

Highland United Methodist Church

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

September 27, 2009 AD

Worship Address:

314 N. Fort Thomas Ave, Ft. Thomas, KY 41075
 Bluebird Christian Preschool/Church Building:
859-441-2132

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PRAYER REQUEST:

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

Donation \$6.00 per person

NOTE: (If you have children having pizza, you do not need to sign them up here.)

Helpers Today:

1st Service: Greeter- Jan Arnett
 Ushers: Gary & Debbie Schrader
2nd Service: Greeters - Mike & Lana Vaughan
 Ushers: Becky Clark & Alan Wade
3rd service: Greeter- Vera Powell
 Ushers: Tom Biltz, Jim Boothby, Joy Boothby,
 Sharon Eaglin, Wanda Snapp, Greg Teets
Visitation: Dale & Julie Furtwengler

Pastoral Staff

Lead - James Wofford
 Associate - Larry Karow
 Spiritual Growth - Karla Fullwood

Ministry Staff

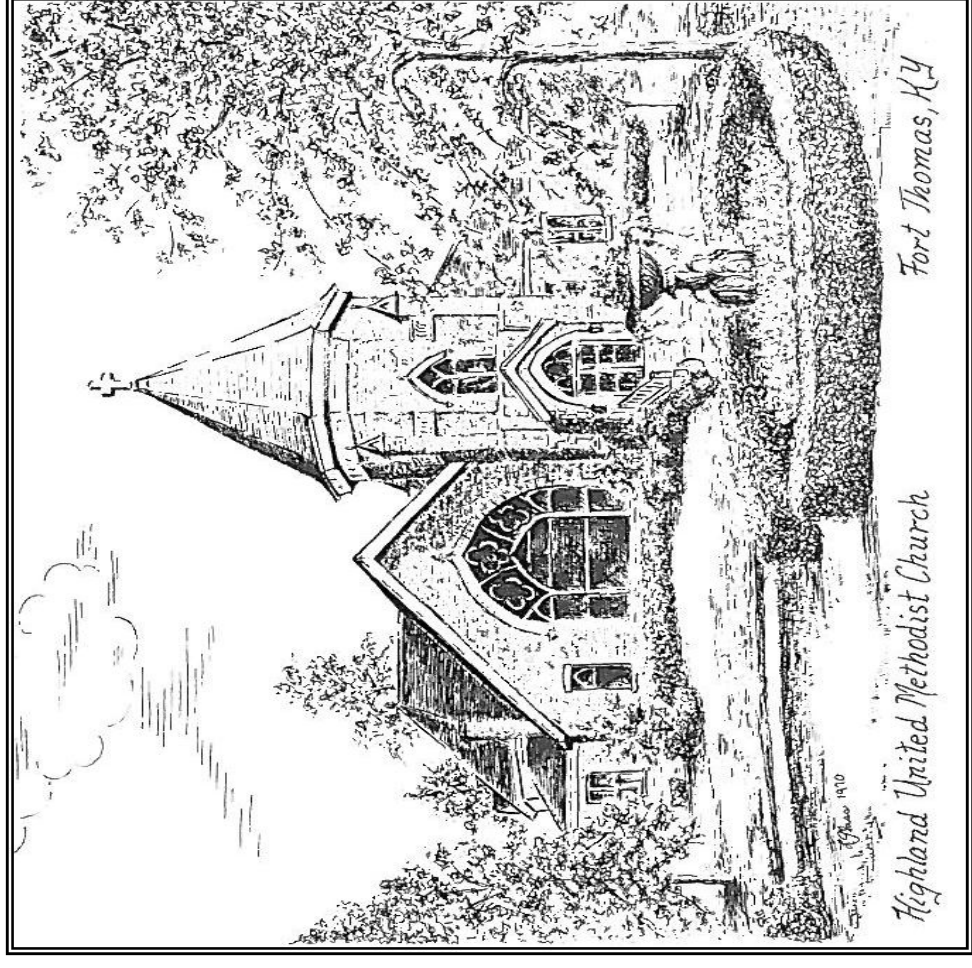
Children - Jennifer Hall
 Music - Donna Fetting
 Youth - Larry Karow
 Ministry Intern - Felice Wojewski

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 -

Stephen Ministry Leaders

Pastor Wofford, Ron Weitze, & Karen Beymer



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Yes, I would be willing to bring a pie for the dessert fellowship for World Communion Sunday.

