



# Highlands

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**May 5, 2024**

Morning Worship - 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m.

Sunday School and Communities - 9:45 a.m.

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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## Gathering Song

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Words: George Matheson, 1882

Music: Christopher Miner, 1997

O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in Thee.  
I give Thee back the life I owe,  
that in Thine ocean depths its flow  
may richer, fuller be.

## Welcome

## Meditation and Preparation

O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Words: Samuel Trevor Francis

Gaelic traditional melody

Arranged by Audrey Assad, 2016

O, the deep, deep love of Jesus —  
vast, unmeasured, boundless, free,  
rolling as a mighty ocean,  
in its fullness over me.

## The Call to Worship

Pastor: Oh give thanks to the LORD.

**People: Call upon his name.**

Pastor: Make known his deeds among the peoples!

**People: Sing to him, sing praises to him.**

Pastor: Tell of all his wondrous works!

**All: Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!**

Psalms 105:1-3

## Jesus Shall Reign



1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does his suc - ces - sive  
2. To Him shall end - less - prayer be made, and end-less prais es  
3. Peo - ple and realms of ev' - ry tongue dwell on His love with  
4. Let ev' - ry crea - ture rise and bring his grate-ful hon - ors



jour - neys run; His king-dom spread from shore to shore,  
crown His head; His name, like sweet per - fume, shall rise,  
sweet - est song; and in - fant voi - ces shall pro - claim  
to our King; an - gels de - scend with songs a - gain,



till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
with ev' - ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.  
and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

Based on Psalm 72. Words by Isaac Watts, 1719. Music by John Hatton, 1793.

## The Old Testament Reading

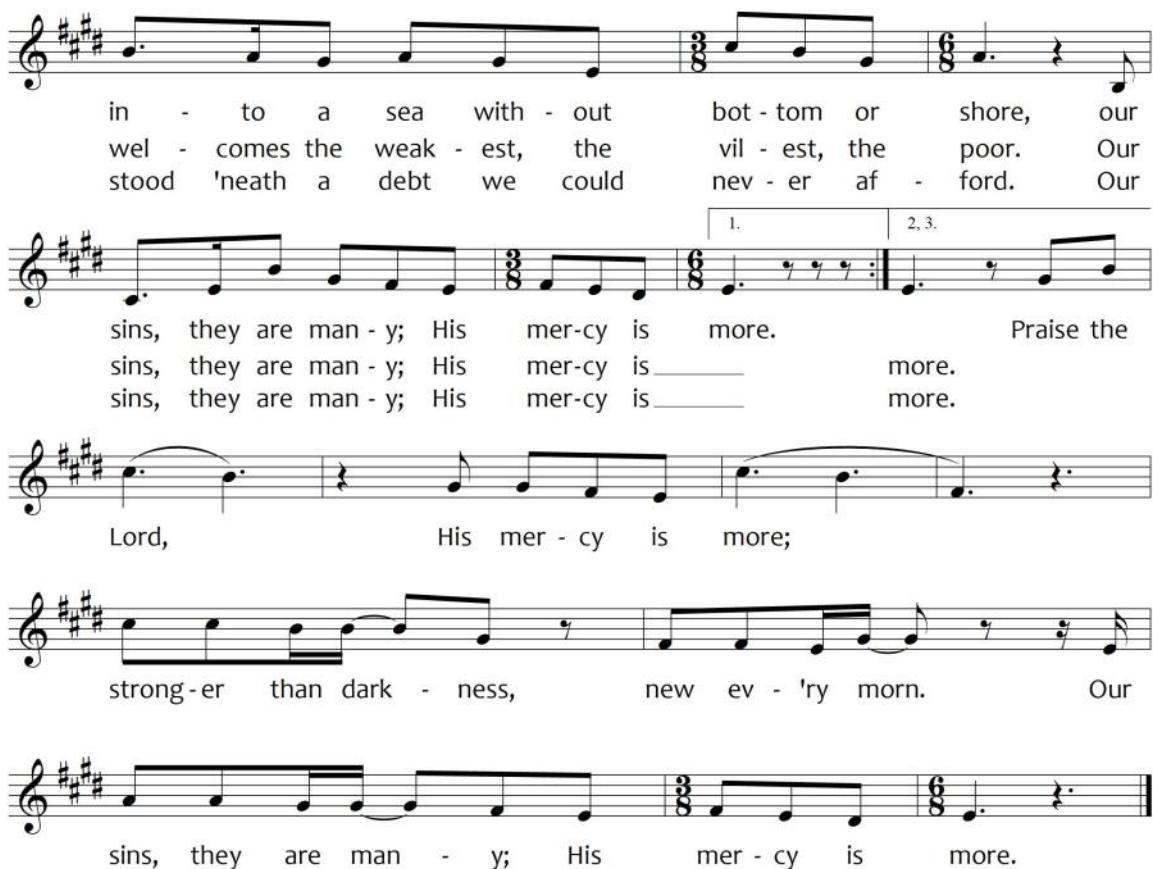
The heavens declare the glory of God,  
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.  
Day to day pours out speech,  
and night to night reveals knowledge.  
There is no speech, nor are there words,  
whose voice is not heard.  
Their voice goes out through all the earth,  
and their words to the end of the world.  
In them he has set a tent for the sun,

