



Highland Happenings

September 2022

3rd Monday Worship Service—September 19: Doors open at 6:00 pm; the service starts at 6:30 pm at the Wausau campus. Invite a friend!

CPR Training: Highland is offering an opportunity to participate in a 2-hour “Friends and Family” CPR course (not a certification). We would encourage HCC volunteers to attend. This course will teach you the basics of what to do in the case of an emergency, including how to do basic CPR and use an AED machine. We are offering three different time frames on Monday, September 26, at the Wausau campus: 9:00–11:00 am, 1:00–3:00 pm, or 6:00–8:00 pm. To reserve your spot please email Janna Janke at jjanke@highlandcommunitychurch.com.

Nifty Fifties Plus: If you are 50 or older, you’re welcome to join us at 5:30 pm on Friday, September 23, at Thrive Foodery, 2105 N 2nd Street in Wausau. RSVP to Jeff and Jeanne Klapperich (jmklapperich@juno.com or 715-845-3543).

Golden Oldies: Are you 55 (or older) and looking to connect with other HCC attendees in the same season of life? We have a ministry for you! On the last Friday of each month, please join this co-ed group for fellowship and friendship while enjoying a great lunch! This group will meet at Gulliver’s (1701 Mallard Ln, Wausau, WI 54401) at 11:00 am starting September 30. If you have questions or need further details, contact Jeanne Becker (715-348-6461) or Karen Arnold (715-297-0809).

Orientation Class: This class is a great way to learn more about Highland, whether you are new or have been attending for quite a while. Classes will meet from 9:20–10:10 am on seven Sunday mornings, in room C1 at the Wausau campus beginning October 30 and running through December 18. (No class Thanksgiving weekend November 27.) Nursery and Sunday school (children/youth) will be available during the class. This class is required for those desiring to become members, but one does not need to become a member if they take the class. Register at <https://hcc-register.com/>.

Join us for worship!

FALL SERVICE TIMES SEPTEMBER 11 - WINTER

Wausau	Merrill
8:00 AM**	9:00 AM*
9:20 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL*	9:20 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL*
10:15 AM - TRADITIONS	10:30 AM**
10:30 AM**	
10:30 AM - LIVESTREAM	

Marathon & Weston

9:20 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL*

10:00 AM*

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Support Feed My Starving Children: We are looking forward to the November 4–5, Feed My Starving Children event, held at Highland Community Church (Wausau campus). This is a ministry that seeks to partner the gospel of Jesus alongside food for Third World, underprivileged children in 100 countries. The overall cost for the food and ministry is \$30,000. If God leads you to help fund some of this, please make checks payable to Highland Community Church and drop them in the offering boxes or send to the front office. Please note “Feed My Starving Children” (FMSC) in the memo. Thank you. Please remember to mark your calendars and join us in packing 1000s of meals on November 4 and 5. Highland attenders can sign up to serve beginning September 21!



Holy Land Pilgrimage Tour: March 4 – March 13, 2023. A trip to the Holy Land greatly enhances one's understanding and experience when reading Scripture. It can be life-giving as we study God's Word where the events truly took place. Pastor/Dr. Jeff Hinds, along with Doron Heiliger (a 35+ year licensed Israel Tour guide), have designed this tour to emphasize inspirational, historical, and archaeological Biblical education. We will tour the steps of Christ, and other Biblical figures, including 30–40 Biblical sites in locations including: Jerusalem, the Galilee, the Golan Heights, the Jordan River and Dead Sea, Qumran, Beth Shean, Tel Megiddo, Caesarea-Maritima, etc. Please contact the HCC office for an application (or contact our travel agent directly: Dr. Bobbie Klein at ark2@epix.net).

Jeff will also lead a **Lands of the Bible Mediterranean cruise** tour October 25 – November 4, 2023. This will include several days in Athens, Greece (The Acropolis, ancient Corinth, Acro-Corinth, etc.), Turkey (Ephesus), Egypt (pyramids), Jerusalem (many sites), and several Greek/Turkish Islands. Watch this publication for details as they are available.

DivorceCare: Divorced? Separated? DivorceCare is a life-changing support group that will help you heal from the hurt. It's a warm and caring environment led by people who understand what you are going through. You will find comfort and hope through this 13-week, video-based series. Meetings are on Sundays from 1:00–3:00 pm, starting September 11 through December 4 at the Highland Wausau campus. Register online at divorcecare.org.