Yes, I would be interested in making my church contributions automatically. (p.10).
 (you are not committing at this time as this is an interest survey.)

_____ Will provide a dessert for one of the Super Wednesday dinners.

_____ We will attend the Couples' Movie and Dinner Saturday, Oct. 3 at 6:00pm.
 _____ Need childcare for _____ children.

I'm committing my life to Christ
 I'm renewing my commitment to Christ
 I'd like to talk to a minister

My Decision Today:

Welcome! Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Email _____

At HUMC, I am a: 1st Timer 2nd Timer Regular Attendee Member Names of children living at home, Grades & Birth Dates:

I am guest of: _____ / /

Please indicate: Single Widowed Spouse: _____ / /

Your birth date: ____/____/____ Spouse's birth date: ____/____/____

(Please write down all children that are here today)

Please fill out the above tear-off for all family members in attendance today and drop it into the offering plate later in the service.

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Sunday, September 27

- 8:15 am COMMUNION WORSHIP, Childcare available
9:30 am SUNDAY SCHOOL (Children & Adults)
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)
4:00 pm GROUP GUITAR II, Memorial Room
5:00 pm GROUP GUITAR I, Memorial Room
6:00-8:00 pm JR. & SR. HIGH @ CHURCH, GAGA WITH PAPA

Monday, September 28

- 7:15-7:45 am JR. & SR. HIGH MONDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Tuesday, September 29

- 9:30-11:30 am STAFF WEEKLY MEETING & PRAYER TIME
6:00 pm MAGNIFICATION; MATURITY; MEMBERSHIP; MINISTRY; MISSIONS-EXTENDED; MISSIONS-LOCAL
7:15 pm CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING, Memorial Room

Wednesday, September 30

- 7:00 am MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST, Ft. Thomas Frisch's
4:15-5:00 pm BEGINNING HANDBELLS
4:45 pm JR. HIGH 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, October 1

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

Friday, October 2

- 6:30 am MORNING WATCH PRAYER, Sanctuary
YOUTH 5TH QUARTER

Saturday, October 3

- 9:00-11:00 am PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE
6:00 pm COUPLE'S MOVIE & DINNER, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 4

- 7:00 pm WORLD COMMUNION COMMUNITY SERVICE, Sanctuary

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

G. Sewell

Lasst uns erfreuen
Guest Organist: Rick Marquardt

Pastor Karla Fullwood/Pastor Larry Karow

PRELUDE

*OPENING PRAYER

O God of greatness and goodness, not only did you set us apart from the rest of creation, but you made us in your own image. O Lord, give us grateful hearts and let us rejoice in the presence of our Creator. O God of might and mercy, not only did you follow your people into the far country, but you took up the cross to set them free.

O Lord, give us grateful hearts and let us rejoice in the presence of our Redeemer. O God of consolation and comfort, not only did you bring us together in one place, but you called us to be your witnesses.

O Lord, give us grateful hearts and let us rejoice in the presence of our Sustainer. Gracious God, you have revealed yourself to us in more ways than we can recall or recount. O Lord, give us grateful hearts and let us rejoice in the love that will not let us go. Amen.

C. Wesley/G. Elvey

Maker, In Whom We Live

Pastor Jim Wofford

MOMENTS FOR MINISTRY

Pastor Jim

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Pastor Jim

*CHRISTIAN GREETING

Pastor Larry

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:50)

Glorify Thy Name

Awesome In This Place

SONGS OF PRAISE (10:50)

Stephen Fry

Abba Father

CHORAL ANTHEM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Super Wednesdays are here again!!! This year we are offering 3 or 4 different options during each session. Here is what you can expect

Super Wednesday Options!



Session 1 - 9/30, 10/7

The Book of Daniel part 1 - a life of integrity

We'll look at Daniel's life as he faced the kind of pressures and temptations Christians encounter today.

-Rick & Joyce Whitt

"Christian Perfection" by John Wesley

We will study this short, but powerful book by John Wesley, founder of United Methodism, and discuss it's application to our lives today.

-Pastor Karla

The Joy of Listening to God-Part 2

Continuing a class given last spring, this study will go beyond prayer to examine other ways in which God communicates, including dreams & visions, angels, & prophecy.

-Pastor Jim

Mountain Biking for Women

Remember the feeling of freedom when you rode your first bike?

Rediscover that freedom as we explore the easy trails at Tower Park.

