



# Highland Happenings

September 2020

**Sunday Worship Services:** Indoor services resume on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Online services will continue for those who have medical or personal needs. Services with an asterisk\* will have nursery (infant-age 3) and Children's Church (age 4-2<sup>nd</sup> grade) available.

The 7:45 am service in Wausau and 8:30 am service in Marathon are mask-only services intended for those who are immune-compromised and/or cautious. While we know that Dr. Evers offered exceptions to the mask Executive Order, we ask that all who attend these two services do so while wearing a mask.

Our indoor services will have chairs set up for social distancing. We plan to sanitize liberally throughout the buildings, and throughout the mornings, striving towards best practices with regards to cleaning.

#### Worship service times:

- Marathon, Merrill, and Weston: 8:30 and 10:30\* am
- Wausau:
  - 7:45 am – Children's gym
  - 9:00 am – Sanctuary
  - 9:15\*am – Café
  - 9:15\*am – Children's gym – overflow video venue
  - 10:30 am – Traditions – room B11/12
  - 10:45\*am – Sanctuary

**3<sup>rd</sup> Monday Worship Service – August 21<sup>st</sup>:** Join us for a time of worship and a message from the book of Colossians brought by Pastor Andrew. The service starts at 6:30 pm (indoors) in the sanctuary at the Wausau campus.

**Widow/Widowers Meeting:** Meet for fellowship on Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 am at 2510 Restaurant. If you have questions, please call Jeanne Becker at 715-551-2065.

**Writers Needed (Men or Women):** If you enjoy writing, perhaps you'd like to minister to others through Grapevine's Card Ministry! Grapevine sends cards of encouragement to those in the church who are lonely, hurting, grieving, or just need to know someone is praying for them. This is a perfect way to touch the lives of others, whether writing from your own home or during Grapevine's workshop meetings. Cards are provided by Grapevine's ministry. Their card workshop meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month. If you are interested, or would like more information, contact Cathy Livingston at 715-536-3606.

## Adult Life Groups

Life Groups are a small group of people that meet weekly or biweekly to study God's Word, discuss the issues and challenges of life, pray, and care for one another. We are looking for more leaders. If you are interested in joining a group, or learning about hosting/leading a Life Group, please contact Janna Janke at 715-842-5683 or [jjanke@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:jjanke@highlandcommunitychurch.com).

#### The following Life Groups are open to new participants:

- Sazama: Hatley/Weston Area, Monday morning, 60+ Contact April at [aprilsazama@yahoo.com](mailto:aprilsazama@yahoo.com)
- Klapperich: Wausau, Sunday afternoon, 50s/60s Contact Jeff or Jeanne at [jklapperich@juno.com](mailto:jklapperich@juno.com)
- Blake: Marathon, Sundays, mixed group Contact Andy at [Andrew.j.blake@hotmail.com](mailto:Andrew.j.blake@hotmail.com)
- Ellie: Weston, Monday evening, mixed group Contact Beth at [bethellie@gmail.com](mailto:bethellie@gmail.com)
- Tikalsky/Benes: Marathon, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays Contact: Andy at [andyattytikalsky@gmail.com](mailto:andyattytikalsky@gmail.com)
- Mikul: Northwest Wausau, Contact: Sheradyn or Melissa at [mgb517@gmail.com](mailto:mgb517@gmail.com)

## Children's Ministry (NextGen)

(Age: birth–5<sup>th</sup> grade)

**Kingdom Kids:** That's a wrap! Kingdom Kids has finished for the summer, so please enjoy a Bloopers video coming out on September 9<sup>th</sup> on our Next Gen YouTube channel and links on social media. We hope to see you at One Way Club!

**One Way Club Leader Training:** Join us Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm in the Children's Gym at the Wausau campus for Wausau and Weston Clubs. The Merrill Club will meet on Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary at the Merrill Campus.

