

Upcoming Events

"GRACE": A WORSHIP MUSICAL

- On **Sunday, April 29 at 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.**, the choir will be leading us in a worship musical called "Grace", inspired by the book by Max Lucado. Invite your family and friends to this special musical event!

YOUNG ADULTS LUNCH

- This is a chance for you to connect with other young adults over a free meal! Join us on **Sunday, April 29** following the 11:00 A.M. service in Room 150.

FATHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET

- **Friday, May 11 at 6:00 P.M.** Our special speaker for the evening will be Scott Montgomery with music by Pastor Lee Brubacher. Tickets are \$30 per father/daughter (plus \$10 each additional daughter). See Rick Thompson or Ken Thomson for tickets or reserve them online at www.westhighland.org/men.

"REDUCE THE RISK" VOLUNTEER TRAINING

- On **Sunday, June 3 following the 11:00 A.M. service**, there will be **mandatory** training for all volunteers involved in STAR Kids and Student Ministries. Lunch will be provided and childcare will be available. To RSVP or for more details, contact Abigail Stairs at abigailstairs@gmail.com.

HOLY LAND TOUR

- We have a number of additional seats available for the trip to Israel and Jordan from **November 18 to 29, 2018**. This is the final availability! Once these seats are gone, there will be no more sales. Please contact Donna Laidlaw (donna.laidlaw@gmail.com) or Dale Laidlaw (dalelaidlaw@westhighland.org), before April 29 to get the application and itinerary.

Church Family News

Condolences to Shelby Logie (fiancée of Nathan Gillespie) on the death of her father, Leonard, on Monday, April 9.

Condolences to Mary Veerabhadra on the death of her husband, John, on Tuesday, April 10.

Condolences to Donna Skirrow on the death of her brother-in-law, Earl Skirrow, on Monday, April 16.

Condolences to Tracy Abraham on the death of her grandmother, Alice Spree, on Monday, April 16.

Congratulations to Irene Kosubovich and Ron Anderson on their recent engagement.

Announcements

FROM THE ELDERS & MINISTRY TEAM: Thank you to the cast, crew and the many volunteers who participated in our recent Narnia presentations. Thank you to all of you for using your talents in various ways to make this a tremendous outreach into our community. It couldn't have been done without every one of you.

On behalf of **Pregnancy Support Services of Hamilton** and **The Baby Depot**, we offer our heartfelt thanks for the incredible generosity extended to these organizations through the outpouring of gifts received for the "Shower of Blessings" event earlier this month.

Our **new photo directories** are now available! Pick up your copy at the table in the foyer today. Please have a look at your contact information and let the Church Office know of any changes.

If you are looking for a way to be involved in the life of West Highland, consider volunteering in our **Cornerstone Café**. We're looking for a few more hands to help out on a rotating basis. For more details, speak to Genelyn Michilsen or inquire at the Café.

Are you interested in **short-term missions**? Consider an opportunity serving our friends of Thessalon First Nation in Northern Ontario this summer from **July 28-August 4** or **August 4-11**. Cost is approximately \$750 for one week or \$1,000 for two weeks. *Application deadline is Sunday, May 13.* Application forms are available at www.westhighland.org/missions. Contact Pastor Chris Kovac for more details at chriskovac@westhighland.org.

WE WANT YOU! We're recruiting volunteers to help fill various roles in our **Vacation Bible Camp (August 13-17)!** If you're interested in being part of this fabulous ministry to children, visit our display in the foyer today for more details and to sign up!



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WEST HIGHLAND CHURCH
April 22, 2018



From Pastor John's Desk...

Brothers and Sisters,

Every Thursday morning at West Highland there are about 12 people who gather in the foyer near the Cornerstone Café to pray from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. It's a time of rich fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ and of sweet communion with our Lord. Our focus in prayer for this hour is Revival and we have been praying that God will send others to pray with us.