Helmets are required and class size is limited.

- Annie Brown



OFFERTORY

Allein Gott in der Hoh sei Ehr

A. Armsdorf

*DOXOLOGY,

There is A Redeemer

Keith Green

There is a redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One,

Thank you oh my Father, For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit, 'Til the work on Earth is done.

Jesus my redeemer, Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face,
And there I'll serve my King forever,
In that Holy Place.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor Karla/Pastor Larry

MESSAGE

Embraced by God - Part 1

INCOMPREHENSIBLE
(See Sermon Notes, p. 5)

Pastor Jim

*HOLY COMMUNION (8:15)

*CLOSING HYMN #561 (vs. 1,2,4)

God Of The Sparrow, God Of The Whale

J. Vajda/C. Schalk

*BENEDICTION

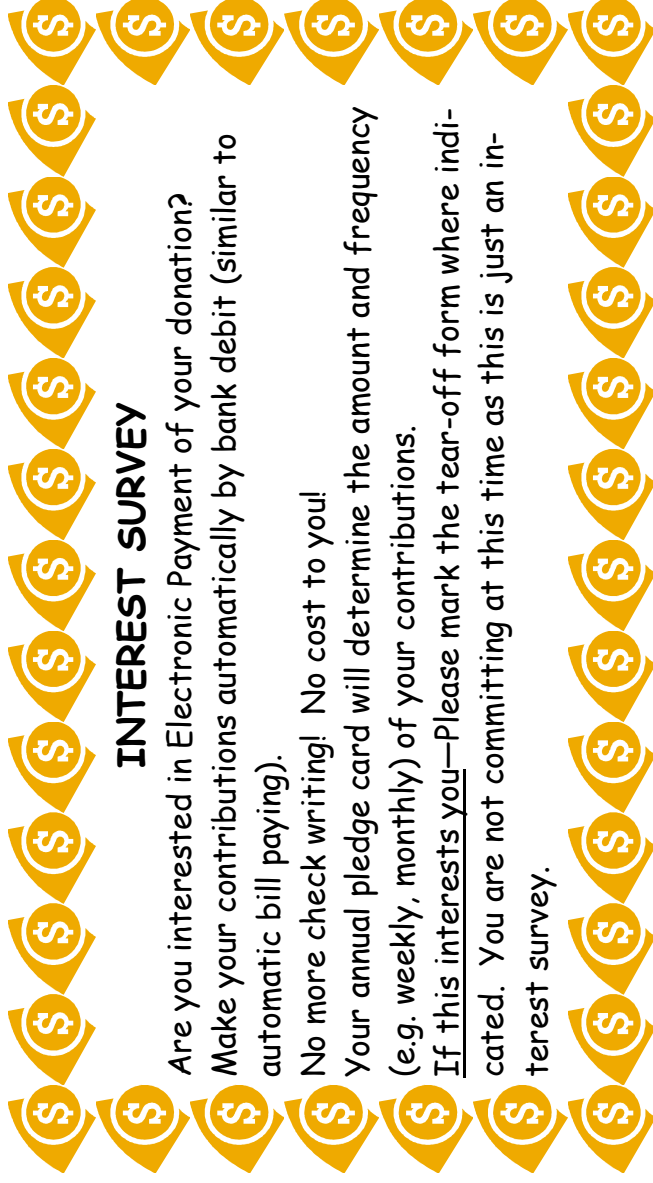
Pastor Jim

*CHORAL AMEN

*POSTLUDE

Praise God! (medley)

*All who are able, please stand.



INTEREST SURVEY

Are you interested in Electronic Payment of your donation?

Make your contributions automatically by bank debit (similar to automatic bill paying).

No more check writing! No cost to you!

Your annual pledge card will determine the amount and frequency (e.g. weekly, monthly) of your contributions.

If this interests you—Please mark the tear-off form where indicated. You are not committing at this time as this is just an interest survey.

9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship

OPENING WORSHIP

*Awesome In This Place
God You Reign*

GREETING

MOMENTS FOR MINISTRY

OFFERING

New Hallelujah

MOMENTS FOR PRAYER

MESSAGE

Embraced by God—Part 1
INCOMPREHENSIBLE
See Sermon Notes, p. 5

PASTOR JIM

SUNG RESPONSE

*Glorify Thy Name
Abba Father
There Is A Redeemer*

BENEDICTION

Wacky Wednesdays

Crazy Choir 5:15;
Pizza Fellowship 5:50 \$3.00
The Lighthouse small groups 6:30



Children's Crazy Choir will perform on Sunday morning and evening on **Oct. 4th** for **World Communion Sunday**. Children should arrive in jeans at **9:20 AM** (new time). A new tee shirt will be provided. For the evening service, children need to arrive by 6:45. Our Crazy Choir is a team and ALL members are important. Please make every effort to attend all our performances.

