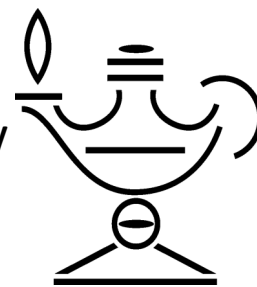


# THE LAMP

A Newsletter of The Juniata Valley Shared Ministry

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## THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR

One of the highlights of my summer has been our Saturday morning Bible study. Not just because we have fun and great fellowship, but because it has given me a new appreciation of the book of 1 Corinthians.

While many might think that 1 Corinthians 13 is the highlight of the book – in reality it is chapter 15 that is the key to the all of Paul's thought.



The early verses of the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter are believed to be a creed created by the early church within 3-5 years after Jesus resurrection! In terms of historical documentation this is HUGE! It is considered very, very accurate. <sup>3</sup> For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup> and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters<sup>[c]</sup> at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.<sup>[d]</sup> <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

For Paul, the resurrection is the very heart of who we are as Christians. NT Wright wrote in his commentary: **"The Bible which Paul had known and loved as a young man was like a story in search of an ending...and the resurrection as that ending."** Keep in mind, the Bible Paul knew was the Old Testament and the arrival of the Messiah was the fulfillment of all the OT talked about.



Wright goes on to say: **"Christianity you see, isn't a set of ideas. It isn't a path to spirituality. It isn't a rule of life. It isn't a political agenda. It includes and gives energy to all those things, but at its heart it is something different. It is good news about an event which happened in the world, and even because of which the world will never be the same again!"** Think about how this applies to OUR CHURCH... we're not about rules or politics, we are about good news! The good news of hope, grace and wholeness because of the resurrection.

**"Paul wants them to see that the Christian world-view is different, and that it has the power on the personal level and the rigor at the intellectual level to take on the old pagan world-views and win."** Wow! A personal level life changing event and a faith that has the intellectual rigor to take on other world views.

# HIGHLAND UNITED

## THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR CONTINUED:



We live in a world in need of hope, of something to count on and depend on. Our hope is in the One who sent Jesus to walk in our shoes, our hope is in the One who showed us a new way of living and being in His Child; our hope is in the One who raised Christ from the dead. ***Our hope is in you Lord, all our hope is in You!***



### HIGHLAND

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### Financial Secretary

Dennis Tressler

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- Donald Barlup
- Cindy McHenry
- Nancy Campbell
- Janice Zaring
- Kathy Smith
- Joyce Heintzelman
- James Turner
- Patricia Shutt
- Cecile Willet
- DEACONS**
- Darlene Adams
- Linda Bitting
- Jessica Bryson
- Becky Wudtke
- Kim Drum
- Austin Neidigh
- Elaine Buffington

Sept. 3	Pat Gross	26	Michael Byers
5	Cecile Willet	27	Taylor Little
7	Gail Frank		
10	Robert Gross		
12	Betty Richard		
13	David Cook		
16	Wendy Brunner		
	Zachary Bates	Sept. 4	Robert and Cindy McHenry
19	Mark Butcher	9	Stephen and Pam Adams
20	Betty Baker	12	David and Jessica Bryson
	Hunter Smith		
25	Donald Barlup		
	Jon Archibald		

### ANNIVERSARIES

**THE CARING CRAFTERS:** Two years ago the Bazaar Committee was formed primarily to make homemade crafts to sell at the Turkey Dinner. Since then the Bazaar Committee has grown. When our Governor recommended everyone wear a mask in public locations, the Bazaar Committee immediately began making masks FREE of Charge to Friends, Family, and the Community. Wanting to reach out to parishioners experiencing issues, a Pocket Prayer Quilt tucked inside a beautiful homemade greeting card was started. If you have been a recipient of one, you know how comforting it can be when social distancing and isolation from Church friends has become the new norm. With our Turkey Dinner possibly being a "Take Out Only" dinner, we needed somewhere to sell the crafts we have worked on all year. The decision was made to try having an "Outside Only? Craft sale, welcoming other local crafters, and asking our Kitchen Ministry to provide food for sale. Pending approval from Session OCTOBER-FEST will be held on October 10, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. at 11 Church Road, Newport, PA. Please spread the word and better yet volunteer your time to help.

