



*"I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing." ...John 15:5"*

# Highland Valley United Methodist Church

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## Divine Worship

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
13 September 2009  
8:30am, 9:40am, 10:45am

### SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6: 13

### SERMON

*"The Kingdom, the Power,  
and the Glory"*

Series: *The Lord's Prayer*  
Rev. Daniel R. Kirkpatrick

### HYMNS

*To God Be the Glory  
Blessed Assurance  
Praise Him! Praise Him!*

### SPECIAL MUSIC

Ramy Zimmerebner  
Chancel Choir

### CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Lisa Ring

## Focus: Family Funanza

Our church has an exciting community outreach planned for this next Sunday afternoon, September 13 from 3:00pm—7:00pm called "Family Funanza." It will be a fun-filled afternoon that reaches out beyond the doors of our church to our neighbors and friends in west Little Rock. Radio advertisements the past weeks include Radio Disney which will be present with special music. Also included will be our Red Cross Blood Drive, and special "Kids Zone" with blow up jumping toys for children and youth; the Humane Society will be present along with a display from Arkansas Game and Fish Commission; and several of our church's mission outreaches will have booths and table displays including Infant Crisis Ministry, Interfaith Hospitality Network, our United Methodist Youth, and The Alpha Class, to name but a few. Free popcorn and lemonade will be available.

You are invited to give an hour of your time Sunday afternoon to volunteer to help host an event. Please contact Vanya Gilmore, Funanza coordinator at 224-6047 or e-mail Vanya@hvumc.org. We are also in need of baked goods, and you may drop those goodies off at the church kitchen any time this week.

I'm proud to be a part of a church that is creative in its ministry of reaching out to others in Jesus' name and love.

I look forward to seeing you this Sunday in worship and Sunday school as we're drawing to a close in our series and Jesus and *The Lord's Prayer*.

Yours in Christ,  
Rev. Daniel Kirkpatrick

## INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

**IHN update:** Our church will host IHN the week of **October 4-11**. We will need our volunteers for that week. This week, September 6, we are providing our facilities only with no hosting or volunteers needed.

## Welcome New Members

We're happy to welcome to our church **Erik & Michelle Kellim**, and their 2 1/2 year old daughter, **Brenna**, who united by transfer from another denomination at the 9:40am service. Erik is a native of Jonesboro and is employed with Land O' Lakes Agricultural company. Michelle is a native of Gainesville, Florida and is currently a stay-at-home mom. Their address is 15325 Hartford St. 72223 and phone is 353-1603.

We currently have 49 new members in our church in 2009 for a total membership of 952.

Please join us in welcoming the Kellim family as the newest members of our church family.

## Pastor's Fall Bible Study Begins Wednesday, September 16

*"The Book of Psalms: How the Psalms Teach Us to Talk to God" 10:00am-11:00am—Hart Chapel*

The Pastor's Bible Study for the fall begins this next Wednesday, September 16 at 10:00am in the Hart Chapel in the Jones Education Building. The fall study will be: "The Book of Psalms: How the Psalms Teach Us to Talk to God." It will be led by Rev. Daniel Kirkpatrick and Rev. Regina Gideon. Please call the church office at 224-6057 for further information.

## Family Funanza

**Sunday, September 13 3:00pm-7:00pm**

IT'S ALMOST HERE!!! You don't want to be left out for the community event of the year. \*\*\*What can you do on a Sunday afternoon that could be better than being with friends, seeing children have fun, AND more importantly, helping out your community all in one spot? Not much. On Sunday, September 13, from 3:00-7:00pm, you can come and buy some baked goods, see native fish in a huge aquarium, climb on a fire truck, see the K-9 police dog from LRPD, give blood, buy jewelry, eat free popcorn and drink lemonade, jump on a big star bouncer, and even see live performances on a stage. You may even adopt a pet or give donations to help out the Humane Society of Pulaski County. There will also be our very own Boy Scout troop with a surprise booth, as well as a KidZone with games, art activities, and prizes to be given away. Call your friends and come on out on September 13. See you there!



# CHILDREN'S CORNER

FUNANZA IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER..

There are still volunteer opportunities available. I know everyone wants to really make this a BIG EVENT and Highland Valley members need to ALL roll out in masses and show the community what we are all about!!! Please sign up at the youth table in the Family Life Center. Invite your friends and neighbors. I'll see you there!

Vanya



We need your help in raising money for the Children's Department choir robes. On Sunday morning, **September 27**, there will be a PUMPKIN PATCH at Highland Valley UMC with painted pumpkins for sale. The proceeds will help raise money for the children's choir robes. Here's how you can help:

- Donate one or more "painted" pumpkins for the Pumpkin Patch.
- Purchase painted pumpkins to use for decorating. They will be on sale during the morning of September 27 on the sidewalk that leads from the Children's Building to the Church.

