



The Weekly Newsletter of Highland Baptist Church *May 28, 2024*

**A reminder that we have limited air conditioning
in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall.**

Summer Preview 2024!

As the calendar turns to June, we look forward to an amazing summer here at Highland! Even though school is out and our regular Wednesday programming is taking a break, there are many ways to plug in and be involved. There are lots of opportunities for everyone from the youngest to oldest, so we hope you will join us!

Take a look below at some of our summer activities. If you would like to volunteer for any of the events, we could use your help! Please email [Justin](#) for more information.

CHILDREN



Summer camps for our kids are right around the corner! We have an amazing group set to go to PASSPORT Kids at Berea College. And there is a wonderful group signed up to join us for

YOUTH



YES! The Youth will be having so much fun this summer! We are calling our summer gatherings YES (Youth Events in the Summer) and there are many options for our youth to come fellowship and spend time together. Hiking, a baseball game, pool parties, and so much more! And if you would like to say YES to volunteering, please let [Justin](#) know.

YOUNG ADULTS

We hope you will join us for Young Adult lunches this summer! On June 23 and July 21, we will go to lunch following the 11:15 AM worship service with our young adults. Also, there will be a book club with the 20 Something's Bible study class this summer as we read and talk about "Searching for Sunday" by Rachel Held Evans.



SENIOR ADULTS

Our senior adults will enjoy an Ohio River cruise and luncheon on June 20 aboard the Mary Miller!




PRIDE

We look forward to PRIDE month in Kentuckiana and in our congregation. There are lots of opportunities for Highland to love our neighbors, be strong allies with and alongside the LGBTQ+


community, and share with others about who we are as a thinking, feeling, and healing community of faith. And here's something you may not know: our own Megan Fuller painted the scenery for the "Won't you be my May-bor?" show!

PRIDE MONTH AT HIGHLAND!



Won't you be my
May-bor?
May 31-June 8, 2024
in the Victor Jerry Theatre!


WONT YOU BE MY MAY-BOR
MAY 31-JUNE 8



RACING LOUISVILLE
PRIDE NIGHT!
JUNE 7TH @6PM
\$80

HIGHLAND
BAPTIST CHURCH


RACING LOUISVILLE
JUNE 7TH



DRAG
REVIVAL 2024
FLAMY GRANT
MAY O'WAYS THEALEXIS
NINA MACRAE ROSE TROY BELL
DERRICK PALMER PAT MAYNISON
CELINOS CLARE JONATHAN THURMAN
STEVEN MICHAEL CARR STEPHANIE COLLINS

JUNE 6
7PM-9PM
HIGHLAND'S
COMMUNITY
MINISTRIES
DR. G DADDY
PRODUCTIONS


DRAG REVIVAL
JUNE 6TH. \$10




HAPPY
PRIDE

TRUIS & QUEER
& BLACK LIVES
ARE SACRED

PRIDE PARADE
JUNE 15TH

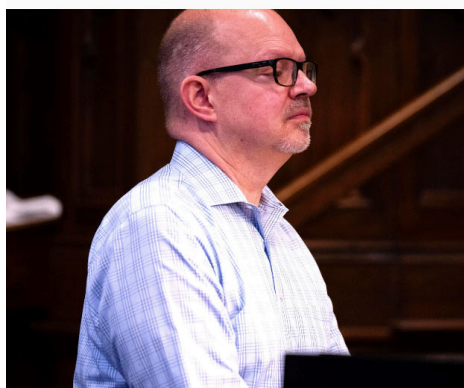


PRIDE SUNDAY @ HIGHLAND
JUNE 16TH



HIGHLAND
BAPTIST CHURCH

~ Justin Sizemore



Celebrating Lauren Jones Mayfield

We look forward to celebrating Lauren Jones Mayfield this Sunday, June 2 and sharing our gratitude for her 8 years of ministry at Highland.



There will be a church-wide reception after the 11:15 worship service. As a way to express our thanks, we invite you to consider bringing a note, a Carmichael's gift card, and/or a monetary donation for Lauren to attend a spiritual retreat in the coming year. Any monetary donations can be given online and/or through the church offering and designated as a "Gift for Lauren." You're also invited to wear your favorite social justice t-shirt in celebration of Lauren's ministry!

Orchestra Concert 2024



On Sunday, June 9 from 10:00-10:30 AM we will be honoring our amazing children's Bible study teachers, these dedicated "foundation-builders" who show up every week to play such an important role in forming the faith of our children. Please plan to join us for this short but sweet reception as we thank our teachers and enjoy some light refreshments together in the Children's

Commons. Children will return to classrooms at 10:30 with materials to create cards for their teachers and parents can return to their Bible study classes.

~ Sally Evans

Friday Church News



Friday Church welcomed Virginia Taylor and friends from Wayside on May 24



Calling all of our other graduates for the 2024 school year! We want to recognize our college/grad school/other graduates this year on Sunday, June 9! If you would like to be a part of the recognition during the June 9th service, [please send your information to Justin](#) by June 6th! We want to celebrate alongside you this graduation season!



