

# WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | HIGHLANDS CHURCH  
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**In-Person Worship Resumes Saturday and Sunday, August 1 and 2.**

**All state mandated safety precautions will be in place:**

- (1) Face covering or mask must be worn**
- (2) Hand sanitizer must be used at entry**
- (3) Please sign in at entry (should contact tracing be needed)**
- (4) Social distanced seating is arranged/marked**
- (5) All three services will be available—Choose the one for you.**

**Everyone is welcome! Pre-registration is not needed.**

## **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

### **Traditional Service**

Sundays 9:30 am

### **Gathering Service**

Sundays 11:15 am  
(contemporary worship)

### **Celebrations Service**

Saturdays 5:30 pm  
(casual atmosphere)

### **Highlands Church**

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# Pray for Pastor Robert

Please pray for Pastor Robert  
as he recovers from gallbladder surgery!



## Prayers of the People



Much like the Prayers of the People section in the church bulletin, we are sending a Prayers of the People list every Friday in the Weekly Update. If you have a Prayer request you would like included in the Prayers of the People section, or an update/change to your existing listing, please contact the church office before Thursday at noon each week.

The Prayers of the People list will be updated, as needed, on a weekly basis but every month we will review for removal/updates/changes. When submitting a Prayer Request please note the number of months you would like the request to stay active on the list.

As always, we will send out your Prayer Chain requests as we receive them. We ask that you let the church office know of any upcoming surgical procedures or need of pastoral care.

Please note, if you are requesting prayer for someone who attends Highlands Church, you must gain their permission when submitting the request to the office. We want to respect the privacy of each individual and would never want to release anything publicly without their consent. We need to know that they are okay with not just the request for prayers for them, but also the details you are including in the request.

At this time we are praying for members of our church family: Susan Couto, Dick Montgomery, Bob Johnson, Joe Newman, Gene Maaske, and Steve Ward. Other friends and family include: Greg Brown (son of Tom and Dixie Brown), Jessica Huddleston (step-granddaughter of Bob Johnson and Bev Puckett), Marcel Kerkmans (brother of Wilhelmina Munson), Jessica Schaible Love (granddaughter of Jack and Judy Schaible, Monica Matthews (sister of John Matthews), Harold Sprawls (brother of Sheila Ford), and Sue Wilson (friend of Craig & Bev Marten). Those in care facilities include: Maxine Bushee, Mike Hansen, Frankie Hoogshagen, Alice Lock, Bob McClure, Lloyd Schultz, and Chuck VanMeter. Also remember those who have lost family members recently.

## Family News

### NEW ADDRESS :

**Peter Doyle email:** pdoyle54@gmail.com

**Lynne Snodgrass,** 2300 N. Tyler Rd,  
Wichita, KS 67205

**Pat Klukvin:** 14350 W. 133rd Street #111  
Olathe, KS 66062  
Email: pklukvinbv@gmail.com

### OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY :

To the family of **Carl B. Holm** who passed away July 15, 2020. Cards may be mailed to his son, Carl R. Holm, 1118 1st Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410; And he would also like contacts by email: crholm1118@gmail.com

To **Jean Knadler** for the loss of Dean's daughter, Jackie Holloway

To **Robin Ellis**, for the loss of her husband, Rich on June 3, 2020.

To **Mike Munson** for the loss of his father, Roland Munson, June 30, 2020.

To **Rusty Gray** for the death of his sister, Marian

### PRAYER CHAIN & MEMBER CARE

If you know someone in need of prayer, ill or hospitalized, please contact the church office and let Lori or Amey know.



## Centered in Prayer

Many assert that John Wesley was the world's most influential social reformer of his day. While some will question the depth of his influence, none question his remarkable ability to link piety with justice and to translate doctrine into daily living. From the early days at Oxford until a few days before his death, Wesley was about the ministry of caring for the poor, oppressed, and the imprisoned. And all of this while living a rigorous life of prayer, study and reflection.