\*\*\*These pumpkins will be on sale for EVERYONE and may be painted in any form that you wish. They may have funny or scary faces with hair, hats, and embellishments! They could be decorated with pictures of stars, for example, or other holiday-related items. So get your creative brains to work and dust off your paint brushes. If you don't paint, you may donate unpainted pumpkins for other people to paint! The pumpkins may be brought to Vanya's office at any time from today through September 27.



## ATTENTION LADIES AND MEN WHO HAVE WOMEN IN THEIR LIVES

The **Broken China Jewelry Project** will be one of the booths at our Family Funanza. These handmade pendants made from broken china, with a beautiful message attached which is perfect for gift giving, will be on sale that day. Here's the neat thing about it though...if you have a broken heirloom piece of china that you just can't throw away, bring it and they will make a pendant for you out of the broken piece! Keep in mind, that the piece will need to be fairly flat, not curved like the side of a china cup for example, but they will make it and deliver it back to me, at no extra cost! If you have any questions, call Vanya.

## THIRD AGERS Thursday, September 24

Get ready to go to the "Jot 'em Down Store" and Lum & Abner Museum in Pine Ridge on September 24. We will leave the church at **10:00am** and eat on the road, lunch will be on your own. Reservations must be in no later than September 20. For information or to make reservations, call Joan Winstead (221-1424) or Joanne Frost (228-9420) or the church office (224-6047).

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR—ALDERSGATE FISH FRY Saturday, September 26 4:00pm-7:00pm Camp Aldersgate

Join us for catfish and all the fixins! There will be great new family friendly entertainment, children's carnival, old fashioned bake sale and more. All proceeds benefit programs at Camp Aldersgate. Adults—\$15, children (ages 4-11)—\$10, Seniors (65+)—\$10, children under 4—free. For more information, call 225-1444. The HVUMC church bus will be driven as a shuttle at the camp. Kenny Baer has volunteered to drive the church bus for the event.

## COMING THIS SUNDAY...FAMILY FUNANZA It's a commUNITY thing!



Mark your calendars for **Sunday, September 13 (3:00pm-7:00pm)**. Plan on helping out our community as well as having a fun time with your family. \*\*\*Here's one way that you can help: Bake cookies, cupcakes, cakes, pies, candy, or anything else that we can sell for THE GREAT AMERICAN BAKE SALE portion of our event. Proceeds from this one event will go to helping end childhood hunger in Arkansas. We will start taking the baked goods on Wednesday, September 9. You may bring them to the kitchen or to Vanya's office in the Education wing. Please bag cookies in ziplocks. A ziplock of two large cookies may sell for 50¢, for example, or six small ones could also be 50¢. We'll sell whole and half cakes for various prices depending on the difficulty and amount of ingredients. If your baked item contains nuts, please indicate that on a note attached to the item for nut allergies. So, put on your CHEF BAKING THINKING CAPS **NOW** and bring your delicious treats to the church.



## HUMANE SOCIETY OF PULASKI COUNTY

Don't forget to keep bringing your quarters and items to help out the Humane Society of Pulaski County. Remember they will be here at **Family Funanza** on September 13, and it would be great to give them money and items. You may adopt a pet that day also!

### Needs include:

- Kong toys
- Leashes, collars
- Cat beds
- Milk Bones
- Copy paper
- Blankets, towels and bath rugs (can be used, but clean)
- Science Diet small bites
- Small bites puppy food (HSPC does not need food other than the above. It is furnished by Science Diet)

## A BIG PROJECT FOR THE CHILDREN'S CHOIRS CALLING ALL SEAMSTRESSES!

### WE NEED CHILDREN'S CHOIR ROBES!

If you sew and would like to help make robes for our children's choirs, we need you!

If you can help with this project, please contact [Betty@hvumc.org](mailto:Betty@hvumc.org) or call 224-6047.

## The Alpha Course Celebration Dinner

Sunday, September 20

6:00 pm—Church Parlor—Childcare Provided

The **Alpha** Course is offered again this fall at Highland Valley Methodist Church! It begins Sunday, September 20 at 6:00pm with the **Alpha Celebration Dinner** in the Church Parlor. The **Alpha** Course is a 10 week introductory class to Christianity for adults. Begun in London, England at an Anglican church, it is now used around the world in over 120 countries and 50 different denominations as an effective tool in introducing seekers and those with questions to the Christian faith.

You are encouraged to attend and bring a friend, neighbor, or relative to the **Alpha Celebration Dinner** on Sunday, Sept. 20. Childcare will be provided and children are welcome to attend and eat with their families, too. The dinner and introduction will last one hour and persons will have the chance to enroll in The **Alpha** Course for the next 9 weeks. Please call the church office at 224-6047 or e-mail: [churchoffice@hvumc.org](mailto:churchoffice@hvumc.org) for the number of persons for dinner reservations for the **Alpha Celebration Dinner**.