New In-Person Grief Support Group: On September 11 at 12:30 pm, an informational meeting will be held in Room B6 at the Wausau campus to discuss the launch of a new in-person grief support group, to be known as Grief Passages. The group is expected to meet twice monthly at the Wausau campus and includes a short video and discussion each week. While the emphasis will somewhat be on recent losses, long-term grievers are welcome to join. Marlowe C. Embree and one or two other individuals will be group facilitators. Please plan to join us for this informational meeting or call Marlowe at 715-679-4897 for more information.

Children's Ministry (NextGen)

The 2022–2023 NextGen Children's Calendars are available at each campus' Connection Point and on our website at <https://highlandcommunitychurch.com/ministries/children/>.

Family-Friendly at Home Opportunity to GROW: Beginning September 11 families are invited to start using the New City Catechism at home to disciple kids and students in the Christian faith. NextGen Children's Ministry will have these resources available for free in our church lobbies beginning in September. The word catechism means "oral instruction," and this is an excellent resource to help families do family discipleship and take their next step in their relationship with Christ. The book offers one question each week with one answer to memorize. 52 questions, 52 weeks, one year together as a church. Additionally, there will be teen and adult resources available at cost for the entire family to learn together (Adult & Teen Resource for \$4 and Devotional for \$10). Have you been thinking about how to disciple your kids? Are you looking for a faithful resource to supplement your current devotions? Consider using this powerful resource for your family! You can sign up for a weekly email reminder and encouragement using this link: <https://forms.gle/tfvwoEKaQxyu5Vfk6>



Please contact Pastor Adam (adebroux@highlandcommunitychurch.com) with any questions.

One Way Club Leader Training: Join us Wednesday, September 7, at 6:00 pm in the Children's Gym at the Wausau campus for ALL Clubs. A light snack will be provided.

One Way Club: The 2022–2023 One Way Club Year will kick off Monday, September 12, at 6:00 pm at the Merrill campus and Wednesday, September 15, at 6:00 pm at the Wausau and Weston campuses and 5:45 pm at the Marathon campus. OWC is for children ages 4 years – 5th grades; there is no cost. Registration forms can be found at each campus' Connection Point as well as on our website at <https://highlandcommunitychurch.com/resources/publications-forms/>. Pre-register your child(ren) by September 1, and they will earn 5 tokens.



September Schedule:

12 & 14 Crazy Hair Night, *Puppets in Merrill & Wausau*
19 & 21 Backwards Night, *Puppets in Marathon*, Verse: Job 42:2
26 & 28 Sports Night, *Puppets in Weston*, Verse: Phil. 2:14

October Schedule:

3 & 5 Under the Sea Night, Verse: Romans 12:19

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

Sunday School: Sunday school for ages 2 – grade 5 are available at each campus at 9:20 am each Sunday starting September 11. Nursery is also available at this time.

Child Dedication: Our next Child Dedication will be on October 9 at all campuses. The deadline to sign-up is September 25. For further information, please contact Jessica Leptien at 715-842-5683 or jleptien@highlandcommunitychurch.com.

Journeys Singles Group

Journeys: If you are single and at least 40 (or so), join us at Journeys. Journeys is a safe place to develop genuine, godly friendships and to grow together in Christ through His Word and through prayer and fellowship.

Schedule:

September 2 – No meeting

September 9, 7:00 pm – We meet at Highland Wausau campus for our normal Friday session

September 16, 7:00 pm – Highland Wausau outside at the firepit

September 24, 2:00 pm – Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum

September 30, 7:00 pm Highland Wausau

For more details, or to be added to the Journeys weekly email list, please email Louise at LouiseChristFollower@gmail.com or call 715-212-5040.

Marathon Campus (Adults)

The Gospel of John: Starting September 11 at 9:20 am, taught by Brian Whitaker, and meeting in the Sanctuary. We will walk through the book of John and discover how it applies to our lives and grows our faith.

Men's Ministry

Thursday (9/15) – Men's \$5 BBQ Meal Night: Come enjoy a time of food,

fellowship, and brotherhood! These nights are a great way to take a step forward in our faith, meet other men on the journey, and be a catalyst for connection. Join us for a \$5 meal at 6:30 pm at the Café Room of the Wausau campus. Register early so we can plan for food. Register here: <https://hcc-register.com/>.



There are a variety of Men's Studies and Events resuming this fall.