This commitment to neighbor and passion to proclaim the gospel story was so great that John and Charles rode in a cart with a condemned prisoner so that they could sing and pray on the way to the hang-man's scaffold.

Holy living is a direct result of and inseparable from a holy heart. To experience Christian perfection is to live as Jesus lived. It is to be obedient to the One proclaimed as Savior and Lord. Matthew 25 is a text to be taken seriously. To know Christ and to be known by Christ means to walk with Christ in everyday business of life. From A Wesleyan Spiritual Reader by Rueben P. Job

Pray, whether you can or not. When you are cheerful, when you are heavy, pray: With many or few words, or none at all. You will surely find an answer of peace. And why not now?

JOHN WESLEY

## WE'RE HIRING

Highlands Church is taking resumes for the position of Children's Ministry Coordinator. The job is part time (10 hours per week), and requires being present at the church on both Wednesdays and Sundays. Previous experience is preferred. Please send all resumes to Pastor Robert Cloninger by email : robert@humcbv.com

If you have an item for the next newsletter, please email it to **Dru Matthews** at [dru@humcbv.com](mailto:dru@humcbv.com)  
Deadline is August 20.

# OUTREACH NEWS

## SUPPORT HIGHLANDS' OUTREACH TO LOCAL MINISTRIES

Outreach has donations of \$18,175 as of July 15th. These donations went to Bright Futures, Gravette School Fund, Samaritan Community Center (snack packs) and The North West Arkansas Food Bank. We will be supporting Samaritan's feet in September with the purchase of shoes for Gravette School Children. A special thanks to the congregation for donations of \$4,575 which we sent to the NWA Food Bank.

Fund Raising may be low for next year due to COVID-19 hampering our ability to raise funds. We have begun our fund raising for the Car Show and we hope every one will purchase a block of tickets. The Car Show will be an outdoor event with proper social distancing and proper wearing of masks. We are looking at cooking & feeding right off the grill and not allowing people inside the church, except for the restroom.

All donations to our Outreach Fund are much needed. Just designate your donation to the Outreach Fund & we will see that our charities get the donation. Thanks to the congregation for all that you have done for our charities.

Thanks, HUMC Outreach Team

## HIGHLANDS CHURCH FREE CRUISE-IN & CAR SHOW 2020

The event is planned for Saturday, September 19. This year, it will be an entirely outdoor event with entrants spaced further apart. We will not have the games and other entertainment as in previous years, so we will be offering 2 optional 30 to 40 minute drives around the area to enjoy our roads and views in your classic car (or your family car if you like). The show will be from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm this year with "gates open" at 9:30 for entrants.

As in previous years, we will be asking the congregation to help sell \$10 lunch tickets for the event. People entering a vehicle will get 1 free lunch ticket with additional tickets available for \$10 each. Lunch will also be simplified some this year. The plan is for grilled brauts, chips, water and a desert pastry provided (outside of the church building).

This event is our fundraiser for Bright Futures, Snack Packs for Kids and Samaritan's Feet - providing food, clothes, supplies, shoes and socks for Gravette area school students that need the assistance. This year has been harder than ever for those in our community struggling to make ends meet. We can help our neighbors with our donations to Northwest Arkansas Food Bank as previously requested and by supporting the car show with congregational ticket sales starting in early August. Additionally, we anticipate our area business sponsorships to be down this year, so if you or someone you know would like to sponsor this event, please contact Steve Terry at 405-222-8727.



## SAMARITAN'S FEET

Highlands Church will team up with **Samaritan's Feet, for the 6th year**, to put new shoes and socks on children...*just a bit differently*. As expected, we will NOT be hosting a foot-washing event with the children. However, from donations and funds raised through the Highlands Church Car Show, we intend to provide shoes and socks for 150 students. Alicia Matney Morrow, a Gravette school parent and Samaritan's Feet volunteer, will help coordinate this effort with teachers and Bright Futures of Gravette Schools this fall.

Also, THANK YOU for donating NEW SHOES to the Samaritan's Feet Shoe Collection Box at church. As the box fills, the shoes will be given to the NWA Samaritan's Feet office for distribution. If you have any questions, you may contact Lori Pinkerton at 479-621-7616.