**One Way Club:** The 2020–2021 One Way Club Year will kick off live on Mondays at Merrill and Wednesdays at Weston – the week of September 14<sup>th</sup> – at 6:00 pm for ages 4 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The Wausau campus will begin the year online the week of September 14<sup>th</sup> and will go live on October 7<sup>th</sup> for kindergarten– 5<sup>th</sup> graders. There is no cost. Registration forms are available on our website at <https://highlandcommunitychurch.com/resources/publications-forms/>. If you pre-register your child(ren) by September 13<sup>th</sup> they will earn 5 tokens.

### September Schedule:

14<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Crazy Hair Night

21<sup>st</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Backwards Night  
Verse: Matthew 28:19

28<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Sports Night  
Verse: Acts 2:38

### October Schedule:

5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Under the Sea Night  
Verse: Colossians 1:18

If you have questions, please contact Kirstin and Jessica (Wausau), Maggie (Weston), or Pastor Adam (Merrill) at 715-842-5683.

**Child Dedication:** Our next Child Dedication service will be on October 25<sup>th</sup> at all campuses. The deadline to sign-up is October 14<sup>th</sup>. If interested, please contact Jessica Leptien at [jleptien@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:jleptien@highlandcommunitychurch.com) or 715-842-5683.

## Co-Ed Studies

**Matthew:** This coed study (singles/couples) will start on September 8<sup>th</sup>. We will use both volume 1 and 2 of Matthew of the *Reformed Expository Bible Studies*, which are based on Inductive Bible Study Methods. This one-year study will cover the entire gospel of Matthew. The study

will meet each Tuesday from 6:00–8:30 pm, at the Wausau campus Café room. The books are available from Amazon or P&R Publishing. If you have questions, please contact Jerre Wright at [jww1712@gmail.com](mailto:jww1712@gmail.com).

**Adult Sunday School:** The Merrill campus will have Sunday school (one class only, all ages welcome) from 9:40–10:20 am. Sunday school for the Wausau, Weston, and Marathon campuses will be online only.

## Men's Ministry

### **Men's Ministry D-Groups (Discipleship Groups)!**

Starting this fall, men's ministry will be taking the next step in our vision of building men to be disciples who make disciples by launching D-Groups. Discipleship groups are small groups of men who meet regularly with the goal of understanding what it is to be a disciple and how to follow Jesus well. We will be using the Navigators *2:7 Series* as our resource. For more information, contact Dan Fiorenza ([dgcampmore@gmail.com](mailto:dgcampmore@gmail.com)) or Pastor Isaiah DeMoss ([idemoss@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:idemoss@highlandcommunitychurch.com)).

**Men's Fall Kickoff Event:** Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, our fall kickoff will be postponed to a later date (stay tuned for future details).

**No Regrets:** Mark your calendar for the No Regrets Conference on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021. It will be different this year, but the conference will be packed with content; you will have the ability to have great fellowship with other men. More information to follow. If you would like to assist in this year's conference, please contact Dan Fiorenza at 715-803-8040 or [dgcampmore@gmail.com](mailto:dgcampmore@gmail.com).

**Men's Study & Fellowship:** Join with other men for fellowship, Bible study, and prayer starting at 6:00 am Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, at the Friendship House in Merrill. Our study will start with the book of Genesis. If you have questions, contact Carl Berndt at 715-409-9131.

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**The Book of Acts:** The gospel of Luke ends with a promise to Jesus' disciples of power from on high and Jesus being carried up into heaven. What happens next is astounding! In the book of Acts (Luke's second volume), he describes how the good news of forgiveness of sins



through Jesus traveled from Jerusalem to the rest of the world. Acts lends the context for the rest of the New Testament, and we are a part of this story! This study starts September 9<sup>th</sup>. Classes will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month, from 6:15–7:00 am, at the Weston campus. Led by Pastor Dan MacDonald.