which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,  
 and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.  
 Its rising is from the end of the heavens,  
 and its circuit to the end of them,  
 and there is nothing hidden from its heat.  
 The law of the LORD is perfect,  
 reviving the soul;  
 the testimony of the LORD is sure,  
 making wise the simple;  
 the precepts of the LORD are right,  
 rejoicing the heart;  
 the commandment of the LORD is pure,  
 enlightening the eyes;  
 the fear of the LORD is clean,  
 enduring forever;  
 the rules of the LORD are true,  
 and righteous altogether.  
 More to be desired are they than gold,  
 even much fine gold;  
 sweeter also than honey  
 and drippings of the honeycomb.

Psalm 19:1-10

## His Mercy Is More

What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om -  
 What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam? What  
 What rich - es of kind - ness He lav - ished on us. His  
 ni - scient, all know - ing, He counts not their sum. Thrown  
 Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home? He  
 blood was the pay - ment; His life was the cost. We



in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore, our  
wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor. Our  
stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford. Our

1. 2, 3.

sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more. Praise the  
sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.  
sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.

Lord, His mer - cy is more;

strong - er than dark - ness, new ev - 'ry morn. Our

sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more.

Words and Music by Matt Papa and Matt Boswell.  
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## The Morning Prayer

# **We Bring God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

*Offering plates will be passed, but you may place your offering in one of the offering boxes outside the sanctuary doors or inside the balcony entrance. To give online, please visit [highlandspca.org](http://highlandspca.org) or follow the QR code on page 9 of the bulletin.*

## **Offertory: Jesus, Strong and Kind**

Words and Music: Keith Getty,  
Matt Papa, Matt Boswell, 2023

Jesus said that if I thirst,  
I should come to Him.  
No one else can satisfy;  
I should come to Him.

Jesus said if I am weak,  
I should come to Him.  
No one else can be my strength;  
I should come to Him.

For the Lord is good and faithful;  
He will keep us day and night.  
We can always run to Jesus:  
Jesus strong and kind.

Jesus said that if I fear,  
I should come to Him.  
No one else can be my shield;  
I should come to Him.

Jesus said if I am lost,  
He will come to me.  
And He showed me on that cross,  
He will come to me.

## **The New Testament Reading**

John 12:25

## **We Receive God's Word**

The Rev. Dr. Clayton Quarterman

“Which Life Do You Love?”

# Take My Life and Let It Be



1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - cra - ted,  
2. Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would  
3. Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no



Lord, to Thee. Take my mo - ments and my days;  
I with - hold. Take my in - tel - lect and use  
long - er mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own.



let them flow in cease - less praise,  
ev' - ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose,  
It shall be Thy roy - al throne.



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Lyrics by Frances R. Havergal, 1874. Music by Henri A. Cesar Malan, 1827.

## The Benediction

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## Highlands' 30th Anniversary Celebration - Sunday, May 19, 2024

Please join us for Morning Worship at 9:00 a.m. as we offer praise and thanksgiving for our great God's care, blessing, and provision over the past 30 years. Adults will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30 a.m. for combined Sunday School. We'll continue the celebration



from 5 until 7 p.m. that evening featuring the Mississippi Swing Band. Supper will be provided and includes Calvin's barbecue sandwiches, hot dogs, chips, and birthday cake. Bounce houses and outdoor games will be available for the children. To help us plan for the picnic, please register using the QR code or at [highlandspca.org/hpc-30](http://highlandspca.org/hpc-30).

