

# Highland Presbyterian Church

"SHARING HOPE FROM THE HEART OF THE HIGHLANDS"

JULY 2022



## Passing the Baton

On Pentecost Sunday, Rhonda Hibdon talked to the children in worship about passing the baton. Rhonda, our interim director for Children and Families ministry, used the illustration to talk about how Jesus passed his ministry to Peter and the other disciples, as he was preparing for his departure from earth. Jesus handed off to his followers the message of God's love for all the people. From the moment of Pentecost on, from generation to generation, his followers have done that.

As someone who ran track in high school and college, I really liked her analogy. I was a middle-of-the-pack miler for the most part, but at every meet, a group of us competed in the 4 x 440 relay. We weren't the official entrant from our school, and we always finished well behind the leaders, but we all enjoyed the extra run. In order to make the relay successful, we passed the baton.

Here at Highland, we have reached the time where the baton of the transitional pastor should be passed on. At the end of August, I will step down from my role and return to my home in Kansas. There I will again pick up my primary responsibility in retirement. See picture. (For those of you who are college basketball fans, Cabo, Hampton, and I are passing by the home of Bill Self, the coach at Kansas, just off to the right in the picture.)



Transitional or interim ministry is an important aspect of modern church life. This specialized ministry is built on the idea that congregations benefit from some time for reflection, renewal, and redirection between installed pastors. A congregation brings someone in with fresh eyes and an outside perspective to help the church and its members prepare for its next era of ministry. Those who are trained to do this important work focus on a set of "developmental tasks" to help a church move through its past and present, as it prepares for its future. There is a point, however, where the transitional pastor ceases to be the "fresh pair of eyes" and becomes part of the system. We have reached that point.

There is no hard and fast rule about when a transitional pastor should step away from their call, but 24 months seems about right. At the end of my contract in August, I will step away from Highland.

The Session has authorized a search committee to identify an appropriate person to fill in the gap between my departure and the arrival of the next installed pastor.

I am thankful for the opportunity to join with this community to worship and serve the Lord. I leave Highland with the confidence that the Holy One will continue to challenge and guide you into a new moments of service to the Cherokee Triangle community, to Louisville, and to the world beyond. To the glory of God.

Grace and peace,  
Kent Winters-Hazelton

## Worship Planning

- July 3 "The General, the Prophet, and the Healing Waters of the Jordan," 2 Kings 5:1-14. Kent Winters-Hazelton
- July 10 "Colossians: Hope in Christ," Colossians 1:1-14. Kent Winters-Hazelton
- July 17 "The Uniqueness of Christ," Colossians 1:15-28. Kent Winters-Hazelton
- July 24 "Rooted in Christ," Colossians 2:6-19. Kent Winters-Hazelton
- July 31 "Living in Christ," Colossians 3:1-11. Melissa Worthey



# Session Summary

*A report from the June 2022 Session Meeting.*

*From the Property Committee and Earth Care Team: the Session approved a community garden on the south terrace of the Pleune-Mobley Center. Funds will come from the Capital Improvement Fund.*

*From Church in the World: the Session approved making the Race Equity Task Force a full committee of the Session.*

*From Personnel: the Session approved appointing a committee of a subset of Personnel, Carol Pye, and Cynthia Welch to hire a Bridge Transitional Pastor who will begin working on or about 1 September 2022. This will be a month-to-month position, possibly working as co-pastor with Rev McCarty through the hiring of a permanent Senior Pastor/Head of Staff, following the conclusion of the term of the Transitional Pastor/Head of Staff.*

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# Mission and Service



## Dare to Care Food Bank

**Dare to Care Mobile Food Pantries** - While we do not want anyone to volunteer for something that they do not feel comfortable doing, we want the congregation to know that the two Mobile Food Pantries that we have connections with (Portland Avenue and Grace Hope) are still running once a month. (Portland – **Tuesday, July 5** at 9:45 am; Smoketown – **Tuesday, July 19** at 1:30 pm) Dare to Care has

a finely tuned system where all food pick up is non-contact, social distancing is enforced, and LOTS of safety measures are being upheld. This has been crucial for the populations that we serve because it is allowing them free nutritious food in a time when many of them have lost income and are surrounded by uncertainty. We want to thank the volunteers who help keep our partnerships going during this difficult time.

