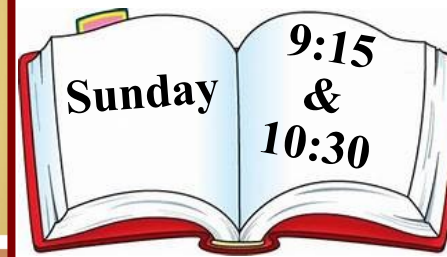




- 1—Happy New Year!
- 2—Regular Sunday Morning schedule
No evening services
- 5—Senior Adult Bible study & 1st Wednesday luncheon
Regular Wednesday activities & services NO MEAL
- 9—Signup/Tryouts for Children's program 2 p.m., GAP wing
Benevolence Committee meets at 2 p.m.
Constitution/By-Laws Committee meets at 3 p.m.
Nominating Committee meets at 4 p.m.
Highland Learning Center Committee meets at 5 p.m.
Deacon Ordination at 6 p.m. with reception to follow
- 11—Precepts Bible study led by Carolyn Blythe - 9:30 & 5:30
- 12—Regular Wednesday activities & services & meal at 5:30
- 14-16—D-Now Weekend
- 16—New Members class at 9:15
Missions Committee will meet at 2 p.m.
Personnel Committee will meet at 3 p.m.
Finance Committee will meet at 4 p.m.
Deacon Organizational Meeting at 4:30 p.m.
Properties Committee will meet at 5 p.m.
Prayer walk on campus at 6 p.m.
- 23—Trustees will meet at 2 p.m.
Scholarship Committee will meet at 3 p.m.
Ordination & Licensing of Kody James to gospel ministry
during evening worship
- 30—Church-wide movie night at 6 p.m. Supper will be served



PRESCHOOL - BIRTH THRU 4 YEARS OLD



CHILDREN - K5 THRU 6TH GRADE



If you are interest in your child attending, contact Kaleigh or Amy.



Tryouts/Sign up to be a part of this program will be Sunday, January 9th at 2:00 p.m. in the GAP wing.

STUDENT MINISTRY-Middle School-College



All students are invited to join us each week for our time of Bible Study. Sunday mornings begin at 9:15 and Wednesday evenings begin at 6:30. All ages (Middle School-College) are welcome! Bring a friend!



FROM THE
ADMINISTRATOR
Ben Howse

Happy New Year! What a great Christmas at Highland and the month of December to finish 2021. It's good to have last year in the rearview mirror. January looks to be a promising beginning for a good year of growth and renovations. At the time of this writing, I'm not sure where our budget offering will stand at year-end, but it should be close to what we projected. Expenses are considerably under tithes and offerings, leaving us with a positive budget cash flow for the year. We are still working with various contractors for our sanctuary renovation. So hopefully, renderings will be available in January for a church vote.

The delay in remodeling senior adult restrooms is due to supplies needed for completion, including granite countertops. Hopefully, completion will be soon. Other interior painting projects and maintenance projects will continue. Still, most larger ones have been put on the back burner until we know the cost and secure details of the sanctuary renovation, which is our number one priority.

I thank God for your generosity in time, talent, and funds this past year. You all have been such a blessing to me. Your encouragement and support have been overwhelming. Know that while we accomplished much last year, it was all by God's hand, not by our own strength. I know that God is in control and makes things work out the way He wants them to work out if we just obey. To Him, we give all the glory.

Proverbs 16:3 (NAS) Commit your works to the Lord and your plans will be established.

Have a Great and Blessed January.

Ben

Sunday Morning Small Groups

Get your new year off to a great start by joining one of our Sunday Morning Groups. There is a class for every age. Our leaders enjoy sharing the Word of God and each one is well qualified. You will enjoy the fellowship of other brothers and sisters in Christ.

Join us Sunday morning at 9:15!
We look forward to seeing you!



FROM THE SENIOR PASTOR Bro. Eric Estes

It is hard to believe that 2021 has come to an end. It has been such a blessed year. We have experienced such a wonderful December.

We were able to reach our Lottie Moon goal of \$17,000. Up to this point we have received over \$19,000. Praise the Lord for these monies that will go directly to our Southern Baptist international missionaries serving all over the world.

I cannot say enough about the wonderful times of worship that we had in December. Christmas music is such a part of the Christmas holiday, and we were very blessed to enjoy and experience such incredible worship. Our children blessed us so much. We had over 40 children on stage praising the Lord with all of their hearts. The highlight of it all was "Little Drummer Boy" as they played their drums for Him. It was such a blessing. Our sanctuary choir and soloists also blessed us as they led out in worship. I am thankful for Todd and Terra's leadership through this season. "Carols by Candlelight" was a meaningful time of singing, reflection, and taking of the Lord's Supper. There is nothing like music at Christmas to remind us of why Christ came, to take away the sins of the world.

We have had close to 40 new members since February, wonderful individuals and families serving alongside of us at Highland. We will begin a new new members class in the month of January. We have new visitors every Sunday, many of whom are ready to be a part of our church family. Praise the Lord!

I am looking forward to the New Year, particularly two events that will kick off the new year. We will have two ordination services in January. On January 9 we will ordain three men who have been elected deacons: Jeyaraj Jeyakumar, Wilbur McClendon, and Steven Wilson. On January 23 we will license and ordain our Student Pastor, Kody James. These will be meaningful times of dedication not only in the lives of these men, but in the life of our church family.

Maria and I are so grateful to be a part of such a wonderful church family at Highland. We pray that you had a wonderful Christmas, and we pray that 2022 will be a year focused on only those things that build up the Kingdom of God.

Soli deo Gloria, to God alone be the glory!

Bro. Eric

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

Sunday Groups | 9:15 a.m. | Varying Locations on Campus | All ages
Pre-School Sunday Groups | 9:15 a.m. | Preschool Area | Birth thru 4 years old
Pre-School Church | 10:30 a.m. | Preschool Area | Birth thru 4 years old
Children Sunday Groups | 9:15 a.m. | Children's Area | K5 thru 6th Grade
Children Church | 10:30 a.m. | Children's Area | K5 thru 6th Grade
Celebration Service | 10:30 a.m. | Sanctuary
Evening Service | Varied schedule during January-stay in touch with our social media outlets for latest updates/changes

TUESDAY

Precepts Bible Study led by Carolyn Blythe | 9:30 & 5:30 | Room 127
Begins January 11

WEDNESDAY

Mid-Week Morning Bible Study | 10:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall
Lunch is served on the 1st Wednesday of each month.
Mid-Week Fellowship Meal | 5:30 p.m. | Gym | **RESUMES JAN. 12TH**
Mid-Week Evening Bible Study | 6:30 p.m. | Gym
Highland Kids | 6:30 p.m. | Preschool Area | Birth thru 4 years old
Highland Kids | 6:30 p.m. | Children's Area | K5 thru 6th Grade
Student Ministry Bible Study/Activities | 6:30 p.m. | Student Center

OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday | 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Closed on Fridays

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SERMON BROADCAST INFORMATION

HIGHLAND CHURCH APP

Download from your APP store.

FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM

Sunday | 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday | 6:30 p.m.

WEBSITE

www.highlandchurch.net

TV BROADCAST - ACTS, Channel 95 (Comcast)

Wednesday service | Monday, 8 a.m.; Tuesday, 8 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m.
Sunday service | Sunday, 4 p.m.; Thursday, 11 a.m.; Thursday 8 p.m.

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January 2022

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Ben Howse
 Church Administrator

Kody James
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Todd Davis
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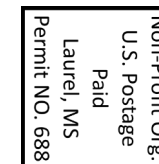
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