

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. John W. Bowling

CALL TO WORSHIP

Your Word is a lamp to my feet, Lord.

Your Word is a light to my path.

Though the world around me tosses and tumbles,

I hold fast to You.

Though I have doubts, worries and questions,

I hold fast to You.

Though my heart hurts, my spirit aches, and sometimes I lose my way,

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Though I encounter evil, malice and hatred around every corner,

I hold fast to You.

The stories and Your truth, O God –

They comfort me.

Your purpose and promises, O Lord –

They nudge me along.

Your divine presence and Your assurances,

They give me hope.

Your Word is my heritage and my heart.

And I will turn toward You all of my life.

Yes, I will hold fast to you.

And I will sing praises to Your name!

(inspired by Psalm 119:105-112)

WORSHIP WITH SINGING*

Be Still; Come to Me; Promises;
Standing on Promises; Thy Word

*Worship Team: Kaitlin Guenther, Chris Pinelo, Neal Sterrett
Sally Osborn, Keith Whitehead*

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN

(At this time, children 4yrs through 5th grade are dismissed to go upstairs for Sunday School. Parents, please pick up your child in room 207 upstairs following worship.)

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERING MUSIC Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus; Red Letters

MESSAGE **CONSTRUCTION** Rev. John W. Bowling
What is the Bible, really?

WORSHIP WITH SINGING*

Wonderful Words of Life; The Blessing

BENEDICTION*

*Please stand as you are able.

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We welcome all visitors today and kindly request you complete a "Connect Card" found either in the pew or by scanning this QR code. We would love to get to know you!



Special thank you to all who fixed, donated, and served for **Rick Eaglin's** family lunch following his Memorial Service on January 12th.

Join Highland Methodist for a family-friendly evening of **Basketball at NKU!** We're attending the game against Cleveland State, **Thursday, February 22 at 7PM.** Tickets are just \$12 per person. Sign up at highlandmethodist.com or in the app.



SIGN CLASS



Sign Class, Thursdays at 6:30 in room 109! Learn a new way to communicate with a new sign language class at Highland United Methodist. Available for folks in high school and up, this class will teach students the language and help them perform songs in worship. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Amy Andrae at 859-391-9703.

Word Warriors women's Bible study will resume their weekly gatherings on Friday, January 19 at 10am in room 109. Join them for conversation and community. All are welcome! Contact Linda Malloy for info 859-750-6574.



The journey to Easter called Lent begins with a special Ash Wednesday worship service. Join us **Wednesday, February 14 at 6:30**, as we begin the Lenten season together. There will be no children's or adult Wednesday Night programming as we worship together.



PODCAST

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PRELUDE How Brightly Shines the Morning Star Anton Leupold

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HYMN #374* Standing on the Promises

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #880* THE NICENE CREED

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

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MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY The Snow Lay on the Ground arr. Alice Jordan

DOXOLOGY*

CHORAL ANTHEM Celebrate the Day Pepper Choplin

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HYMN #600* Wonderful Words of Life

BENEDICTION*

CHORAL AMEN*

POSTLUDE Brightest and Best Flor Peeters

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Director, Hilary Dungan—children@highlandmethodist.com

Children's Sunday School meets every week in room 207 during both 9:30 and 11 o'clock services. Nursery is available for children, infant through 3 years old, in room 102.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS
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HIGHLAND UNITED METHODIST

Wednesday Nights are back. Kids will enjoy a variety of things over the course of the winter and spring—

Superheroes of the Bible, Bible baseball, Passover, Ash

Wednesday Easter and how all of that has significant meanings. We will also continue our Wednesday Night Mission.

YOUTH MINISTRY



**Monday Morning
Prayer Is Back**

Monday Morning Prayer tomorrow 7:20-7:40 Gather in the Youth Room - enter the door off the small parking lot. Contact Amy Golden at 859-992-9450. Join us for donuts and prayer time. Just show up. All are welcome!

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISE REPORTS

- Lana V— back surgery revision
- Don D—heart problems
- Pat B—stomach cancer
- Baby Vivienne getting stronger in NICU—Praise! Continued prayer requested.
 - Yogi B—heart problems, blood clots
 - Lynn E—moved to rehab facility
 - Mac H—continued healing
 - Gayla L—nearing end of life
 - Holly—taking care of dying mother
- Prayers for Sharon and the family of Rick Eaglin—who passed away on January 6
- Prayers for Sonya Girwood and family, whose father passed away January 11
- Prayers for Vern Hicks and the family of Ann Hicks—who passed away on January 16
- Michelle—passing of her mother last week.



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Highland United Methodist Church

Sunday, January 21, 2024 11:00 am

Third Sunday after the Epiphany



Highland United Methodist Church affirms and welcomes people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, ages, nations, and races. We fully include all in the life and ministry of the church as we seek to share God's love in Jesus Christ.

The Mission of Highland United Methodist Church is to transform lives by demonstrating Jesus' love and making him known through serving others.