**Nicaragua Partnership** - Our scholarship program continues in Mirazul, Nicaragua. Currently we support 9 secondary and 2 university students. This month we are prayerfully requesting your gifts (of any amount) so that we can invest in the youth of Mirazul. Make out your check to HPC, with “Mirazul scholarships” in the memo line. A secondary education can be supported by \$300 per year and a university education is \$650 per year, but any amount is helpful to our students! Thank you!

**Little Food Pantry** - Our new Little Free Food Pantry has been installed on Highland Ave. near the steps leading down to the basement. This outreach box will work similarly to the Little Free Library in front of the Weekday School except instead of books, this one will hold non-perishable foods and hygiene items for anyone needing it. This box is being heavily utilized by the community currently and could use many more donations. If you want to contribute, you can stick items in the food pantry at any time. If the food pantry is full when you want to donate, you can drop off items with Rev. Megan McCarty or outside her office and she will make sure our box stays stocked for the community!

**HCM Collections** - Highlands Community Ministries is hosting their Summer Food & Back to School Drive early this year in order to prepare for next school year. We will be collecting food and gift cards from **June 1st - July 15th**. Our congregation has been asked to donate soup and crackers for their food pantry and \$25 gift cards to either WalMart or Target for them to purchase school supplies for students. Please place soup and crackers in the blue bins in the fellowship hall or on the church office porch. Gift cards can be mailed to the office or put in Megan McCarty’s box in the office. Please don’t put gift cards in the blue bins. Thank you for your generosity!

**KRM Collections** - Starting July 15th, directly following the HCM collection, we will begin collecting school supplies for Kentucky Refugee Ministries. They will accept gift cards to WalMart or Target, but they are also asking for the following supplies to be donated:

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| *Backpacks  | *Crayons                      | *Washable Markers                                 |
| *Scissors (blunt point)                           | *Cap erasers                  | *Folders with pockets                             |
| *Notebooks (wide and college ruled)               | *Packages of loose-leaf paper | *Masks  |
| *Colored pencils                                  | *Three Ring Binders           | *Rulers   |
| *Glue sticks                                      | *Highlighters                 | *Ballpoint pens (not red ink)                     |
| *Pencil pouches                                   | *Headphones                   | *Pencil sharpeners (personal sized)               |
| *Small bottles of hand sanitizer (personal sized) |                               | *#2 pencils (sharpened if possible or mechanical) |

If you would like to donate any of these supplies, please drop them off in the blue bins in the fellowship hall or on the office porch (after July 15th) or with Kathleen Poole in the front office.

**Race Equity Committee** - In June, session voted unanimously to make the Race Equity Task Force a full committee of the church. After completing all three phases of the Race Audit (which can be found on our website under “Resources”), the decision was made for this group to become a standing committee in the life of this church. This group will begin meeting in the fall to start thinking about what might be next as we strive to become an anti-racist institution. If you are interested in being a part of this “new” committee, please contact Rev. Megan McCarty at [megan.mccarty@hpclouisville.org](mailto:megan.mccarty@hpclouisville.org).

# July Birthdays

If we ever forget your birthday, or we have it wrong, please let us know!

July 1: Jim Crowley  
Jeffrey Hobart  
Molly Owens  
Dana Wright  
Jensen Jones

July 2: Jill Hutto  
Isabel Mosley

July 3: Steve Grimes

July 4: Virgil Vaughn

July 5: Tim Garton  
Thomas Holmes  
Penelope Prestigiacomio

July 6: Willie Harshaw

July 7: Libby Masticola  
Abby McClellan  
Joyce Straight  
Jennifer Zehnder  
Viola Blackwell  
Mark Hinds  
Daniel Burford

July 8: Larry Goudy  
Gene March  
Joan Wagner  
Jane Bonner

July 9: Patricia Connally  
Sarah Crowley  
Tom Howell  
Patsie Peak  
Shana Funk-Maggs  
Kathleen Reed  
Robert Franklin

July 10: Ruth Spangler  
Kim Hansford

July 11: Ben McQuese  
Field Oldham  
Nick Harshaw  
Cecilia Musgrove

July 12: Carol Cutler  
Janet Raderer  
Mike Hoadley

July 12: Sean Ragland

July 14: Charlotte Connally  
Daniel Jones  
Virginia Taylor  
Jessica Watkins  
Elliott Ruckman