Tuesday (on-going) Bible study – 6:30 am Friendship House (Merrill): The Merrill Men's Breakfast Bible Study continues at 6:30 am each Tuesday at the Friendship House Family Restaurant (truck stop). We are currently

studying the book of Romans. All men are welcome to join the group for Bible Study, breakfast, and fellowship. For more information contact Carl Berndt or Jerre Wright.

Fourth Tuesday of the month (on-going) Men's Breakfast 6:00 am – Log Cabin Restaurant in Weston:

Each month, meet with other men for fellowship and breakfast... start the day off right! Whether you are looking to share ideas, concerns, suggestions or inspiration... maybe looking for other Christian brothers to lean on, or maybe you're just HUNGRY! All are welcome. We are not a "group!" Come once, come some, come every month... your choice. We are just a time and place so you can 'Come as you are.' Relaxed conversation, relaxed atmosphere. **We'd be happy to have you!** Feel free to just show up. No RSVP required, but appreciated so we can grab the right sized table. For questions, connect by sending an email or text to Bob Aspinwall at rbaudioguy@charter.net or 608-259-6903, or to Pastor DeMoss idemoss@highlandcommunitychurch.com. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Tuesday (9/20) Attributes of God – Room B3 (Wausau)

6:30–7:15 am: Have you ever wondered what God is like or how He shows Himself to us?

Starting September 20, we will take a 6-week journey to learn more about the nature and character of God.

Over the course of this study, will learn more about who God is, who we are as people, how we can interact with God, and recognize how God's character is revealed in the Gospel. This study will start on September 20 at 6:30 am at the Wausau campus. Workbooks are \$20 and can be purchased at www.thedailygraceco.com/products/the-attributes-of-god-study-men. Scholarships are available if one is unable to purchase a workbook. Please contact Pastor Isaiah for details and information.



Wednesday (on-going) Theology Class – Room C14

(Wausau) 6:00 am: Contact Dan Esterline at dester13@gmail.com with questions.

2nd & 4th Wednesday – A Study of Acts (Weston Campus)

6:15–7:00 am: Contact Pastor Dan MacDonald with questions.

Wednesday (9/14) – A Study of the Psalms, Room C14

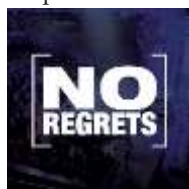
(Wausau) 9:00 am–10:30 am: The Wednesday morning Men's Bible study is an overview of the book of Psalms. This study starts on September 14. The Bible studies are a group discussion/inductive Bible Study using the

Crossway “Knowing the Bible Series” study book. Contact Jerre Wright at jww1712@gmail.com with any questions on this study.

Thursdays (9/22) — No Regrets: Base Camp, Room B3 (Wausau) 6:30 pm: The primary call of Christianity is a call to follow Jesus. Every day we have choices to make, are we going to follow the well-worn paths of the world or take on the values and lifestyle of the One we follow, Christ? During this 6-week study we will learn what it looks like to be a follower of Christ. This study will start on Thursday, September 22, at 6:30 pm at the Wausau campus in Room B3. Study material is \$10. If you have any questions on this study, contact Jim Hostvedt at jim.hostvedt@gmail.com.

Several D-Groups Will be Resuming this Fall: Contact Pastor Isaiah for questions regarding D-Groups.

Save the Date: No Regrets 30th Men’s Conference—February 4, 2023 Wausau campus.



Merrill Campus (Adults)

Two services starting September 11 (8:00 am and 10:30 am with Sunday school at 9:20 am). Nursery offered during services and children’s church at 10:30 am.

The Pauline Epistles, Sanctuary – Taught by Chris Aldrich: This course will survey the teachings of Galatians, Ephesians and Colossians.

Food Share Event: If you are struggling to make ends meet, or know someone who is, we can help. When you sign up for a share of food, an assortment of items will be designated for you to pick up at the Merrill campus on a specific day of the month. Next pick-up is October 4 at the Merrill campus. The deadline for signing up is September 22. Contact Pastor Adam at 715-842-5683 or adebroux@highlandcommunitychurch.com.

Traditions

Hymn Sing and Fellowship: Saturday, September 10, 1–4 pm we will be having a time of fellowship at McEvoy Waters (4633 Honey Bee Lane, Merrill, WI 54452 — five minutes north of Wausau). We will be singing some hymns and taking the opportunity to enjoy some time in the water. Bring a snack if you would like. Please contact



Pastor Ryan Bare (rbare@highlandcommunitychurch.com) if you have any questions.

