



Highlights

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Acoustic Café, Sunday, March 1

We hope you will join us for our 2026 Acoustic Café in which we celebrate God's gift of music through the leadership of musicians from our congregation.



Come to the Fellowship Hall at 4:00 p.m. to enjoy live music from singers and songwriters from our church family. Something salty, something sweet, and a stellar coffee and tea bar will enhance our afternoon. Plan to bring a friend for this delightful afternoon!

Good Friday and Easter

The **GOOD FRIDAY** Tenebrae ("shadows") service takes place on April 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.



We will incorporate elements of our Maundy Thursday gathering into our worship on Friday through the celebration of Communion as we remember Jesus' last supper with his disciples before his arrest, trial, and crucifixion. This service follows the Seven Last Words of Christ through scripture and the slow darkening of the worship area. The service concludes with the removal of the Christ candle from the Sanctuary.

Our **EASTER** festival worship service on Sunday, April 5, will be at 11:00 a.m. The Christ candle will return to the Sanctuary to signify the resurrection of Jesus Christ as the light of the world. All are invited, prior to worship, to our Easter Sunday Potluck Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Welcome Deborah Trawick Highland's New Business Administrator

The Personnel Committee is excited to welcome Deborah Trawick as Highland's new Business Administrator. She comes to us with experience working in both accounting and insurance offices, and has strong connections in the Presbyterian Church. We look forward to her ministry with us, and hope you will welcome her warmly to this new role with us!



—John Barksdale, chair, Personnel Committee

Worship at 11:00 a.m.

March 1

Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1–4

John 3:1–17

Sermon: Randy Harris

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

March 8

Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:1–7

John 4:5–42

Sermon: Randy Harris

Sacrament of Baptism

March 15

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Ephesians 5:8–14

John 9:1–41

Sermon: Randy Harris

March 22

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Youth Sunday

March 29

Palm / Passion Sunday

Psalms 47

Matthew 21:1–11

Sermon: Debbie Layman

Highland Worship Online

There are several ways to access worship:

- Click the link in the Sunday morning email;
- Go to [Highland's website](#) and find the "[Highland Worship Online](#)" page;
- Subscribe to Highland's YouTube channel where the worship videos are posted (Highland PCWS).

On our Worship Online page, there are links for the Bulletin, a virtual "Friendship Pad," as well as a virtual "offering plate."

Wheelchair Assistance on Sundays

If you or a loved one need assistance on Sunday mornings to church school and/or worship via wheelchair, please contact Mike Culler, 336-413-8414, remember-church@gmail.com, no later than noon on Saturdays to make arrangements for the next day. The morning of, you would park in the Activity Building parking lot, and someone would meet you with a wheel chair.



Inclement Weather

As winter continues, please remember that announcements of cancellations of worship or other programs will be made through email, WXII (both on TV and www.wxii.com), and through a link on Highland's website.

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Office hours are Monday–Thursday, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Churchwide

Pasta Sauce March Madness

The brackets for the NCAA Men's Basketball will be set on March 15, and the boxes will be out in the Gallery Hall to receive your votes and pasta sauce! Bring your pasta sauce in between March 15 and April 5. You will vote for your team by placing pasta sauce in the respective bin. Families supported by Crisis Control will be the clear winners!



The teams you can vote for are: Appalachian State, Davidson, Duke University, North Carolina State University, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Wake Forest University, and "Change the Channel" (aka , Kentucky, Purdue, UNC Asheville, etc!). We look forward to your donations!



Winter Walk, March 8, 2:00 p.m.

Our Winter Walk is finally here! Mark your calendars and plan to walk Old Salem with your Highland family; your dog is welcome too! Following our walk, we will enjoy fellowship at Lot 63. We hope you will join us!



