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Romans 5:1-11
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Romans 6:1-14
Romans 6:15-23
Acts 1:1-11
Acts 1:12-26
Acts 20:17-38

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS
May 9
Britt and Amy McCarty



ATTENTION COLLEGE GRADUATES!
Please notify the church office by May 10,
if you are a college graduate.



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GET FIT

"Train yourself for godliness..." 1 Timothy 4:7b

SUNDAY, MAY 9 MOTHER'S DAY
Deacon's Meeting 8:00 AM
Sunday School 9:00 - 9:45 AM
Worship Service 10:00 - 11:00 AM
Parent/Baby Dedication

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY
ADULT EXERCISE AT 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12 (LIMITED SEATING)
- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM
MENU: Chicken Spaghetti, English Peas, Rolls, Salad, Dessert
CHILDREN'S MENU: Chicken Nuggets or Hot Dogs
\$5.00 for Adults (6th Grade and up) \$3.00 for Children
\$20.00 Family Maximum
- Prayer Meeting (6:00-7:00 PM)
- Youth Worship (6:00 -7:00 PM)
- Kidz WOW (6:00-7:00 PM)

SUNDAY, MAY 16 Baccalaureate Sunday
SUNDAY, MAY 23 Deacon Nomination
Men's Breakfast at 8:00 AM
SUNDAY, MAY 30 Observance of the Lord's Supper

FROM OUR CHIEF OF STAFF...

**Looking Back, Looking Forward, And The Holy Spirit At Work
Some Perspective**

I don't know about you, but I am truly exhausted with the constant emphasis on bad news of the moment and a loss of perspective and context by the media concerning Covid-19. If the media of today had been present during the times when Jesus walked the earth, the account of Jesus walking on water (Matthew 14:22-33) would not have been an account of a miracle. In fact, I am convinced the headline would have been "JESUS CAN'T SWIM !!!".

The Holy Spirit is most definitely working in Highland Baptist Church. We see new faces almost every Sunday, we are baptizing people at a rate we haven't seen in some time, there is a renewed emphasis on discipleship, and there is an excitement that is palpable. Let me present some facts to you. From January 6, 2019 through May 2, 2021 the worship attendance data is ...

- Attendance At Easter Service
 - 2019 – 340
 - 2020 – 0
 - 2021 – 393
- High Four Week Average Attendance
 - 2019 – 278
 - 2020 (pre-Covid) – 297
 - 2020 (post-Covid) – 274
 - 2021 – 285

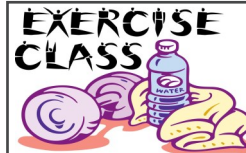
I am not a proponent of confusing spiritual growth and attendance. However, I do believe that spiritual growth will lead to more people wanting what God is offering, and I also believe that is what we are seeing. The Gospel is proclaimed from the pulpit and choir loft, and I am excited that it is also being proclaimed in an increasing number of discipleship groups.

To look forward a bit, we are on the verge of renovating the sanctuary for the purpose of addressing some long deferred issues and enhancing the worship environment. Due to the negative effects of Covid on the delivery of some construction materials, our contractor (J&J Contractors of Collinsville) is submitting a list of long delivery items to the Finishes Committee for approval, and we will evacuate the sanctuary and begin construction four weeks after approval of these items. This is being done because of some wise council received from church staff, architect and contractor. These are exciting times at Highland Baptist Church.

**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:
...the family of Mrs. Frances White.**



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EXERCISE CLASS
ADULT EXERCISE HAS RESUMED
8:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday

MEMORIAL FLOWERS
The flowers in the Sanctuary today are in memory of Mrs. Helen Rhodes (5.12.32) given by her children.

THE VERY NEWEST
Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Remy (Margaret) on the birth of their great-grandson, John Hudson Hodges.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
JUNE 2, 9, 23 JULY 7, 14, 21, 28

STEWARDSHIP REPORT MAY 2, 2021			
Budget	14,782.00	CDC Req. to date	420,157.44
Child Development Center	.00	(18@ 23,342.08)	
Designated	785.00	CDC Receipts to date	395,409.35
Total	15,567.00		
Budget Req. to date (18@ 23,309.06)	419,563.08	SUNDAY SCHOOL	229
Budget Receipts to date	449,052.94	MORNING WORSHIP	274