



Highlands

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 14 2024

Morning Worship - 9:00

Sunday School and Communities - 10:30

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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Gathering Song

Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven

Words based on hymn text
by Henry Williams Baker, 1821-1877
Music: Jeff Pardo, Matthew S. Smith

Once, on a dreary mountain, we wandered far and wide,
far from the cleansing Fountain, far from the pierced Side.
But Jesus sought and found us and washed our guilt away.
With cords of love He bound us to be His own today.

Redeemed, restored, forgiven through Jesus' precious blood;
heirs of his home in heaven, oh, praise our pardoning God!

Dear Lord, receive the glory of each recovered soul,
Oh who can tell the story of Love that made us whole?
Not ours, not ours, the merit, be Yours alone the praise,
and ours a thankful spirit to serve You all our days.

Welcome

Meditation and Preparation for Worship

Come Down, O Love Divine

Words: Bianco of Sienna
Music: Ralph Vaughn Williams
Arrangement: Fernando Ortega

Come down, O Love divine, seek Thou this soul of mine
and visit it with Thine own ardor glowing.
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,
and kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming.
And let Thy glorious light shine ever on my sight
and clothe me round Thee while my path illuming.

The Call to Worship

Pastor: Christ, our Passover Lamb,
has been sacrificed for us.

People: Come, let us keep the feast!

I Corinthians 5: 7-8

How Firm a Foundation



How firm a foun - da - tion you
 Fear not, I am with you, O
 The soul that on Je - sus has

saints of the Lord, is laid for your
 be not dis - mayed; for I am your
 leaned for re - pose, I will not, I

faith in His ex - cel - lent Word! What
 God, and will de - sert to give you aid; I'll
 will not de - sert to his foes; that

more can He say than to you He has
 strength - en you, help you, and you to
 soul, though all hell should en - dea - vor to

said, to up - you who for re - fuge to
 stand, up - held by My right - eous, om -
 shake, I'll ne - ver, no ne - ver, no

Je - sus have fled?
 ni - po - tent hand.
 ne - ver for - sake!

Words by John Rippon, 1787. Music by Joseph Funk, 1832. Arranged by Michael Card. © 2008 Discovery House Music

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 or follow the QR code on page 9 of the bulletin.

Offertory: No Longer Slaves

You unravel me with a melody,
You surround me with a song
of deliverance from my enemies,
till all my fears are gone.

Words and Music: Jonathan David Helser,
Brian Johnson and Joel Case, 2014

I'm no longer a slave to fear, I am a child of God!
Let the peoples praise You, O God;
let all the peoples praise You!

From my mother's womb You have chosen me,
Love has called my name.
I've been born again into Your family,
Your blood flows through my veins.

You split the sea so I could walk right through it;
my fears were drowned in perfect love.
You rescued me so I could stand and sing,
"I am a child of God."

The Scripture Reading

Exodus 20:18-21

We Receive God's Word

The Rev. Joseph Wheat

MOSES: FACE TO FACE WITH GOD

"The Good Fear of God"

The Communion Hymn

His Mercy Is More

What Love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om -
What rich - es of kind - ness He lav - ished on us. His

ni - scient, all know - ing, He counts not their sum. Thrown
blood was the pay - ment; His life was the cost. We

in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore, our
stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford. Our

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

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The time signature is 6/8. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The score consists of eight lines of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics. The lyrics are: 'What Love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om - What rich - es of kind - ness He lav - ished on us. His ni - scient, all know - ing, He counts not their sum. Thrown blood was the pay - ment; His life was the cost. We in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore, our stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford. Our sins, they are man - y; His mer - cy is more. Praise the 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 Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Gluten-free Communion bread is available in the blue (center) portion of each cup tray.

Behold the Lamb (instrumental)

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us, and we remember the promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this Bread of Life and we drink of His sacrifice,
as a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior, Jesus Christ, torn for you; eat and remember, the wounds that heal the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of his sacrifice,
as a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you; drink and remember. He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise, to respond and to remember our call to follow in the steps of Christ, as His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again,
and we'll join in the feast of heav'n around the table of the King.

