



NEW HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

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Dear NHBC Family

School is out. People are going on vacation. My kids are going to the pool. It's raining way too much!

Hope your summer is off to a good start. Hard to believe are getting ready to celebrate the middle of our year!

I wanted to highlight a few things and give you some updates.

*VBS is coming soon! This year we are doing an evening Vacation Bible School from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. It begins on July 8th Sunday evening and wraps up with a family night on the 13th. The theme this year is Game On and it is going to be very special. One of the new things we are doing this year is an adult VBS class. The adults will get to watch the opening ceremony, we are doing a more traditional opening this year, and then they will be free to go to their own class. Invite friends and neighbors – it's going to be great! We have a link to register volunteers and children on the website.

*We only have the 11 a.m. worship on Sunday mornings for the month of July. There are numerous things going on at the church, so we will have just the later service for five weeks.

*Our Family Fun Day was postponed once again due to heavy rain. We are going to look at the calendar to see if a day in late August or early September may work. Maybe the field will also be in better shape by then!

*I am going to do some weekday Fun in the Son activities with the children this summer. The first one will be July 16 and will run for four weeks. Preschoolers will meet on Monday's from 10:30 until noon and school aged children up through 5th grade will meet on Tuesday's at the same time.

*The bus is finally here! The senior adults are going to begin taking day trips on the bus. The first trip, to the state capitol, will likely be in July. Details to follow.

*The new sign is up and will be fully functional soon!

*We are doing our night Bible study on Sunday nights during the summer. The youth and children will have activities and I will be leading an adult Bible study through the book of James. I will continue to teach the Wednesday morning Bible study at 10 a.m.

God is moving at New Highland Baptist Church. I am glad that you are here to be a part of it with me!

Blessings,

Summer Office Hours

Through August 31:
Monday through Thursday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Friday 9:00 to Noon

July Worship

Sunday, July 1 Communion

Sunday School at 9:45am
Traditional Worship at 11:00am

Sunday, July 8 Baptisms

Sunday School at 9:45am
Traditional Worship at 11:00am

Sunday, July 15 VBS Sunday

Sunday School at 9:45am
Combined Worship at 11:00am

Sunday, July 22

Sunday School at 9:45am
Combined Worship at 11:00am

Sunday, July 29

Sunday School at 9:45am
Combined Worship at 11:00am

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th for the holiday.

Please be in prayer for all those who protect our freedoms every day.



Vacation Bible School registration is open!
More details on page 4

Sunday, July 8—Thursday, July 12
5:30pm -8:30 pm
Begins with a snack supper each evening

Friday, July 13—Family Celebration/
Commencement at 6:00 pm

For preschool, age 4 through pre-teen (completed 5th grade). Snack supper, Bible time, Music, Missions, Recreation and Crafts!

Deacons on Call—July

Chris Whitley 804-789-1737
David McGhee 804-382-6570

Prayer Thoughts

Sponsored by the NHBC Prayer Team

CORRELATE YOUR BIBLE STUDY TIME WITH YOUR PRAYER TIME

Prior to 'Crying Out' to God in Prayer Meditate on Psalm 34:15-17

When we face a crisis, the Lord is willing and able to help. But before He will become involved and release His divine energy into our situation, He requires one thing: a righteous heart. This, of course, is not an expectation that we live a perfect life, which our Father knows would be impossible. When a sinner turns to God for salvation, He cleanses the heart of iniquity and gives that person a new nature (2 Corinthians 5:17). Yet even believers will follow old flesh patterns at times, so the Lord calls us to confess and repent when we miss the mark. Then He will "cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). Thankfully, He hears us in our imperfection as long as we desire to walk in His way. The problem arises, however, when a Christian knowingly lives in sin and chooses not to turn from it—the Lord will not hear an unrepentant heart.

The Psalm 34 passage shows that the Heavenly Father wants His children to cry out to Him. During trials, we tend to pray this way—with increased focus, passion, and sincerity. Hannah is a good example. Heartbroken over her barrenness, she went to the temple and beseeched the Lord with such emotion that the priest thought she was drunk! God answered her plea and opened her womb (1 Samuel 1:1-20).

When a crisis comes, cry out to our almighty God, but be sure you do so with a righteous heart. Then He will hear and answer—either fulfilling your hoped-for request or providing a different solution. Because He is omniscient, loving, and sovereign, you can fully trust that His answer is in your best interest.