We have raised \$3,200 toward our CBF Global Missions Offering goal of \$10,000. Please consider supporting Global Missions in the work of helping and serving people here and abroad. You may give online through the [Highland Baptist Church website](#) or by check, noting Missions Offering on the memo line.

HCM Summer Food Drive

Please bring your food drive donations to the brown bins located outside the choir room. We will collect them until June 23. Thank you!



We are seeking donations of the items below to help families get through the summer while school is out.

Main dietary items are needed, but also things to round out a meal like milk (shelf-stable), condiments, chips, and crackers.



- Pasta & Sauce
- Canned Ravioli
- Shells & Cheese (no milk needed)

- Beef Stew
- Hearty Soups
- Chili

- Canned Chicken
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Beef



Highlands
Community
Ministries

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Juneteenth 2024

The Emancipation Proclamation was signed on January 1, 1863. This proclamation did not mean freedom for all who were held in captivity and bondage; enslavers kept the news of the change in laws from those they enslaved for many years after. On June 19, 1865, Major General [Gordon Granger ordered](#) the final enforcement of the [Emancipation Proclamation](#) in [Texas](#). In 2021, June 19th, known as Juneteenth, was recognized as a federal holiday to commemorate the end of slavery in the United States.

Highland Baptist member and Anti-Racism co-lead Missy Smith is a co-organizer for the Jeffersonville Juneteenth Block Party. This second annual event will be held on Friday, June 14 from 10:00 AM-9:00 PM on Michigan Avenue. The Juneteenth Block Party will promote the Black/African American history of Southern Indiana, educate the public about the importance of Juneteenth, and highlight the positive impact of the local African American culture. This event further allows opportunities for the full and inclusive community to learn and celebrate Black history, engage in commerce with local businesses, craft vendors, and local artists. Plus, there will be bounce houses, great food, and great music!



Highland Baptist Church, in its commitment to furthering equity in our community, has chosen to sponsor this important event. We invite you to show your support by sharing the event information, volunteering, and attending the celebration!

[Click here](https://commonconvo.tv/juneteenth) for more information.

~ The Anti-Racism Team



Guns to Gardens

Safe-surrender event turns unwanted guns into garden tools

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks..." Isaiah 2:4

Church of the Promise/The Table

1800 Portland Ave., Louisville, KY 40203
(Go to parking lot of Falls Art Foundry across the street)

HOW: Anyone can bring unwanted guns. Those bringing guns are anonymous. Each person surrendering one or more guns will receive a \$50 Kroger gift card.

- Guns must be unloaded prior to entering church property and placed in trunk or rear of vehicle. Skilled personnel will remove firearms from vehicles and take them to a chop saw for disabling while the person bringing the gun is present.
- Serial numbers will be recorded to document the gun's destruction.
- Ammunition will not be accepted.
- The gun pieces will be forged into tools, art, or jewelry at a later date.

WHY: Many guns in our community are no longer wanted for a variety of reasons:

- There is concern that the gun might fall unintentionally into the hands of children or grandchildren in the home.
- The gun may have been used in a suicide or accident.
- Someone can no longer handle guns safely because of age or disability.
- A person inherited a gun but does not want it or know how to use it.

WHO: This event is organized by a coalition of individuals

from faith and community groups concerned about gun violence in Louisville. It is part of a national Guns to Gardens movement launched in cooperation with [RAWtools](#) and [Presbyterian Peace Fellowship](#).

Guns to Gardens is a step toward reducing gun violence, a path for people to take action to reduce the number of guns in our homes and communities

Cosponsored by the Owsley Brown II Family Foundation

For more information: guns2gardenslouisville@gmail.com



Looking Ahead

June 2	Lauren Jones Mayfield's Last Sunday in Worship and Celebration of Ministry
June 6	Drag Revival: A Family-Friendly Spiritual Night of Music and Joy (Highlands Community Ministries)
June 7	Racing Louisville Game (Lynn Family Stadium, 8:00 PM)
June 15	Kentuckiana PRIDE Parade and Festival (NULU and Waterfront Park, Parade begins at 12:00 PM)
June 16	Pride Sunday at Highland, with special guest proclaimer Rev. Jordan Conley, Co-Pastor of Crescent Hill Baptist Church
July 21	Party with your Pastors (Purtlebaugh House, 4:00-5:30 PM)

Sunday, 11:15 AM

<https://www.facebook.com/hbclouisville.org>
<https://www.youtube.com/@highlandbaptist>

Friday, 7:00 PM

<https://www.facebook.com/hbclouisville.org>

**Streaming
Worship
Links**



Giving to Highland

To make a donation from your phone, text "give2hbc" to 502-747-1212 and open the link or use the QR code below.





Louisville Homicides

Please join us in prayer and action as we remember those who have been killed in recent weeks in our city. We grieve with those who mourn, while we also maintain a hope that one day, all things will be made new.

- Robert Lee Page, Jr., 19, killed March 26
 - Stephan Adams, 34, killed May 14
 - Brenda Kemp, killed May 15
 - Takieo L. Thomas, 47, killed May 16
 - Dion R. Smith, 21, killed May 18
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