

# Highland United Methodist Church

## CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

February 8, 2009 AD

Worship Address:  
 314 N. Fort Thomas Ave, Ft. Thomas, KY 41075  
 Bluebird Christian Preschool/Church Building:  
**859-441-2132**  
 Office Address (Tudor House):  
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**Helpers Today:**  
**1st Service:** Greeters- David & Debra Hausrath  
 Ushers: Jan Arnett & Jerry Richards  
**2nd Service:** Greeter - Patty Biltz  
 Ushers: Tom & Lisa Biltz  
**3rd service:** Greeters- Jim & Gayle Davis  
 Education Hallway - Don & Fern Gilchrist  
 Ushers: Jim Boothby, Joy Boothby, Sharon Eaglin,  
 Wayne Petry, Vera Powell, Steve Rottman  
**Visitation:** Tom & Barb Biltz

### PRAYER REQUEST:

\_\_\_\_\_ Class.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Confirmation  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Membership Class

### MEMBERSHIP CLASSES:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
**GUY & DOLL,**  
**SUNDAY, FEB. 15th**  
 NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPER WEDNESDAY DINNER**  
 Reservations needed by Monday noon. Dinner order form:  
 (Indicate below the number of each)  
 Main Meal (salad bar included) \_\_\_\_\_ Salad Bar Only \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pizza \_\_\_\_\_ Subway(meat: \_\_\_\_\_)  
**Donation \$6.00 per person**  
 NOTE: (If you have children having pizza, you do not need to sign them up here.)

My Decision Today:  
 I'm committing my life to Christ  
 I'm renewing my commitment to Christ  
 I'd like to talk to a minister

# \_\_\_\_\_ Attending Family Conference on February 27 & 28.  
 NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE \_\_\_\_\_



“But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine.”  
 Jesus (Luke 10:33 NIV)

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**Stephen Ministry Leaders**  
 Pastor Wofford, Ron Weitze, & Ron Gardella

**Support Staff**  
 Administrative & Ministry Assistant - Linda Dobson  
 Bluebird Director - Joyce Whitt  
 Bookkeeper & Communications - Debbie Wahlbrink  
 Financial Secretary - Rick Eaglin  
 Food Service - Debbie Schrader  
 Maintenance - Jerry Morris  
 Organist - Minjung Nam

Date: February 8, 2009

Service Time:  1st Service  2nd Service  3rd Service

Welcome! Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

At HUMC, I am a:  1<sup>st</sup> Timer  2<sup>nd</sup> Timer  Regular Attendee  Member I am guest of: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate:  Single  Widowed  Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Names of children living at home, Grades & Birth Dates:

Your birth date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Spouse's birth date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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(Please write down all children that are here today)

Please fill out the Welcome Card for all family members in attendance today. Drop your card into the offering plate later in the service.

**CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

**Sunday, February 8**

- 8:15 am COMMUNION WORSHIP, Childcare available
- 9:30 am SUNDAY SCHOOL (Children & Adults)  
I LOVE SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY
- 9:30 am CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP, Childcare available
- 10:50 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP, Childcare available
- 10:50 am CHILDREN'S CHURCH, Fellowship Hall
- 10:50 am SUNDAY SCHOOL (Youth & Adults)
- 12:00 noon-6:00 pm PICTORIAL DIRECTORY
- 5:15-8:30 pm COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS, LASER ADVENTURE,  
Meet in the HHS parking lot. \$6.00

**Monday, February 9**

- 7:15-7:45 am JR. & SR. HIGH MONDAY MORNING WORSHIP  
AT OUR CHURCH, COMMUNITY YOUTH EVENT
- 12:30 pm CIRCLE 5, Cobblestone Cafe
- 3:00-9:00 pm PICTORIAL DIRECTORY
- 7:00 pm CIRCLE 3, Patty Fernandez, 106 Carolina Avenue

**Wednesday, February 11**

- 7:00 am MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST, Ft. Thomas Frisch's
- 9:30-11:30 am STAFF WEEKLY MEETING & PRAYER TIME
- 4:15-5:00 pm BEGINNING HANDBELLS
- 4:45 pm YOUTH PRAISE TEAM, SANCTUARY
- 5:15 pm CRAZY CHOIR, ROOM 203
- 5:30 pm SUPER WEDNESDAY DINNER, Fellowship Hall
- 5:50 pm PIZZA FELLOWSHIP, 2nd Floor
- 6:30 pm ADULT OPTIONS, THE LIGHTHOUSE
- 6:30 pm YOUTH SMALL GROUPS
- 6:30 pm HIGHLAND RINGERS REHEARSAL, Choir Room
- 7:30 pm CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL, Sanctuary