Youth Sunday

March 22

We are grateful to once again be led in worship by our high school youth as they continue this cherished tradition. This month, our youth are thoughtfully preparing as they gather to pray, study scripture, craft liturgy, choose hymns, and write sermons that reflect their voices and their faith. Worship each year is shaped by the Holy Spirit's leading in their questions, insights, and experiences as God is at work in their lives and our community. We look forward to this meaningful morning of worship and to celebrate the gifts our youth so generously share with Highland.



March Fling Fellowship Meal

Wednesday, March 4, 6:00 p.m.



We hope you will join us for our mid-week fellowship meal in March. Team Andrus is preparing a fabulous meal of Southwestern Bowls for us. They will offer both a meat and non-meat option. The cost is \$10 per person with a maximum of \$30 per household. Contact [Debbie Layman](#) if you would like to volunteer for a Fling Team (prep or clean up!). Sign up for the March 4 meal through an email or by calling the church office, 336-724-6303.

Congregational Lunch, March 15

We hope you will join us for our next congregational lunch following worship on Sunday, March 15. Our meal will be catered with both a meat and non-meat option. The cost is \$10 per person with a maximum of \$30 per household. Watch for a sign up coming soon!

Update for Highland's Strategic Plan

At its January meeting, the Session approved a *Strategic Plan Interim Update*, recommended by Highland's Long-Range Planning Committee. The report provided a helpful summary of feedback received from church members, committees, and staff regarding hopes for Highland's ministry beyond our 75th Anniversary celebration.

The recommendation calls for the formation of four Task Forces to gather information and recommend plans and initiatives in four main areas:

- Ministry with Children, Youth, Young Adults, and Young Families
- Technology, Communications, and Marketing
- Property Upgrades and Accessibility
- Financial Planning

We are in the process now of forming and organizing each of these groups for the work before them. We are excited about the plans that they will share, and look forward to the ways that our ministry will be strengthened and expanded through their faithful efforts.

—Nancy Payne, chair, Long-Range Planning Committee

♥ Service Opportunities

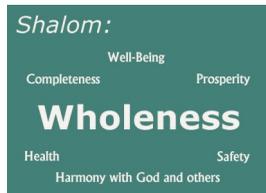
Moore School Food Pantry



Highland, alongside Temple Emmanuel, supports Moore Elementary School by providing a food pantry for students of Moore School and their families. For the month of **March**, we are asking for donations of **canned beans or shelf-stable milk**.

Hunger Offering

On **March 1**, don't forget to bring your gifts for our monthly Hunger Offering: pasta sauce for Crisis Control and your 5 Cents a Meal for our Presbytery! Thank you for your donations supporting neighbors who hunger in our community and around the world.



Flourish Meal

Meal Preparation for Flourish: We are looking for a couple of people to help provide a meal for 40 women and children on Monday, March 23 for Flourish, a program of The Shalom Project. Contact [Debbie Layman](#) if able to help.

One Great Hour of Sharing

From our founding over 75 years ago, every Eastertide our church supports the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering collected by the PCUSA. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing – Presbyterian Hunger Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and Self-Development of People – all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need around the world providing sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. These programs, needed as much now as ever, offer God's children in need safety, sustenance, and hope.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

You can contribute through cash or check (please mark OGHS in the memo), or through an online donation on our website [here](#). Thank you for making a positive difference in the lives of neighbors around our world.

News and Notes

In Our Prayers: *Mac Smyth, Home; Molly Williams, Home; Rita Ennis, Home; Rick Moore, Home; Les Preston, Salemtowne Rehab; Nash Lindsey, The Oaks Rehab; Curtis Patterson, Home; Anne Dowell, Home; Janice McBride, Home; Jim Womble, Hospice at Home; Jerry Cole, Assisted Living at Arbor Acres; Emelda Lawing, Hospice at Home; Pierce Johnson, Home; Bill Lambert, Home; Parks Berryhill, Salemtowne Healthcare; Esther Preston, Home; John Anderson, Salemtowne Healthcare; Ruth Banbury, Carriage Club Assisted Living.*

In Memoriam:

‡ Carol Eickmeyer, February 20

Bless You! ~ Our prayers for one another. Each week we invite you to pray for members of our Highland family. We will pray not because anything is wrong, but because we care about each other.

FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 1, please pray for Stephen, Kara, Stephen III, William and Charles Doughton; Grady, Kristine and Sophie Elliott; Marc, Laura, Heidi, Claire and Morgan Gillis; Mary Jane Jackson; Janice McBride; Sandy Simmons.

FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 8, please pray for Forrest and Virginia Truitt; Margaret Pike, David Werle, Katie and Gracen Pike-Werle; Maggie Strickland and Sara Herter; Wendy, Maddie, Charlie and Caroline Wagoner; Hugh and Caroline Wright.

FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 15, please pray for John and Evan Bain; Annie Cahoon; Linda, Davis and Addison Collins; Henry and Debbie Lafferty; Andy, Laura, Josie and Ellie Rose Scott; Katie and Frank Vasquez; Glenn and Becki West.

FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 22, please pray for Spencer, Megan and Peter Ayscue; Randy and Carol Ann Harris; Pierce and Nancy Johnson; Michael, Leslie and Jeremiah Kamtman; Pat and Jess Kirkman; Andrew, Lori, Charlotte Grace and Amelia Murray; Skip, London, Allen and Banks Pickett; Leslie Sizemore; Johnnie Taylor.

FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 29, please pray for Beth Barksdale, Laura Clay and Kip Barksdale; John and Shari Dallas; Morgan Harris; Tony, Margo, Ethan and Anna Kummer; Jim and Lucy Lancaster; Bob and Emelda Lawing; John and Lili Loftis; Mary Pace; Sarah, Alex and Will Pitcher; Margo Searls-Begy. *The Lord bless you and keep you. Numbers 6:24*



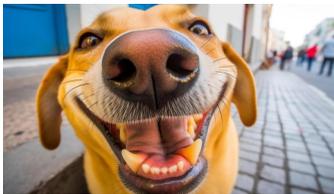
Joy for Our March Birthdays!

1 Allison Bass	11 Katherine Skinner	18 Henry Heidtmann, Jr	26 Charles Foster
2 Mark Doughton	11 Mac Smyth	18 Sheila Lambert	26 Roberta Powell
2 Buddy Sink	11 Alex Thorup	18 Stewart Swing	26 Alex Scott
4 Katina Barksdale	12 Isabelle Cannon	19 Rachel Corbett	27 John Anderson
4 Lottie Kay	12 Rob Clemmer	19 Henry Lafferty	27 Terry Mixon
5 John Corey	13 Laura Byrd	19 Abby Reynolds	27 Will Rankin
5 Mary Jane Jackson	13 Bob Collette	20 Patricia Murphy	28 Daniel Weber
5 Ben Parish	13 Scott Rushing	21 Sophie Elliott	28 Brittany Wyche
6 Brett Hoge	13 Hollie Williams	22 Leslie Craig	29 Bram Keever
7 Addison Collins	14 Debbie Shields	22 Sue Kent	30 Tori Patton
7 Andy Scott	15 Margaret Pike	23 Cody Beane	31 John Dallas
8 Henry Campbell	16 Phil Payne	24 Jay Hunt	
8 Oliver Chandler	16 Sharon Payne	24 Preston Ward	
8 Ann Walker	17 Leslie Greene	25 John Barksdale	
8 Sallie West	17 Emma Link	25 Aaron Ronsheim	
9 Alex Neely	17 Ellie Rose Scott	26 Bobby Boles	
11 Heidi Hart	18 Noah Bethel	26 Sam Bryant-Prosterman	



Special March Birthday Wishes to:

- * Buddy Sink, as he turns 93 on March 23
- * Bobby Boles, as he turns 92 on March 26



Thank You All!

