

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ed Harber

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all who feel alone, forgotten, or unsure.

**God is here, faithful in every moment.**

Come, all who rejoice and give thanks.

**God rejoices with us and receives our praise.**

In all seasons, through all things,

**We worship the One who never leaves us.**

### WORSHIP WITH SINGING\*

Come, Now is the Time to Worship; God is Here; Joy to the World;

America the Beautiful; The Stand

*Worship Team: Chris Pinelo, AJ Allen, Jerry Pinnell, JR Brumley,  
Kaitlin Guenther, Neal Sterrett*

### DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH

*(At this time, children 4yrs through 5th grade are dismissed to go upstairs for Sunday School.*

*Parents, please pick up your child in room 207 upstairs following worship*

*Youth Sunday School meets downstairs in the youth room.)*

### MINISTRY OF GIVING

#### OFFERING MUSIC

Hallelujah; Be OK

#### SCRIPTURE

PSALM 100

#### SERMON

**Faith, Struggle, and the Shaping of a Nation**

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### WORSHIP WITH SINGING\*

Goodness of God; The Blessing

### BENEDICTION\*

\*Please stand as you are able.



Special thank you to today's **Ushers & Greeters,**

**Pat & Jeff Sidler**

Your service is greatly appreciated!



The KY Cabinet for Health and Family Resources is in urgent need of 2 window sized A/C Units. If you or someone you know has one to spare, please contact Nancy Baker. Thank you!

**vine & branches**  
nky campus ministry  
**Summer Auction**

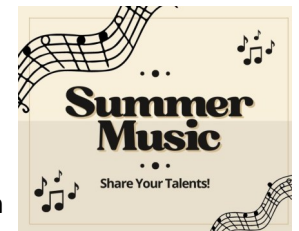
Vine and Branches Campus Ministry at NKU is holding a fundraising auction and needs your help! You can donate items such as event tickets, furniture, gift baskets, and other gifts!

More information on acceptable items and donation instructions available at our website.

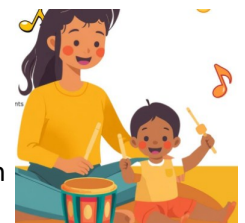


Join us for our annual celebration of Summer at Highland United Methodist Church, **Party on the Plaza!** We'll get together on the plaza on **Wednesday, July 15** for an evening of great food, fellowship, and more! **The event kicks off at 5:30.** We can't wait to see you there.

It's that time of year to play your favorite songs of faith on your instrument of choice, or by singing either a solo or in a small group. We need your help to fill our **2026 Summer Special Music Calendar.** We'd love for you to share your musical gifts during the worship service! You can find a link to sign up on our website, [www.highlandmethodist.com](http://www.highlandmethodist.com).



**First Steps in Music. Saturdays, July 11, 18, 25 & Aug 1.** Designed for children birth thru 5. Through songs, movement, instruments, listening, and play, children and their caregivers will learn, grow, and connect together. For more information and to sign up see the bulletin board in the Welcome Center.



**PRELUDE** Eternal Father Strong To Save arr. David Johnson

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**HYMN #359\*** Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #883**

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**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**HYMN #298\*** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

**MINISTRY OF GIVING**

**OFFERTORY** *Materna: America* arr. John Ness Beck

**DOXOLOGY\***

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Come thou Fount of Every Blessing Robert Roberson  
*Don & Esther Drewry*

**SCRIPTURE** PSALM 100

**MESSAGE** **Faith, Struggle, and the Shaping of a Nation** Ed Harber

**HYMN #400\*** Come thou Fount of Every Blessing

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** O God Our Help In Ages Past arr. Janet Linker

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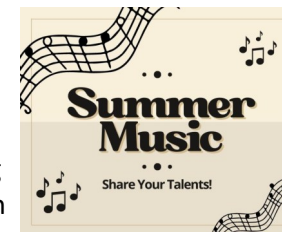
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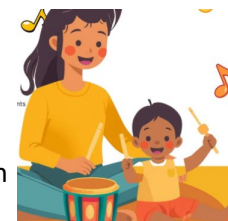


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# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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Vacation Bible School  
July 27-30

Highland United Methodist is excited to announce this year's **Vacation Bible School** theme: Snowball Mountain Challenge!

Children aged four to fifth grade are invited to join us **Monday, July 27th to Thursday, July 30th from 6—8pm.**

Register at [highlandmethodist.com](http://highlandmethodist.com) or by using the QR code.



Each year, our **Vacation Bible School** chooses a **mission project** to help our kids **make a difference in their community.** We will be collecting

items for the Youth Services Center in Newport, KY. Each

night during VBS you can drop off items in the sanctuary or in the

collection box in the Welcome Center. Needed items include: chap stick, deodorant, lotion, earbuds, hand sanitizer, tissues, and feminine hygiene products, pens and pencils.



