



*Founded 1890*

## **HIGHLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

*Love God, Love Our Neighbors, Share God's Hope*

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Rev. Raymond R. Meute, Jr., Pastor  
Rev. Dr. William J. Netting, Pastor Emeritus

**June 7, 2026**

**10:00 AM**

***Order of Worship***

*Second Sunday after Pentecost*

*June 7, 2026*

***The Family of Believers Comes Together  
Responding to Christ's Call***

**A Word of Encouragement**

*"...your faith has made you well."*

Jesus

**Prelude**

**Ringling of Church Bell**

**Life in the Church**

**The Church in Action**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

A good idea comes to mind. A way to go forward lights up the mind and it is exciting. This is the light of Christ which produces faith.

**Call to Worship (Responsively)**

Rejoice in the Lord! Praise the Lord with instruments and shouts of joy!

**God loves justice and righteousness.**

The earth is full of God's love. Let all of creation revel in awe of God, our creator.

**God's love endures forever.**

Amen! Let us worship together.

\* **Hymn** "To Abraham and Sarah"

Hymnal #51

**\*Invitation to Worship**

Jesus tends the wounds of a broken world, and binds up the broken hearted. By faith, let us confess our need for healing:

**\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

**Holy God, we confess, a bit pridefully, that we appreciate decency and order, forgetting that we seek the order that is of our own making. We confess that clear rules and social norms give us comfort, forgetting how many of your beloved children are hurt and excluded by them. We confess that we place our trust in ability, strength, and the works we produce, forgetting our total reliance on your grace. Forgive us, God, and free us to live in courageous faith, that we may abide in your righteousness. Amen.**

**\*Assurance of God's Forgiveness**

Jesus said, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." We have been blessed with God's grace and mercy in abundance, through Jesus Christ. Know that we are forgiven, and be at peace. **Amen.**

\***Congregational Response** "Gloria Patri"

Hymnal #581

**Prophetic Reading**

Hosea 5:15 – 6:6

P. 838

**Anthem**

“Declaration of Faith”

Joseph Martin

Chancel Choir

**The Sacrament of Baptism (Insert)**

Alma Narciso

Daughter of Edgar and Kelly Narciso

**Epistle Reading**

Romans 4: 13-25

P. 155

**Gospel Reading**

Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

P. 9

**Message**

“The Wellness of Faith”

**Invitation to the Offering**

In gratitude for God’s grace and love, we offer gifts that have been entrusted to us, trusting in God’s faithful love and provision. Let us joyfully offer the gifts of our lives!

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Holy God, we offer our gifts today and every day, trusting in your promises to heal, reconcile and bring justice and peace. May all that we offer be transformed into signs of your love and acts of your mercy. We ask this in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

## Prayers of the People

### Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn      “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

Hymnal #829

## Benediction

**Choral Benediction**      “Dona Nobis Pacem”

## Postlude

Thank you – to Braylen Gray and Pete McCallum for serving as our Worship assistants this morning. Also, thank you to Nancy Jones, Organist; Ian Fallon, Pianist; and Stacey Scarff, Director of Music, for the wonderful music today – all of our Worship is to the Glory of God!

## The Week Ahead:

--Tuesday, 6:30 PM **Deacon's** meeting in library.

--Saturday, Teen Night at Bethel Presbyterian Church: 6:00 – 9:00 PM for **Minecraft Pizza Party** (4135 Norrisville Road, White Hall, MD 21161).

--Next Sunday: 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM **Grove Music Series with Neal McKillup**. Bring the neighborhood for another enjoyable outdoor concert!

--**Pastor** Ray is on Study Leave then vacation from June 14 to 29. If you have a spiritual need please contact Clerk of Session Pete McCallum and he will inform the Elders (443-987-4612).

-- Mark calendars for **Vacation Bible School (VBS): “Construction Zone: Building Character like Jesus” – June 22-26, 5:30 to 8:00 PM** with Emory United Methodist Church at Emory. Ask Emily Hardy how you can help!

## FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FOR MAY 2026

### **Receipts**

General	\$20,716
Missions	\$1,311
Building	\$205

### **Disbursements**

General	(\$15,606)
Missions	(\$1,204)
Building	(\$4)

### **Net Income**

General	\$5,110
Missions	\$107
Building	\$201

### **Reconciled Account Balances 5/31/26**

General	\$54,175
Missions	\$8,627
Building	<u>\$12,316</u>

**TOTAL FUNDS**      **\$ 75,118**

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# Highland Happenings

## **Mason Dixon Food Bank**

Mason Dixon Community Services requests cleaning supplies, ketchup, instant oatmeal, or any other food item. Please continue to help our neighbors in this time of need. Please place your donations in the basket in the narthex.

## **Pastoral Study Hours**

Monday through Wednesday, 10:00 am to 12:30 pm, with exceptions. It is always best to make an appointment.

## **Sunshine Boxes**

The Deacons are looking for donations for Sunshine Boxes. Items needed are blankets for young teen girls, fidgets for all & coloring books. Please see a deacon for more information.

## **Volunteers Needed**

Greeters/Coffee Hour – please sign up at the table near the coffee area if you would like to be a greeter before church or if you would like to provide snacks and coffee after church.

Sanctuary Flowers – please sign up on the board outside the sanctuary if you would like to provide flowers.

# Prayer List

+Denotes New Addition

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## **THANKSGIVING FOR:**

Baptism of Alma Narciso

## **INTERCESSIONS FOR:**

+Jaimie Zang

Gloria Scicluna (Nancy Jones)

Laura Roman (Debbie Gordon)

Rev. Alison Peters & Baby Della (Claudia Scarborough)

Jim Galbreath (Pete McCallum)

George Patrinicola (Pete McCallum)

Katy Zirkle (Carolyn Patrinicola)

Teresa Simmons (Wilson Tharpe)

Sunny Newman (Adrienne DeRan)

John Philip Wilson (Lucy Hollens)

Cindy Seibel (Claudia Scarborough)

Prayers for the family of Miss Edna (Wilson Tharpe)

## **LONG-TERM PRAYERS NEEDED:**

Nettie Fisher (Jean Bullen)

Jimmy Galbreath (Nancy Jones)

Art Noble (Donna Noble)

Carole DeRan (Craig DeRan)

Helene Mackey (Pastor Ray)

Bill Netting (Dave Thompson)

Jeanie Rainey (Donna Noble)

Jenny Smith (Kim Goode)

Jean Bullen (Pastor Ray)

Debbie and Family (Kathy Watson)

Jim Lawrence (Debbie Mezzatesta)

Grace Christman

Tommy Amrein (Eley Welkner)

Mike Mills (Wilson)

Molly & Sisters (Rose)

Margaret (Elaine & Sandi)

Michael Yarrington (Amos family)

Paul (Ian Fallon)

Gail Hartman (Lucy Hollens)

Frank Thayer (Dolly)

Heidi and Stu Richardson

Ruth Noble (mother-in-law of Donna Noble)

Tom Bulleit (Eley Welkner)

## **MINISTRIES AND MISSIONS:**

Baltimore-Dakota Partnership Mission

All people & their loved ones suffering from addictions and outcomes

Presbytery of Baltimore

Susquehanna Parish – Good Shepherd

Presbyterian

All Leadership, HPC Legacy Bldg. Team

Local Mission –Susquehanna Habitat for Humanity

## **OUR MILITARY:**

Cathy Durand Cantu, USCG

Ryan Richardson, USNR

Brady Lim and Aaron Macy, USAF

## **COMMUNITY, NATION & WORLD:**

All nations refrain from genocidal threats and actions

End to the War in the Middle East

Children, elderly, and disabled people without S.N.A.P. support

Justice and the rule of law

Families suffering from loss of federal and medical assistance

Economic uncertainty

Truth to guide all world, national & local events

Peaceful & just end to Russian invasion of Ukraine

Immigrants and US citizens being deported and families being separated

Comfort to those living in fear

World Council of Church Prayer Cycle: Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa, Eswatini