Need Direction? —Consider a Life's Journey Compass found in Proverbs 3:1-6

If you've ever been lost in the woods, you know the concerns, confusion, and panic such a situation causes. Now think what a difference it would have made to know that a compass was in your pocket. Spiritually speaking, we have such a compass—God's Word. But it does no good unless we let it guide us.

At times, we may fail to follow scriptural guidance because of...

Neglect. Sometimes we are so busy walking through life that we forget to look at God's compass to make sure we're headed in the right direction.

Pride. We often want to determine our own destiny. Many of us prefer to plan a course of action by relying on our strength, wisdom, and abilities.

Distractions. The Lord's path of obedience isn't always easy. In fact, sometimes it can be extremely challenging. Satan offers other trails that promise pleasure and ease if we will just ignore the compass and follow him. Although these routes seem pleasant at first, they lead to heartbreak and discouragement.

Difficulties. Whenever obstacles appear on the trail, our natural tendency is to try and find a way around them. But by ignoring God's compass and stepping off the path, we'll miss the blessings He wants to give us through the rough patches—benefits such as strong faith and godly character.

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Why should we wander when the Lord's compass is available?

Let Scripture be your guide on life's journey. God promises productive days and fruitful years if you follow His path. He'll direct each step of your way, and His peace will sustain you, even during the difficult times.



In Memoriam

Ron Laitinen
Deceased June 8, 2018
United with NHBC
February 8, 2004

Christian Sympathy

Christian sympathy is expressed to:

Erma Williams and family in the death of her husband, Millard Williams

Kim Karnes and family in the death of her father, Millard Williams

Judy Laitinen and family in the death of her husband, Ron Laitinen

Congratulations

Sarah Castle is a 2018 Virginia Baptist Foundation Scholarship winner. She is the daughter of Stephen and Sheri Castle.

This past year, deserving students received thousands in scholarship funds to help defray expenses for college from the VBF.

Lawn Care Ministry

It's that time of year again! We are in need of individuals to cut the grass around the church. To volunteer, sign up in front of the church office. See Dick Cousins or Wayne Harrell for more information. They can tell you what's involved, AND they even offer training.



Prayer Concerns

**Hospitalized at time of printing*

Carol Didlake
Charlie Elliott
Mary Golding
Jean Harding
Rose Harper
Sherwood Haskins
George Linville

Shirley Linville
Dot Martin
Joyce McLauchlan
Will Smith
Margaret Toney
Ernest Valenti
Robert Whitfield

Submit Your Prayer requests via:

- 1) Guest Card in Sanctuary Chair Pouch—Place in Offering Plate or give to a Deacon or Usher; 2) Main & CLC Foyer Prayer Boxes; 3) Contact Prayer Team Members (550-1562); 4) Contact Church Office Administrative Personnel or Contact Staff - Ministerial Personnel (550-9601).

News from Jennifer

N-HYM & Beyond

New Highland Youth Ministry (N-HYM)
6th-12th grades
Beyond Young Adult Ministry
Post high school ages 18-30



Sundays:

8:30am - Worship
9:45am- Sunday School/Bible studies by age
11:00am- Worship
6:00-7:30pm - Sunday Night Encounter

N-HYM and Beyond will meet on Sunday nights as part of Sunday Night Encounter. We will also be helping with VBS and with CARITAS. VBS information is on page 1 and CARITAS information is on this page.

Thank You's

Dear Kristi and all at New Highland Baptist,
Thank you all so very much for letting us use your facilities over the last several months. It was such a convenient and great facility! Thank you for being so accommodating and helpful!

Sincerely, Mary Griffiths and
The Milestone Board of Directors

Dear Rusty,
Thank you for New Highland Baptist Church's gift to **Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond (BTSR)**. Your generous gift of \$500.00 was received Friday, May 4, 2018 in support of the New Highland Baptist Church Seminary Award.

In this spring season where we celebrate Christ's resurrection and the new life springing up all around us in God's good creation, we too are celebrating new life at BTSR. A group of our students recently traveled to El Salvador with Greg and Sue Smith for the Mission Immersion Experience and shared how God used that time to bring about new perspectives in their lives in the Ethics Daily and BGAV blogs. Our alumni and alumnae continue to increase their giving to their alma mater, and your gift joins theirs in contributing to our ability to provide our students with rich educational experiences like their MIE.