**Thursday, February 12**

- 9:30-11:00 am WORD WARRIORS, Memorial Room

**Friday, February 13**

- 6:30 am MORNING WATCH PRAYER, Sanctuary

**Sunday, February 15**

- 12:00NOON VOLUNTEER TRAINING LUNCHEON
- 6:00-8:00 pm JR/SR. HIGH @ CHURCH,  
"What's Love got to do with it?"

**8:15 & 10:50 a.m. WORSHIP**

PRELUDE *March From Scipio*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Isaiah 58)

This is the acceptable day of the Lord.

To bring bread to the hungry.

This is the acceptable day of the Lord.

To bring the poor into our own houses.

This is the acceptable day of the Lord.

To clothe the naked and comfort the afflicted.

"... your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard."

Lead us in Your ways, O God.

"... if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday. The Lord will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail."

Teach us to delight in Your Sabbath and honor You.

"... you will find your joy in the Lord, and I will cause you to ride on the heights of the land and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob. The mouth of the Lord has spoken."

\*OPENING HYMN (Sung To Tune #577) *Father Long Before Creation*

J. Hughes

1. Father, long before creation  
Thou hadst chosen us in love,  
And that love so deep, so moving,  
Draws us close to Christ above.  
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us.  
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.  
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

3. God's compassion is my story,  
Is my boasting all the day;  
Mercy free and never failing  
Moves my will, directs my way.  
God so loved us, God so loved us  
That His only Son He gave.  
That His only Son He gave.

2. Though the world may change its fashion,  
Yet our God is e'er the same;  
His compassion and His covenant  
Through all ages will remain.  
God's own children, God's own children  
Must forever praise His name.  
Must forever praise His name.

4. Loving Father now before Thee  
We will ever praise Thy love,  
And our songs will sound unceasing  
'Til we reach our home above,  
Giving glory, giving glory  
To our God and to the Lamb;  
To our God and to the Lamb!

G. F. Handel

Pastor Karla Fullwood/ Pastor Larry Karow



**Volunteer Training Luncheon**, Sunday, February 15 at 12:00 noon replaces the Donut Training on Saturday, February 7.

**DATE CHANGE: P31 Father-Daughter Dinner,**

**Mar. 21 at 6:00 p.m.** Need 4-5 pictures of dad with daughter at different stages in life for a video. \$7.00 per person.

**FORT THOMAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS**

**2009-2010 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Kindergarten registration will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2009 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm for residents of the Fort Thomas School District. Children born on or before September 30, 2004 are eligible for the kindergarten class of 2009-2010. See poster in the educational building for further information or call the principal of the school or call 859-815-2011 .

**A BIG THANK-YOU!**

Thank you so much to everyone who has supported the project to buy clothes for the Hope for Africa Children's Choir. With the financial contributions we have received, we have been able to purchase many wonderful things for the children. Your generous support has been a true blessing!

We also want to thank you all for your prayers for the children and for our trip. Prayer is a powerful thing, and we're sure that the children are feeling your love and prayers over in Africa! Please continue to pray for the children as they prepare for their trip to the United States.

If you plan to write a note to the child(ren) you've been praying for, please bring it to church on Sunday or Wednesday night. It would be wonderful if you can put a picture of yourself/your family with the note so the children can "meet" you. We need to have all the notes by Sunday, February 15 (at the very latest!) so we can get them packed before we leave on Thursday, February 19. If you would still like to pray for a child but have not yet gotten a picture, please contact either of us, and we will get you a picture of a smiling little face! On behalf of the children, we thank you for your great love and generosity. May God bless you all!