It was brought to my attention that we have truly outgrown our name **SO** from this day forward "The Bazaar Committee" will be known as "The Caring Crafters."

Hope to see you at our next meeting, Wednesday, September 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Campbell Pavilion or Clark Hall, depending on weather conditions. Please consider joining us.

## HIGHLAND UNITED CONTINUED

### HIGHLAND UNITED FINANCES:



<u>Date</u>	<u>G. Fund</u>	<u>B. Fund</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>K. Ministry</u>	<u>Totals</u>
08/05/20	\$1,180.00	\$100.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 0.00	\$1,355.00
08/09/20	\$ 595.00	\$100.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 84.00	\$ 720.00
08/20/20	<u>\$1,020.00</u>	<u>\$ 75.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$1,179.00</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$2,795.00</b>	<b>\$275.00</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>\$ 84.00</b>	<b>\$3,254.00</b>

Per Capita Assessment for 2020 is for 111 members @ \$27.20/member-\$3,019.20. Total given to date for 2020—\$444.54.

**AUGUST MISSIONS**      Campus Crusade for Christ—\$100.00

**JULY MISSIONS**      HUPC Youth in Mission—\$95.00

**TREASURER VOLUNTEER NEEDED:** Highland is looking for a volunteer to take over the job as Treasurer. Please see or call Kathy Smith if interested 717-645-1015,

**HIGHLAND'S NEW ATTRACTION—LENDING LIBRARY:** Highland's library has been cleaned, painted, windows washed, re-arranged and carpets shampooed. Bibles for all ages, educational Christian literature, youth section, craft books and well re-known Christian Author Karen Kingsbury collection are available to borrow, share or keep. If you have a book to share contact Elaine Buffington. The church is open at various times. If this is not convenient for you arrangements can be made. This is a fantastic opportunity to spread Christian Love through the gift of sharing and reading.

In Christian Love, Deacon Elaine Buffington

**HIGHLAND NOW HAS ON-LINE GIVING:** Highland United has expanded it's giving options to include an online electronic option. This can be accessed at <https://jvsm.org/about-us/electronic-offering-and-gifts/>. The information about The Presbyterian Foundation is there. Simply click the GIVE NOW button to start. Your gift can be one time, or you can set up regular offering deposits to both the General Fund and the Building Fund. If you have any questions, please contact Bill McHenry or Kathy Smith.

## HIGHLAND UNITED CONTINUED

**DROP OFF AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY!** On September 17-18<sup>th</sup> you are invited to drop off canned goods and other items for the Perry County Food bank between 8am-6pm. A large bin will be placed outside our front doors, so you don't have to even come into the church! The Deacons of Highland and Perry Valley are working together on this project.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS:

Sunday School will be held for all children that would like to attend. Those that are comfortable attending face to face are welcome. Those that are not, we will continue to provide a lesson on-line. Those that plan to attend face to face, we ask that you wear a face mask, as you do in school. We will be having class/activities as much as possible outside. Sunday School is going to be different this year. If you recall Pastor Nancy's one sermon, we are leaving the canoes behind. Grades Pre-K to 3rd grade—Ms. Pam is excited to spend time with you! September 6—Please join us for a balloon launch immediately following Worship and Sunday School. You will learn more about this during Sunday School. September 13, 20 and 27—Bob the Builder will be joining us to help Grades 4 and up build a blessings box. If you have safety glasses please bring them with you. For those that like to be creative with words, please be ready to help with wording on the box. Should anyone have any questions please contact Cindy McHenry at cinmchenry@gmail.com or 717-514-3637. Looking forward to an exciting year!