**Forgiven, Forgotten, Forever:** This is a verse-by-verse study of the minor prophets with exposition and application. It will meet on Wednesdays, at 6:00 am, in room C14 at the Wausau campus. Led by Dan Esterline

**Overview of Genesis:** The men's Wednesday morning Bible study will restart the overview of Genesis that began last spring. We'll see how God's plan of salvation by faith alone is established early in the Bible and is seen beginning with Adam's fall down through the patriarchs. There will be 7 to 8 discussion questions from the week's text. The study starts September 9<sup>th</sup> and meets each Wednesday, from 9:00–10:30 am, at the Wausau campus in room C14. If you have questions, please contact Jerre Wright at [jww1712@gmail.com](mailto:jww1712@gmail.com).

## Weston Campus

**Adult Sunday School Class—A Bird's Eye View of the Bible:** This **Zoom** class will meet from 8:30–9:30 am on Sunday mornings. We'll look at the authorship, date of writing, circumstances, theme, key words, phrases, and verses of each book of the Bible—and then present a clear outline with a few applicable takeaways for each Biblical book. Taught by Dan Esterline. Connect with Dan ([dester13@gmail.com](mailto:dester13@gmail.com)) to be added to the Zoom meeting.

**Wednesday Night—Generation180 (G180): For youth grades 6-12:** Meets at the Weston campus from 6:00–7:30 pm, from September 16<sup>th</sup> through April. Each week will include plenty of hanging out time, worship, prayer, a Bible lesson, and time for small groups (Life Groups).

**Wednesday Night—One Way Club (OWC):** For children (age 4–5<sup>th</sup> grade). OWC features Bible lessons, Scripture memorization, games, singing, and small groups. Children can earn tokens to use at the Trading Post. Guests are always welcome, so encourage children to invite friends! Themes/verses for the year can be found at <https://highlandcommunitychurch.com/resources/publications-forms/>. At the Weston campus, One Way Club will meet on Wednesday nights from 6:00–7:30 pm, September 16<sup>th</sup> through the end of April.

**Baristas Needed:** If you enjoy meeting people, perhaps you'd like to be a barista! If interested, please contact Karen LeSage (715-359-2618 or [cklesage@charter.net](mailto:cklesage@charter.net)) or Betty Tellekson (715-359-6477 or [halm0103@yahoo.com](mailto:halm0103@yahoo.com)).

**Women's Bible Studies:** *Restless: Because You Were Made for More* and *Defined: Who God Says You Are*. Please see details under our Women's Ministry section.

**Men's Bible Study—Book of Acts:** Meets from 6:15–7:00 am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month starting September 9<sup>th</sup>. Taught by Pastor Dan MacDonald.

## Women's Ministry

**Attention Women:** Sign up to be on our email list to get updates about women's studies and events. Go to [www.highlandcommunitychurch.com](http://www.highlandcommunitychurch.com) and scroll to the bottom of the page to sign up. If you have questions, contact Sue MacDonald, Director of Women's Ministries, at [smacdonald@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:smacdonald@highlandcommunitychurch.com). "Like" our Women's Ministry Highland Community Church Facebook page to receive ministry updates.

**HCC Women's Picnic in the Park:** September 8<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00–7:30 pm at the Marathon County Park Bandstand Shelter (1201 Stewart Ave, Wausau). The Bandstand Shelter is an octagon-shaped shelter north of the tennis courts, not far off the gravel parking area. *Connect* through fellowship, *Grow* in worship and devotion, and *Go* reach girls in need. Come enjoy an evening of fellowship, worship, and finding out about Bible studies and women's events that will be going on throughout the coming months. This is an outdoor event. All women (and girls 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up) are welcome! Register online at <https://hcc-register.com/>. Bring a sack supper for yourself, a camping chair, mask, and a feminine product to donate to local school girls in need. Childcare not provided. If you have questions, contact Chris Mergen (715-573-9248 or [chris.mergen@gmail.com](mailto:chris.mergen@gmail.com)) or Jenny Voeltzke (715-551-2790 or [jenny.helminiak@yahoo.com](mailto:jenny.helminiak@yahoo.com)).