July 15: Dylan Gulick  
Leo Osborne

July 16: William Burbank III  
Charles Garner  
Suzanne Oldham

July 17: Ralph Bowling

July 18: Meg Rift

July 19: Natalie Sams  
Ed Schadt

July 20: Kathy Emrich  
Ben Anderson  
Jessie Anderson

July 21: Jesse Fitzgerald

July 22: Marcia Murphy  
Julia Neumann  
Margaret Seiffert  
Jennie Weisenbarger

July 23: Jack Catlett  
Joshua Porter

July 24: Marilyn Nelson

July 25: Brenda Kee  
Frances Purifoy  
Forest Smock  
Ellie Wobbe  
Asa Ewing

July 26: Dan Bowman  
Laura Hall

July 27: Betty Trousdale  
Amy Kern  
Mary Julian Rapier

July 28: Pat Dolack  
Leigh Walsh  
Peggy Hinds  
Charlotte Neumann

July 29: Marcia Seiler  
Zaylie Barber  
Robyn Tribolet

July 30: Jack Cullen  
Renata DeWees  
Greta McGarvey

July 31: Tres Teague  
Jan Ward

## GIFTS HAVE BEEN GIVEN...

**GIFTS** have been given to the Memorial Fund in memory of Pen Helm by Jerry & Margy Palmer.

**GIFTS** have been given to the Nursery & Weekday School in memory of Pen Helm by Larry & Barbara Goudy.

**GIFTS** have been given to purchase children's books in memory of Joan Money by Mike & Kathy Reed.

A generous **BEQUEST** has been received from the Estate of William Van Cleave, son of Martha Ruth Van Cleave and brother of Trey Van Cleave, in remembrance of good times and good fellowship in Highland's youth program.

**Highland is most appreciative of these gifts.**

# Children's News

## EVERYONE LOVES GETTING MAIL!

If you have a child going away to camp this summer and you would like them to receive a note from Rhonda, let her know the dates and an address to send the note. Please get it to her in plenty of time to get it in the mail so your child can receive it while at camp. (rhonda.hibdon@hpcloouisville.org)



## MOVIE NIGHT

All children and their families are invited to put on your PJs and join us **Friday evening, July 22 at 6pm** in Fellowship Hall to watch "Encanto". Bring a picnic dinner, your favorite blankie or stuffed animal, and settle in to enjoy the show. We will take a short intermission in the middle of the 1 hour 45 minute film. You'll be home before Friday night bedtime!

**Rally Day - August 21**

**Roots** (for 3-5 graders) 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, beginning in September.



**Welcome to the HPC family, Owen!**

We can't wait to meet you.

Owen's parents are Dana and Jason, and his siblings are Reagan and Xavier.



## Vacation Bible School July 11-14

All Children Welcome:  
From potty-trained 3-year-olds to rising 6th graders

Hours 9:00 -12:00, cost \$20

# Youth News

## Summer Trip:

July 20–24 - Middle School Montreat (Maryville, TN) - 7 youth attending. This year's theme is, "A Place for \_\_\_\_\_."



## Thank You to all the Postcard Fundraiser Donors



Each summer, the youth deepen their faith by traveling to a youth conference sponsored by Montreat Conference Center. Each conference includes keynote speakers, worship services, small group gatherings (Bible Study), and recreation opportunities. With donations you support these life-changing experiences. Donors will receive a postcard from both of the trips written by one of the young people on the trip. **Thank you again!**

## VBS Youth Helpers Needed July 11–14, 2022

Vacation Bible School is back in full swing this summer and we'll need youth helpers to make it happen. Interested? Please email Ann Holmes at [ann.holmes@hpclouisville.org](mailto:ann.holmes@hpclouisville.org) to volunteer. We'll soon have more information about the various roles that need to be filled.



## Montreat Photos



## Update from Personnel Committee

**UPDATE from PERSONNEL:** We would like to share some upcoming staffing updates as we continue our transition to new leadership in the church.

- Megan McCarty will begin maternity leave on June 27 and will return September 18.
- Kent Winters-Hazelton will complete his service on or about August 31, the Session has approved the hiring of a "Bridge Transitional Pastor" to serve until our new Pastor/Head of Staff is called. (A subcommittee is currently being formed to fill that position.)
- Melissa Worthey, who has been serving as a Seminary Intern, will come on board in July as additional support for pastoral care and other staffing duties.
- Rhonda Hibdon and Michael Harper will continue to serve as Interim Directors of Children, Youth, and their Families.