The church office will be staffed Mon-Thur 8:30 am – 4:00 pm and Fri 8:30 am – noon thru August.



New sermon videos are posted weekly if you would like to worship at home.

### Joint UMW/HUMMERS MEETING

Monday September 14

Speaker: Dr. Clint Freeman on the topic  
Of pain management and neuropathy

### Care & Share

Volunteers Needed

To work at the Gravette Thrift Store

September 1-5, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

Contact Connie Kiefer, 479/876-6324

## BLOOD DRIVE

Give life  
to your  
community!



Highlands Church | September 23 | 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Appointments recommended.

### FROM THE FINANCE TEAM:

We want to thank you for continuing to give to your church during this very unusual time. Because of your faithfulness, your church is doing well, and able to meet our basic expenses of mortgage, utilities, insurance and payroll. Please continue to give as God has given us so that our church will continue to do well.

### Operating Budget Report-June 30, 2020

	YTD Budget	June Actual	YTD Actual
Income	275,806	40,589	274,247
Expenses	275,806	37,614	239,919
Net	0	2,975	34,327

Thank you for your continued support.

The Mission of Highlands Church  
is to make disciples of Jesus Christ.



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### GIVING YOUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

You can give your tithes & offerings online by visiting our website, [www.humcbv.com](http://www.humcbv.com). Online giving is a safe and easy way to give to Highlands. Contact the church office if you have questions regarding online giving.



# HUMMERS

A CHRISTIAN BROTHERHOOD SERVING OUR CHURCH AND COMMUNITY



Although the HUMMERS are on hiatus due to COVID-19, they have faithfully cared for Highland's lawn, mowing, edging, weeding each week. These men are our unsung heroes, quietly saving the church thousands of dollars for lawn service every year and keeping our facility exterior in pristine beauty. **We appreciate each one of them.**

Another project in the early stages is the replacement of the church mailbox with new post and boxes. Watch for it —coming soon.

Looking ahead:

September 14 joint meeting with UMW and  
September 23 Blood Drive.



## United Methodist Women

Faith • Hope • Love in Action



Highlands United Methodist Women ended our year strong capping it off with UMW Weekend Services on May 14 and 15. And, I am pleased to announce that our efforts throughout the past year qualified us as a Diamond unit. We had to meet 20 of the 24 established goals in order to be recognized at this highest level. This was accomplished through all of the hard work and generosity of the members of our congregation. In addition, we had six ladies who met the requirements to become a UMW Five Star Woman. They will be honored at one of our fall meetings with a ceremony where they will receive a special recognition pin.

As we return from our summer hiatus, the UMW board will be meeting on Monday, August 3, to discuss and plan for our upcoming year. We are scheduled to kick off our fall program on Monday, September 14, with a joint UMW/Hummers event. Dr. Clint Freeman from North Arkansas Chiropractics will be speaking on the topic of pain management and Neuropathy. To further our commitment to provide for the needs of the women and children in NWA, we will be looking for ways to have our Flea and the Cookie Walk while meeting all of the Covid-19 mandatory guidelines. Watch for more information on these and other events as it becomes available.

We are praying that you and your families are doing well and we look forward to what God has in store for all of us in the days ahead. We love you and miss you.

—Jean Galloway, UMW President

### Guidelines for In-Person Worship at Highlands Church

We advise you to continue to worship via online platforms at home if:

- You have had a fever of 100.4°F or higher in the past 2 days.
- You have cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell or other symptoms typical of virus.
- You have had known exposure to someone with Covid-19 in the past 14 days.
- You have young children who are unable to adhere to physical distancing guidelines.
- You may wish to refrain from entering our building if you are 65 or more years old or have underlying health conditions including high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, severe obesity, asthma or immune-compromising conditions, because you are at higher risk for severe illness if infected by Covid-19.

Face masks are required for entrance (except for children under 10 years old) and must be worn at all times.