As this chapter in my life has closed, I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the support, care, kindnesses, and so much more that was shared with and shown to me throughout my time at Highland. It has been a blessing and a privilege to work alongside so many great people.

Thank you all for the wonderful retirement celebration. I had a wonderful time and truly enjoyed myself. Gratitude as well for the amazing generosity reflected in so many ways!

~ With Love, Joy

Join Us for Spring Cleanup

Saturday, March 21, 9:00 a.m.–noon

'Tis the season for spring cleaning, and many hands make quick work of it.

Please sign up through the link in an all-church email, and join us Saturday

March 21, from 9:00 a.m.–noon. If you want to help us maintain Highland

but March 21 does not work for you, please contact [Debbie Cesta](#), 336-407-2327, to join

Highland Property Friends. We can always find some way for you to help around our beloved space!



Children

Children's Sunday Mornings

Sunday School for Children at Highland (9:30–10:45 a.m., 3rd Floor) Preschoolers (2–4 Years) Growing in Grace & Gratitude (9:30–10:15)

We share stories of love, grace and gratitude through music, story time, and activities that stretch children's hearts and minds. We also teach about God's love when we surround children with loving adults. This is the goal of our preschool teaching team as well as church staff and pastors. Your preschoolers will love **Growing in Grace & Gratitude!**

Elementary Ages (K–4th Grade)—Godly Play & Neighborhood

Workshops (9:30–10:15 a.m.) Over a two week rotation, children will experience the a biblical story beginning in Godly Play. Every other week the children will move to a different workshop to experience the same story from a different perspective through things like Art, Drama, Cooking, and Mission, even a Cinema. *God's Good Neighborhood* is the place where children and leaders grow in faith and understanding of what it means to be the people of God.

All Children—Highland's Children's Choir (10:15–10:45 a.m.)

Following 45 minutes of Sunday School, children of all ages will head to the Children's Choir Room where they are joined by Haley Chapman, Highland's Children's Choir Director. This room is also located on the 3rd floor. The Children's Choir sings in worship periodically to share their love for God and love for music. Contact [Haley Chapman](#) for more information.

4th Friday Fun Night, March 27

Friday, March 27, 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Mark you calendar today for the next 4th Friday Family Fun Night at Highland when parents can drop children off and enjoy the evening with Highland friends or running errands.

In Highland style we will have tasty food, fun games and activities, surprises around each corner, and friends are always welcome!

Contact [Heather Ferguson](#) for more information.



Youth

Youth Fellowship

March 1

Senior High Youth Sunday Planning Lunch

Send in your Moe's order as we gather following worship to brainstorm our theme and begin shaping the flow of worship.

Youth Sunday Planning, March 15

Middlers 4:00–5:30 p.m.

Senior High 5:00–7:00 p.m.

It's final preparation night for Youth Sunday. Middlers come to step through parts to support the service and share in dinner. Senior Highs, it's writing night for liturgy, Bible study, music selection, and pulling the pieces together.

Summer Trip Sign Ups, Montreat Youth Conference June 7–13

Current 8th through 12th grade in high school: A week where young people are affirmed in who they are and who God is calling them to be. It's a week centered on worship, community, and honest faith where youth are reminded they are deeply loved, they belong, and their faith matters.

Massanetta Middle School Conference July 14–17

Current 5th through 8th grades: Join a life-giving week where hundreds of middle schoolers gather each summer. We'll share gatherings designed just for middlers, including worship, games, workshops, and small groups led by high school Advocates.

Young Adults

Young Adult Ministry

Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

Our weekly gatherings are taking a pause as we revision our ministry together. Mark your calendars for these focused events in March. Contact [Courtney Stevens](#) for more information).

March 5 at Footnote Lenten Slow Night: A gentle evening of reflection, quiet, and honest conversation as we make space to breathe together.

March 19 Little Richards Share dinner showing up exactly as you are.



Adult Christian Education

Sunday Mornings, 9:30 a.m.