Golden Agers Event: We are hoping to take a group to Golden Agers Day at Forest Springs on Thursday, September 15. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Ryan (rbare@highlandcommunitychurch.com or 608-482-0122).

Hymn Sing: We will be having a hymn sing following the Traditions service on Sunday, September 25, in Room B11/12. We will gather around the piano and sing some favorite hymns from the hymnal. It will begin around 11:30 am.

Wausau Campus (Adults)

A Study of Solomon’s Wisdom (Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs), Room C14 – taught by David Wheat: What would you ask for if you could have anything? Solomon, when given this very opportunity, asked for wisdom! Join us starting September 11 to learn about the amazing wisdom of Solomon as we study the books of Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs.

A Study of Hebrews, Room B4 – Taught by Jerre Wright: Hebrews is one of the most complex yet beautiful books in all of Scripture. The unnamed author weaves together the Old Covenant and New with such precision that you will walk away clearly knowing that Christ is greater.

A Study of 2 Peter, Room B7 – Taught by Dave Mahler: The churches of Asia minor where struggling—not only with persecution but also with disunity. Peter, in his second letter, addresses these very issues by pointing these churches to the risen Savior! Join us on September 11 to take a deep dive into this powerful book.

Parenting for God’s Glory, Café Room – Various Teachers: Parenting can be such a joy and a terrifying adventure all at the same time. Thankfully, the Bible give us the tools we need to raise our children for God’s glory! Whether you have been a parent for several years, are parenting an infant, or even are a prospective parent, this class will provide you with biblical, practical tools to parent for the glory of God!

Weston Campus (Adults)

A Survey of Bible Doctrine, Room 4 – Taught by Dan Esterline: This course covers the major teachings of the Bible. This is a great opportunity to study how the Bible applies to all of life.

The Book of Hebrews, Worship Center – Taught by Dan MacDonald: Working through the book of Hebrews we

will see how the Scriptures point to Jesus and how knowing Him is the absolute best thing ever!

Women's Ministry

Ladies' Day at Forest Springs—Friday, September 16:

The guest speaker is Gracia Burnham. While missionaries in the Philippines, Gracia and her husband, Martin, were kidnapped by terrorists and spent the next 13 months as hostages in the Philippine jungle. On June 7, 2002, captivity ended for these two missionaries in a violent rescue that left Martin dead and Gracia wounded. Gracia is the author of the New York Times bestselling book "In the Presence of My Enemies" and of the popular new book, "To Fly Again." *Ladies' Day* is all about being encouraged, equipped, and transformed by God's Word. Register online at www.forestsprings.us or call them at 715-427-5241. Cost: \$32. If you have questions, contact Sue MacDonald at smacdonald@highlandcommunitychurch.com.

Experiencing Moms In Prayer Gathering: Women are invited to learn about Moms In Prayer International, a worldwide prayer ministry, whose mission is to impact children and schools worldwide for Christ by gathering mothers (grandmothers, aunts) to pray. Please join us Tuesday, September 20, 6:30–7:45 pm, in Room B6 at the Wausau campus to meet MIP women and to hear about MIP groups. The gathering will end with a time of prayer for our schools. Refreshments will be served. For more information please contact Debbie Myhrer at 715-551-6076.

Moms In Prayer (MIP): Groups meet regularly during the school year to pray for their children's public and private K-12 schools, homeschools, and colleges. Groups are for moms, grandmothers, aunts, and any believing women desiring to pray for a child and his/her school. If you desire more information, want to check on an available group, or would like to learn how to start a group, go to www.momsinprayer.org or contact Debbie Myhrer, MIP area coordinator, at debbiemyhrer@gmail.com or 715-551-6076. The MIP website has many prayer resources and encouraging testimonies to uplift you in 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 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, during the school year, from 9:15–11:15 am. Childcare is provided; registration is required. For info, contact WausauHighlandMops@gmail.com.

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 WausauHighlandMops@gmail.com.

Grapevine Card Ministry: Do you enjoy writing and sending cards? The 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 or 715-536-3606.

Sewing Inspiration Class: Learn about sewing no matter where you fall—beginner or seasoned sewer. Please join Sharon Marquardt on Thursdays, starting on September 8, 10:00–12:00 pm at the Wausau campus. An evening class 6:00–8:00 pm is also available at the Wausau campus. For more information, or to sign up, please contact Sharon at 715-297-7364 or sharonmarquardt@yahoo.com.

