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Romans 11:1-24  
Romans 11:25-36  
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Romans 13:1-14  
Romans 14:1-23  
Romans 15:1-13  
Romans 15:14-33.



**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS**  
*April 24*  
*Vicki Mathis, Wanda Clay*  
*Brent and Katie Gough*



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### SUNDAY, APRIL 24

Sunday School

9:00 - 9:45 AM

Worship Service

10:00 - 11:00 AM

Baptism Sunday

Drive Through Tea Shower for Sarah Dover 1:30-2:30 PM

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY Adult Exercise at 8:30 AM

TUESDAY, APRIL 26 Highlander's Meeting at noon

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM MENU: Pancakes, Sausage, Fruit
- College Bible Study (5:30 PM at the Highland House)
- Prayer Meeting (6:00 PM)
- Youth Worship (6:00 -7:00 PM)
- Kidz WOW (6:00-7:00 PM)
- Adult Choir Rehearsal (7:00 PM)

### **COMING UP IN MAY!**

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| MAY 1  | Parenting Conference for 5th Grade Parents      |
|        | Deacon Nominations                              |
| MAY 8  | Mother's Day                                    |
| MAY 10 | Senior Adult Fish Fry at Dr. Greer's at 5:30 PM |
| MAY 15 | Baccalaureate Sunday                            |
| MAY 18 | No Wednesday Night Activities                   |
| MAY 22 | Youth Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser                |
| MAY 25 | No Wednesday Night Activities                   |
| MAY 29 | Memorial Day Block Party                        |
| MAY 30 | Memorial Day (Offices Closed)                   |

### FROM OUR MINISTER TO STUDENTS...

As many of you know from seeing it in person, and I'm pretty sure I've written about it as an article before, a hobby I enjoy is umpiring baseball. I've umpired baseball of all ages ranging from 7 and 8 year old coach pitch to some low-level college ball. I spend a majority of my umpiring time doing high school ball. As I sit to write this, the regular season of high school baseball ends tonight. As you read this, a majority of the local schools in our area will be competing in the state playoffs. The reason I'm writing about this today is I had a brief but interesting conversation with a player out of the Jackson area a couple weeks ago that I cannot seem to get out of my mind. I'll spare you the details of the conversation but the crux of it was that I made a call (the right call) that this player disagreed with. It indirectly resulted in him striking out just two pitches later. On his way back to the dug-out after striking out, he turned, looked at me, pointed his bat at me, and says that he deserves to be on first base and it's my fault that he struck out. The last thing he said to me is what has stuck in my mind. "I deserve to be on first base. It's your fault I struck out."

"I deserve..."

"It's your fault..."

While I disagree with what he said, I can understand his emotions getting the better of him in the midst of a closely played game that had playoff implications on the line. How often do we carry this attitude into our walk with Christ? "God, I deserve this (raise/promotion/good grade/healthy family member/strong marriage/whatever you want to put here)." "God, I've earned this and since I don't have what I want, it's your fault." Too often we come to God with expectations and an attitude of entitlement. An attitude of since I have been in church for 40 years and read my Bible twice a week and even give to the church every month, God owes me what I want. We need to remember that the only thing we deserve is death, Hell, and permanent separation from God. It is through his grace that we have a life of hope. Ephesians 2:8-9 says, ***"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast."*** We just finished celebrating Easter and the resurrection of Christ. I pray that the celebration we experienced just a couple days ago lasts all year in our heart and mind. Never forget, it is through Him that we have life. We don't deserve anything good, but God continues to bless us in ways the we cannot even imagine. I love you, church family, and pray for you. My prayer for each of us is that we set aside our sense of entitlement with God and fully surrender ourselves to His will.

### ATTENTION COLLEGE GRADUATES!

Please contact the church office by May 9 if you are graduating from college this year.

*You Are Cordially Invited  
To Attend a Drive Through Tea Shower  
for Sarah Dover  
Bride-elect of Chandler Moore  
Sunday, April 24, 2022 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.  
Highland Baptist Church Lower Parking Lot  
Registered at: Bed, Bath & Beyond, Amazon, Walmart*

### HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS

#### IN MEMORY OF ROBERT COREY:

Designated to the Library by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Follis

Designated to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering by:

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilkerson

#### IN MEMORY OF MISS MALETA YARBROUGH:

Designated to the Child Development Center by:

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilkerson

## DEACON NOMINATIONS

**Deacon Nomination brochures  
have been mailed out. Please  
contact the church office if  
you have not received yours.**



**Summer of Missions  
T-Shirts will be available online  
beginning April 19.**

**You may also purchase in the Gathering Area  
April 24, May 1 or May 8.  
Adults—\$12.00 Youth—\$10.00**

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT APRIL 17, 2022

Budget	24,514.70	CDC Req. to date	401,744.00
Child Development Center	.00	(16@25,109.00))	
Designated	5,958.00	CDC Receipts to date	304,787.50
Total	30,472.70		
Budget Req. to date (16@ 23,996.67)	383,946.72	SUNDAY SCHOOL	279
Budget Receipts to date	354,855.78	MORNING WORSHIP	429