Your congregation makes educational experiences like this possible when you give.

We are grateful for the ways that your church blesses our seminary with your prayers, participation in the life of the BTSR community, and financial support. Our work in fulfilling the mission God has entrusted us with would not be possible without your church's continued investment in our students, our faculty and staff, and our seminary's day-to-day needs.

With gratitude, Beth Jones
Advancement Communications Manager

Thank you to my Church Family for all of your thoughts, prayers, visits, cards, flowers, balloons, goodie baskets, and well wishes during my recent illness. It meant so much to know that you cared about me.

Love to all of you,
Sam Davis

CARITAS

NHBC will be hosting CARITAS this year from Saturday evening, July 28th to Saturday morning, August 4th. We are hosting single women and there should be no more than 40. Volunteers are needed in the following areas: Set up and take down crews, putting together welcome bags of toiletries, staying overnight at the church each night and helping to set out breakfast items the following morning, runners to get supplies during the week, volunteers to do laundry, and volunteers to provide/serve dinner and pack lunches for the following work day. We will be serving dinner around 6:30 each evening. Please consider having your Sunday School class or your team host one evening meal. You can each contribute a few dollars and purchase food if you don't want to cook! We also need donations of non-perishable food and toiletry items. This is a great opportunity to minister to people in need in our community. You may place any donated items in the container under the table in the Mission Corner. Please be in prayer as to how you can serve. Sign up sheets are on the table in the Mission Corner or you can reach Michelle Brown (928-2927) for more information.

NHBC Farmers Market

The market is open! Visit us on
Wednesdays from 4 pm—7 pm.

We have a food truck most weeks
and activities for the kids.

Meet your neighbors at the market
and support your local farmers.

Updates are posted each week on
Facebook. Like our group!



Fun in the Sun

Pastor Rusty will be leading some weekday Fun in the Sun activities for our children this summer. Preschoolers will meet on Mondays, July 16 - August 6, from 10:30 am until noon. School-aged children up through 5th grade will meet on Tuesdays, July 17 - August 7, also from 10:30 am until noon.



July 1
11am
WELCOME CENTER
Theresa Whitley

NURSERY
Linda Peay
OPEN

USHERS
OPEN
Gordon Martin
David Dixon
Jon Cliborne
Sammy Cliborne

**KIC CLUB/
WORSHIP**
Carolynn Globig
Youth

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July 8
11am
WELCOME CENTER
Laura Beck

NURSERY
Pam Smith
Barbara Valenti
Tonya Vasser

USHERS
Wesley Thompson
Mark Brown
Jordan Brown
Will Smith
Dylan Smith
Quinn Thompson

**KIC CLUB/
WORSHIP**
Melissa Hoban
Youth

July 15
11am
WELCOME CENTER
Glenda Currie

NURSERY
Carol Thompson
Tim Smith

USHERS
Harold Elliotte
Bill Martin
Tommy Searles
Nate Hostetter
Fred Small
David McGhee
Cheryl McGhee

**KIC CLUB/
WORSHIP**
Tanya Shearin
Youth

July 22
11am
WELCOME CENTER
Cheryl McGhee

NURSERY
Theresa Whitley
Susan Sandridge
Jenny Garthright

USHERS
Jennings Dawson
Tucker Dawson
Tim Smith
Ryan Smith
Mike Sandridge
David Barnes