Birthday Box We still have our birthday box for all children! Lots of Christian books, music and DVDs. During your child's birthday month, please remind them to see me to visit the Birthday box.

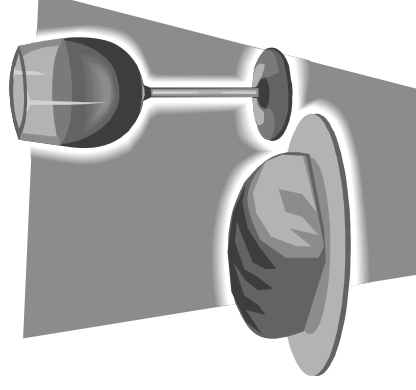
Infant Nursery/Bluebird classrooms You are welcome to allow your children to play in our infant nursery or other classrooms while you are here during other times of the week. We ask that you please pick up the toys and leave the room in clean condition. Bluebird toys should be returned to the proper center (i.e. baby dolls returned to baby doll box). This is a reminder also for our volunteers using these rooms for Sunday school and other classes. Thank You.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Join with other churches in Fort Thomas as we worship, share the Lord's Supper, and then eat dessert together on **SUNDAY, October 4 at 7:00 pm**. In our Sanctuary.

Our worship will include our Children's Choir, an Adult Community Choir (led by Donna), Trumpets, contemporary praise music and hymns.

We need volunteers to bring pies to share in our dessert fellowship after the worship service. Please use the tear-off sheet to indicate your willingness to contribute in this way.



“Acts 4” Trading Post

Using the Web for Christian sharing

The goal of the Acts 4 Trading Post is to provide a means for the church family to live into the model of Christian community presented in Acts 4:32-35 where Christians shared “everything they had” and provided for those in need. With that in mind, here is the concept that Highland UMC will try for the membership of the church on an experimental basis through December.

If you have either...

- 1) a new or gently used item that you are willing to give away, or
- 2) need for a specific item,

submit a description of that item in writing to the church office (email: highlandumc@fuse.net) to be posted on the Highland UMC “Trading Post” web page and the bulletin board in the main hallway of the church. Submitted descriptions will be posted anonymously on the website (www.highlandmethodist.com) and on the bulletin board for up to one month. If someone wishes to respond to the offer or need, they may contact the church office to receive more information or to make arrangements to pick up the item from the church.

Those giving the items are truly donating the item for persons to receive without charge. If those receiving the items have the means to give as well, they may make a “*THANK OFFERING*” to one of the church funds used to help the poor — *Faith Promise Fund* (supports local Christian ministries to the poor), *Pastor’s Hope Fund* (discretionary fund to help those in immediate crises), and *General Mission Fund* (supports mission projects beyond the local area).

EMBRACED BY GOD - PART 1 INCOMPREHENSIBLE

TRYING TO COMPREHEND THE INCOMPREHENSIBLE?

3 WORDS TO DESCRIBE GOD . . .

T _____

Isaiah 6:1-5; Exodus 20:18-19

T _____

Luke 18:19; 1 Timothy 4:4

T _____

Romans 8:12-17; Mark 14:32-36

CHURCH NEWS ITEMS

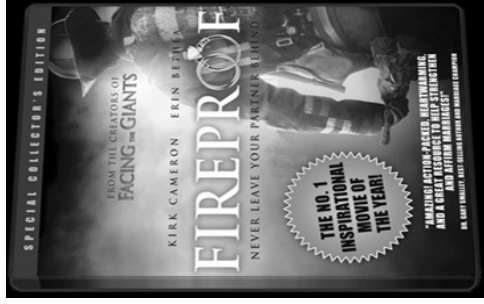
COUPLES DINNER & MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, October 3
Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm

\$10 per Couple

Come casual for a great dinner & movie

Childcare available upon request



Use today's tear-off to sign up.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN EVENT

Saturday, October 10, 2009

District Annual Meeting

Maysville Central UMC
Catered Lunch

Speaker—Nick Clooney



DESSERTS NEEDED FOR SUPERWEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

We are in need of volunteers to help supply desserts for the Wednesday night dinners. If you would like to help, please sign your name on the tear-off and you will be contacted. We certainly enjoy homemade desserts, but if your time is limited, there are many stores that sell delicious bakery goods.