**Ladies' Luncheon:** Join us for fellowship at 11:30 am on Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, at 2510 Restaurant (2510 Stewart Ave., Wausau). If you plan on attending, RSVP to Jeanne Becker at 715-551-2065 or Peggy Jaeger at 715-574-1814.

**Grapevine Cards:** Do you enjoy writing and sending cards? Grapevine's Card Ministry is eager for you to join. If you like to make cards that is great; if not, we have ladies who will make them for you. Grapevine sends cards to those in the church that need encouragement. This is a growing ministry, and we would love for you to get involved. If interested, please contact Cathy Livingston at [livingstoncd@gmail.com](mailto:livingstoncd@gmail.com) or 715-536-3606.

**Moms in Prayer (MIP):** Do you have a burden for your children, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, their friends, and schools? Join with other women in bringing your children, their teachers, and schools before God's throne of grace in simple, Scripture-based, conversational

praying, either verbally or silently in a Moms in Prayer group. Moms in Prayer International (MIPI) impacts children and schools worldwide for Christ by gathering mothers (women) to pray. MIPI's vision is that every school in the world would be covered with prayer. Groups meet regularly during the school year to pray for pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade schools, homeschools, and colleges. There are several MIP groups in the area to pray with, or begin a new group with a friend or two! For more information, or to learn how to start a group for your child's school, go to [www.momsinprayer.org](http://www.momsinprayer.org) or contact Debbie Myhrer, MIP area coordinator, at 715-551-6076 or [debbiemyhrer@gmail.com](mailto:debbiemyhrer@gmail.com). The MIPI website has many prayer resources and encouraging testimonies to encourage and uplift you in the power of prayer.

**Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS):** Are you a mom with young children looking for community, support, and encouragement? Join MOPS! Mothers of Preschoolers is a community of women in the thick of mothering young children. We meet at the Wausau campus on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays every month (October 27<sup>th</sup> through May 25<sup>th</sup>) from 9:00–11:15 am. Childcare is provided, but registration is required. For information, contact Amanda McLellan at [WausauHighlandMops@gmail.com](mailto:WausauHighlandMops@gmail.com) or 715-212-3643.

**MOMSnext:** This ministry is for moms whose children are elementary school age. Join us as we seek to encourage and learn from each other! We meet in conjunction with MOPS, breaking off from time to time for topics more specific to our stage of mothering. For more information, contact Adrianna DeJong at 515-509-7667 or [WausauHighlandMops@gmail.com](mailto:WausauHighlandMops@gmail.com).

**MOPS & MOMSnext Kickoff:** Both groups will kick off on Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, from 9:15–11:15 am (unless otherwise disclosed) in the Café room at the Wausau campus. Pre-registration is much appreciated and will secure a childcare spot. (The registration fee is \$50 plus \$10 per child for childcare.) If you have questions, please send them to [WausauHighlandMops@gmail.com](mailto:WausauHighlandMops@gmail.com).

**Moms Night Out:** Join us for a soup and pie gathering on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm at the home of Adrianna DeJong (W4825 County Rd N, Edgar). All moms are welcome. For details contact Amanda McLellan at [WausauHighlandMOPS@gmail.com](mailto:WausauHighlandMOPS@gmail.com) or 715-212-3643. The event will also be posted on our Facebook page, hope to see you there!

## **WOMEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDIES**

### **In Merrill:**

**Tuesday Mornings—*The Promised One: Seeing Jesus in Genesis*** by Nancy Guthrie: Did you think that the story of

Jesus begins in Matthew 1:1? Join the ladies in reading, digging, and discovering the marvelous story of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ in the book of Genesis. We will meet in the home of Laurie Jensen (N205 Riverview Ave, Merrill), on Tuesdays, from 9:00–11:00 am, starting September 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will respect your health concerns and do everything we can to be safe and not fearful. Childcare will not be provided. Further questions can be addressed by contacting Cheryl Wright ([wife70@hotmail.com](mailto:wife70@hotmail.com) or 715-536-1290). The class is limited to 10 women. Please purchase your own book.

