Highlawn Baptist Church 2304 Jefferson Ave. St. Albans, WV 25177

# May & June 2019

HIGHLAWN BAPTIST CHURCH

# "SALVATION belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" REVELATION 7:10, NRSV

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2304 Jefferson Ave., St. Albans, WV 25177 - 304-727-7802 www.highlawnbaptistchurch.org pastor@highlawnbaptistchuch.org Dear Highlawn,



The past few weeks have been exciting. As a community of faith, we came together and brought our gifts to glorify God and encourage His people in many ways. You brought beauty to His sanctuary through creativity in decoration,

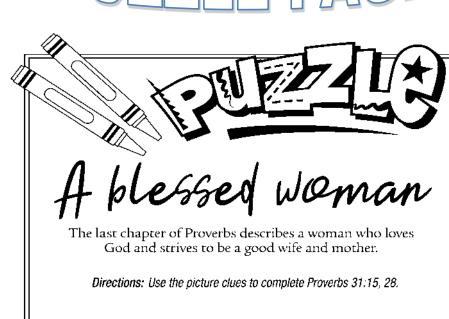
music, and sharing the Word of God. You provided a place where our city could come together, pray, and share a time of fellowship. You stood by, provided for, and comforted a family in grief.

During Holy Week, you sat at the table with a Rabbi and listened with eagerness as he explained the Old Testament meaning behind the Lord's Supper. You touched at least 75 of our neighboring families with a message of Christian Community. You offered fellowship to our members who are home bound or who have urgent medical issues. You remembered the fellowship of the first Christian Disciples and the sacrifice of our Lord. You came together in triumphal celebration of the hope we have through His Resurrection. You demonstrated God's love through giving to the work of Christian Missions and actively working for a better St. Albans. In all this, you demonstrated the faithfulness and the compassion of Christ.

For the span of a few weeks, the halls of our church have come alive with activity. Now it is time to enjoy the benefits of fellowship and family. The summer months have become a time when we gather with our relatives and our children and enjoy the sun and the company of those we love. Several opportunities are coming to us from our Fellowship team to demonstrate the love we have for our Mothers and Fathers. Our Adult Ministries team is also coordinating ways that we can spend time together as a Church family.

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she provides _	for her	
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	her blessed.	

PROVERBS 31:15, 28 (NIV)



### **Senior Adult Activities...**

Sign-up Sheets are in the Narthex for the following trips:

### June 11th - Ark Encounter

A life-size Noah's Ark Experience. Williamstown, KY. The Ark Encounter features a full-size Noah's Ark, built according to the dimensions given in the Bible. You will learn about the Ark, but also learn how Noah might have cared for the animals and about the flood. Cost approximate \$70-\$75includes ticket price/passenger van rental/gasoline/parking fee. Lunch on your own – restaurant on location. There is walking involved, but scooters are available for rent plus there are benches. Leaving around 7:00am and returning that evening.







Highlawn wants to celebrate our Graduates of 2019!
Bring your family and friends and join us for...

# Graduation Sunday!!

On **Sunday, June 2nd** during our morning worship hour
As we recognize the graduating classes of 2019. Please email Leah
at <a href="leahbowes1@gmail.com">leahbowes1@gmail.com</a> with graduates names, school, a photo and the
degree they are receiving. We will recognize them during the service and our
High School Seniors will be presented with gifts from the Youth Ministry
Department. There will also be a form in the weekly bulletin to complete
information about your graduate.

### Pastor's Corner continued...

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I encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity to fellowship with the ones we love. Our family at home and at church play a crucial role in our lives. They are our first relationships and are the foundation on which we build the way we look at faith and at life. When you take a look at your schedule, do not only consider your work hours or your distractions. Look for opportunities to spend time with the people who love you. Look for places where you can deliberately spend time with God and with those He placed in your life to care for.

Yours in Fellowship,

Pastor Jason

Highlawn is in need of volunteers for the Founders Day booth Saturday May 11th
10am-4pm on Old Main St in St Albans
We are requesting 2 people per shift. If you would like to volunteer, there will be a sign up would like to volunteer, there will be a sign up office to sign up.





HBC Women's Ministries Gathering
May 28th @ 7pm in the church parlor.
Mission project is Hospice and Ronald McDonald House.
Please bring lotions (can be already opened), tissues, and individually wrapped snacks such as granola bars, candy bars, fruit snacks, etc.

Please note, there will be no Gathering for the month of June



### **Discipleship Corner: Balance**

"Worship is NOT Just Music"

One of my favorite books in collage was *Worship is a Verb* by the late Dr. Robert Webber. While it was written primarily for those involved with worship in the local church, the main premise was that worship is not just something we sit through, it is something that we do. Worship is not limited to music or even the walls of the church. Worship is the way we reflect back to God the love that He constantly shows us. It is a duty of all Christians.