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Sharon Delancey

Doris LaForce

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Linda Sanderson

Nancy Sweger

Sally Tengeres

### **PERRY VALLEY**

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Bob Sweger, Dave Foose, Helen Herr Atticks, Bob Miller, Jane Ann Baney, all of our Church family, our community and country.

Don't forget to say **THANK YOU** to all our angels who do so much for our church behind the scenes.

**FOOD BANK DROP-OFF:** Perry Valley will be joining Highland with the food drop off for the Food Bank. Items may be brought to Perry Valley church before September 17th and the Deacons will see they get taken to Highland, or you may take your items to Highland September 17th or 18th and place in their drop off container.

**WESTMINSTER**

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John Shirk

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**SESSION**

Aaron Geedey

Shelly Horning

Deb Heisey

Rich Swab

Jan Manbeck

Gabe Book

Kathy Brown

**WESTMINSTER UNITED**

**Sept. Birthdays:** 5 Aaron Geedey 11 Deb Heisey 13 Kit Parks 15 Toby Horning 18 Kerri Lentz 20 Diane Marshall 23 Jaric Trout 30 Kasi Horning

**Sept. Anniversaries:** 12 Toby and Shelly Horning 16 Roger and Kit Parks



**COMMUNITY OUTREACH: CHECK OUT OUR NEW BLESSINGS BOX...** thanks to Shelly Horning and our mission committee we have a blessings box at the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Lemon Streets. It will be filled with canned goods and other small items that folks may need during these times.



**ATTENTION!** Due to the Covid-19 Virus, Westminster will not be doing their "Carmel Project" this year.

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**THE DEACONS AT WESTMINSTER ARE GETTING OUT OF THE BOAT** and working on a pocket book ministry to the women's shelter at Bethesda Mission. The idea is that the bags would be filled with things the folks at the shelter might need or want. Here is a list of items you may donate: hand sanitizer, toothbrush, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, shampoo, hair conditioner, scarves, combs, brushes, lip balm, body wash, moisturizer, mouthwash, bandaids, deodorant, mittens, gloves, stamps, small thank you notes, and small puzzle books.



**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR SEPTEMBER—FRESH GARDEN PRODUCE, SHAMPOO, OVER-THE-COUNTER COLD AND PAIN MEDICINES, DISHWASHING SOAPS, LAUNDRY SOAP, SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND BACKPACKS (WHILE THEY ARE ON SALE). DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS TO PURCHASE THESE SUPPLIES ARE ALSO GLADLY ACCEPTED.**

## JUNIATA VALLEY SHARED MINISTRY



**MISSION MYSTERY MEAL:** The Mission Mystery Meal previously postponed until September 11, 2020 has now been canceled. We are working to have the money folks paid for tickets returned to them. We do hope to reschedule this event in the future.

### **BIBLE STUDY FOR SEPTEMBER:**

Bible Study for September continues on Saturday, September 5 at Westminster., September 12 at Highland, September 18 **NO BIBLE STUDY**, September 26 at Westminster.

**OCTOBERFEST AT HIGHLAND:** Octoberfest will be held on October 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Highland. There will be over 15 local crafters selling the following: **Wreaths, Quilts, Jewelry, Crochet Items, Paintings on Wood, Rocks and Canvas, Honey, Bird Feeders, Woodcrafters, Metal Works, Knitted Items, Canvas Totes, Bowl Cozies, Candles of Bees Wax, Soy, and Traditional.** Eat at our Socially Distanced picnic area or take it with you. **Highland's Kitchen Ministry will be providing Soups, Sandwiches, Drinks and Desserts.**

