

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

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***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**  
**Destinations and Daydreams**

Where do you go when you daydream? As a much younger man, I would often ponder the future, going there in my daydreams. What would my life be like in terms of accomplishments, relationships and pursuing God's will?

As I've grown older, I increasingly daydream about the past, mostly with fondness and enjoyment of God's precious gift of memory. Yet even as a young boy, I enjoyed hearing older relatives tell about the good old days. Today, I like to hear others share stories from their own lives and that of their families. Plus I now have 62 years of memories to share with anyone with the interest or patience to listen!

Daydreaming about the future. Daydreaming about the past. Do you ever daydream about eternity when "time shall be no more"? How can we daydream with any accuracy about heaven when eternity is outside time?

The Bible tells us relatively little about heaven, essentially baiting the hook with the wondrous promise that we will see Jesus our Lord and live in His presence forever. The other details? I'm reminded of a verse that was written primarily about the abundant life of believers now: "*But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him*" (1 Corinthians 2:9, KJV).

I believe the content of this verse is also true of eternity. We only know a little. One day we will know more when we see our Savior face to face. "What a day of rejoicing that will be!"

***June Birthdays***



***"May the Light of Christ light up your life on this special day."***

Jazlynn Brown	01	Kalee Bassett	10	Nell McCain	20
Tracee Tilley	02	Lisa Schmacker	16	Rachel Koski	22
Jerry Schmacker	04	Dawson Tilley	18	Ann Skellie	24
		Ruth Waites	18		

**DEACONS**

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

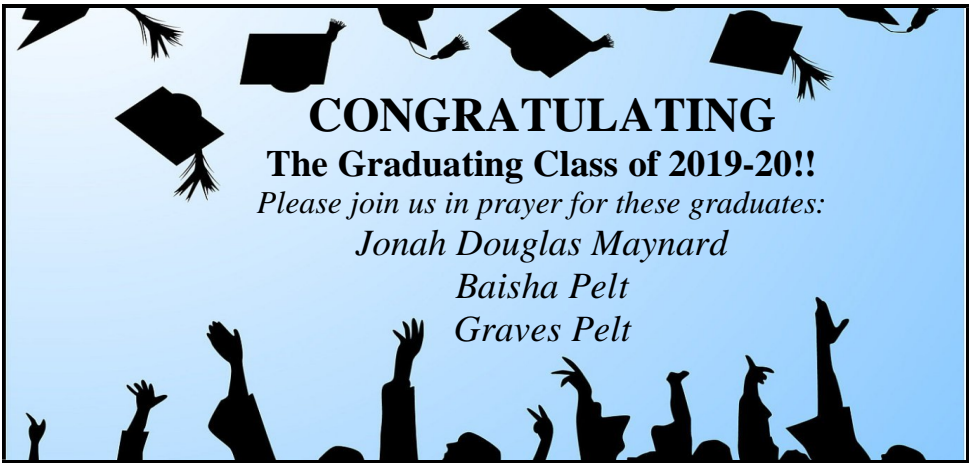
***Message From God's***  
***Word***

Sunday, May 24, 2020

*"Seven Things to Remember on  
Memorial Day"*

**OUR STAFF**

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



**For Week Ending 05/17/20**

Offerings Received -----	\$670.00
Operating Maintenance -----	0.00
Sharing Fund-----	0.00
Designated Funds -----	0.00
Tithes/Offerings -----	\$670.00


**STEWARDSHIP NOTE**  
 How can we remain faithful in giving since we are not meeting together at this time?  
**The church office is open on the regular days of Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.**  
 Mail-in givers - give through the Mail to P.O. Box 70006, Montgomery, AL 36107  
*God Bless You All for Remaining Faithful!*

**NOTES FROM JOAN**

1. The Quarterly Business Meeting for April was cancelled...our next meeting will be in July.
2. An update for your prayer list is 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. **2020 GRADUATE RECOGNITION...**Please see the enclosed information as we celebrate the accomplishments of the students listed above.
4. **JAR for JUNE** is underway and preparations are being made to receive your sacrificial giving during the month of June. Jars are still available in the church office for your use.

***Our Sympathy***  
 The Church Family expresses our sincere sympathy to these who have experienced the recent loss of a loved one:  
*Louise Halen and family*  
 Death of her brother-in-law,  
 Jimmy Shiver

**STAYING INFORMED**  
 There appears to be way too much information available and a lot of opinions as to "what is next" for corporate worship in America. There is good information and there is fake/bad information. Determining which to follow can be tricky. Here is our course of action at HABC...  
 1. Pray 2. Prepare 3. Praise  
 Pray that this virus and all the anxiety connected to it dissipates. Pray that we will remain the loving people God created us to be...being kind and forgiving to each other as we navigate through these times. Pray for God to be merciful in His own mighty way.  
 Prepare to return to worship together. Prepare yourself as to what that will look like for you and your family. Prepare to trust God's hand of protection and His guidance for you to make wise decisions.  
 Praise Him for the way He as already protected our "Friendly Fellowship"! Praise Him for the time He has given each of us to reflect upon Him and what is important in this life that He has given to each of us! Praise His Holy Name!  
 Our projected target date to return to the church building for corporate worship is currently set for **Sunday, June 7th**. Watch as details develop!!  
 Pray and Prepare to be a part of this time of Praise!  
 Loving God...Loving Others



**MEMORIAL DAY**  
**Monday, May 25th**  
 Please remember to honor our military personnel who died in the service of their country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle.

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