

(As you prepare for worship, please turn off all cell phones and beepers.)

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

†Prelude “God Is My Strong Salvation” Young

Presenting the Word Kenny Barefoot

†Call to Worship

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

†Prayer of Invocation & Lord’s Prayer (Page 16 in the Blue Hymnal)
Dr. Ernie Johnson

†Hymn #481 “Praise The Lord, God’s Glories Show” LLANFAIR

Words of Welcome

Minute for Mission - Rob Schob

Sacrament of Baptism - Maddox Woodley Johnson
Son of Leigh and Paul Johnson

Special Music “I Was There To Hear Your Boring Cry”
Beth Birch and Kristin McCarthy

Call to Confession

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what He has done for me. If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. But truly God has listened; He has given heed to the words of my prayer. Blessed be God, because He has not rejected my prayer or removed His steadfast love from me. In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.

Prayer of Confession - UNISON

Giver of good and holy law, we thank You for sending us Your Son, the Prince of Peace, who has brought to us Your precious gift of eternal life. Yet just as we have rejected Your prophets, so we have rejected Him. We have sinned against You most grievously, and cast ourselves upon Your sure and faithful mercy. Forgive us for rejecting You by spurning Your gifts of love. Help us by Your Spirit to embrace your holiness, that we may live in a manner worthy of our calling, to the honor of Jesus, our Lord.

Kyrie Eleison **Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the Good News! Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

People: He Himself bore our sins in His body so that we might be dead to sin, and become alive to all that is good.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

†Gloria Patri Hymn #579

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be,
World without end, Amen, Amen.

Affirmation of Faith (Page 14 in the hymnal)

Offertory “Teach Us To Pray” Choplin
Congregation is invited to join in on
The Lord’s Prayer at the end of the anthem

†Doxology “Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below:
Praise Him, above Ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

†Prayer of Dedication

Words With Our Young Church Steve Mathias
**Response: Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew,
that I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.**

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Exodus 12:1-9

Sermon “Baptism 101”
Dr. Ernie Johnson

†Hymn #421 “The Church of Christ in Every Age” WAREHAM

†Benediction

†Congregational Response
**Here I am Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.**

†Postlude “Trumpet Tune #1” Telemann

†All who are able, please stand

Worship Leaders

Dr. Ernie Johnson
The Rev. Chip Stapleton
Dr. Ewart “Doc” Wyle
Cathy Wilson, Director of Music Ministries
Earlene McLamb, Organist

Worship September 27

Greeters Kenny Barefoot
& Debbie Brown
Acolyte Chase Ammons
Sound Tim Parnell

Worship October 4

Greeters Marshall Howie
& Dana Haithcock
Acolyte Langdon Boliek
Sound Clay Johnson

Sunday Nursery

Our nursery is available every Sunday to care for children while their parents attend the 8:45 Worship Service, Second Mile, Sunday School and/or the 11:00 Worship Service.

DEVOTION

~DR. JOHNSON~

“For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in Him, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through His blood, shed on the cross.” (Colossians 1: 19-20)

It is an amazing thing that God has done. God’s desire is that He have a relationship with all of His creation. It is His desire that the fullness of eternity might dwell in us. Reconciliation is the key word in this letter that Paul writes to the church at Colossae. God in Christ has reconciled the world unto Himself. Sin which broke that relationship and severed the tie between God and us is restored in Christ who forgives sin by becoming the supreme sacrifice with His blood on the cross. On this truth we need to reflect daily. When we have more than we think we can bear then take it to the foot of the cross and God will meet you there with His reconciling power and with the Spirit of truth. Trust Him. Believe in Him. Dwell fully in Him.

Prayer: Oh God help me to live faithfully and well. Give to me the reconciling mind of Christ so that I might live in peace with Your world and with my brothers and sisters. In the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.