## AS OF MAY 31, 2026



General Fund YTD Income: \$238,021

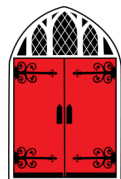
General Fund YTD Expense: \$275,618

YTD Net Shortfall: (\$37,597)

YTD General Fund Budgeted Need: \$261,703

## PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISE REPORTS

- Prayer for the family of Robert J— who passed away on June 4
- Michelle W—healing
- Ellie S—health concerns
- Harry Stephens—Back Surgery
- Marisa C—health concerns
- Becky W—health concerns
- Megan—Cancer diagnosis
- Kathy & Dale E—Pastoral Appointment

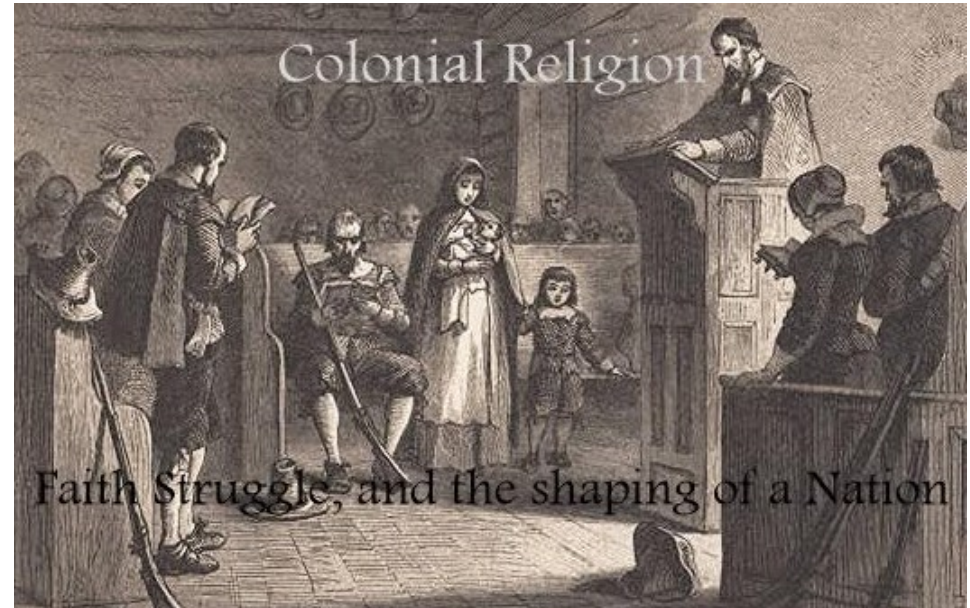


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# Highland United Methodist Church

July 5, 2026 11:00am  
**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**



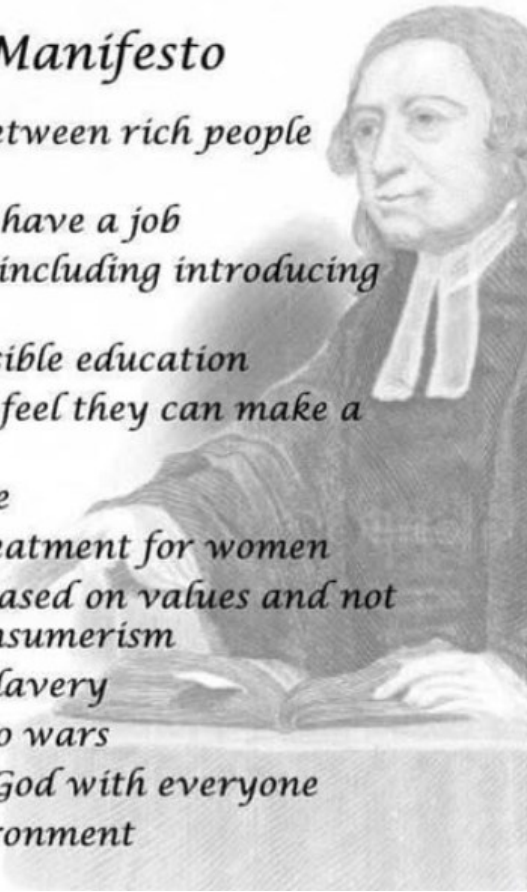
## **Grow – Follow – Love**

At Highland United Methodist Church, we are a community of imperfect people who exist to **grow** God's kingdom by **following** the examples of Jesus and **loving** with purpose.

We are deepening our spiritual understanding by embracing diversity, enriching lives, mindfully serving, and bringing joy through music and friendship. As United Methodists, we inclusively welcome everyone and follow the Wesleyan call to do no harm, do good, and love God.

## *John Wesley's Manifesto*

- 1. Reduce the gap between rich people and poor people*
- 2. Help everyone to have a job*
- 3. Help the poorest, including introducing a living wage*
- 4. Offer the best possible education*
- 5. Help everyone to feel they can make a difference*
- 6. Promote tolerance*
- 7. Promote equal treatment for women*
- 8. Create a society based on values and not on profits and consumerism*
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