With Love in Christ, Lanee and Wynne Philippe <x

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Pastor Karla/ Pastor Larry

**\*CHRISTIAN GREETING**

Pastor Jim Wofford

Welcoming New Member: Richard Wolf (8:15)

**MINISTRY MOMENTS**

Pastor Jim

**\*PRAISE SONGS(10:50)**

*Mighty To Save*      *Compassion Hymn (See -p. 5)*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:50)** *Another Lesson From Horton Hears A Who*      Pastor Larry

**CHORAL ANTHEM (10:50)**

Fettk

*His Everlasting Mercy & Enduring Love*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Pastor Karla/ Pastor Larry

**GOOD NEWS & ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Brothers and sisters, hear the good news, as far as the east is from the west, even farther has God removed our sin from us.

**Alleluia! In Jesus' name, we are forgiven. Alleluia!**

**OFFERTORY**

E. MacDowell

*To A Wild Rose*

**\*DOXOLOGY #95**

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Pastor Karla/ Pastor Larry

**MESSAGE**

Pastor Jim

*The Father's Heart-Part 5*

See Sermon Notes-p. 6

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Pastor Jim

**COMMUNION #15 (8:15)**

Pastor Jim

**\*CLOSING HYMN #384**

C. Wesley/J. Zundel

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

**\*BENEDICTION**

Pastor Jim

**\*CHORAL AMEN (10:50)**

**\*POSTLUDE**

Fr. Walczynski

*Postlude*

\*All who are able, please stand

## 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship

**MINISTRY MOMENTS** PASTOR JIM WOFFORD

### **GREETING**

### **SONGS OF PRAISE**

*Open The Eyes Of My Heart, Lord  
Everlasting God*

### **MOMENTS FOR CONFESSION**

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

*A Reading From Isaiah 58*

*Prayer Of Confession*

*Mighty To Save*

### **CONSECRATION OF MISSIONARIES**

DR. HARLAND HOLMAN  
LANEE PHILLIPPE  
WYNNE PHILLIPPE

**OFFERING** *Compassion Hymn, see page 5*

**MESSAGE** *The Father's Heart-Part 5*  
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**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**BENEDICTION**

### **Pray for Pakistan: A Profile of Love, Faith & Courage**

More than twenty years ago, Yousuf's name was Muhammad. As the son of his village's influential landlord, Yousuf was rich and young. However, his life changed completely when he fell in love with a Christian girl, Maria. Yousuf was ready to leave everything for Maria, but both sets of parents opposed their marriage. As a result, Yousuf made a bold decision to leave his wealth and religion for Maria and to elope with her to some other place. The young couple fled their village and moved to a Christian neighborhood in a distant city. There Yousuf was baptized, and the couple were married. However, that was not the end of the story.

Yousuf's father found out that his son had converted to Christianity. The landlord was furious and wanted his son back. Yousuf felt that he had lost everything. His father relentlessly chased the newlywed couple, but God kept them safe and they managed to escape him by continually changing their residence. "I was a rich man when I was a Muslim," Yousuf said. "But when I became a Christian, all I had was my wife Maria. At that time I really came to know that Maria loves me a lot, but not my wealth."

"We both prayed to Jesus and He comforted us," Yousuf added. "And with the passage of time I came to know that wealth is not the whole thing, but inner satisfaction and closeness to Jesus is the most important thing. This is the reason that I braved every difficulty and poverty," Yousuf told International Christian Concern (a ministry advocating the rights of persecuted Christians), with a very soft voice and with bright eyes. "Now I feel I chose the right thing at right time," Yousuf exclaimed. "I have no regret although I have been living in a continuous poverty but with inner peace."

God blessed them with five children, four daughters and one son. To their great joy, two of their daughters have found Christian husbands.

Yousuf's story is just one example of the price people pay in Pakistan for converting to Christianity. Muslim extremists are constantly trying to make the lives of these Muslim-background believers more difficult. Ultimately, their aim is to make conversion from Islam, what they call apostasy, an offense punishable by death.

Please pray for our Christian brothers and sisters being persecuted in Pakistan.

### **FEBRUARY 11 MENU**

#### MAIN MEAL

**OPEN-FACE HOT ROAST BEEF**

**SANDWICHES**

**MASHED POTATOES**

**GREEN BEANS**

#### ALTERNATIVE MEALS

**PIZZA:** Pepperoni Only

**SUBWAY:** BMT; Turkey; Turkey/Ham; Veggie  
(USE TEAROFF TO SIGN UP)

### **SUPER WEDNESDAY**

#### **DINNER**

**FEBRUARY 11, 2009**

*Dinner begins at 5:30 pm; Musical Worship Service immediately after dinner & ends before the Small Groups that begin at 6:30 pm.*

*The food costs are recovered with suggested donation of \$6.00 per person.*



Next weekend, February 14-16, 3 of our youth will be attending the Boys' Chrysalis weekend - a Christian weekend for young men.