Worship (the English word) is a contraction of "Worth Ship." Meaning that worship happens through taking time to do something that shows the value we place in a person or thing. That is why when we talk about Christian worship, we do not just consider our actions in the Sunday Morning Worship Hour, but we deliberately spend every hour of our lives broadcasting to God and others the value we place in our relationship with the Savior.

Yes, we sing and preach the story of God's relationship with us. But it goes much further. Christ gave away His opportunities to have a home so that He could travel and teach others the way to a relationship with God. While not all of us are called to be missionaries, we honor that commitment by taking time to study His words from long ago and implement them into our lives.

Christ spent much of His life in service with those who were called to ministry. While many of us have been called to family life, we honor Jesus by budgeting the time necessary in participating in the work of ministry with our brothers and sisters at the church and encourage our children to do the same. The Church is not a club where you are always a welcomed visitor. We are all disciples of one Master who have chosen to life in community and grow together. Not to be served, but to worship God by serving just as He did.

Christ healed the sick, stood with the hopeless, wept with those that mourned, encouraged giving to the work of the kingdom. Many of us are limited financially, but we still have skills and talents that can be utilized in the work of missions (the spreading of Christian mercy) and evangelism (the spreading of the Saving Knowledge of the Gospel). Many of us also have training that can be used to help those with physical needs who can not care for themselves. Many of us can comfort and bring support to those who have found the burdens of this life too difficult to bear alone.



Join us to celebrate Dad!
Highlawn will host a Father's Day Brunch
In honor of Dad!
Saturday, June 15th at 11:00AM
In the fellowship hall



### **VBS Work Days!!**

VBS will be July 15-19th at Highlawn Presbyterian Church so...we are gearing up for VBS with... VBS Work Days. Work days will be held on Tuesday of each week beginning Tuesday, May 14th from 7-8pm. This time may change for future work day meetings. We need helpers to get everything ready, decorations, crafts, etc. There will be a sign up sheet in the foyer soon, if you are interested in helping this year. You may also contact the church office if you have any questions about the

**WORK DAY MEETINGS** leading up to Bible School. In all cases, watch the Highlawn Baptist

Facebook page for updates, changes, announcements, etc.



For the period ending March 31, 2019, we have received \$32,562.12 and budget expenses have totaled \$45,641.03. As always, thank you for your



Join us to say ... Hat's Off To Mom!!!

Highlawn is hosting a Mother's Day Brunch

Saturday, May 11th @11AM in the fellowship hall

Ladies, please wear your hats to brunch!! Also, please look for the sign up sheet in the fover so our fellowship team will know how many to plan for or call the church office! Happy Mothers Day to all our wonderful Mothers!



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**Betty Reynolds & the Homeland Choir** will be here for a concert on Friday, June 14th @7pm Please come and bring your family and friends and enjoy some wonderful gospel music.

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Christ took time to rest and to pray. The scheduling riggers of this life are intense. But while there are only 24 hours in the day, we also have many ways to effectively budget that time. Jesus demonstrated the need for rest to His followers as well as the need to spend time alone with God. While we no longer live under a legal obligation to the Sabbath, we have a duty, as being made in God's image, to honor and care for what we have been entrusted with. We also need to experience the presence of God regularly through church, prayer, and through adhering to a personal devotional time.

"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21) If the treasure of our time and strength is in our job, our entertainments, or our bank accounts, that is where our hearts really are. If our heart is really with God, the testimony of our giving and our resourcefulness will reside with our family both at church and at home. The Christian life is not one that is properly lived only on Sunday Mornings. Worship is not something that we just observe. We express the worth of God through living a life that reflects our love to Him, both in His sight and in the sight of our neighbors.



**Monday May 27th** 

## Highlawn Baptist Church



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Morning Worship Choir Rehearsal 6:00 A Walk Through the Bible 6:00 Youth Fellowship		9:30 Building & Grounds 11:30 Senior Adult Luncheon	6:30 Youth Fellowship 7:00 Faith Discipleship Class	9:30 Building & Grounds		9:00 Intercessory Prayer 10:00-12:00 Founders Day Booth Workers 11:00 Mother's Day Brunch
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Morning Worship No evening ministries		9:30 Building & Grounds 7-8 VBS Work Day @ Highlawn Presbyterian	6:30 Youth Fellowship 7:00 Faith Discipleship Class 8:00 Finance Team Meeting	9:30 Building & Grounds		9:00 Intercessory Prayer
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