Highland Women's Ministry presents *True Woman '22 Conference: Heaven Rules: Take Courage, Take Comfort, Our God is in Control* on Saturday, October 22, 8:30 am–3:30 pm at the Wausau campus. It doesn't take much to overwhelm us—treatment options, work layoffs, a troubling marriage, wayward child, financial stress, car repairs... our whole day, whole house, whole lives can be filled with dread, anxiety, panic, and concern. The fact that Heaven rules is the answer for every trouble that comes our way because Heaven's rule is God's rule. He rules over nations, leaders, and nature—His rule is over all things! Be a part of *True Woman '22*, a one-day conference for women, and anchor your heart to the unshakable truth that Jesus is King. Childcare will not be provided, but nursing babies are welcome. The cost of \$15 includes lunch. Doors open at 8:00 am. Invite a friend. Please register at <https://hcc-register.com>. Space is limited, so register as soon as possible! Please bring a feminine product to donate to local high schools. If you have questions, contact Laura Shields at 715-617-2907 or laura.shields334@gmail.com. If needed, scholarships are available—contact Sue MacDonald at smacdonald@highlandcommunitychurch.com.

Attention Women: Sign up to be on our email list to get updates about women's studies and events. Go to 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. "Like" our Women's Ministry Highland Community Church Facebook page to receive ministry updates.

WOMEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDIES

Register for classes: Register for classes online at <https://hcc-register.com/> (unless instructed to connect with the study leader to sign up). After you register for a study you will receive a confirmation email. If you do not receive that email, contact Sue MacDonald at smacdonald@highlandcommunitychurch.com. You will need to purchase your own book, unless something else is noted. Scholarships are available for any of these studies. Please contact Sue for more information.

Tuesday Nights in Weston:

Seamless – Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story by Angie Smith: Do you find it challenging to understand the Bible as one connected story that demonstrates God and His plan and purpose from Genesis to Revelation? Do you experience a disconnect between the Old Testament and New Testament? Do you want to grow closer to God and other Christian women as you lean into His Story and its richness and how it applies to today and your life? Then this is a study for you! Led by DeeAnn Westerhaus (deeannjw@gmail.com, 608-617-1857). Meets 9/20 – 11/15 at 6:15–7:45 pm at the Weston campus. Please purchase the book online or at a bookstore—ISBN 9781430032304. No childcare available.

Thursday Mornings in Merrill (a home study):

Psalms: A 12-Week Study by Douglas Sean O'Donnell: The Psalms—what do you know about them? Join us for an overview of the Psalms to expand and deepen our knowledge, appreciation, and worship of the great “I AM.” Led by Cheryl Wright and Laurie Jensen. Meets Sept. 22 – Dec. 8 at 9:00–11:00 am at the home of Laurie Jensen – N 205 Riverview Ave., Merrill. **To sign up for the class, contact Cheryl Wright at wife70@hotmail.com, 715-536-1290.** Please purchase the book online or at a bookstore—ISBN 9781433540981. No childcare available.

Thursday Nights in Merrill:

Gideon: Your Weakness. God's Strength. by Priscilla Shirer: This study on Gideon will address understanding our weaknesses and how our intimacy with God can allow Him to apply His strength to our weakness for His glory. Co-Led by Jean Ann Nelessen (nelessen7@gmail.com, 920-944-2625) and Kathie Ponzer (dkspdponzer@msn.com, 715-921-4433). Meets 9/15 – 11/10, 6:30–8:00 pm at the Merrill campus. Please purchase the Bible study book online or at a book store—ISBN 9781415875551. No childcare available.

Thursday Nights in Wausau:

Gospel of Mark: We will be studying the Gospel of Mark this year while exploring different Bible study methods to help organize our thoughts as we read through the text. There will be some homework involved along with prayer

prompts, journaling exercises, and scripture memory. Led by Dawn Bridges (m1racle.dawn@hotmail.com, 715-302-9089). Meets Sept. 15 – May 25 at 6:00–7:30 pm at the Wausau campus. Cost is \$5 for copied supplies. Please bring a 3-ring binder for homework pages. No childcare available.