Nancy Sappenfield James Chavis
Deanna Guy Eddie Day
Jean Hall (Darlene Day’s
Rev. Bob Snyder Brother)
Bobby Dunsford Carole Goforth
(Libby Roger’s brother) Harriet Hopkins
Otis Lambert Jason McClelland

Michael Johnson - Afghanistan
(and wife Amanda)
CW4 John M. Tew - Afghanistan
(son of Joan & Jeff Miller)
Riley Secrest - Afghanistan
(Grandson of Bryan & Betty Sue Carr)
James W. Smith - Afghanistan
(Son of Jane & Iverson Smith
Grandson of Mary McMillan)

CapeFear Hospital
Linda Lee Allan

Highland Presbyterian Church
111 Highland Ave; Fayetteville, NC 28305 - 910-485-2147
www.hpchurch.org; www.presbycc.org

A few lines my friends...

to say that this coming Sunday evening provides for us a tremendous opportunity to hear two great servants of Christ come and share their incredible story of faith and endurance under great odds. It is also a time when we can together accomplish a great goal for the Kingdom of God — the rebuilding of a church in the Sudan. You are invited, the community is invited. You will be touched and inspired. John Bul Dau and Kurt Nowrey give us a once in a lifetime opportunity at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

to also say that this is a very special Sunday for me personally as I conduct the Baptism for my grandson, Maddox Woodley Johnson. All the grandparents and family gather to celebrate not only his life but this wonderful journey he begins as a child of God. It brings great joy as Paul and Leigh make commitments on their son's behalf. We are glad the Highland family is part of this special time in our lives.

Your pastor and friend,

Stephen Ministers

What is Stephen Ministry? Stephen Ministry is grounded in Jesus' command to love one another. Through one-to-one caring relationships, those who are hurting receive the love and care they need to support them.

What is a Stephen Minister? A Stephen Minister is a child of God who walks beside a hurting person, a caring Christian friend who really listens, a lay person who has received 50 hours of training in how to provide distinctively Christian care. A Stephen Minister is NOT a counselor or therapist, problem solver, or casual visitor.

The following have either served or are currently serving:

Tamara Beasley	Jim Jones	Jean Robinson
Carroll Beckham	Bettie Kidder	Esther Rusmisl
Frances Bostic	Judy Lennon	Becky Smith
Darryl Case	Nadine Mains	June Marie Smith
Kay Case	Betty Marsh	Owen Smith
Jack Clark	Nancy Martin	Joyce Sorensen
Jenny Cote	Doug Meares	Bonnie Speegle
Rosemary Cruickshank	Chuck Moritz	Julia Strain
Dorothy Davis	Marcia Moritz	Harold Sturdivant
Suzanne Dudley	Frank Mullin	Sue Thornton
Terri Gray	Elva Owen	Tom Thornton
Phil Harris	Debbie Pedersen	Myrtle Vann
Connie Johnson	Jeanne Pittman	Barbara Wyle
Ernie Johnson	Marcia Plyler	Ewart Wyle
Lenore Johnson	Thomas Rich	Lib Yarborough

Baptized
in the name
of the Lord



We rejoice with
Leigh & Paul Johnson
as they present their son,
Maddox Woodley Johnson
for the Sacrament of Baptism today.
Proud Grandparents are:
Sue & Wayne Wampler
Connie & Ernie Johnson

*Our Christian love
is expressed to:*

Jolene Maxwell
on the death of
her mother
Hazel Beasley Cann
September 23, 2009

"Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of His saints."
Pslam 116:15

