

Fall Studies Beginning:

Class descriptions available at highlandumc.org/studies

Friday Morning Women's Study: Wearing God by Lauren Winner
7 weeks beginning September 1, 9:30 - 11:30 AM in room 202
Led by Rev. Janet Baucom (janet@highlandumc.org)

Methodist Theology
Sunday mornings during Sunday School
4 weeks beginning September 3 in the 3rd floor Assembly Room
Led by Rev. Charlie Baber, hosted by the ABC Class

Holy Conversations: Faith & Politics
4 weeks on Wednesdays beginning September 6
6:30 - 7:30 PM in the Conference Room
Led by Rev. Dr. Alan Swartz

Esther
7 weeks on Monday evenings beginning September 11
6:30 - 8:00 PM in the Parlor
Led by Rev. Bruce Taylor & Connie Williams
(connie.williams@me.com)

Attendance August 27, 2017

8:30am: 78 10:30am:109 11:00am:111 Total: 290

SCRIPTURE READERS: 8:30 Pam Brothers
11:00 Jane Gray

AUDIO: Ken Schuster

STREAMING MINISTRY: Seth Troxler, Kennan Mottershead

PRAYER ROOM: 8:30: Rebecca Turner
11:00: Charles and Ola Mae Cimerro

COMMUNION SERVERS: 8:30: Norm Childs, Karen Seymour
11:00 Bill Correll, Ann Chapman

PASTOR: The Reverend Dr. Alan Swartz

PASTOR: The Reverend Charlie Baber

MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS

AND SPIRITUAL FORMATION:

The Reverend Janet Baucom

MINISTER TO YOUTH AND FAMILIES:

The Reverend Sarah Fletcher

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Amy Takahashi

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Jo Anne Swartz

ORGANIST: Marcia Nance

DIRECTOR OF CARE MINISTRIES: Candi Scott

This Week At Highland

Sunday, September 3

8:30am Worship (Sanctuary)
9:20am Sunday School
10:30am The Connection (Bradley Hall)
11:00am Worship (Sanctuary)

Monday, September 4

Labor Day Office Closed
7:00pm NAMI support/Toastmasters/Pick Up
Basketball

Tuesday, September 5

7:00am Men's Bible Study
9:00am English as a Second Language
7:00pm Boy Scouts
7:00pm Stephen Ministry
7:00pm Building Committee
7:00pm Emmaus Reunion Group
8:00pm AA

Wednesday, September 6

9:00am English as a Second Language
12:00pm Raleigh Sports Club
4:45pm Cherub Choir (3 & 4-years-old)
5:00pm Bells Alive (beginning handbells)
5:15pm Chorister Choir (K-5th)
5:45pm Church Supper
6:30pm HUMRingers
6:30pm Holy Conversation: Faith & Politics
7:30pm Connection Band Rehearsal

Thursday, September 7

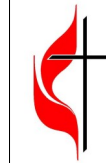
9:00am English as a Second Language
9:15am Tai Chi
10:00am Prayer Shawl
6:30pm Star Twirlers
7:30pm OA
7:30pm Highland Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 8

9:00am English as a Second Language
9:30am Friday Women's Bible Study
12:15pm Kiwanis Club
4:00pm UMYF Sr. Retreat

Saturday, September 9

All Day UMYF Sr. Retreat
8:30am UMM Breakfast
8:00pm AA



Highland United Methodist Church

1901 Ridge Road, Raleigh NC 27607

919.787.4240 www.highlandumc.org

September 3, 2017 13th Sunday after Pentecost

11am Traditional Worship

8:30am Traditional Worship 10:30am Contemporary Worship 9:20am Sunday School

We are an inviting family of faith seeking to love, serve, and share Christ in our community and the world.

ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

We welcome our guests today. You honor us with your presence. Please sign the fellowship pad on each pew and turn all electronic devices to silent mode. Children are always welcome in our worship services. Nursery care for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers is also available downstairs in Room 107.