**Thursday Nights—*Jesus in Me: Experiencing the Holy Spirit as a Constant Companion*** by Ann Graham Lotz: Anne uses the Bible and her own personal experiences to show how the Holy Spirit is our helper, comforter, advocate, intercessor, counselor... He lives inside us refining our lives, daily. The class meets from September 10<sup>th</sup> through December 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:30–8:00 pm at the Merrill campus. Led by Amy Steffen. Please purchase your own book online or at a bookstore. Childcare not provided. To sign up, please contact Amy at 720-434-9430 or [amyjsteffen@gmail.com](mailto:amyjsteffen@gmail.com).

### **In Weston:**

**Tuesday Night – *Restless: Because You Were Made for More*** by Jennie Allen: This study will help you find that your gifts, passions, places, relationships, and even your sufferings have a purpose. Jennie uses the story of Joseph to show how his life fits into God's perfect plan—and He will show you the same with your story. Led by DeeAnn Westerhaus ([deeannjw@gmail.com](mailto:deeannjw@gmail.com) or 608-617-1857). This 8-week study starts on Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 6:15–7:45 pm at the Weston campus. This class was postponed due to COVID. Registration is closed. If you still need to pay for the book, please pay the church office \$10. Childcare not provided.

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Night Study—*Defined: Who God Says You Are*** by Alex Kendrick and Stephen Kendrick: Your fingerprint is unique to you alone. You are valued beyond belief by your Creator. The book of Ephesians opens our minds and hearts for God's purpose in our lives. You are "DEFINED," not by your past or the culture, but by "who God says you are." Led by Marlene Rossin ([delmarrossin@gmail.com](mailto:delmarrossin@gmail.com) or 715-321-2797). Class will meet from September 22<sup>nd</sup> through May 25<sup>th</sup>, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month, from 6:00–7:30 pm at the Weston campus. Register online at <https://hcc-register.com/>. Please purchase your own book online or at a bookstore. Bring your Bible. This class is limited to 10 women. Childcare is not available.

## In Wausau:

### Thursday Night in Wausau—*Igniting a Passion to Pray*

by Fern Nichols: This is an interactive DVD study on prayer, taught by the founder of Moms In Prayer International. The lessons titles include: *Opening My Heart to Pray*, *Knowing My God* (praise), *Lord, Purify My Heart* (confession), *Developing a Thankful Heart* (thanksgiving), *A Heart to Stand in the Gap* (intercession), and *Putting My Prayers into Action*. This study will truly ignite, or reignite, your heart to pray and draw nearer to God as you learn both what prayer is and what God's will and purpose is for prayer. Led by Debbie Myhrer (715-551-6076 or [debbiemyhrer@gmail.com](mailto:debbiemyhrer@gmail.com)). The study meets on Thursdays, from September 17<sup>th</sup> through October 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 6:30–8:30 pm at the Wausau campus. Register online at <https://hcc-register.com/>. Please purchase your own book online or at a bookstore (*Igniting a Passion to Pray* Student Workbook).

### Wednesday Morning Bible Studies at the Wausau campus — Starts September 9<sup>th</sup> — 9:00–11:00 am

**The Book of Isaiah:** Isaiah was tasked with bringing God's message to a divided nation that had wandered from its heritage. They had ended up in idolatry, political turmoil, and were threatened by other nations. It is certainly a timely message! This is a beginner's level Inductive Bible study. We began in January, but were interrupted in March due to the COVID shut down. We will do a substantial historical overview and review of Isaiah chapters 1–10, so that new members can easily catch up and returning ladies can get reoriented. A few homework questions are provided each week for reflection. Led by Susan Messerly ([Logmess5@aol.com](mailto:Logmess5@aol.com) or 715-298-1048). Class cost: \$5. Register online at <https://hcc-register.com/>.