-Barb Wagner

SUPER WEDNESDAY DINNER

SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

Dinner begins at 5:30 pm
Praise Music at 6:15 pm
Small Groups begin at 6:30 pm.
The food costs are recovered with suggested donation of \$6.00 per person.

SEPTEMBER 30 MENU

MAIN MEAL

METTURST/SAUERKRAUT

POTATO PANCAKES

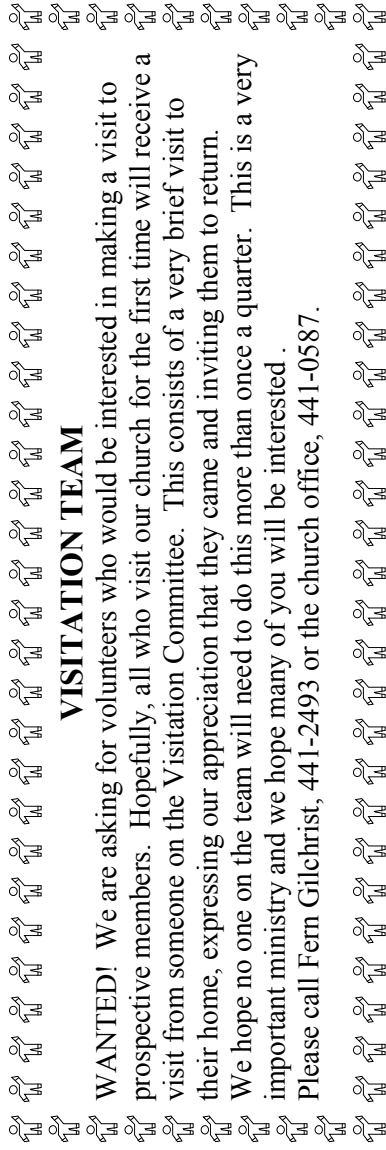
MIXED VEGETABLES

Salad Bar

Drinks

Desserts

(USE TEAROFF TO SIGN UP)



VISITATION TEAM

WANTED! We are asking for volunteers who would be interested in making a visit to prospective members. Hopefully, all who visit our church for the first time will receive a visit from someone on the Visitation Committee. This consists of a very brief visit to their home, expressing our appreciation that they came and inviting them to return.

We hope no one on the team will need to do this more than once a quarter. This is a very important ministry and we hope many of you will be interested.

Please call Fern Gilchrist, 441-2493 or the church office, 441-0587.

METHODIST MOUNTAIN MISSION

Urgent need because of the extreme flooding in Breathitt County where the Mission plant, one of the Opportunity Stores, the Bookstore, and the Furniture Store are located and this flooding occurred over Mother's Day weekend.

So many people lost everything! The Mission is playing a large role in helping folks get back on their feet. The NEED list is posted in the educational hallway.

Highland UMC pickup date is Monday, October 12, 2009. Items may be brought to our 406 N. Ft. Thomas Avenue location.



SHARING THE WARMTH:

Emergency Cold Shelter of NKY will be located in the same space as last year, 634 Scott St., Covington and is due to open around the first week of November.

Stephen Ministry

Stressed? Discouraged? Lonely? Sad? Don't suffer alone. Help is Available! Sometimes we fall into a trap where we think it's a sign of weakness to ask for help.

So when we're stressed, discouraged, lonely, or sad, we try to keep our struggles hidden and are reluctant to ask for help. Christ instructed us to care for our neighbor. The Stephens Ministry motto is *Christ Caring for People through People*. This lay ministry is available to you in your time of need.

If you're sad or struggling inside...don't suffer alone. Highland has a team of Stephen Ministers ready to provide *confidential* one-on-one caring and support to help our neighbor through a tough time. Find out more about this encouraging lay ministry by contacting Pastor Jim, Ron Weitze, 442-8224 or Karen Beymer, 441-5174.



Since we are celebrating Octoberfest this Wednesday, if anyone has a recipe for a dessert, bread or side dish of German origin and would like to share it with others, please feel free to bring it with you or drop it off in the church kitchen prior to the meal. -Debbie Schrader