**If you are able, please stand for this part of the service.*

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

"O Be Joyful"

Yarrington

*OPENING HYMN

"We, Thy People, Praise Thee"

Hymnal#67

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Sarah Fletcher

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

God of all faithfulness,

you have opened the gate of mercy for your people

and are always ready to welcome those who turn to you.

Look on us in your compassion,

that we may gladly respond to your love

and faithfully walk in your way

through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM

"Balm in Gilead"

Harlan

Highland Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & BIBLE PRESENTATIONS

EPISTLE LESSON

James 1:17-27

Common English Bible

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

#431

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

SERMON

#Unfollow: Anger
Rev. Dr. Alan Swartz

———— **RESPONSE** ————

*HYMN OF RESPONSE “Sweet, Sweet Spirit” Hymnal#334

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy and merciful God,
in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings,
and our offenses against you.**

**You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from your ways,
in wasting your gifts,
in forgetting your love.**

**Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry
for all we have done to displease you.**

**Forgive our sins,
and help us to live in your light
and walk in your ways,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**
(Please offer silent confession.)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
That proves God’s love toward us.

In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen**

*THE PEACE

*Following ancient Christian practice, we greet one another, offering
reminders of Christ’s peace. Please greet those around you saying:
“The peace of Christ be with you.” And responding: “And also with
you.”*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Travis

*DOXOLOGY “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”
Hymnal #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Hymnal#17

*THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father,
who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION *Communion offers the chance for an
encounter with God; therefore, all persons, including children,
are invited to participate and receive the sacrament. When you
come forward, bread will be placed in your hand, and you are
invited to dip it into the cup and eat.*

***If you would prefer an allergen-free wafer for communion ra-
ther than bread, please let one of the servers know.***

———— **SENDING FORTH** ————

CLOSING HYMN “Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life”

Hymnal#164

*The Choir will sing the first verse, then the congregation will
join them singing the 1st—3rd verses.*

*SENDING FORTH WITH BLESSING

*Following the dismissal, the congregation is asked to remain
standing for the chimes before departing the sanctuary.*

*CHORAL BENEDICTION “Ascription of Praise”

Schwoebel

*POSTLUDE *Variation/Toccata on “Nettleton”* Travis

*Kay and Mac Burgess give the flowers today to the glory of
God and in loving memory of Kay’s brother Buddy Falls.*

As we worship together this morning, you are invited to Listen, Think, and Respond:

Listen for the word angry and the things James calls us to do instead of getting angry.

Think: How does anger prevent people from seeing God in us? What does it mean to be people of the word?

Respond by naming two things you can do this week to keep anger out of your life.

Fall Worship Schedule

8:30 to 9:15 - Eucharistic Worship in Sanctuary
9:20 - Children and Youth Sunday School Class
10:30 to 11:30 - Connection Worship in Bradley Hall
11:00 to Noon - Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

Weekly Coffee Hour

All are welcome to join us in the narthex for fellowship and coffee beginning at 10:20. Catch up with friends and greet people arriving for the 11:00 worship.

Hurricane Harvey Relief Donations

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) is already at work planning relief efforts for those impacted by Hurricane Harvey. To contribute to this effort, write a check to Highland UMC and note “Hurricane Harvey relief” in the memo.

Highland hosts Family Promise (formerly WIHN) September 10-17.

There are several remaining opportunities to help welcome families staying at Highland, especially Friday, Saturday, and Sunday morning. Details and online sign-up can be found at highlandumc.org/serve, or call Family Promise Coordinator Janine Wood at 919-606-7328.

Wednesday Night Dinners and Activities Resume September 6.

Meal passes, reservations, menus, and activity schedules are all available now at highlandumc.org/wednesday-nights.

Racism, Hate Speech, and the 24-Hour News Cycle: How to Talk to the Kids - September 10, 6 - 7 PM

Parents are invited to join Amy Takahashi for this important conversation about addressing racism and current events with children and youth. Childcare available upon request at highlandumc.org/children.

United Methodist Men’s Breakfast - Saturday September 9

All men are welcome at 8:30 AM next Saturday morning for breakfast and a presentation from Bob Seaton about his travels in Sweden

Find opportunities to serve our community and our church family at www.highlandumc.org/serve.