The Present Word Class, Room 124 and Zoom

This Spring, The Present Word Sunday School class is asked to consider the various meanings of obligation and to reflect on it in regards to God, ourselves, family, community, and our neighbor. How we live into our obligations as Christians through biblical and church teachings is presented in each unit.

- March: Challenges us in "Fulfilling our Obligations as Neighbors" out of mutual love and respect--in the home, community, and relationships both local and global.
- April: We focus on "Fulfilling our Obligations to Family and Community" in this life and in the promise of eternal life.
- May: We focus on Fulfilling our Obligations to God and Society" by considering our Christian duty to the broader society and our commitment to God in Christ.



Facilitators: A Wide Variety of Class Members and Guests from the Congregation

The Lectionary Café, Salem Room

The *Lectionary Café* is a warm, welcoming gathering of folks seeking to engage more deeply into the Lectionary text (scripture focus) for each Sunday. The group shares an informal and lively discussion which seeks to draw deep connections between God's intentions for our daily lives and our practices for a more faithful life together. *Facilitator: Mike Culler*



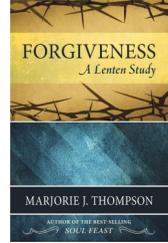
Parents' Conversation and Coffee, Room 126

After settling children into Sunday school, parents can gather for coffee and conversation. It's a chance to connect, share parenting experiences, and periodically, enjoy a special speaker or resource on faith and family. Other Sundays offer relaxed time to chat and exchange tips on parenting.



Lenten Congregational Book Discussion

Join us now through March 29 (Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in-person or Wednesdays at noon in person or via Zoom) as we read and discuss *Forgiveness: A Lenten Study* by Marjorie Thompson. Forgiving others and humbly asking for forgiveness are central disciplines for all Christian believers. Lent, a time to reflect on our Christian journey, is an appropriate time to deepen our understanding and practice of forgiveness. Together we will take a close look at our understanding of forgiveness in this encouraging study. Thompson helps us address such questions as:



- ♦ Is forgiveness a Christian duty under all circumstances? Or are there situations when Christians do not need to forgive?
- ♦ Is forgiveness a matter between individuals, or is it meaningful only in the context of communities?
- ♦ Is forgiving the best route to healing for the injured?
- ♦ How do we get past emotional barriers to real forgiveness?

With clarity, insight, and sensitivity, this study will guide us in examining both our ability to forgive and our own need for forgiveness.

Books are available for purchase in the Gallery Hall for \$15.

Everything Happens: Kate Bowler and Friends

Join us Sundays, through March 29, 9:30 a.m., Room 127, as we make our way through a curated collection of Everything Happens video podcast episodes for moments when the world feels unstable and hope feels fragile. These conversations explore how to live with courage, empathy, and meaning in devastating times – through illness, political uncertainty, grief, and moral exhaustion. Each week will feature Kate Bowler interviewing theologians, nurses, journalists, pastors, and caregivers who offer grounded wisdom, clarity without clichés, and practical ways to keep going when belief feels hard.



No book, no preparation! Join us.

Adults

Coffee & Conversation Tuesdays

On Tuesdays, Randy, Debbie, Courtney, or Heather will be hanging out for the cold months at the Bagel Station (129 Oakwood Drive), from 10:00 -11:00 a.m. for conversation with whomever shows up. This is a fun and varied group, and the conversation is always interesting. We hope you will stop by to check-in with your staff and meet other Highlanders.



Faith & Film: *When Harry Met Sally*

March 9, 7:00 p.m., The Sherwood Restaurant

Join us for this monthly gathering as we reflect on the visual parables of movies. Our movie for February is *When Harry Met Sally*. Contact [Randy Harris](#) for more information.

Men's Breakfast

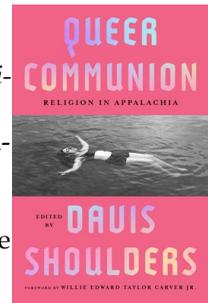
March 18, 7:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Join with the Men of the Church for a time of fellowship and study. Look for an email with details, and email [Randy Harris](#) if you have questions.