Saturday Mornings in Wausau:

Genesis 1–11, Creation, Sin, and the Nature of God by John MacArthur: This study covers the first 11 chapters in Genesis. We will be guided from creation to the Tower of Babel as we dig deep into Adam and Eve and original sin, Cain and Abel and the first murder, Noah and the first covenant, while revealing the beauty, majesty, and power of our great God. Grow close in meaningful relationships with our sisters in Christ and with our Savior Jesus Christ. Led by Michelle Molinare (michellemoli7x7@gmail.com, 715-301-5062). Meets Sept. 10 – Dec. 10 at 9:30–11:00 am at the Wausau campus. Please purchase the book online or at a bookstore—ISBN 9780718033743. No childcare available.

Wednesday Morning Studies at the Wausau Campus:

Starts September 14, 9:00–11:00 am. Childcare available (please register at <https://hcc-register.com/>).



Attention Moms: Childcare is offered for infants–4 years concurrent with the Wednesday morning Women's Bible studies. Pre-registration for childcare is required; sign up online as you register for your Bible study class. If there is a waiting list for childcare, you will be notified via email. Scholarships are available for those needing assistance. The cost is \$40 for one child; \$50 for two children; \$60 for three children or more, unless stated otherwise in the class description.

The Armor of God by Priscilla Shirer: By studying Ephesians, we will learn how to stand firm against our spiritual enemies. We will also learn how to live as confident daughters of God as we place our trust and hope in Jesus. Led by Betty Ann Hinds (bettyannahinds@icloud.com). Please purchase both books online or at a bookstore—*The Armor of God* by Priscilla Shirer (2015 or 2022 edition) and *Free From Bondage God's Way* by Kay Arthur.

End Times Part 1: When you think of “End Times,” do you think of Revelation? Revelation 1:3 promises blessing to those who read, hear, and keep the words written in it. Studying it should lead us to joyful, hope-filled anticipation of Jesus' return and inspire us to worship Him more. But did you know that the Old Testament prophets, Jesus, and Paul have a great deal to say about the end times, which are essential to our understanding of Revelation? In Part 1, we will study what they say, as well as overview Revelation. We will cover such topics as the Millennium, the Day of the Lord, the Rapture, and Signs.

In Part 2 (next semester), we will study Revelation in more depth. Led by Kathy McEvoy (mcevoy317@yahoo.com, 715-212-0748). Please purchase, online or at a bookstore, Crossway *ESV Scripture Journal: Daniel* (cost \$5), Crossway *ESV Scripture Journal: Revelation* (cost \$5), a 3-ring binder and color pencils. Other costs: \$5 for material.

Praise, Pray, and Play Using Psalm 1, 19, 22, 23, 84, 139: Come worship the Lord with praise, prayer, and play. We will meet every other week and begin our first hour with an in-depth study of a chapter in Psalms, spend time in prayer and praise, and then worship and meditate on the Psalm through lettering, coloring, and watercolor painting. Led by Kirstin Bare (kbare@highlandcommunitychurch.com, 715-302-3814). Class Dates: Sept. 14, 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 2, 16, 30. Supplies: set of watercolors, water color paper, markers, paint brushes, sharpie fine tip, sharpie extra fine tip, pencil and eraser, white paint pen, and placemat to do the work on. (All these supplies could run \$35 or more. Watch for the 50% off sales at Hobby Lobby.) Class size is limited. (Childcare available for this class at \$20 for one child; \$25 for two children; \$30 for three children or more.)

Sacred Marriage: What If God Designed Marriage to Make Us Holy More Than to Make Us Happy? by Gary Thomas: This is a six-session video series on marriage encouraging us to grow in our relationship with God and our spouse. Led by Lori Haight (lori1061@protonmail.com, 715 581-0074). **Starting Oct. 5 – Nov. 2, 9:00–11:00 am.** Please purchase the *Sacred Marriage* and *Sacred Marriage Participants Guide* online or at a bookstore. Class size is limited. (Childcare available for this class at \$20 for one child; \$25 for two children; \$30 for three children or more.)

Email List: Sign up to be on our email list to get updates about women's studies and events. Go to 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. "Like" our Women's Ministry Highland Community Church Facebook page to receive ministry updates.

Young Adults Ministry

Young Adults is for anyone college-age through their 30s, whether married, single, or dating. We meet in the Café Room at the Wausau campus on Monday nights. The coffee bar opens at 6:00 pm, and the study starts at 6:30 pm.

In September, we are starting a new series through 2 Peter called *Press On*.

