

TO RESERVE OUR FACILITIES

We are happy that our building is used throughout each week by many different classes and groups. All building use needs must go through the main office for scheduling. You can contact Linda at 918.627.0783 or lindar@hptulsa.com to schedule your event.

Sermons

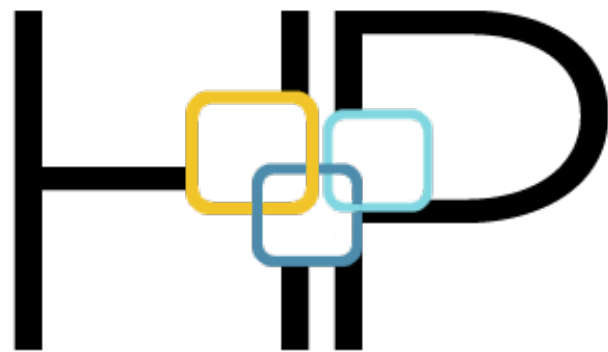
Sermons are available at hptulsa.com/media and on iTunes.

HIGHLAND PARK STAFF

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 David Dunson: Pastoral Care Minister
 Gabrielle Green: Worship Arts Minister
 Brian Jennings: Lead Minister
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Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, some scheduled meetings are on hold. Check on the HP website or with your small group/class to see ways you can stay in touch!

| LOVE GOD (WORSHIP) | | | | |
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| June 06 | Indoor | 104 | Online 29 | TOTAL: 133 |
| June 13 | Indoor | 66 | Online 32 | TOTAL: 98 |
| June 20 | Indoor | 106 | Online 34 | TOTAL: 140 |

AS GOD PROVIDES

YTD Need: \$ 453,337.36
 YTD Received: \$ 412,625.53

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65 YEARS OLD ... BUT NOT RETIRING!

Highland Park Christian Church turns 65 years old on Sunday, July 4. (In 1956 the first Sunday of July was July 1.) There was a desire to establish a new congregation in the fast-growing area of "southeast Tulsa!" (We haven't been called that in a long time, have we?) Through the sacrificial generosity of many fellow believers, we were able to purchase 2 acres of land on East 31st Street.

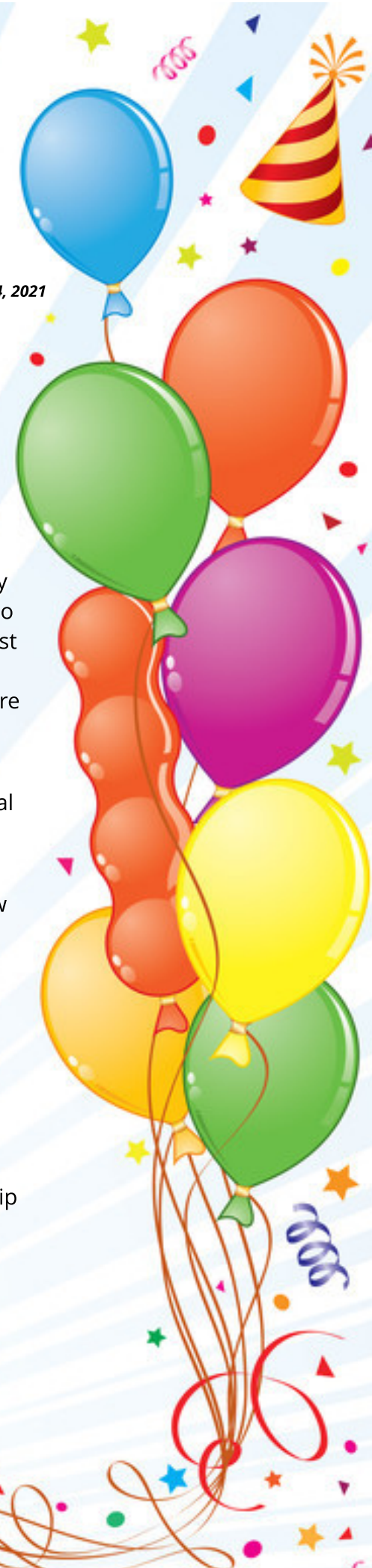
In 1956, a new neighborhood elementary school had just been built and families were rapidly moving into the area. It was an ideal place to establish a new congregation, and God blessed the faith and faithfulness of our early members.

A lot of changes have occurred in these last 65 years. In 1956, new houses in the area ranged in price from \$9,000-\$12,000. A loaf of bread was 18 cents, gasoline was 23 cents a gallon, a dozen eggs was 60 cents, and a gallon of milk was 97 cents.

We have added new buildings and a little more property through the years. **Brian Jennings** is now the sixth Senior/Lead Minister at Highland Park. We have seen new ministries developed, and we have discontinued others. We have seen attendance figures increase and decline.

But most importantly, Highland Park's commitment to the Lordship of Jesus Christ and His Church remains firm and true. We are blessed with faithful workers and leaders and, just like in our beginning, we want to help as many people as possible come to know Christ Jesus as Savior and as Lord. We want to equip every believer to experience the joy that comes from using their gifts to bless others and honor God.

Happy 65th birthday, Highland Park! We'll celebrate with ice cream on July 11, 7:00 pm! Join us in the 2:20 Center yard.



CORE 52

Special thanks to Kathy Grufik for this month's Core 52 article!

"Let's start at the very beginning. A very good place to start..." Did you hear Julie Andrews and sing along? I have always been the type of person who tells myself to pause when struggling or stressed and go back to the beginning of what I know to start the problem solving process. Whether it is a DIY home repair project involving science or math, or another issue like physical health, it is important to pause and think about the fundamentals. I feel ashamed admitting it, but there have been church book studies in the past that I have not participated in. Surprisingly, **Core 52** was different. I knew after the year and a half that we have all experienced, my heart instinctively understood **Core 52** would get me "back to the basics" that I need.

