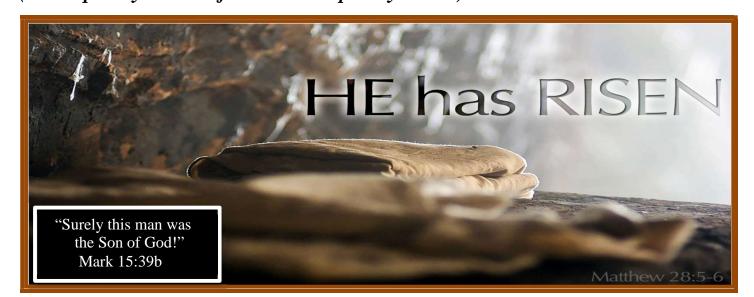
Highland Avenue Baptist Church 1900 Highland Avenue Montgomery, Alabama 36107 The Friendly Fellowship

April 12, 2020 EASTER Sunday Volume 30 - No. 13 (A Temporary Format for these Temporary Times)

Our Mission Statement

The mission of Highland Avenue Baptist Church is to be a fellowship of baptized believers living out the Great Commandment through the ministry of the Great Commission in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 22:37-38, 28:18-20; and Acts 1:8



A Word from Bro. Keith An Earthly Father's Love

The older I grow, the easier it is for me to see the influence of kinfolks upon me. This week, I'm writing about my dad, Arnold Hinson.

Dad taught me a love for many kinds of music, sacred and secular. I can worship to traditional hymns, Southern Gospel, Black Gospel, contemporary Christian and classical anthems. In secular music, I enjoy country and western, hard rock, top 40, jazz and much more. It was the same with Dad. Dad and his side of the family are where my quirky sense of humor comes from. He, like me, liked the sound of a dog barking and even found it funny when other people would want the dog to shut up already. Like me, Dad enjoyed Jerry Clower. Dad taught my siblings and I the value of hard work. He often told us, "Keep on keeping on!" I've come to believe about myself that my main gift isn't knowledge or talent but tenacity. If anyone who knows our family ever traced my work ethic to Dad, I would count it a high compliment.

Dad taught me how a husband ought to love and support his wife. I can remember when I was age 6 that Dad came home from work, and I asked him if I could do something that I really wanted to do. I don't remember what it was but, when he told me yes, I naively said, "Oh, goody! Mommy said I couldn't." He let me know quickly that if Mom had already said no, the answer was still no.

I can count on probably fewer than ten fingers the number of close family and friends who have truly loved me unconditionally. Dad was one of those. He died in 2014, but I still think of him often and will always be grateful to God for Dad's influence and love.

DEACONS

Bill Smith, Chairman 281-3452 Billy Bruner 322-6554 Jerry Burger 328-2063 Lance Kelly 531-5755

OUR STAFF

Keith Hinson, Interim Pastor Chris Palmer, Minister of Music Lisa Schmacker, Pianist Joan Kelly, Church Administrator

Holy Week

Palm Sunday – Jesus' Triumphal Entry Maundy Thursday – Last Supper Good Friday – The Day Jesus was crucified Holy Saturday – The Day Jesus was in the tomb Easter Sunday – Hallelujah!! Christ has risen! The day that we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

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For Week Ending 04/05/20 Offerings Received-----\$2,875.00 Annie Armstrong-----70.00 Sharing Fund-----25.00 Designated Funds-----0.00 Tithes/Offerings-----\$2,970.00

STEWARDSHIP NOTE

How can we remain faithful in giving since we are not meeting together at this time? The church office is currently open on Wednesdays...Joan will be working from home on Tuesdays and Thursdays. A table is set up in the front foyer to receive your offerings on Wednesdays by either slipping your envelope through the glass door or ringing the doorbell, entering into the foyer area, and placing it into the offering plate **OR** you may to desire to mail in your offerings during this time. Please be encouraged to continue to offer the Lord your gifts if you are: Weekly givers - give Weekly Monthly givers - give Monthly Bi-monthly givers - give Bi-monthly Mail-in givers - give through the Mail to P.O. Box 70006, Montgomery, AL 36107 God Bless You All for Remaining Faithful!

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering It's All About the Gospel 1 Corinthians 15:3-4 Our 2020 Goal: \$2,300.00 Given-to-date: \$1,865.80 Deadline to participate is THIS Easter Sunday, April 12th

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Notes from Joan

1. The Quarterly Business Meeting for April has been cancelled... our next meeting will be in July. A copy of the financials as of the end of March is included in this mailing for our members review.

2. An update for your prayer list is also included. Please know of our need to continue to pray for these and remember to let us know of any additional needs and changes.

3. Call me on my cellular number if you need me...334-207-4030. Please feel free to leave a message and your call will be returned.

These are awkward times but our Lord is with us. I am encouraged by your faithfulness to continue to give and your love for one another. This time reminds us of God's Word:

"Be still, and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10a NIV). Looking forward to being with you soon!!

STAYING INFORMED

The following decision remains in effect regarding congregational meetings at HABC during this pandemic season: "We believe it would be prudent to follow the recommendations of the Alabama Public Health Department and the CDC to suspend congregational gatherings until the established deadline (currently through April 30th) and any further recommendations they make regarding this pandemic."

Notes:

1. Bro. Keith and Bro. Chris are currently preparing a weekly worship time for us to review online.

2. Chris Palmer will be recording the weekly Sunday School lesson which will be put on our website by Jerry Burger.

3. The church office will be open on Wednesdays during the "stay at home" order issued by Governor Ivey and the State Health Officer.

4. *The Friendly Fellowship* will be mailed to those unable to view it online through email.

5. Please let the church office know of any needs that arise and any new prayer requests you may have.