Sep 5 - Happy Labor Day! No YA
Sep 12 – Press on Because of His Promises 2 Peter 1:1-4
Sep 19 - 3rd Monday Worship Service
Sep 26 – Press on in Sanctification 2 Peter 1:5-11

Youth Ministry – Generation180

(Grades 6–12)

Sunday School: We would love for your student(s) to join us for Sunday school this year! We will start Sunday school again on September 11 at each campus! Wausau campus: 6th–8th grade held in Room B11. 9th–12th grade held in Room B6. Weston Campus: held in the youth room. Marathon Campus: held in youth room. Merrill Campus: held in Room 1.

New Parent Orientation: We are inviting parents of all G180 students to join us on Tuesday, September 6, 6:00–7:15pm in the Wausau campus Café room. You will hear from our G180 Team regarding the G180 calendar, teaching content, logistics for Wednesday nights, activities for the entire year, and our vision for partnering with parents in the discipleship of our students. This will be a fruitful time together, and we look forward to seeing you there!

G180 Kickoff at Willow Springs Garden: Calling all students in grades 6–12! Meet us Wednesday, September 7, 6:00–8:00 pm for Generation180's kickoff! All campuses will meet together at Willow Springs in the round barn. Parents can drop off students as early as 5:30 pm.

G180 Leader Training: Saturday, September 10, all day. 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. More details will be emailed to the leaders.

Fall Retreat: BRAND NEW THIS YEAR! September 30 – October 2. This retreat is for all 6th–12th grade students! Hosted by Forest Springs, we will enjoy multiple worship sessions, paintball, camp activities, and lots of time together! The cost is \$175/student. Registration packets are available at Connection Point at each campus as well as online. Questions? Contact Sarah Names at snames@highlandcommunitychurch.com.

Youth Fall Calendar: The 2022–23 Generation180 Fall/Spring Calendar of Events is available at the Connection Point at each campus and online on the youth page. Be sure to grab a copy so you don't miss any of the exciting things happening this year!

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. **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 extra cost to you. At 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 and strength/interval training offer all this and more, with an uplifting positive message through the music. Classes meet on Mondays and Thursdays at 5:45 pm. For details, contact Janet Reid, AAFA certified fitness instructor, at janetreidrdh@gmail.com or 715-921-4444. Or go to www.bodyandsoul.org.

Centershot Ministry: This archery sport league is for anyone age 10 and up. Sessions include Bible study and target shooting; equipment is provided. This is a great outreach for family and friends. Sessions are held at the Marathon and Wausau campus sites. Parents and grandparents are encouraged to attend. Preregistration is necessary, as space is limited for each session. To register for the next session, or if you have questions, contact Chris Janke at centershot@highlandcommunitychurch.com or 715-571-7037.

Coffee Ministries: A regular rotation of volunteers serve the congregation at each campus site. If you are interested in this ministry opportunity contact:

- Marathon: Christine Jensen at 715-574-4963
- Merrill: Pastor Adam DeBroux at adebroux@highlandcommunitychurch.com
- Wausau: Janna Janke at 715-842-5683 or jjanke@highlandcommunitychurch.com
- Weston: Betty Tellekson at halm0103@yahoo.com or 715-359-6477 or Karen LeSage at cklesage@outlook.com

DivorceCare: Divorced? Separated? DivorceCare is a weekly seminar and support group that will help you heal from the hurt. It's a warm, caring environment led by people who understand what you are going through. You will learn practical information that will help you deal with the challenges of divorce. Best of all, you will gain hope for the future. Register online at www.divorcecare.org. If you have questions please reach out to Barb at barbchristfollower@gmail.com.

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

Facebook Grief Group: Marlowe Embree has a Highland online grief support group on Facebook. This is a closed group (by invitation only, though any Highland attendee would be admitted on request) and thus confidential in terms of the sharing of prayer requests and personal experiences. The group will seek to focus on a wide range of types of grief, not only on the loss of a loved one through death, though that might be a primary emphasis. It is intended as a source of encouragement and mutual support. If interested, please let Marlowe know via Facebook or at marlowe_embree2@yahoo.com.

Social Media Groups of Highland: We have a variety of Facebook and Instagram social media pages for ministries. Our main page is on Facebook at HighlandCommunityChurchWI. You can find additional ministry group names by looking to see the groups and pages that our main page follows.