LGBTQ Book Group, Spring Study

For our next LGBTQ book study, we have chosen *Queer Communion: Religion in Appalachia*, by Davis Shoulders. Our group will gather on March 22 and May 3 at 4:00 p.m. in the Ardmore Room to discuss this beautifully written collection of twelve essays, poems, and stories that follows and fractures the expectations surrounding LGBTQIA+ Appalachians and their religious beliefs. Gathered by Davis Shoulders, the pieces delve into themes of chosen family, loss, congregation, and alternative expressions of faith. Set against the backdrop of Christian cultural mores and a region considered to be deeply pious, these writings offer diverse perspectives on religion, queerness, and growth. *Queer Communion* explores everything from the joy and excitement of worship to the complexities of navigating one's queerness and spiritual convictions in oppressive environments.

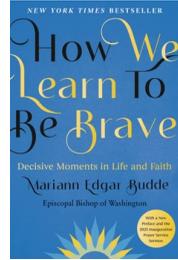


Copies are available through Bookmarks. You will receive 20% off when you tell them at the time of your order you are with the Bookmarks' Book Club program. Contact [Debbie Layman](#) with questions or to sign up.

Matthew 25 Book Group

***How We Learn to Be Brave* by Mariann Edgar Budde**

Our Matthew 25 Book Group will meet on Mondays, March 16 and April 20 at 7:00 p.m. for our next read, *How We Learn to Be Brave* by Mariann Edgar Budde. Bishop Budde has served as the Bishop of Washington, DC since 2011 with the Episcopal Church. This book is a spiritual guide that explores how to find courage in life's critical junctures, blending personal stories, scripture, and history to help readers ponder how they can respond with faith and clarity in difficult times.



You will receive 20% off when ordering through Bookmarks if you tell them you are with a Highland book club when you order. Contact [Debbie Layman](#) with questions.

Poverty Book Group

***There Is No Place for Us* by Brian Goldstone**

The focus of our next Poverty Book Group will be our neighbors who are working and unhoused. Our book will be *There Is No Place for Us* by Brian Gladstone who shares the stories of five families in Atlanta. We will gather on Mondays, March 23 and April 27 at 7:00 p.m.

You will receive 20% off when ordering through Bookmarks if you tell them you are with a Highland book club when you order. Contact [Debbie Layman](#) with questions.



Journeying Together in Faith

1st & 3rd Thursdays, 4:00–5:00 p.m., Highland's Chapel

Last summer, a group of folks gathered on Sunday morning and called themselves "The Bookless-Leaderless Book Group." The conversation was filled with insights and laughter and quickly moved to some of the more serious topics of the faith journey.

If you are interested in this type of faith-forming conversation with other sojourners, please join us. If you would like more information, you can contact [John Woodmansee](#) or [Heather Ferguson](#).



Listening to Black Voices Book Group

Join us via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. March 17 as we continue reading and reflecting on the experience of our African American neighbors and consider what our faithful responses might entail. In March we will discuss the first four chapters of Heather McGhee's *The Sum of Us*. If you are interested, please contact [Randy Harris](#).



Highland Mum's Night Out March 1 at the Home of Pam Webb

Mum's Night Out is a monthly evening of making connections, enjoying tasty snacks, sharing "Mum" insights, and building a circle of support and friendship among other Highland Mums. Whether you are expecting your first child, getting ready to send your little one to 1st Grade, or savoring that last year of high school, this gathering is for you!

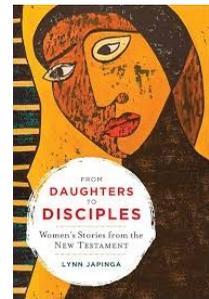


Please plan to join us on Sunday, March 1, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Pam Webb, 711 Friar Tuck Road. For more information, contact [Heather Ferguson](#) and let her know if you would like to host an evening with Highland Mums in your home.