**True Women 201: Interior Design (Titus 2):** In this study, we'll learn about each of the words or phrases used in Titus 2 to describe a godly woman. This study includes lots of Scripture, as well as a lot of practical application. We will be convicted as we see how God's Word goes against many of our cultural ideas. We will be encouraged as we realize how God sees us as His daughters full of virtue and beauty. Led by Betty Ann Hinds ([bettyannahinds@icloud.com](mailto:bettyannahinds@icloud.com)). Register online at <https://hcc-register.com/>. Please purchase your own book online or at a bookstore.

**Get Out of Your Head – Stopping the Spiral of Toxic Thoughts** by Jennie Allen: Have you ever noticed that "little voice in your head" is whispering, maybe shouting, negative thoughts? "You aren't smart like her..." "My child will never get this..." "I am incapable of..." It is absolutely crippling and a powerful tool our enemy uses.

This is a six-session video study with a focus on Philippians. Let's stop the spiral of toxic thoughts and really develop tools to move forward in the joy-filled way our loving God intended! Facilitated by Molly Markey (716-867-5549 or [mollymarkey@aol.com](mailto:mollymarkey@aol.com)); co-facilitated by Teresa Stine. Classes meet: October 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>; November 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>; and December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>. Please purchase your own book online or at a bookstore. (Depending on women's needs, interests, and availability of childcare workers, we will evaluate whether to start Wednesday morning childcare in October for infants–4 years. The childcare cost for this class will be \$20 for one child; \$25 for two; \$30 for three).

**Attention Moms:** When registering for a Wednesday morning Bible study, please answer the questions in regards to childcare. Depending on women's needs/interests and availability of childcare workers, we will evaluate whether to start Wednesday morning childcare in October (for infants – 4 years). The childcare cost for a full semester is \$40 for one child; \$50 for two children; \$60 for three children or more.

**REGISTER FOR CLASSES:** Register for all of the classes online at <https://hcc-register.com/>. After you register for a study or event you will receive a confirmation email. If you do not receive that email, contact Sue MacDonald at [smacdonald@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:smacdonald@highlandcommunitychurch.com). Please purchase your book (if applicable) online or at a bookstore. Scholarships are available for any of these studies. Please contact Sue for more information.

## Young Adults Ministry

In September, Young Adults will be meeting indoors starting in the sanctuary at the Wausau Campus. Join us as we kick-off a new series in Colossians!

Young Adults is for anyone college-age through their 30s, whether married, single, or dating. We meet in the sanctuary at the Wausau campus on Monday nights. The coffee bar opens at 6:00 pm, and the study starts at 6:30 pm. Following the teaching, we break into small groups lead by adult leaders. For more information, contact Pastor Sam at [sdeloye@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:sdeloye@highlandcommunitychurch.com).

September Schedule:

- 7 No YA (Labor Day)
- 14 Jesus is Lord in Gratitude (Col. 1:3-8)
- 21 3rd Monday Worship Service
- 28 Jesus is Lord (Col. 1:15-20)

## Youth Ministry (Grade 6–12)

**G180 Leader Meeting:** Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00–7:30 pm at the Wausau campus Café room. This leader meeting is for G180 leaders from all campus sites. Please prioritize attending this meeting as we will be looking at G180 in detail for this year.

**G180 Kickoff:** Calling all students in grades 6–12! Meet us Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00–7:30 pm for Generation180's kickoff! All campuses will meet in-person together at the Wausau campus. Both Weston and Merrill will travel to Wausau for our first night back. Travel info will come out closer to the 16<sup>th</sup>. After our kickoff night, Weston and Merrill will resume live and in-person as normal. More information was sent out via parent email—please us know if you have not received this email. You can also find the calendar at [www.highlandg180.com](http://www.highlandg180.com) or on our social media accounts.

**Wausau G180:** Due to the number of people allowed inside of the building, we will have an augmented schedule. For September, we will have ALL 6<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grade students together at the Wausau campus. However, beginning in October, we will begin an alternating onsite weekly schedule for Junior High and Senior High. For the weeks that the Junior High or Senior High are not onsite, we will be writing and providing a deeper, discipleship-heavy study and questions for each Life Group to use. These discipleship-driven nights will align with our spiritual benchmarks for our students. We anticipate some will meet at various locations such as home or restaurants, and some may even do 100% virtual. Whatever the mode, our goal (to the best of our ability) is to keep students consistently attending G180 every week. Our fall G180 calendar will detail which night is which for families and leaders alike to be in the loop. It will be available soon!

