

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

*February 2020*  
**HIGHLAWN BAPTIST CHURCH**

FOR GOD  
SO LOVED THE WORLD  
THAT HE GAVE HIS  
ONLY  
BEGOTTEN  
SON  
THAT WHOSEVER  
BELIEVES IN HIM  
SHALL NOT PERISH  
BUT HAVE ETERNAL  
LIFE

JOHN 3:16



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# PUZZLE PAGE

Dear Highlawn,

The truly wise among us have learned to see challenges as opportunities in disguise. When we look at difficult times through worldly eyes we see things very short-sightedly. We see the immediate and we turn to conventional wisdom for help. As a result, we run the danger of becoming anxious and frustrated. Worse, we run the danger of taking that anxiety and frustration out on those nearest to us. But when we try to see things from God's perspective and function through His wisdom, there is a much different outcome.

The Word of God tells us in 1 Corinthians 10:13 that, "No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it." God's promise to us, is that He will never fail to provide us with a way to avoid doing the wrong thing. That takes the form of seeking His wisdom before anything else, including assessing the situation. When something that looks like a problem hits, remember Solomon:

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.  
-Proverbs 3:5

If this past year has taught us anything, it is that God is faithful. God provides our resources, our talents, and our brothers and sisters in Christ to meet the challenge and to be victorious. Those challenges are usually opportunities to do ministry and to mature as a Christian. Consider for a second where you are in the discipleship path. Are you a Worship Service Only Christian? Are you involved in a discipleship class but little else? Are you engaged in the missions and community activities? Are you ready and willing to tell others about how Christ has affected your life?



**L THE LORD  
YOUR GOD  
LOVES YOU.  
DUETERNOMY 23:5**

**fRIENDSHIP**  
and what it means  
to me...

**LOVE IS**  
*what is love?*

**1 GOD IS LOVE**

**2 GOD LOVES ME**

**3 I CAN LOVE GOD**

a friend is someone who...

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Senior Adult Adult Ministry Team

### Up Coming Senior Adult Activities!!!!

Update your calendar for these events. As the events get closer, more information will be made available to you. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

January 17th	11:00 Lunch at Tammy's Kitchen Restaurant in Fraziers Bottom Meet in church parking lot at 11am
February 21st	Game Day in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your lunch and let's fellowship and play board games. Meet in the fellowship hall at 11:30 (Weather Permitting)
March 7th	WVBC Annual Bible Conference @ Parchment Valley
March 24th	Movie "I Still Believe"-Location Regal Cinemas (Time TBD)
April 16th	Cincinnati Reds v. San Francisco Giants Baseball Game
May 4-6	Golden'eers Confrence at Parchment Valley
May 8th	Lunch at Muriales in Fairmont
June	WV Power Baseball Game



### Update from the Finance and Operations Team:

As of December 31, 2019, we have had budget income of \$164,682.22 and expenses of \$173,230.11, resulting in a deficit of \$8,547.89 for the year. As always, thank you for your contributions!

The progression of Love God - Share His Word - Love Others - Spread the Gospel, is an indicator of how far you are along in being a Disciple of Christ. God wants each of us to become as close to Him as possible while being an active part of His Kingdom. Sometimes when a challenge comes our way, God uses it to move us further along the path. Other times He uses it to make us aware of a need among the people inside or outside our walls.

According to the latest research done by the Convention, the un-churched population in our state has risen to 87%. In more personal terms, for every ten people you see today, at least 8 do not currently attend a church. The eternal destiny of those 8 people may rest on how willing we are to submit to the conviction to invite and welcome others to hear the Gospel and to hear how it has impacted our lives personally.

Our point to consider over the course of this coming year is to remember that no matter the challenge, we never face it alone. Avoid anxiousness and pray for God to reveal the opportunity in the situation and what His will is for you to be part of the solution. Then seek the support of your Church family in turning the challenge into a work of ministry. Paul puts it this way:

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. -Philippians 4:4-9 (NIV)

Love God - Share His Word - Love Others - Spread the Gospel  
"Know Christ and Make Christ Known."

Yours in Fellowship,

*Jason*



**Youth Ministry Event!**

**Saturday, February 8, 2020 6 PM – 8:30 PM In the Gym!**

**Come out for a great time of games, fellowship, pizza and Bible Study. Bring a friend along!!**

**Senior High Convention-February 21-23rd  
Gassaway Baptist Church**



Our Building and Grounds Ministry Team will be hosting a monthly spaghetti fundraiser the first Wednesday of each month.

**Wednesday, February 5th 4:00-7:00**

Adult meals \$8—Children \$5

Meal includes: spaghetti with meat sauce, bread, salad, drink and dessert. Join us and share this information with your friends and family and our community!

Anyone wishing to donate a homemade dessert, please see Barbara Miles.



Saturday February 1st @  
9:00 AM  
At Parchment Valley

**Highlawn Members and Team Leaders,  
Workshops include:**

- Being a Missional Church
- Relational Wisdom
- Youth Ministry
- Senior Adult Ministry
- Developing Group Discipleship Programs
- Local Church Missions
- Media in Worship
- Safe Children's Ministries
- Finance Ministries
- Church Security
- Healing Church Hurts



We are very much in need of everything on our suggestion list for the Snack Bag Ministry. If you can, please bring in donations such as crackers, fruit & pudding cups, juice boxes, fruit snacks, and granola bars to help us. There will be a box set up in the foyer so you can place your donations stock up!!!



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# Valentines Day DINNER

Valentines Day Dinner Pot Luck  
Sunday, February 9th  
following our morning worship hour!  
Bring your favorite dish to share with friends!



Join us on Sunday  
February 9th as we  
welcome back our guest  
speaker for worship  
Pastor Todd McClung!



There will be an Ash Wednesday Bean Dinner  
February 26th at 6:30 in the fellowship hall  
followed by Ash Wednesday service beginning  
at 7:30 pm



**Men's Prayer Breakfast**  
February 15th  
10:00 am



The February meeting  
will be the regular date  
and time, Tuesday  
February 25th 7pm in  
the parlor.



Join us for the Super Bowl Party!  
February 2nd @ 6PM  
In the fellowship hall



# February 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
						<p>1</p> <p>9:00 WVBC Annual Training Event Parchment Valley</p> 	
<p>2</p> <p>9:15 Sunday School 10:30 Morning Worship 6:00 Super Bowl Party</p> 	3	4	5	6	7	8	
		9:30 Building & Grounds	4:00-7:00 Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser 6:30 Faith Discipleship Class 6:30 Youth Fellowship	9:30 Building & Grounds		9:00 Intercessory Prayer 6:00-8:00 Youth Event in the gym	
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
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