

Highlands News

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Mission Ministry Opportunities

The Samaritan Feet Shoe Event in Gravette will be held Saturday, July 27 in the Gravette Middle School Cafeteria from 9:30 am-1:00 pm. Highlands Church is again providing 200 pairs of shoes for students in the Gravette School District. I hope you will volunteer to participate in this special event. Volunteers are needed in various areas; to register the students, be a shoe runner, wash the children's feet, and fit them with a new pair of shoes. The students are so appreciative and you will receive a blessing every time a child's face lights up when they receive a new pair of shoes. (see flyer on page 2)



Listed below are dates for Care & Share Thrift Store volunteer opportunities coming this summer and fall. Watch for more information as the dates approach in the Weekly Update emails.

July 16 – 20

September 10 – 14

November 5 – 9

Thank you for your continued support of the Gravette School District (GSD) Food Pantry. We help fulfill a need for food insecure families in the GSD. Other needs besides food are: detergent, dishwashing liquid, paper products, and personal hygiene products. Don't forget the egg cartons! Place your donated items in the marked bins located at all entrances to the church for delivery to the Gravette School Food Pantry. This project is co-sponsored by the Celebration Worship Team & Highlands Methodist Women (HMW).

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the Car Show on Saturday, September 28.

Blessings,

Sara Sherman, Mission Ministries Chair



SAMARITAN'S FEET



VOLUNTEER WITH US IN GRAVETTE, AR!



Saturday, July 27
9:30AM to 1:00PM



Gravette Middle School
Cafeteria 607 Dallas St.
SE Gravette, AR. 72736

Approximately 200 students will receive a pair of new shoes at this special community event, made possible by Highlands Global Methodist Church, Bella Vista, AR. At this event, Gravette Students will be fitted for their new shoes by community volunteers and receive a Hope Tote with new socks, Hope Note and an encouraging message from a volunteer. To volunteer, please register by scanning the QR code

<https://samaritansfeet.org/gravette727>

We look forward to serving with you

If you have questions, please contact
Alicia Morrow - amorrow@samaritansfeet.org



Pastor's Pen by Rev. Robert Cloninger

I am filling you all in on a project I've got going that some of you may already know about. It's the YouTube channel I've been trying to get up and going for some time now. I kept talking myself out of starting it because I kept asking myself, "Does the world need another YouTube channel?" I also asked myself, "What do I have to offer that's different enough that I need to go on YouTube?" Those were defeatist questions. One of the prime motivators in getting the channel up and going is that this new Methodist movement we are a part of is all for spreading the Gospel in as many ways as possible. You're seeing more Methodists publish books and host YouTube channels and Podcasts. And to be honest, it's a very exciting time. These are things I dreamed would happen at the start of my ministry, and now we have so many Methodists on fire with the Holy Spirit trying to reach our Nation for Christ that it's overwhelming.



I called my channel 1743 Ministries because that year was the year John Wesley formalized Methodism. One of the things that helped John Wesley in spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ was printing. In this day and age, platforms like YouTube and social media have become our printing presses. This addition to my ministry also allows me to cover things that aren't necessarily long enough for a sermon or Bible Study but still need to be discussed. It will help people grow in their faith and bring others to it. I also recognize that I'm a small fish, but Jesus used small fish.

Now, to address a small rumor: I'm not making any money off this. Just because you're on YouTube doesn't mean you make money. The people who make money on social media are not talking about Christianity in the Wesleyan tradition. They are handling pop topics. They have large followings. And they're deliberately trying to get monetized. A YouTuber and pastor that I respect and love watching even joked about how there isn't any money in the Christian severe niche of YouTube and that the only thing he had gotten close to cash was a small company that sent him a couple of Bibles to review and if he reviewed them, he could keep the Bibles.

If I were in the ministry for the money, I wouldn't be in the ministry. I spent 90 hours getting a specific master's degree after my bachelor's. I could have gotten an education in a money-making field in all that time if my objective was to make money. If someone ever thinks I aim to make money, they don't know me. My purpose is not to waste my life. It is to be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. It is to do what I can to bring people to the one who saved me and lifts me daily.

Robert

Pastor Robert's office hours are:

MONDAY - THURSDAY

9AM—NOON ... AVAILABLE IN OFFICE

1PM—4PM ... AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT



HIGHLANDS METHODIST WOMEN

2024 Flea & Boutique — Thank You!

Thanks to all who supported the Flea this year. It was a great success and we think everyone had a good time.

To all of you who: donated items, unpacked, priced and displayed items, worked as cashiers and baggers, baked delicious goodies, assisted shoppers and endlessly rearranged tables to make room for all the items, brought snacks and lunches for the Flea workers, and packed up the unsold items in record time, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! And to everyone who shopped and brought their friends to shop, you made this a great success.

The men were amazing. These guys picked up and delivered furniture, set up tables, moved tables and chairs, and then put it all away again. They packed up the "leftovers" and loaded the Care & Share truck, not to mention carrying boxes up all those stairs and then carrying them back down again when the Flea was over. We couldn't do this without them.

A special note of appreciation to Amey and Lori who put up with all of us for a week and dropped what they were doing to help us. Especially finding a home for our mannequins!



GriefShare is a grief recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. The next 13 week session begins on Thursday, August 1, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the Luke classroom. Workbooks are \$15. The GriefShare Leader will be Nancy Noyes. Class size is limited. If you would like to attend, call the church office to RSVP or see the Weekly Update email to sign up online.