Thursday Morning Women's Study

10:00–11:30 a.m., Ardmore Room
Women's Stories from the New Testament

For too long the women of the Bible have been depicted in one-dimensional terms. On one side are saints, such as Mary, while on the other are "bad girls," such as Eve and Jezebel. Just as often, the female characters of the Bible are simply ignored. However, the women of the Bible are complex, multidimensional individuals whose lives are inspiring, funny, and tragic in ways too many of us never hear.



In this second of two volumes, Lynn Japinga acquaints readers with the women of the New Testament. From faithful forerunners like Anna and Elizabeth to female disciples like the sisters Mary, Martha, and Mary Magdalene to first-generation followers like Lydia and Dorcas, readers will encounter a wealth of foremothers in the faith in all their messy, yet redeemable, humanity. This Bible study introduces and retells every female character who contributes to one or more New Testament stories, diving deeply into what each woman's story means for us today. If you are looking for a Bible study group that will fill a longing for wisdom, friendship, and prayer partners, please join us!

Men's and Women's Montreat Retreats

Highland's retreats provide much needed time to get-away and unwind and experience peace. At the retreats, our hope is that you experience God in a new and powerful way, learn something new about yourself, meet new friends, and grow relationships. Retreats will be located at the Reynolds Lodge at Montreat Conference Center beginning on the Friday evening before dinner and concluding on the Sunday morning after worship.



Women's Retreat, April 10–12 (Now full)

To join the wait list for the Women's Retreat, call the church office and ask Gidget to sign you up, 336-724-6303 or by clicking the link in a weekly email.

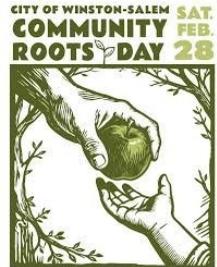
Men's Retreat, April 24–26

To reserve your spot for the Men's Retreat, contact [Jim Swing](#) or by clicking the link in a weekly email.

Community and Global Service Awareness

Climate Corner

We hope folks will join with others around Winston-Salem for Community Roots Day, the annual city-wide effort to expand our urban canopy and beautify our shared spaces. This isn't just about digging holes; it's about planting a legacy. By adding native trees to our parks and streets, we are working together to provide cleaner air, cooler neighborhoods, and a healthier habitat for local wildlife.



All hands are needed, whether you're a seasoned gardener or have never held a shovel! This is a family-friendly event open to all ages and skill levels. The city provides the trees, tools, and training – you provide the energy!

Why it matters:

- **Cleaner Air:** A single mature tree can absorb up to 48 pounds of CO₂ per year.
- **Cooler Streets:** Trees reduce the "Urban Heat Island" effect, lowering local temperatures by up to 10 degrees.
- **Stronger Roots:** Beyond the soil, this event strengthens the bonds of our community.

Join in on the fun, Saturday, February 28 at 9:00 a.m.! Persons interested in volunteering for Community Roots Day may sign up at the Community Roots Day Eventbrite page. Planting locations for volunteers for Community Roots Day will be assigned by Keep Winston-Salem Beautiful following volunteer sign up on the Eventbrite page.

~ Highland's Earth Care Team

Easter Lily Orders Due by March 29



If you wish to order one or more lilies for Easter Sunday, they are \$16 each. Please fill out this form and return with a check to the box in Gidget's office, or mail the order and your check to Highland, 2380 Cloverdale Ave., 27103. **Payment must accompany the order and must be received by Sunday, March 29.** Please make checks payable to **HPC**. [Order online](#). Thank you!

I / We would like to order _____ plant(s). Amount of check _____

_____ to be given in memory of: _____

Relationship: _____

By: _____

_____ to be given in honor of: _____

Relationship: _____

By: _____

Deliver to Homebound? Yes or No

Your name: _____