### **Please keep in prayer our church members and our friends:**

Colton Cook, Angie Barlup, Peg Tressler, Sherry Rolston, Les Weibley, Robert Rolston, Jason Barlup, Martha Beatty (at William Penn, Lewistown), Fred Marshall (at Locust Grove), Bob Sweger, David Foose, Robbie Lauver, Jan Landis, Barry Cornell, Eddi Kay Gill, Eleanor Stallman, George Yohn, Bob Mikesell, Fran Wentz and Tana Wentz (Mother and Aunt of Cindy McHenry), Jane Ann Baney, Glenda Dillman, Hunter Smith, Cathy Frankenbach (Pastor Nancy's sister), Lori Little, Mark Campbell, Teedie Frankenbach (Pastor Nancy's mother) and Bob Miller.

**SOUP AND TURKEY PIES FOR SALE:** Highland is selling the following: Soups—Turkey Corn, Turkey Rice and Ham and Bean for \$6.00 each. Also, they are selling Turkey Pies for \$6.00 each. Please see Linda Bitting or Kathy Smith if you would to purchase any soup or pies.

## JUNIATA VALLEY SHARED MINISTRY CONTINUED

**HIGHLAND’S KITCHEN MINISTRY:** Highland’s Kitchen Ministry is going to prepare a ‘take out’ meal on Friday, October 9, 2020. (see order form attached to The Lamp). The meals will be \$10.00 each, pre-paid with your order. Pickup times will be 10:30 am—1:00 pm. There will be meals available on a first-come, first –serve basis for drive-up service.

Menu is as follows:

- Baked Chicken (breast/thigh) with Macaroni and Cheese and Stewed Tomatoes
- Baked Chicken (breast/thigh) with Scalloped Potatoes and Green Beans/Bacon Dressing
- Baked Ham with Macaroni and Cheese and Stewed Tomatoes
- Baked Ham with Scalloped Potatoes and Green Beans with Bacon Dressing
- Dessert is included with each meal.

If you have any questions, please call Kathy Smith at 717-645-1015.  
Thank you for your support.

### Take Out Order Form

**Order must be received by Noon on or before October 2, 2020**

Please state how many in the space at the Left

- \_\_\_\_\_ Baked Chicken (breast and thigh)  
          Macaroni & Cheese with Stewed Tomatoes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Baked Chicken (breast and thigh)  
          Scalloped Potatoes & Green Beans
- \_\_\_\_\_ Baked Ham  
          Macaroni & Cheese with Stewed Tomatoes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Baked Ham  
          Scalloped Potatoes & Green Beans

### All Meals are Take Out Only

Pre-Payment with order form for \$10.00 Cash OR  
Check payable to Highland Presbyterian will guarantee your order

**Pick Up time from 10:30AM till 1:30PM October 9, 2020**

**Pick Up location: Highland Presbyterian Church, 11 Church Road, Newport, PA**

Office \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Pick Up Time \_\_\_\_\_

## JVSM SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i>	<i>2 Session — H 6:30</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5 Bible Study—W 8:30 a.m. PV Session 10:30</i>
<i>6 Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. H 8:45 a.m. PV 11:00 a.m. W</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8 Deacons—W 6:00 Trustees—W 6:00</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12 Bible Study - H 8:30 a.m.</i>
<i>13 Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. H 8:45 a.m. PV 11:00 a.m. W</i>  <b>CONGREGA- TION MEETING AT WESTMIN- STER FOLLOW- ING WORSHIP</b>	<i>14</i>	<i>15 Mission—H 6:30</i>	<i>16 Bazaar Meet- ing 6:00 Worship Meet- ing—H Zoom 6:00</i>	<i>17 Food Drop Off for Food Bank @H</i>	<i>18 Food Drop Off for Food Bank @H</i>	<i>19 NO Bible Study</i>
<i>20 Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. H 8:45 a.m. PV 11:00 a.m. W</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23 Session —W 6:30</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26 Bible Study—W 8:30 a.m.</i>
<i>27 Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. H 8:45 a.m. PV 11:00 a.m. W</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>			



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