8:45 Adult Sunday School

Start off your week by joining us in the Matthew classroom at 8:45 am Sunday mornings as we study the book of Daniel. Study led by Brad Krug. Questions? Call Brad at 719-210-6124.

Men's Bible Study

All men are invited to participate as we study the New Testament together. Bring your Bible and join us in the Matthew classroom 4:00-5:00 pm on Monday nights or 5:00-6:00 pm on Tuesday nights. Contact Pastor Robert with any questions.

Columbarium & Memorial Garden

Located on church grounds, our Columbarium and Memorial Garden is available for current and former members of Highlands Church and their immediate families. You are welcome to visit this peaceful area, located on the south side of our Ministries Activity Center. Brochures are available on the Information Wall located just outside the office. If you would like more information, please contact the church office at 479-855-2277 so we can put you in touch with a member of the Columbarium Committee.



Children's Worship Center

Children are welcome to visit our Nursery (0-4 years) and Kids Worship (5-11 years) on Sunday mornings. For more information, contact Laurie Pearson at 479-256-4452 (Nursery), Fran Lovell at 571-255-0701 or Wanda Krug at 719-213-1115 (Kids Worship). Come join the fun!

July Kids Worship lessons take us into Genesis and Exodus to learn about the lives of Joseph and Moses.

July 7	Pharaoh Puts Joseph in Charge	Theme: God is worthy of our service.
July 14	Joseph Forgives His Brothers	Theme: We honor God by forgiving others.
July 21	God Protects Moses	Theme: God watches over us.
July 28	Moses Meets God at the Burning Bush	Theme: God is an awesome God.

On Sunday, August 11, we will participate in the Blessing of the Backpacks during the 10:00 am worship service, and hold a Back-to-School Celebration with sack lunches and games following the service. Watch for more details to come!



Photos are from the church picnic held on June 23. It looks like the teachers and students all had a great time!

HIGHLANDS CHURCH

**CHILDREN'S
WORSHIP
CENTER**

SUNDAYS DURING THE TRADITIONAL SERVICE



Office News

Amey & Lori: office@hgmcbv.com
Newsletter: newsletter@hgmcbv.com

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 4:00pm

OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY: The church office will be closed on Thursday, July 4 in observation of Independence Day.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: The Deadline for the August Highlands Newsletter is 12:00 (noon) on July 20. Send all newsletter submissions, comments and/or questions to this email address: newsletter@hgmcbv.com

Ink Cartridges: The church office will no longer accept ink cartridges for recycling.



Thank You!

I would like to thank the Fellowship Team for their effort to help make our Fellowship Picnic event happen. To all those who came for the food and fellowship, and to all who brought salads and desserts. I hope you all had a pleasant day! Thanks so much! Linda Uttley, Fellowship Chair

Thank you to the people who have been sending cards to Dad (Glen Whiting). He really enjoys them. Thanks, Matt Whiting

New Email Addresses

Jeanne Johnson-Redway: jeannertv@gmail.com

Dick Vroman: dickvroman03@gmail.com

Susan Vroman: susanvroman00@gmail.com

Marvin & Betty Exline: ebexline@gmail.com

SIGNUP TODAY!

Care & Share Thrift Store
Volunteers Needed
July 16 - 20



SEE THE WEEKLY UPDATE EMAIL
OR VISIT HGMCBV.COM

Traditional Worship
Sundays at 10 am

LIVE Streaming

ON facebook



July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3– Fellowship Committee Mtg	4– Office Closed Holiday	5	6– Communion
7– Communion	8– Care & Share Trailer Here	9– Compassionate Disciples Meeting	10– Mission Ministry Mtg	11– Trustees Mtg	12	13
14	15	16– Admin Council Meeting TBD – Care & Share Volunteers Begin	17– Blood Drive	18– Library Meeting	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27– Scrapbooking & Card Making
28	29	30	31			

BLOOD DRIVE

Give life
to your
community!



HIGHLANDS CHURCH

JULY 17

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

SAVE THE DATE
SATURDAY - SEPT. 28, 2024

Highlands Church
7th Annual Charity Car Show & Cruise-In

www.hgmcbv.com

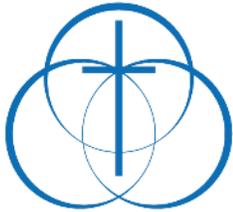


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EVERYONE WELCOME!

SATURDAY CELEBRATION - 5:30 PM

SUNDAY TRADITIONAL - 10:00 AM



HIGHLANDS CHURCH

A Global Methodist Congregation

Church Staff

REV. ROBERT CLONINGER
Senior Pastor

LORI HEALD
Office Administrator

AMEY BURKETT
Administrative Assistant

DRU MATTHEWS
Bookkeeper /Treasurer

JOHN MATTHEWS
Director of Music Ministries

PAM MEYER
Celebration Worship Leader

JEANNINE WAGAR
Organist

JOYCE SHELDON
Chimes & Bells Director

LAURIE PEARSON
Nursery Staff

MONICA CLARK
Custodian

Operating Budget Report - May 31, 2024

	YTD Budget	May Actual	YTD Actual
Income	213,339	28,189	187,778
Expenses	213,339	37,662	195,078
Net	0	(9,473)	(7,300)

Thank you for your continued support.

3 ways to give

to Highlands Church



Online



In-Person



By Mail

for details visit... hgmcbv.com/give

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plate to support our Mission Ministry



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