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

- Marathon: Todd & Renee Trowbridge (715-301-6430)
- Merrill: Pastor Adam DeBroux (715-842-5683)
- Traditions: Pastor Ryan Bare (608-482-0122)
- Wausau: Alyson Halbrook (715-218-0612)
- Weston: Karen Arnold (715-297-0809)

Grapevine Ministry: Join us for a card-making workshop on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Wausau campus. We put together cards for those in our church family who need encouragement. If you prefer writing a card, we have writers who send a card to those who are lonely, hurting, grieving, or to just let them know we are praying for them. Cards are provided by the people in the workshop and from those who make cards at home. Contact Cathy Livingston at 715-536-3606 or livingstoncd@gmail.com.

Highland App: Text *HighlandCCApp* to 833-245-7596 to download Highland's app. Be sure to say yes to allow the app to send notifications (even when you are not in the app) so you can learn of important notices, including cancellations. The app has a dynamic home page with weekly updates. The media page contains audio/video teachings, sermon notes, and questions you can fill in and save to your device. You can also send us prayer requests, read the Bible, register for classes, and so much more.

Highland's Lay Elders: Steve Clements, Tony Morice, Rimon Moses, Dan Myhrer, Scott Names, Jason Reith, and Steve Vandenberg.

Hospital Visits: If you are scheduled for surgery, or become hospitalized, 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.

Meal Ministry: Are you HUNGRY to SERVE? Would you please consider helping with the very important ministry of providing a meal to someone in need among our church family? Another aspect of our Meal Ministry involves the opportunity to help provide dessert bars for funerals among our church body. No set commitment is required. Just serve as it fits your life schedule. If you would like to sign up, or if you have questions, contact Angela Aldrich at 715-218-0741 or chrisandangelaaldrich@gmail.com.

Merrill Prayer Group: It is one of the greatest blessings to come before our Heavenly Father in prayer and seek His will for our communities, loved ones, and nation. Join us Tuesdays, at 6:00 pm, in Room 1 at the Merrill campus for a time of intentional prayer and fellowship. If you have questions, contact John Rautiola at 715-622-0066 or jrautiola@charter.net.

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.

Prayer Chain Ministry: If you would like to be involved in this vital ministry and confidentially pray for requests that come in, email office@highlandcommunitychurch.com to let us know, and we will add you to our prayer chain.

Prayer Meeting in Wausau: Join us Wednesday mornings at 7:15 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 highlandcommunitychurch.com.

Adult Life Groups

Life Groups are small groups of people that meet on a regular basis to study God's Word, care for one another, and serve together as we **Connect, Grow, and Go**. If you are interested in joining or leading a Life Group, contact Janna Janke at jjanke@highlandcommunitychurch.com or 715-842-5683. The following Life Groups are open to new participants:

- **Women's D-Group (Discipleship/Life Group):** This group will use the Bible and The Navigators' 2:7 Series. Members will meet regularly, as decided by the group, to explore a practical approach to Bible study, prayer, and more. For further information, contact Janna Janke at jjanke@highlandcommunitychurch.com.
- **Klapperich:** Wausau, Sunday afternoon, 50s/60s, Contact Jeff or Jeanne at jcklapperich@juno.com.
- **Tikalsky/Benes:** Marathon, 2nd & 4th Fridays, Contact Andy at andypattytikalsky@gmail.com.

Adult Sunday School

Meets at each campus from 9:20–10:10 am. Nursery and Sunday school (for children and youth) also meet during this time. Sunday school returns September 11, 2022.

Children's Ministry

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 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.

Journeys: For singles age 40 and older (singles under 40 are also welcome). Our Friday Night Fellowship is a safe place to develop genuine, Godly friendships and grow together in Christ through His Word and prayer. We meet from 7:00-8:30 pm in Room B11/12 at the Wausau campus. Check Highland's online calendar for current social events. For more info, or to receive email updates, contact Louise Cooke at 715-212-5040 or louisechristfollower@gmail.com.

Women's Ministry

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

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 it to the church office.

Young Adults Ministry

The Young Adults Ministry is for anyone college-age through their 30s, whether married, single, or dating. 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. Please check out the front half of this document for current activities and information.

Youth Ministry

Email Updates for Parents of Youth: If you would like to receive updates about Highland's Youth Ministry, contact Vianca at vmcswain@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. Generation180 meets at three of our campuses on Wednesday nights from September through May: Wausau meets 6:00-7:45 pm; Weston meets 6:00-7:30 pm; Merrill meets 6:00-7:45 pm. We are one ministry that meets in three locations! There is also Sunday school, yearly trips, special events, leadership opportunities, and so much more for youth. Just ask us.

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