- Mon., Sep. 28**
9:30pm Love & Logic - John M. Wilson
6:30pm AA Mtg - John M. Wilson Anteroom
- Tues., Sep. 29**
1:30pm Bridge - parlor
- Wed., Sep. 30**
3:45pm Catechism
4:30pm Children's Chimes
5:00pm Junior Bells
5:00pm Wednesday Dinner
6:00pm Faith Weavers
6:00pm Classes
6:30pm Chancel Choir
- Thurs., Oct. 1**
12:00pm Food Pantry
1:00pm Computers 101 Class
5:30pm 2nd Mile Leadership Team
6:30pm 2nd Mile Rehearsal
6:30pm AA Mtg - John M. Wilson Anteroom
7:00pm Doers of the Word Steering Cmte - Leighton McKeithen Rm
7:00pm Thanksgiving Day Cmte Mtg
- Fri., Oct. 2**
2:30pm New Bridge Class - Parlor
- Sat., Oct. 3**
Sun., Oct. 4
World Communion Sunday
8:45am Worship Service-Chapel
8:45am 2nd Mile Service - Fellowship Hall
9:30am Chapel Choir - Chapel Balcony
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service - Sanctuary
11:00am Maddox Johnson Baptism
4:30pm Youth Bells
5:00pm Youth Chorale
6:00pm Youth - Regular Mtg
6:00pm Highland Ringers

Youth Information
September 27th - "A Night In Sudan"
Sanctuary at 6:00pm
October 4th - Regular Youth Group
at the regular times!

Thanksgiving Day Meal
Steering Committee
Thursday, October 1st 7:00pm.
Please try to attend as we have
a lot to discuss.

 **Rosita Owens**,
joined Highland on
September 13, 2009 by
Reaffirmation of Faith.
Ms. Owens is a Lead
Teacher with the
Highland Learning
Center. She enjoys
cooking and arts & crafts
in her free time.

**David and Carol
Mayo** joined Highland on September
13, 2009 by Transfer of Letter. They
have one son, David, who is in the 6th
grade. They attend the Spiritual Steps
Sunday School class and enjoy
singing!
*Please join us in welcoming them
to the Highland Family!*

First Sunday Lunch!!
October 4, 2009

Mouth-watering *Marinated Pork Loin, Baked Catfish and Pecan Chicken* to tempt your taste-buds! Along with a variety of salads, dessert and beverage, you cannot go wrong with Highland's First Sunday Lunch!

Don't forget to make your reservation by noon on Thursday, October 1st! Call us at 485-2147 or go online to www.hpchurch.org.

Wednesday Night Dinner
September 30, 2009

Menu
*Country Style Steak, Rice,
Pole Beans, Biscuits, Salad
Bar, Beverage*

Kids' Menu
Hotdogs & Chips

Please make your reservations by **noon** on Tuesday, September 29th by calling the church at 485-2147 or on-line at www.hpchurch.org
Make those reservations!!

Making Disciples for Jesus Christ
Worship and news of
our church family
Highland Presbyterian Church
September 27, 2009



Please join us tonight at 6:00 for a wonderful program!

John Bul Dau, one of The Lost Boys from Sudan, wrote the book, *God Grew Tired of Us*, which was made into a major motion picture and winner of the 2006 Sundance Film Festival. He will be at Highland Presbyterian sharing his experiences as a survivor of Sudan's civil war.

Kirk Nowery is the Chief Operating Officer of Samaritan's Purse. He and his family have spent countless hours rebuilding churches in Sudan. Both speakers will share from their heart about on-going tragedies in the Sudan and how we may become part of the solution.

This event is free, however the purpose of the night is to raise enough funds to rebuild a church in the Sudan. Join us for a night you don't want to miss and you won't forget.

Childcare and children's activities will be made available so that the adults may participate fully in this amazing night.

There will be a book signing immediately following the presentations.

Stewardship Report
as of 09-20-09

Analysis of Pledges Due


Total Pledges Due	693,034
Total Pledges Recvd	653,549
Shortage	39,485
% of Pledges Due That Have Been Recvd	94%

General Funds Contributions

Total Contributions Budgeted	686,408
Total Contributions Received	721,361
Overage	34,953
% of Budgeted Contributions Recvd	105%

Give generously!

Doers of the Word Day
Saturday, October 17, 2009
7:30am



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

James A. Barnes
Given by *Charles & Lea Efirid,*
Jim & Beth Barnes
Children & Grandchildren

Highland Homecoming



Highland Presbyterian Church - 1923

Sunday, October 11, 2009