In Chapter 16, entitled "New Covenant," we are reminded of three promises: *a personal relationship with the Father, forgiveness of sins through the sacrifice of the Son, and the law of God in our hearts through the Holy Spirit.* Hearing and understanding these promises were life-changing for me. These truths served as the foundation on which I began to build my Christian life. They were the "Do-Re-Mi" required to sing a beautiful song! This May was the 20th anniversary of my baptism at Highland Park. I am forever grateful to the people who took the time to "start at the very beginning" for me and teach "the basics" about the good news of Jesus!



2:20 CENTER NEEDS FOR JULY

Please help us meet our clients' needs by providing these items during July:



Small flour & sugar

Cooking oil and cake mixes

Toilet paper & paper towels

Important Dates:

July 10: Drive-Through Pantry

July 17: Food Pick-Up

July 24: Drive-Through Pantry



ELDER CONFIRMATION

Our annual Elders Confirmation will be on Sunday, July 25. This is to confirm those who will serve as HP Elders for the 2021 - 2022 fiscal year.

FIRST-TIME ELDER

Conor Carlton

RETURNING ELDER

Gary Chapman

Matt Crosser

David Dunson

Brian Jennings

David Maddux

Mike Pride

Tyler Thalken

Ron Wood

JULY WORSHIP



Apex (Sermon on the Mount)

06/27 - **Blessed** (Matthew 5:11-12; John 3-4)

07/04 - **Morality** (Judges 15-16; Matthew 5:20)

07/11 - **Jesus' Prayer** (John 17; Matthew 6:9-13)

07/18 - **Money** (Joshua 5:13-7:26; Matthew 6:19-21)

07/25 - **Golden Rule** (Luke 10:25-37; Matthew 7:12)

NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Mark your calendars for Wednesday evening, July 7, at 7:15 pm. We will be having a Mid-Summer **Night of Worship**. It will be an evening full of worship, prayer, and fellowship. Childcare will not be provided. Any age is welcome. We hope to see you there!



CELEBRATIONS

Jessica Maddux, recent graduate of **Ozark Christian College**, has been hired by **College Heights Christian School** for the 2021-22 school year! We rejoice with Jessica and her family as she begins this exciting new job and ministry. Pray as she works out the many details of getting settled in Joplin and preparing for her new role. (Jessica worked in our HP Learning School before attending OCC.) Congratulations, Jessica!

Gina Regouby is the proud grandma to **Ezra & Titus Booe**, newborn sons of **Micah & Sarah Booe**. They arrived June 21. Looking forward to lots of pictures, Gina!

OUR SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to **Pat Hair** on the loss of her sister, **Arline**, who died on June 14, following a long and painful battle with cancer. The family will hold a memorial service at a later time.

Also, **Marissa Devinney's** beloved uncle, **David Davila**, died unexpectedly in San Antonio, TX on June 17.

THANK YOU

Dear HP Missions Team,

I appreciate the support you have offered for my internship with **Open Door Libraries** in Jordan! You guys have been my church home for a while and first taught me about the Lord, and for that I am forever grateful. I am so thankful for all you do! God bless you.

Ian McAdams

HIGHLAND PARK LEARNING SCHOOL

HIGHLAND PARK LEARNING SCHOOL is currently enrolling for the 2021-22 school year. We have classes for one-year-olds through Pre-K Classes. We meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 2:30. Tuition is \$165 a month. Email **Lisa Stewart** at lisas@hptulsa.com for more information or to schedule a tour.

IT'S HAPPENING AT HP!

SPORTS SURVIVOR - Sunday Nights 6:30-8:30 pm

This is for all ages! The sport will be announced each Sunday and posted on Social Media during the week. Come out and play or sit and cheer! Everyone is welcome!

NIGHT OF WORSHIP - July 7 - 7:15-8:30 pm
HP Worship Center

A night full of worship, prayer, and fellowship. Childcare will not be provided. All ages are welcome!

HPyouth SNO-CONES AFTER NIGHT OF WORSHIP - July 7 - For Grades 6-12

After the all-church **Night of Worship** is **Josh's Sno Shack** for anyone who can join (location TBD). Bring money for sno-cones.

MESSY SPORTS NIGHT - July 11 6:00-7:30 pm

Join us on the church lawn next to the 2:20 Center for a **Family Night of Messy Sports!** Be prepared to get messy and wet, so wear clothes you don't mind getting messed up! All ages welcome! *There will not be a Sports Survivor this night so that all can join in!*

HPyouth STUDY & JUST DANCE PARTY - July 14 - 6:30-9:00 pm

For Grades 6-12 at the SUB.

MOVE CONFERENCE - July 19-23

For High School students and 2021 graduated seniors Contact **Beth Jennings** at bethjen33@gmail.com for more information.

"POOL PARTY" at-home VBS!

This year, instead of a VBS inside our church building, we are excited to present to you a totally easy, simple, and fun at-home VBS experience! Each family will receive an Adventure Box filled with lesson resources, video links, games, and activities all centered around fun in the pool! We encourage families to invite friends and neighbors to your back yard to participate in this with you. There will be four lessons. We'll let you decide if you want to do one a week or one each day from **July 27-30**.

"POOL PARTY BLAST!" - July 31

This is the ending celebration to our at-home VBS. Join us for an awesome pool party and cookout! Contact **Michelle Warden** at michellew@hptulsa.com for details.

