of formally welcoming guests is to show God’s love and to provide encouragement and God’s Word as they continue searching for a church home. Each item in the bag has been chosen with this in mind.



- Two favors to ask: - when you meet a guest, please bring them to the table before or after the service
- if you have an idea for an item to add that will help to support our goal, please let one of the table team know

Thank you for welcoming everyone,
Rob McCleary

Table Schedule:

APRIL	7	Nancy P.	Ben H
	14	Jenny Mc	Betty A
	21	Barb J	Janice L
	28	Nancy P.	Barbara A
MAY	5	Jenny Mc	Ben H
	12	Rob Mc	Betty A
	19	Nancy P	Janice L

APRIL 2024 – Security Schedule

	Early Service 8:30 – 9:45	Sunday School 9:45 – 11:00	Late Service 11:00 – 12:15	Wednesday 6:45 – 9:00
04/03/24				PERKINS
04/07/24	BLATT	SPENCER	FOSTER	
04/10/24				CLARK (J)
04/14/24	ALLEN (S)	FORTE	RUSH	
04/17/24				CLARK (M)
04/21/24	DALRYMPLE	DOBSON	JHONSON	
04/24/24				COLE
04/28/24	SCHWAB	GOODWIN	PERKINS	
04/31/24				ARMOUR

Elders' Notes from March 21, 2024

- 1) A thank you note was received from Reid Roberson, **the first recipient of HHPC's James Quillin Scholarship to Reformed Theological Seminary**. He is the student pastor at Vernal Presbyterian Church in Lucedale, MS and will finish his course work at RTS in June. Reid will preach at Highland Heights on June 23, and there will be a potluck lunch in honor of him and his family.
- 2) Gratitude was expressed to: **Ruling Elder Dennis Glaze and Barbara Glaze** for making several repairs at the Church; **Ruling Elder Kendra Bowers** for installing 17 programmable thermostats; **Deacon Rob McCleary, Jev Windham and Pastor Tim Foster** for work on the Church grounds; and the **Beacons' Sunday School Class** for paying for the new shrubs at the driveway entrance.
- 3) **HHPC's newest missionaries Aaron & Katie** and their four sons moved to the Middle East on March 20. *Please pray for their safety and their ministry.*
- 4) \$29,082 has been given to the **New Organ Fund**. The goal is \$65,000. We are almost halfway there! *Please consider making an offering for Easter.*
- 5) **"Call to Worship," a Gospel group of five local pastors and musicians**, is going to have a concert at Highland Heights Wednesday night, April 10, from 6:30-7:30. One of their members, Luke McGarrh, was our choir director from 2002-2005.
- 6) **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?*
- 7) **General Ministry Fund** income through February 29, 2024 was \$75,967 and expenses were \$85,992 for a deficit of \$10,025 (*due to several major, unexpected repairs*). The **General Ministry Fund balance** on February 29, 2024 was \$47,344.



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