Menu: *Chicken Parmesan & Pasta*  
*Parmesan & Roasted Shrimp Salad*  
*Shrimp Bisque Soup* *Garlic Bread Sticks*  
Dessert: *Brownie bites & Coffee*

**Membership Vow of the United Methodist Church**

*I will support the church with my prayers, my presence, my gifts, my service and my witness.*

**OUR PRAYERS**

Nelda Hicks, Frank Highfill, Mary Jo Smith, Marie Buckley, Dorothy Dillon, Eutha Scott, Delaine Russell, Addison & Peyton Millard, Jeanette Horton, Paula Conaway, Jim Martindale, Sue Bass, Don Howard, Ruth Gilliam, Mary Hall, Sonny Bradshaw, Mary Harris, Bill Harris.

**SYMPATHY**

Our sympathy is extended to Rev. and Mrs. Daniel R. (Barbara) Kirkpatrick and family in the death of Rev. Kirkpatrick's aunt, Eloise Graves Marshall, age 82 of Texas and Magnolia, AR.

**OUR PRESENCE**

**September 6**

**Divine Worship**

8:30	60
9:40	47
10:45	173
Total	280

**Sunday School**

Adults	156
Youth	20
Children	47
Total	223

**OUR GIFTS**

**September 6**

2009 Operating Budget	\$1,048,372
Operating budget receipts for 9/06/09	33,940
Total receipts, operating & restricted 9/06/09	34,877
Year to date operating budget receipts through 9/06/09	689,057
Year to date receipts, operating & restricted, through 9/06/09	748,195
Restricted funds received for: food pantry, local missions, Walnut Grove Restoration	

*Staff Sharing*

A frustrating Labor Day came and went before I knew it. I tried to clean the carpets, only to find that the cleaner we rented from Home Depot didn't work. I tried to pay the bills, only to find that my Excel spreadsheet was having compatibility problems. My husband tried to do edging along the yard perimeter, only to knock the extension cord. We finally decided that Labor Day was conspiring against us to stop our laboring.

Every year, the occasion comes around – the day we commemorate the ending of summer and look toward the fall. However, Labor Day didn't begin this way. In 1894 it was declared a national holiday by Grover Cleveland - a day of rest, in honor of the "working man." The first Labor Day was observed in 1882 and it looked more like a political protest, where people rallied in support of an eight hour work day. To think – it took Americans until 1882 to figure out that the human body needed rest!

God calls it Sabbath, which means "to cease or desist from labor." We find this concept in the second chapter of the Bible – even *God* rested from work. It's in the Ten Commandments: "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy" (Exodus 20:8-11).

More words are dedicated to explaining this commandment than any other! Why is that? Maybe because when we are compelled to work too much we are demonstrating a lack of faith. "Sabbath keeping is a sign of trust that God governs this world, therefore we don't have to work to make things come out right," say Stanley Hauerwas and William Willimon. "God welcomes our labors, but our contributions to creation have their limits....like God, we can stay away from the office for a day of rest in the conviction that the world will not go to [pieces] simply because we are at rest."

Failing to keep the Sabbath exhibits a false set of priorities. Does it matter *that* much if the lawn is edged? Do I need to clean carpet at the expense of my rest? Is it worth it to bring the office work home?

Sabbath is a gift from God. We have the opportunity to relax, to enjoy the gift of life, friends and family, to be thankful, and to rest. We can take the time to be in prayer and to see God in the world where we otherwise may have missed the divine because we were at work. Somewhere along the way, we Christians got the false message that resting = laziness. On the Sabbath, resting = faithfulness.

I'll see you next Sabbath; enjoy your rest!

Regina

**SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE - SEPTEMBER 6**

CHILDREN		ADULTS	
Infant/Ones	0	Faith	10
2 Yr. Old	6	Fellowship	4
3/4 Yr. Old	3	Pairs & Spares	2
K/1st Grade	6	Alice Fidelis	2
2nd/3rd Grade	2	Highlander	29
4th/5th Grade	8	New Beginnings	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	New Horizons	9
		Good News	15
		Connections	10
YOUTH		Ben Miller	25
Jr. High	9	Children/Youth	
Sr. High	2	SS Teachers	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>128</b>



**MUSIC NOTES**

*From Betty's Desk*

**THE TIME IS HERE!  
COMING ATTRACTIONS!**

**Wednesday, September 9**

6:00-6:30pm **MEN'S CHORUS**

6:30-8:00pm **CHANCEL CHOIR**

**Thursday, September 10**

12:00noon-1:00pm **HANDBELL CHOIR**

**Tuesday, September 15**

10:00-11:00am **SENIOR CHOIR**

**Sunday, September 20**

4:45-5:15pm **CHILDREN'S CHOIRS**

5:30-6:30pm **YOUTH CHOIR**

**COME ONE, COME ALL  
SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE FALL**

**IMMEDIATE SOUND BOARD NEED!**



We have an immediate need for sound board volunteers on September 27, October 4 and 11. Please contact Herr Northcutt at 224-6047 or [Herr@hvumc.org](mailto:Herr@hvumc.org) if you can volunteer for this important ministry on these Sundays.