# Music Ministry

## SUMMER SINGS

Come join us for Summer Choir! No requirements other than showing up. Summer Choir is an excellent tradition that offers another opportunity to be a part of the music ministry at Highland, and it is open to anyone from ages 11 and up. We meet at **9:45 am** on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary in preparation for the 11 am service. Come as little or as much as you like in the next few weeks; Summer Choir will continue through Sunday, August 14th. Again, no requirements; just come and be a part of the fellowship of music. If you would like to know more, please contact me at [vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org](mailto:vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org). Hope to see you there!



## CHANCEL CHOIR

Chancel Choir will resume on **Thursday, August 18th at 7 pm** and is always looking for new members! We will have our annual Saturday morning kick-off on **Saturday, August 20th at 9 am**. Childcare can be provided for Thursday night rehearsals, if needed, please contact me [vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org](mailto:vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org) prior to coming with your child. If you are interested in singing in the choir before August 18th, please check out our Summer Sings choral program.

## HIGHLAND RINGERS

Interested in ringing? We have 5-octave set waiting for you to ring, mallet, shake, and maybe even gyro. We will start back up on Sunday afternoons at 1:30 pm on **August 21st**. We are always looking for new members, and all are welcome from ages 11 and up. If you are interested in joining, please email me at [vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org](mailto:vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org).



## HPC ORCHESTRA



Do you play an instrument? If so, HPC Orchestra is always looking for folks to play with us. You might think you're too green, but you're not. We tailor the music to fit everyone's level. Think about it! We have loads of fun! Please email me, [vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org](mailto:vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org) for more information as we are scheduled to play in service for **September 25th for Music Festival Sunday**.

## CHILDREN MUSIC MINISTRY

Children Music Ministry welcomes all children from ages 4 to 5th grade. Our delightful choir directors guide the children to experience their faith through learning music and nurture them to explore their role as leaders in worship. We meet on Wednesday afternoon from 5:30 pm to 6:15 pm starting **Wednesday, August 24th**. If interested, please email me at [vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org](mailto:vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org).



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# PRESFEST

Sunday, September 25th

12:00-3:00 pm

Highland Presbyterian Church

1011 Cherokee Road



Grammy Award  
winning  
Michael Cleveland  
and Flamekeeper

Free block party for the  
community featuring: Food  
Trucks, Live Music, Bounce  
House, Snow Cones,  
Outdoor Games, Face Painting,  
and more!

\*Cherokee Road at Highland Avenue will  
be closed down for this event. Please access  
our parking lot from Everett Avenue or  
Eastern Star Court.

# Fellowship

**Men's Pub Night** - A group of men will be gathering on **Thursday, July 14 at 7:00pm** for a beverage and some good conversation at TEN20 Craft Brewery at 1020 E. Washington St. Plenty of socially distanced outdoor seating. Come join us. No agenda, just conversation in good company. If you would like to be added to the list for announcements about the upcoming men's pub nights, please email Ralph Bowling at [ralbow87@gmail.com](mailto:ralbow87@gmail.com).



**DID YOU KNOW?????** There is a Highland Pres Bridge Group that meets each month! If you are a bridge player, the Highland Bridge Group would love for you to join us! We meet on the first Thursday of each month at 1:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We would be happy to have new members join us. If you are interested, you can contact Janet Raderer at [traderer@bellsouth.net](mailto:traderer@bellsouth.net) or 897.5986 or Patti Pinkley at [pattipinkley@gmail.com](mailto:pattipinkley@gmail.com) or 419.1003. We can contact you the week before each gathering to ensure that we fill up our bridge tables each month! **Meets July 7 at 1:00pm.**

**WINGS** will meet **Monday, July 11 at 6:30pm.** All women of the church are invited! Contact Kathy Reed at [kathyreed330@gmail.com](mailto:kathyreed330@gmail.com) for more information.

**Louisville Bats Game** - Join Highland Presbyterian Church on **Thursday, July 28th** at the Louisville Bats game at 7:05 PM. Fellowship committee will pre-purchase 20 tickets. Reservations requested, but not required (call or email Kathleen Poole in the office). Tickets can be picked up in advance from Megan McCarty or Kathleen Poole. Ralph Bowling will be on hand to pass out tickets and buy others as necessary. Please meet at the Pee Wee Reese statue at 6:50 pm to get your ticket and join the group!

**Save the Date!** PresFest will be on **Sunday, September 25th** directly following worship! This giant block party event will feature music from Grammy winning artist Michael Cleveland and we will have food trucks and lots of outdoor activities! You won't want to miss this year's blow-out combined fellowship and Arts on the Corner event!! Keep an eye out for more details to come in the next few months. See page 8!