## GENERAL FUND GIVING UPDATE THROUGH APRIL 28, 2024

Regular monthly giving provides for the ongoing ministry of Highlands. Offering plates will be passed during the 10:50 service only, or you may place your offering in one of the four wall-mounted boxes located outside the main sanctuary doors, just inside the balcony doors, or at the Welcome Desk. Your gifts can also be mailed to the church office or made through online giving at [highlandspca.org](http://highlandspca.org). The QR code below links directly to our online giving page.

General Fund Budget through May 31, 2024      \$796,023

General Fund giving received through 4/28/24      \$541,551



Thank you for your support of the ministry and outreach of Highlands!

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### All Youth

*Visitors, please join us in anything you see below. The Youth building is behind the church (we call it "The U").*

- Sunday School: 9:45am in The U.
- Tonight: Small Groups, 5:00-7:00pm in The U. Game time from 7-8pm.
- Wednesdays - Youth Group: 5:45-7:00pm in the U.

Interim Director of Student Ministries: Steve Weeks · [sweeks@highlandspca.org](mailto:sweeks@highlandspca.org)

JrHi Ministry Coordinator: Joel Blackmon · [joel@highlandspca.org](mailto:joel@highlandspca.org)



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Midweek at Highlands returns August 21, 2024.*

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated next Sunday, May 12.** Please prepare your hearts and minds to receive this means of God's grace. Gluten-free Communion bread will be available to everyone.

**Together This Summer!** We are excited to announce that our Session recently voted to unite our congregation in one worship service this summer. From Sunday, May 19 through Sunday, July 28, we will have one worship service from 9:00 to 10:15 a.m. followed by Sunday School from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Obviously, this will involve some flexibility for all of us, but we look forward to being together for worship, the Lord's Supper, baptisms, singing, giving, and fellowship. This change also gives us the opportunity to invite others to join us in our Sunday School and Community ministries immediately following the service. Mark your calendars, invite others, and join us this summer!

**Last day to register! HPC Pickleball May Madness begins May 7:** We're forming a Pickleball League right here at Highlands! Join us on Tuesday nights in May with or without a partner. There are three divisions: Beginner, Not-a-Beginner, and The Wise Ones (50+). Register by using the QR code or at [highlandspca.org/pickleball](http://highlandspca.org/pickleball). For questions, call or text Chandler Strain at 601-270-1822.



**VBS Registration is now open:** Twirl the spinner, skip ahead and play to win at *Twists & Turns VBS 2024!* Join us June 3-7 from 9:00-12:00 each day. Follow Peter as he follows Jesus, often taking one step forward and two steps back. He messed up and stumbled and certainly wasn't perfect. But it wasn't "Game Over," as God continued to work through him to teach others about Jesus. All children who have **completed Pre-K 4 ~ 5th grade** can register using the QR code or at [highlandspca.org/vbs](http://highlandspca.org/vbs).



## CHURCH OFFICERS

### THE SESSION

Jim Brown	Shannon Carroll	Craig Crosland
Carroll Dew*	Richard Dixon	Hap Farber
Scott Jones	Chuck McBride	Bill McDonald
Mac McGehee	Billy Mounger	Clay Parker
Jim Pettis	Clark Robinson	Kevin Russell
Stephen Sellers	Monty Simpkins	Brad Tisdale
Trey Toler	Will Watson	Andrew Wilson
Max Yates		
*Emeritus		

### THE DIACONATE

Randy Assink	Nathan Beavers	Barr Biggs
Trent Butler	T. C. Castleberry	Todd Clark
Bryan Clay	Scott Day	Jerry Eichelberger
Craig Eversole	Thomas Gandy	Mike Green
David Harbaugh	Michael Hawkins	Gary Heine
Chip Johnson	Andy Sensing	Chandler Strain
Andy Thaggard	Steve Weeks	Taylor Wilson

# **SERMON NOTES**

“Which Life Do You Love?”

John 12:25

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Celebrate our  
*30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*  
Sunday, May 19

9:00 a.m. - *Service of Praise and Thanksgiving*

10:30 a.m. - *Combined Adult Sunday School*

5:00 p.m. - *HPC Picnic on the Church grounds*



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