**Weston G180:** The night will look relatively the same—meeting from 6:00–7:30 pm at the Weston campus (starting on September 23<sup>rd</sup>) and will have a normal night each week. A video lesson will be provided to the group every other week; a discipleship-driven devotional will be provided for opposite weeks. You will not need to alternate grades on or offsite at this point in time (with attendance where it is currently).

**Merrill G180:** Wednesday nights will look relatively the same—meeting from 6:00–7:30 pm at the Merrill campus (starting on September 23<sup>rd</sup>). Pastor Dan will communicate details to you as they become available and will alter program details as needed throughout the year. You will not need to alternate grades on or offsite at this point in time with attendance where it is currently.

**Storm the Mountain:** Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:30–7:30 pm. We will hike up the south trails of Rib Mountain to enjoy a time of worship and devotion in the amphitheater at the summit. Drop-off and pick-up will be at the South Mountain Elementary School parking lot (at the end of Jonquil Lane just past the DMV). Bring a sack dinner, water bottle, and friends for this exciting night of outdoor fun, fall colors, and worship. This event is for all students in 6<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grade and it is a great way to meet new people and bring a few friends!

**G180 Social Media:** Stay connected with G180 online! Facebook: @highlandg180; Instagram: highlandg180; or check out the youth web page at [www.highlandg180.com](http://www.highlandg180.com).

# OVERVIEW OF MINISTRIES

A listing of regularly scheduled activities, services, and ministries of Highland

## New to Highland

Welcome! At Highland we want to help you take the next step in your relationship with Christ. Whether you are exploring church for the first time, returning after many years, or are a long-time Christ follower new to the community, we would like to help you take your next step. **CONNECT:** We encourage you to get involved in our Highland community. This could be a social group, a Bible study group, men's group, women's group, Life Group, or more. **GROW:** Attend our Orientation Class (offered a couple times per year), one of our many adult studies, and/or Sunday school (S.S. is online during COVID). **GO:** We have found that serving in the church and in the community helps people take the next step in ways that GROW and CONNECT alone just can't do.

## General Listings

**Amazon Smile:** Here's a simple way to support Highland, at no cost to you. At [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), you'll find the exact same low prices and vast selection as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to Highland!

**Body & Soul Fitness:** We believe that fitness involves more than just your body. We care about the health of your body and soul. This all-in-one workout burns calories, builds core and overall strength, improves flexibility and balance, and increases your energy level. Cardio, strength/interval training offers all this and more, with an uplifting positive message through the music. Classes meet on Mondays and Thursdays at 5:45 pm. For details, call Janet Reid, AAFA certified fitness instructor, at 715-921-4444 or [janetreidrdh@gmail.com](mailto:janetreidrdh@gmail.com). Or go to [www.bodyandsoul.org](http://www.bodyandsoul.org).

**Electronic Giving Program:** To participate, fill out the authorization form found in our *First Fruits* brochure which can be found in the lobby and on our website at <https://highlandcommunitychurch.com/resources/donate/>. If you have questions, please send an email to [finance@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:finance@highlandcommunitychurch.com).

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**Highland App:** Text *HighlandCCApp* to 77977 to download Highland's updated App. Be sure to say yes to allowing the App to send you notifications (even when you are not in the App) so you can learn of important notices, including cancellations. The new app has a dynamic home page with weekly updates. The media page contains audio/video teachings and sermon notes and questions that you can type in and save to your device. Have you ever wanted to know what songs we sang this past week? Now you can look them up on the Sunday Set List. You can also send us prayer requests, read the Bible, register for classes, and so much more.

