

October The Envoy

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From the Pastor

Dear Church Family,

What a blessing it was to launch Season 2025 with our Kickoff service and Celebration Luncheon! From worship to fellowship, we saw God's hand at work as we remembered His faithfulness and looked with excitement toward the future. We are especially thankful for the generosity already shown praise God for the funds raised so far as we move toward our \$70,000 campaign goal. Every gift represents faith in action and an investment in the next generation.

But this is just the beginning. Season 2025 is more than an event—it's a call to action. Let's lean in together as a church family. Every event, every opportunity, every prayer gathering is a chance to celebrate our life, love, and legacy in Christ.

What's Ahead

In October, we begin our new teaching series: WHY WE PRAY, exploring how prayer shapes, sustains, and sends us.

Join us for 25 Days of Prayer & Fasting (October 5–29) with daily prompts to help guide your times of devotion. These prompts are posted at newhighland.org/season2025. Join us for a Prayer Meeting on Tuesday, October 29, to lift up our hearts together as a church.

How You Can Help

We are asking every family to prayerfully consider making a commitment to the Season 2025 Campaign.

- Use the Commitment Form (available on the website) to pledge your support.
- Give online through the secure link at newhighland.org/ season2025 — you can set up a one-time gift or recurring
- Use the special Season 2025 envelopes for in-person

Track our progress at the website and in-person on our Season 20 | 25 display in the church lobby.

Your commitment—whether large or small—matters deeply. Together, each step of generosity moves us closer to funding an Associate Pastor for Youth & Family Life, as well as strengthening our Day School, Children's, Student, and Young Adult ministries.

Let's participate fully, give sacrificially, and pray fervently, trusting God to multiply our efforts. As Psalm 145:4 reminds us:

"One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts."

Together, we're not only celebrating 20 years of the Day School and 25 years in our present location—we are building a foundation for the next generation to know Christ, grow in Christ, and go for Christ.

New Highland, You are loved.

Now Go and Make a Difference, Pastor Derek Nicksich

October Worship Services

9:15 am Sunday School ~ 10:30 am Worship



Sunday, October 5 **Lord's Supper**

Sunday, October 12

Sunday, October 19

Sunday, October 26

Church Office:

804.550.9601 and office@newhighland.org Hours: M-F 8:30am—12:30pm

<u>Deacons on Call — October</u>

Gordon Martin 804.244.7258 Harold Elliotte 804.795.5289

Season 20 | 25: **SAVE THESE DATES & PLAN TO ATTEND!**

- 10/06-10/30: 25 Days of Prayer and Fasting
- 10/29: **Prayer Gathering**
- Sundays in October: "Why We Pray" teaching Series
- 11/2: Apparel Fundraiser Launch Date
- Sundays in November: "Why We Give" teaching series
- 12/6: Anniversary Gala & Silent Auction

Submit Your Prayer Requests

- 1) Main & CLC Foyer Prayer Boxes
- 2) Contact Prayer Team (804-550-1562)3) Contact Church Office (804-550-9601)

PUMPKIN PATCH

As part of our Season 20+25 campaign, we are hosting a fundraiser pumpkin patch. We're looking for volunteers to help make this a success! Whether you can help for a couple hours or a full day, every bit helps us raise money for our church and community. This will be a great way to come out and interact with our community and neighbors. Light Work, Big Impact—Be a Blessing This



Fall! This is a low-impact, easy volunteer opportunity—perfect for all ages and abilities. Please sign up in the lobby!

Grow Group Sign-ups

Fall Grow Groups will begin this month! Opportunities are available for men, women and co-ed groups, meeting at a variety of times and days. A list of options is available at the Welcome Desk with contact information for each leader. We will continue our focus on Wednesday evening activities with a reception to welcome new fall groups on October 8th from 6:00-6:30 PM; groups will meet from 6:30-8. Childcare will be provided.