## Presbyterian Union

*A Monthly Discussion Group Sponsored by  
Second Presbyterian and Highland Presbyterian Churches*

**TOPIC:** "THE JOURNEY TO WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE"  
**SPEAKER:** **Dr. Kathryn West, Professor of English, Bellarmine University and presented by the Kentucky Humanities Council Speakers Roster**

Before the adoption of the U.S. Constitution, many women could vote, but by 1807 that right had been abolished in all states. From Seneca Falls to the adoption of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment on August 26, 1920, 101 years ago, learn how women came to voice, learned to organize, and eventually achieved Women's Suffrage through many intersecting movements, organizations, and events. Featured are a number of women who "rocked the vote" even before they could vote, including Kentucky's own Laura Clay.

Dr. West is professor of English and director of the Women's and Gender Studies Program at Bellarmine University. She is a graduate of Texas A&M and received her M.A. and Ph.D. from Duke University; she also earned a Graduate Certificate from the Women's Studies Program at Duke. She teaches courses in 20<sup>th</sup>- and 21<sup>st</sup>-century American Literature, Women's Literature, Women's and Gender Studies, and Native American Literature. She is author/co-author of five books and a number of articles in these areas and she is currently working on a book on Ojibwe author Louise Erdrich.

**Where:** Vincenzo's, The Courtyard Room  
Lunch: buffet salad and entrée, dessert, iced tea/Cost: **\$20.00** including gratuity

**When:** **TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2022**, at 11:30am

**RSVP:** If you will attend, please notify by 4:00 pm Monday, July 11 (if accepting) E-mail Ann or Ivan Schell at [adschell@bellsouth.net](mailto:adschell@bellsouth.net) or phone 894-8440