**GIFTS**

**BUDGET**

In memory of **Eloise Graves Marshall**  
(aunt of Rev. Daniel R. Kirkpatrick)  
... by HVUMC Staff

In memory of **Robbie Sullenger**  
... by Mildred Peters

**OUR SERVICE**

Thank you to Don and Maxine Stecks for advance cleaning and prep work for Family Funanza.

### Emergency Assistance Fund Appeal

Our church receives second mile contributions throughout the year to our Emergency Assistance Fund, which assists persons in need with gasoline, prescriptions, groceries, and utilities. Gifts left at the Communion Rail during the Lord's Supper all go toward helping others in need. Due to high demand this summer, the Emergency Assistance Fund has been depleted. We're asking persons and groups to designate their second mile gifts as "Emergency Assistance Fund" on the envelope or in the left hand corner of the check. Thus far in 2009 we have assisted 42 families and other groups with contributions of \$16,000. Thank you for your generosity in making a difference in other people's lives.

Dr. Becky Liggins  
Missions Committee Chair



*You're invited to a Bridal Shower In honor of Lynn Keathley*

**Saturday September 12**  
**2:00pm to 3:30pm**  
**Highland Valley UMC Parlor**

**Hostesses**  
**Kathy Ainley, Deborah Bolding**  
**Sheila McLarty, Amy Sinks**

**Registered at**  
**Crate & Barrel and Bed, Bath & Beyond**

### UM WOMEN NEWS

#### Reminders:

HVUMW will host the **Central District UMW Fall meeting** on Saturday, September 26, 9:30am until about noon. We will collect school supplies for DMP

**Camp Aldersgate Fish Fry** is Saturday, September 26 from 4:00pm-7:00pm at Camp Aldersgate.

**September Social Action**—Backpacks for Kids.

### COFFEE STEWARDS NEEDED

Are you one of the many who enjoy the gourmet selection of coffee each Sunday morning during Fellowship Time in the Gym? If so, you may want to consider volunteering to help as a Coffee Steward 3 or 4 Sundays a year. Duties include selecting the coffee varieties to be served, brewing the coffee (easy instructions provided!), and keeping the coffee pots refreshed between 8:45am-9:45am. Please contact the Church Office to be added to next quarter's Coffee Steward schedule. What an easy yet important way to serve your church!



**American Red Cross**

### REMINDER:

Highland Valley's American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held this Sunday, September 13, 3-7pm in conjunction with the Family Funanza. Come give the gift of life.

### CALENDAR

#### SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13

8:30am Divine Worship  
9:00am Fellowship Time  
Fellowship (Telephone) Class  
9:30am Sunday School Classes  
9:40am Casual Worship  
10:45am Divine Worship  
2:00pm Central District Conference  
3:00pm-7:00pm **Family Funanza/ Red Cross Blood Drive**

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9:00am Bridge Group  
5:00pm Girl Scout Troop 407  
6:00pm Finance Committee  
Cub Scout Pack/Den Meetings  
7:00pm Troop 335 Troop Meeting

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

10:00am Grace Notes  
6:00pm Men's Bible Study  
Girl Scout Troop 6134  
UM Men Supper/Program  
Men's Bible Study  
6:45pm Women's Bible Study

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

9:00am Stepping Stone Bible Study  
10:00am Pastor's Bible Study  
Parkway Village Heights  
**12:00pm Church Newsletter deadline**  
6:00pm Higher Ground  
Men's Chorus  
6:30pm Chancel Choir

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

12:00pm Handbell Choir  
6:00pm Highlander SS Class

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

3:00pm Girl Scout Set Up

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Girl Scout Diamonds of AR, OK, TX Meeting

### ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

#### SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13

##### Acolytes

Anna Markland (8:30)  
Maddie & Glory Knox (10:45)

##### Children's Church

Carolyn McCarley

##### Rockers and Huggers

Jill Hudson (9:40)  
Jana Malone (10:45)

##### Coffee Steward

MaryAnne Campbell

##### Fellowship Time Host

New Beginnings SS Class

##### Bus Driver

Mark Latch (224-0030)

##### Head Ushers

Hot Woodworth, Perry Bolding

##### September Ushers

Kelly Davidson, Brent Haughaboo  
Darren O'Quinn, Bob Baertsch

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Monday-Friday  
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