OCTOBER 2P-5P

FAMILY FRIENDLY FALL FESTIVAL PUMPKIN PATCH, HAY RIDES, TRUNK OR TREAT. FOOD, GAMES, LIVE MUSIC AND MORE



Do you have a small or direct sales busness, crafts items for sale or other items? Join us for our vendor fair.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP, VISIT **NEWHIGHLAND.ORG**

Note of Thanks:

Dear NHBC-

On behalf of Pearson's Corner Elementary School, I would like to thank you for donating school supplies and backpacks. It was such a generous and thoughtful thing for you to do!

We appreciate your community partnership! Thanks again! PCES Staff, Students, & Families

Note of Thanks

Dear NHBC Family—

A big "thank you" for all the prayers, visits, cards and #1: the prayers while I was "pampering myself" for a few weeks in August.

God bless & love, Kay Fields





TRUNK-OR-TREAT

We Need YOU! We need lots of people to sign up to HOST A TRUNK! It is Fun, Easy & Family-Friendly! What's Involved?

- Decorate your car trunk with a fun theme
- Dress up (if you'd like!)
- Be part of a safe, joy-filled fall event for our community!

Candy provided, or bring your own! Sign up in lobby.

Saturday Serving

We will preparing and serving lunches
October 11! Join us!!

Please contact Ed Williams if you have any questions about this project. (804)514-5916





The Day School has had a great first month of the school year! Thank you for your support of our mum fundraiser that provides

scholarship funds for students through the Randye Cox Memorial Scholarship.

Thanks, always, for supporting The Day School!

The Day School admits students of any race, color, gender, creed, and national or ethnic origin.



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PUBLICATION DEADLINES

November Envoy — October 15 Bulletin — 12 pm Tuesdays

Clerk's Membership Report

New Members NHBC welcomes the following new members

Brvan & Shannon Chenault Jennifer Collins

In Memoriam NHBC remembers the following church members

Barbara Aylor

United with NHBC September 10, 2006, Deceased August 16, 2025 William "Bill" Martin

United with NHBC July 2, 2006, Deceased September 10, 2025

Joan Ciucci

United with NHBC October 3, 1999, Deceased September 12, 2025

(submitted by Lynn Bivens, NHBC Clerk)

Red Cross Blood Drive

NHBC is currently hosting monthly blood drives for the Red Cross. There is an extreme need for blood at this time.



Blood Services

The next drive is on **October 20** from 1 pm to 6 pm in the CLC. All blood types are needed and are being tested for COVID-19 antibodies.

Appointments are required. Go to www.redcrossblood.org to register or call 1.800.RED.CROSS (1.800,733,2767).

Future dates 11/12/25 & 12/17/25

October Birthdays

- 1 Myra Fitzgerald
- 3 Annmarie Blackman
- 6 Pamela Falls
- 9 Judy Evans
- 9 Marvin Mills
- 9 Warren Timberlake
- 10 Glenyss Clarke
- 11 Wes Bryant 15 Jackson Currie

- 15 Stephen Breck
- 17 Sandra Edwards
- 17 Michael Petrey
- 17 Hannah Nicksich
- 20 Bennett Smith
- 21 Lori Rozecki
- 26 Bart Yates
- 27 Luke Cliborne
- 29 Tracey Kazelskis

October Anniversaries

Eric & Lynn Bivens Dave & Carol Evers Michael & Cassidy Petrey

<u>September Benevolence</u>		October Mission Project		Church Council Meeting	
633.25		MoHope Saturday Serving Oct. 11		October 13 at 6:30 pm	
ACTS 2:43-47	<u>Se</u> p	tember 7	September 14	September 21	September 28
<u>Attendance</u>					
SUNDAY SCHOOL		43	51	45	36
<u>WORSHIP</u>					
Online # of Households		2	1	2	4
In-Person (10:30 am)		98	117	130	104
<u>Budget</u>					
Weekly Need		5,584.89	5,584.89	5,584.89	5,584.89
Weekly Receipts		8,109.00	4,287.96	3,003.67	3,407.00
YTD Goal	;	201,056.04	206,640.93	212,225.82	217,810.71
YTD Receipts		195,072.81	199,360.77	202,364.44	205,771.44
Designated Gifts		2,983.23	335.00	1,145.00	1,385.00