**Highland's Lay Elders:** Steve Clements, Dennis DeLoye, Tony Morice, Rimon Moses, Dan Myhrer, and Steve Vandenberg.

**Hospital Visits:** If you are scheduled for surgery, or end up in the hospital, and would like a visit please contact the church office. While hospitals may request information about your home church, they do not let us know you are there. Please know that the pastoral staff is not always on Facebook, so though you may put your hospitalization or surgery on Facebook, we may not see it.

**Greeters:** If you would like to serve as a welcoming face, we would love to talk with you about this vital ministry.

- Marathon: Jane Thompson (715-443-3092)
- Traditions: Michele Sattler (715-551-4974)
- Wausau: Alyson Halbrog (715-218-0612)
- Weston: Karen Arnold (715-297-0809)
- Merrill: Pastor Adam DeBroux (715-842-5683)

**Missions Committee Meetings:** If you have a heart for missions and would like information about the next meeting, please contact Pastor Andrew Gutberlet at [missions@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:missions@highlandcommunitychurch.com).

**Prayer Chain Ministry:** If you would like to be involved in this vital ministry, and are willing to confidentially pray for requests that come in, let us know by sending an email (with your name included) to the office at [office@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:office@highlandcommunitychurch.com) and we will add you to our prayer chain.

**Prayer Meeting in Wausau:** Join us Wednesday mornings at 7:10 am in the Wausau campus library to pray for the needs of the church body.

**Sermons Available Online:** Watch or listen to a sermon, or encourage a friend to hear what the Scriptures say about a topic! Find them on our app, podcast, or our teaching page at [www.highlandcommunitychurch.com](http://www.highlandcommunitychurch.com).

## Adult Sunday School Classes

The Merrill campus will have Sunday school from 9:30–10:20 am (one class only, all ages welcome). Sunday school will be online only for the Wausau, Weston, and Marathon campuses.

## Children’s Ministry

**Sunday School:** This fall we will not have Sunday school classes because of the COVID pandemic restrictions.

Please check out the current activities under Children’s Ministry in the front half of this document.

## Men’s Ministry

Please check out the current studies and activities under Men’s Ministry in the front half of this document.

## Singles’ Ministry

**All Single Adults:** Single adults of all ages are invited to attend studies or other events that meet at Highland. Feel free to join any group at any time.

## Women’s Ministry

Please check out the current Bible studies and activities under Women’s Ministry in the front half of this document.

**Card Ministry:** Are you interested in fellowship and exchanging homemade cards? If so, call/text Paulette Lang at 715-581-0407.

## Worship Ministry

**Worship Ministry:** If you are interested in being a part of the Worship Ministry pick up a “Worship and Arts Ministry: Application to Serve” in the lobby. Ministry areas include: music (bass guitar, drums, keyboard, electric guitar, acoustic guitar, and voice), visual media (ProPresenter), drama, audio, lighting, media, camera operation, graphic design, and event planning. Please fill out the application and return to the church office.

## Young Adults Ministry

The Young Adults Ministry is for anyone college-age through their 30s, whether married or single. We meet on Monday nights at the Wausau campus. The study starts at 6:30 pm. For more information, contact Pastor Sam at [sdeloye@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:sdeloye@highlandcommunitychurch.com).

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## Youth Ministry

**Email Updates for Parents of Youth:** If you would like to receive updates about Highland’s Youth Ministry, contact Trudy at [tmorice@highlandcommunitychurch.com](mailto:tmorice@highlandcommunitychurch.com).

**G180:** G180 is the Junior High and Senior High Youth Ministry at Highland. Our name describes a generation of youth who desire to turn 180° from the world and toward Christ. Our goal is to equip youth to grow in their relationship with Christ, build healthy friendships, and learn from God’s Word. While the Jr. High (grades 6 to 8) and Sr. High (grades 9 to 12) groups both meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:00–7:30 pm during the school year, each group has separate programs aside from combined worship and a few events. There is also Sunday school, yearly trips, special events, leadership opportunities, and so much more for youth. Just ask us!

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