What is Revival? **Revival is God revitalizing his church.** Revival is the work of restoring life. In Revival, the Holy Spirit brings believers into a new quality of relationship with the Father and the Son. Revival is a social, corporate thing, touching and transforming the whole community of God's people. Bible prayers implore God to quicken not *me*, but *us*. Bible Prophecies of Revival depict God visiting and enlivening not one or two individual Israelites, but Israel, the whole people. Records of Revival in biblical and later Christian history, tell of entire communities being affected. There is no doubt that Revival comes to Christians individually, but Revival is not an isolated, individualistic affair; God revives his church, and then the new life overflows from the church for the conversion of those outside of Christ and the society is changed.

Jonathan Edwards once wrote, "When God has something very great to accomplish for his church, it is his will that there should precede it, the extraordinary prayers of his people." Is Revival something for which your heart yearns? How about joining us on Thursday mornings?

John Mahaffey, *Lead Pastor*

ANSWERED PRAYER? PRAISE GOD!

If you've had an answer to prayer recently, jot it down on a yellow praise paper (in chair pocket) and drop it in our **THANKOMETER**—the clear, plastic tube at the front of the Auditorium—anytime during congregational singing. Let us rejoice with you!



Today at West Highland

"Reading the Bible Through the Gospel"

Galatians 4:21-31

John Mahaffey, Lead Pastor

TREC6:00 P.M.

ARE YOU A GUEST TODAY?

- We would love to get to know you better! Please complete a **Welcome Card** (in the chair pocket) and place it in the offering plate as it goes by **OR** bring it to someone at the Welcome Centre to receive a card for free goodies at our Cornerstone Café for you and your party.
- Pick up a copy of "**Testifying to God's Grace**", a CD of original songs by West Highland musicians. It's our gift to you for visiting us today!
- If needed, we have **Large Print** worship song sheets and **Hearing Assistance Devices** available from our Ushers. **Braille** worship song sheets are available at the Welcome Centre.

STAR KIDS—OUR SPECIAL MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN



- Nursery and programs for children up to JK/SK start at 9:00 & 11:00 A.M. on the lower level.
- Grades 1-6 will be dismissed from the Auditorium during the service.

CHECK-IN SYSTEM Please be sure to check-in your children prior to the service, or do so when they are dismissed.

PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 7 & 8

- During our 9:00 A.M. service, students in Grades 7 & 8 will be dismissed from the Auditorium to meet in the Youth Room on the lower level.

Financial Report—January 2018

Receipts	\$126,564	General Fund Offerings Budget	\$149,520
Expenses	(\$138,186)		
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$11,622)		

This Week at West Highland

• MONDAY, APRIL 23

English Among Friends 6:30 P.M.—Room 150
 GriefShare 6:30 P.M.—Room 225
 Women's Bible Study..... 7:00 P.M.—Room 146
 Women's Volleyball 7:30 P.M.—Gym

• TUESDAY, APRIL 24

Women's Bible Study.....9:30 A.M.—Room 146
 STAR Kids QUEST 6:30 P.M.—Lower Level
 The Parenting Teenagers Course..... 6:30 P.M.—Room 222
 Men's Study Group 6:30 P.M.—Room 223
 Women's Bible Study..... 6:30 P.M.—Room 225

• WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

Women's Oasis Bible Study9:30 A.M.—Fellowship Hall
 Worship Practice..... 6:30 P.M.—Auditorium
 Element (*Sr High*) & Impact (*Jr High*) 7:00 P.M.—Fellowship Hall
 Fresh Encounters (*Mid-Week Prayer*) 7:15 P.M.—Room 225

• THURSDAY, APRIL 26

Revival Prayer 6:30 A.M.—Cornerstone Café
 Alpha 6:30 P.M.—Fellowship Hall
 Self-Defense..... 6:30 P.M. & 8:00 P.M.—Gym

• FRIDAY, APRIL 27

Mom & Tot Connect9:30 A.M.—Gym

• SATURDAY, APRIL 28

Men's Floor Hockey10:00 A.M.—Gym
 Emmaus Road (*Hour of Prayer for Sunday*) 7:30 P.M.—Foyer

• NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 29

Pre-Service Prayer 8:30 & 10:30 A.M.—Room 225
 Worship Service 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.—Auditorium

GRACE: A Worship Musical

The choir will be leading us in this worship musical, inspired by the book by Max Lucado.

Young Adults Lunch 12:30 P.M.—Room 150
 TREC 6:00 P.M.