**KIC CLUB/
WORSHIP**
OPEN
Youth

July 29
11am
WELCOME CENTER
OPEN

NURSERY
OPEN
OPEN

USHERS
Mike Pittman
Pam Smith
Berkeley Rayfield
Nolan Rayfield

**KIC CLUB/
WORSHIP**
Ryan Smith
Alex Douglas

July Birthdays

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|----|------------------|----|-------------------|
| 2 | Esther Liverpool | 19 | Scott Winters |
| | Eric Smith | | Chris Hunter |
| 3 | Grace Chenault | 20 | Leslie Martin |
| 4 | Berkley Rayfield | | Alan Muller |
| | Luke Tschantre | 21 | Monte Evans |
| | Stafford White | 22 | Barrett White |
| 5 | Sara Rhodes | 23 | Chase Daniels |
| | Kirby Hutchinson | | Doran Hutchinson |
| 6 | Veronica Lumpkin | | Brett Blose |
| | Shirley Hawks | 24 | Charles Harper |
| 8 | Margaret Toney | | Buddy Golding |
| | Linda Edwards | | Jennings Dawson |
| | Kim Daniels | | Drew Blose |
| | Cary Polk | 25 | Flynn Sandridge |
| | Cate Garstang | 26 | Arthur Garthright |
| | Joshua Mullins | | David LeRoux |
| 10 | Shirley Linville | 27 | Karen Schricker |
| | Chris Beck | | John Steiner |
| 11 | Carlin Thompson | | Samantha Tucker |
| 12 | Ryan Smith | 28 | Cora Sandridge |
| 14 | Caity Callahan | 29 | Heather Stuck |
| | Sammy Cliborne | 30 | Penny Layne |
| 15 | Jennifer Hunter | | Savannah Whitley |
| 17 | Kevin Harnden | | Cullen Lumpkin |
| 18 | Diana Fuerte | 31 | Brian Hunter |

July Anniversaries

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|----|---------------------------|
| 2 | Monte & Judy Evans |
| 3 | Bill & Carol Didlake |
| 8 | Michael & Tammy Patterson |
| 11 | Cary & Chris Polk |
| 16 | Ernest & Barbara Valenti |
| 21 | Alan & Dee Muller |
| 22 | Chris & Heather Uzel |
| 23 | Jeff & Colleen Simpson |
| 27 | Barry & Penny Layne |
| | Berkley & Joy Rayfield |

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Summer Office Hours:
Mon—Thurs, 9:00 am—5:00 pm; Friday 9:00 to Noon
Don't forget to call before dropping by
in case we aren't here.
Phone: 804-550-9601

PUBLICATION DEADLINES:

Aug Envoy — July 15 | Bulletin—Each Monday by Noon

Compassion International



July
Sponsorship of Mohamed
(Tanzania)

SPONSORS NEEDED!

Mohamed will turn 15 on July 31.
NHBC has been providing support
since October 16, 2009.

Congratulations to All Our Graduates

We want to congratulate all of our graduates for 2018.

High School:

Sarah Castle, Jonathan Falls, Josephine Garner, Kristen Harrell, Joshua Hutchinson, Brooke Kazelskis, Morgan Kazelskis and Nolan Rayfield

College:

Courtney Gunn and Taylor Hutchinson

Postgraduate:

Alexandria Lumpkin

Sponsor Mohamed

We adopted a child from Tanzania through Compassion International on October 16, 2009. Mohamed is 14 now and will turn 15 on July 31. Mohamed receives meals, education, instruction in the Bible and more due to our sponsorship. If you choose to sponsor Mohamed for a month, the cost is \$38. Contact Kristi in the office to sign up for an open month.

Sunday Night Encounter

The official MWE session is over, but we will continue with discipleship activities for adults, youth and children through September 2nd on Sunday evenings from 6 pm to 7:30 pm. We will not meet on Sunday, July 8 due to VBS or on Sunday, July 29 due to CARITAS.

Men's Breakfasts

Our men meet for breakfast on the second Tuesday of each month at Cold Harbor Restaurant on Mechanicsville Turnpike at 7:15 am.

They also meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Rise and Shine Diner on Sliding Hill Rd at 7:30 am.



Won't you join us?

MEN'S BREAKFAST

June Benevolence Offering

\$303.00

MCEF Donations for July

Canned fruits and veggies

Church Council Meeting

July 16 @ 6:30 pm

ACTS II:

May 27, 2018

June 3, 2018

June 10, 2018

June 17, 2018

June 24, 2018

Attendance

Early Worship	No Svc	64	50	53	62
Sunday School	91	121	125	109	126
Late Worship	120	143	138	135	121

Budget

Weekly Need	9,982.20	9,982.20	9,982.20	9,982.20	9,982.20
Weekly Receipts	4,458.00	10,510.00	6,990.00	4,662.50	6,635.40
YTD Goal	209,626.20	219,608.40	229,590.60	239,572.80	249,555.00
YTD Receipts	157,145.04	167,655.04	174,645.04	179,307.54	185,942.94

Debt Retirement Fund

0.00 665.00 170.00 0.00 0.00

Designated Gifts

175.00 1,310.00 563.00 4,808.40 555.00