Before the Throne of God Above



Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a
When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair and tells me
Be - hold him there the ris - en Lamb, my per - fect



strong and per - fect plea, a great High Priest whose name is
of the guilt with - in, up - ward I look and see him
spot - less right-eous - ness, the great un - change - a - ble I



love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is
there who made an end of all my sin. Be - cause the
AM, the King of glor - y and of grace. One with him -



grav - en on his hands, my name is writ - ten on his
sin - less Sav - ior died my sin - ful soul is count - ed
self I can - not die, my soul is pur - chased by his



heart; I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can
free. For God the just is sat - is - fied to look on
blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my



bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
him and par - don me, to look on him and par - don me.
Sav - ior and my God, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low:

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly

host, praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost: O praise Him, O praise Him,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Benediction

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated today. Please prepare your hearts and minds to receive this means of God's grace. *Gluten-free Communion bread is available in the blue (center) portion of each cup tray.*

MadCAAP School Supplies Drive: Madison Countians Allied Against Poverty (MadCAAP) conducts an annual school supply drive to give children living in poverty in Madison County the materials they need to learn and participate well in school. Highlands has been assigned the following items:

1. 200 sets of classic washable markers
2. 50 packets of red pens

Purchase any of the supplies listed and bring them to the Welcome Center in the Atrium at Highlands...or let your fingers do the shopping! Visit highlandspca.org/madcaap and use the link to purchase any of the items online. As long as there is nothing else in your cart, your items will be shipped directly to Highlands. For questions, please contact Marsha Areundo at receptionist@highlandspca.org. *If ordering from Amazon, please do so by July 21.*

Women's Summer Study Series ~ REST: All women are invited to the Summer Study Series each Wednesday in July from 6:00pm to 7:30pm to focus on REST: Rest & Refreshment (Jenn Wolfe), Every Endeavor (Barbara Beavers), Sabbath (Cindy Mercer), and Trials & Temptations (Marilyn Tinnin). Light refreshments will be served in the Parlor. This is a great time to connect with women of all ages and enjoy fellowship. Nursery available upon request. Contact Becky Brown at bbrown@highlandspca.org for nursery reservations or more information.

Together This Summer! Our Session has voted to unite our congregation in one worship service from Sunday, May 19 through Sunday, July 28. We will have one worship service from 9:00am to 10:15am, followed by Sunday School from 10:30am to 11:30am. 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.

Save the Date!

August 11: Promotion Sunday

August 21: *Midweek at Highlands* begins

Women's Bible Studies begin

September 8: Inquirer's Class begins

GENERAL FUND GIVING UPDATE THROUGH JULY 7, 2024

Regular monthly giving provides for the ongoing ministry of Highlands. Although offering plates will be passed during the worship service, 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. The QR code to the right links directly to our online giving page.

General Fund Budget through July 31, 2024 \$1,094,588

General Fund giving received through July 7, 2024 \$944,061

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



HPC STUDENT MINISTRY

- Jr. and Sr. High Sunday school meet in “The U” at 10:30am (immediately following the worship service).
- Our Sunday night Youth Small Groups are on hiatus.
- **Girls’ Bible Study** continues each Sunday through the month of July! Kelsey Clay leads our study from 4 p.m. to
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Parenting with Understanding

Highlands is offering a special parenting class as part of our Midweek curriculum this fall. "Parenting with Understanding" offers wisdom and knowledge for those navigating child-rearing in these challenging times. Topics and presenters include:

August 21 - Bill Richardson

"Cultivating and Retaining Relationship with Your Kids"

August 28 - Bill Richardson

"Biblical Tips for Parenting Teens"

September 4 - Mary Katherine Widdle and Tiki Broome

"Navigating a Digital World with Your Teen"

September 11 - Mike Hillerman

"The Rise of Anxiety in our Kids"

September 18 - Mike Hillerman

"Understanding Anger in our Kids"

September 25 - Joseph Wheat

"Parenting for Spiritual Growth in our Kids"



Women's Summer Study Series

REST

**Rest & Refreshment, Every Endeavor,
Sabbath and Trials & Temptations**

Wednesdays - July 10, 17, 24, 31

6:00pm-7:30pm



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For questions or to make nursery reservations, please contact Becky Brown at bbrown@highlandspca.org.