**Payment:** Please pay at door by cash or check.

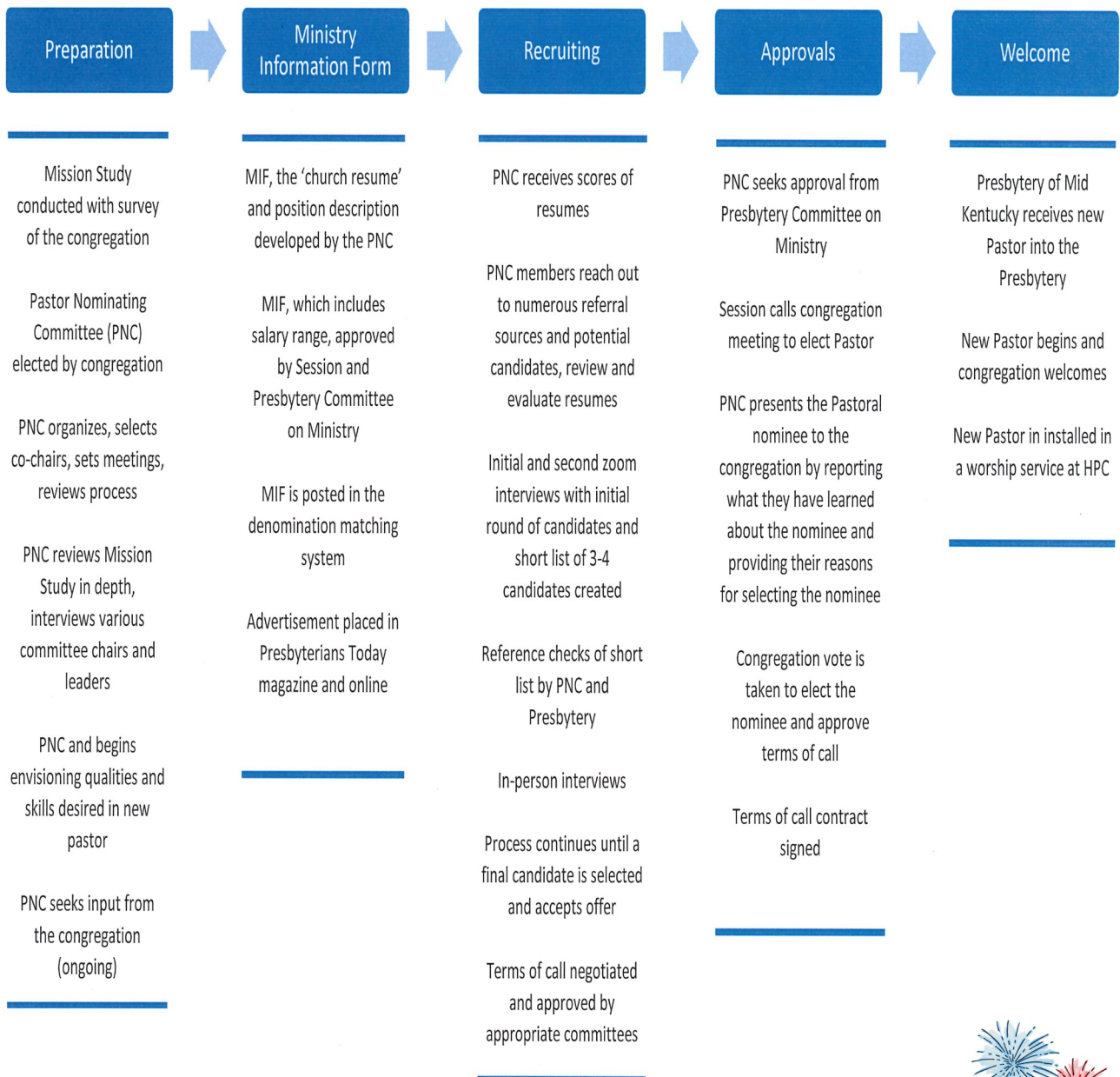


# Pastor Nominating Committee Update

**The Pastor Nominating Committee** is still in the recruiting phase. See the graphic below that outlines our process from start to the call of a new pastor. We have reviewed scores of resumes and held zoom and in person interviews with a number of candidates. We still cannot predict when we will find and reach agreement with a final candidate, but we continue to work diligently and prayerfully towards that end. We expect to be at work for a few more months. As always, we are glad to hear from members of the congregation, who may reach us through [highlandpnc2021@gmail.com](mailto:highlandpnc2021@gmail.com).

As a reminder, members of the PNC are: Kevin Burns, Patricia Connally, Edward Caruthers, Charlie Fendig, Martin Hall, Kelli Klingenfus, Kathy Reed, Tom Reichard, Linda Valentine. Our Presbytery representative from the Committee on Ministry is our former associate pastor Joel Weible, pastor of Pewee Valley Presbyterian. You can read more about our PNC <https://hpclouisville.org/pastor-nominating-committee/>.

## HIGHLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CALLS A PASTOR





# July



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Sun.: 9:45 – Summer Choir  
11:00 – Worship

Tues.: 9:30 – Staff Meeting  
10:00 - STITCH

### Weekly Meetings:

Thurs.: 10:00 - STITCH  
10:30 – WOW



3	4 Church Office Closed 	5 9:45 PACT Mobile Pantry	6	7 1:00 Bridge Club	8	9 9:00 Workday
10 9:30 Faith & Film Series	11 6:30 WINGS	12 4:30 Personnel Committee	13 4:30 Worship Committee	14 7:00 Men's Pub Night	15	16
17 9:30 Faith & Film Series	18 5:00 Finance Committee	19 1:30 Smoketown Mobile Pantry	20 6:00 Session Meeting M.S. Montreat	21 M.S. Montreat	22 6:00 Family Movie Night M.S. Montreat	23 M.S. Montreat
24 9:30 Faith & Film Series M.S. Montreat	25	26	27	28 7:00 Louisville Bats Game	29	30
31 9:30 Faith & Film Series						

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## **FAITH and FILM series**



**ADULT CE PROGRAMMING**

**SUNDAYS AT 9:30 AM**

**JULY - AUG 2022**

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|----------------|---|--------------------------------|
| <b>July 10</b> | <b><i>A Time for Burning (YouTube)</i></b>                | <b>leader: John Ferré</b>      |
| <b>July 17</b> | <b><i>Statues: This Is What We Stand For? (Vimeo)</i></b> | <b>leader: Morgan Atkinson</b> |
| <b>July 24</b> | <b><i>Don't look Up (Netflix)</i></b>                     | <b>leader: David Grise</b>     |
| <b>July 31</b> | <b><i>Encanto (Apple TV)</i></b>                          | <b>leader: Rhonda Hibdon</b>   |
| <b>Aug 7</b>   | <b><i>CODA (Apple TV)</i></b>                             | <b>leader: Robyn Sekula</b>    |

Watch the films at home through streaming services including Apple TV, Netflix, and YouTube.  
Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 am on Sunday for discussion.