Please keep Brenton Gieseey, Daniel Fennell, and Jake Adams in your prayers. DeColores!

# The Compassion Hymn

Getty/Townend

There is an ev - er last - ing you kind - ness - you  
 And with com - pass - ion for the hurt - ing - you  
 How stood be - neath the cross of Cal - vary, - and  
 beau - ti - ful the feet that the car - ry, - the

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laved us, when the ra - dience of hea - ven came to  
 reached out your hand as the lame ran to meet You and the  
 gazed on Your face, at the thorns of op - press - ion and the  
 Gos - pel of peace to the fields of in - just - ice and the

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res - cued the lost. You called the sheep with - out a shep - herd - to  
 dead wounds of dis - gain, for saw be - hind the eyes sor - row - and  
 val - leys of need. To be a voice of hope and suff - ring - and  
 leave their dis - tress heard for - give - ness and the  
 shared in our grief, as You the sough of the wear - y, let the  
 an - swer the cries of the par - doned scof - fer and showed  
 shade of your rest. What bound - less love, what fath - er - less grace You have  
 child - ren draw near, the streams of the the  
 grace to the thief. Your streams of the the  
 mer - cy of Christ. for the sough of the wear - y, let the  
 shown us, O God of com - pass - ion. Each day we live, an  
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off - ering of praise, as we shew forth the world Your com - pass - ion.

## 12 Hours ... Your Family ... God



**FREE!**

**FREE!**

## Igniting Passion Family Conference

Friday February 27, 6-8pm  
& Saturday February 28, 8a-6pm

Set aside these 12 hours for your family. Designed for households with children from birth to 18, this conference will help strengthen your family. You'll laugh, eat, study, create, and serve together.

There will not be a financial cost for this weekend. Dinner Friday, and breakfast and lunch on Saturday will be provided. You are simply asked to invest your time.

# CHURCH NEWS ITEMS

## Interested in Joining Highland UMC?

**YOUTH:** Youth that are 7th Grade and up are invited to participate. This weekly class teaches the basics of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ and a church member. The meeting times will be determined by the group. Sign up on tear-off.

**ADULTS:** Pastor Jim will hold an adult membership class on Saturday, February 21, 2009 from 8:30am to 12:30pm. Child care available on request. Want to sign up or get more info? Contact Pastor Jim at 441-0587 and/or use the tear-off.

## Guys and Dolls

Sunday, February 15th — Valentine's Dinner at the Bella Luna Café, 4632 Eastern Ave., Linwood, Cincinnati, Ohio. — Carpooling from the church at 4:00 pm — Reservations required. — Please sign the tear-off, if attending.

The United Methodist Church has been actively helping to meet needs during the recent Snow and Ice Emergency across the state. Churches across the state have been providing shelter and relief services. While we missed the worst, we can help those who are on the front lines of bringing relief in a couple of ways:

1. Pray for those affected and those responding.
2. Share your financial gifts through the United Methodist Advance. You can forward money in one of two ways:
  - a. Make checks out to Highland UMC and mark it for Winter Storms.
  - b. Send your check directly to the Kentucky Conference Treasurer. Mark it for the Kentucky Conference Advance #200901. Mailing address: 7400 Floydsburg Road, Crestwood, KY 40014.

## HIGHLANDS MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTS.....

### SEUSSICAL, JR.

Reserved seating available, can purchase tickets online at: [www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com) (\$7 students; \$9 adults) All performances are held at Highlands High School Performing Arts Center. The dates for the play are : Thursday, Feb. 19th, 7:00 pm; Friday, Feb. 20th, 7:00 pm; Saturday, Feb. 21st, 7:00 pm; Sunday, Feb. 22nd, 2:00 pm; Monday, Feb. 23rd, 7:00 pm.

## THE FATHER'S HEART AN ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLE

Luke 10:25-37

Getting to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Eternal Life

Getting Past the \_\_\_\_\_

Getting \_\_\_\_\_