

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. John W. Bowling

### CALL TO WORSHIP\*

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But this is not a time to gaze upward. There is work to be done.

**Jesus has entrusted the ministry of God's love to us.**

So let's get to work!

**Let's make our hearts ready for the task ahead with prayer and praise!**

### WORSHIP WITH SINGING\*

Down to the River to Pray; Hail to the Lord's Anointed;  
10,000 Reasons; Song of Hope; Where We Belong

### DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN

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### MINISTRY OF GIVING

**OFFERING MUSIC** Slow Down; Jesus Love Me; Lullaby

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** ACTS 1:1-11

**MESSAGE** **The Easter Effect** Rev. John W. Bowling  
*Witness*

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I Will Follow; Build Your Kingdom; The Blessing

### BENEDICTION\*

\*Please stand as you are able.



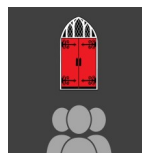
Special thank you to today's **Ushers & Greeters,**  
**Katie Huber & Ron Jump**  
Your service is greatly appreciated!

We **welcome** Austin and Kate Anderson into the membership of our church. They united with our congregation on April 28th. We also celebrated the baptism of their son, Atlas, on the same day. Please join us in welcoming the Anderson family.

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**Calling all musicians!** Do you have a musical talent to share with the congregation? Contact Andrea Kauffhold (513) 544-1351, so you can be featured as a guest musician over the summer. It doesn't matter your age or instrument. All musical talents are welcome and will be appreciated!



**Come join the NKY District Choir!!** We are recruiting singers to participate in a choir for the opening worship service on Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at the Annual Conference in NKY. **Contact Lisa May to participate 502-689-7514.** Rehearsals are 5/22 at Trinity UMC in Maysville at 7pm, or 5/23 at HUMC at 6:30pm.



**PRELUDE** Praise and Thanksgiving Dale Wood

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**HYMN #203\*** Hail to the Lord's Anointed

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881\*** The Apostles' Creed

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**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**MINISTRY OF GIVING**

**OFFERTORY** Brother James Air Dale Wood

**DOXOLOGY\***

**ANTHEM** Joy in the Morning Natalie Sleeth

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**HYMN #569\*** We've A Story to Tell to the Nations

**BENEDICTION\***

**CHORAL AMEN\***

**POSTLUDE** March Flor Peeters

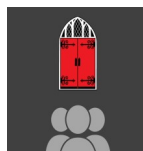
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## Volunteer Opportunities at Highland

**Greeters and Ushers** are needed for both 9:30 and 11 service to ensure everyone who comes through the doors receives a warm welcome. If you are interested in serving for 30 minutes once a month, please fill out the form found on the website or email [office@highlandmethodist.com](mailto:office@highlandmethodist.com).

**Assistance needed with putting the weekly slides together.** It takes about an hour each week. If you are interested in being involved in this ministry, please indicate such on a connect card or email [office@highlandmethodist.com](mailto:office@highlandmethodist.com).

### Happening This Week at HUMC

Mon 5/13	Monday Morning Prayer Group
Tue 5/14	Yoga 5:45—7:00pm, Welcome Center Administrative Council meeting 7:00pm, Welcome Center
Wed 5/15	Bells/Choir Practice 6:30/7:30
Thu 5/16	Sign Class, Fellowship Hall 6:30
Fri 5/17	Word Warriors 10:00am, Room 109
Sun 5/19	Graduate Recognition Sunday

### PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISE REPORTS

- Nancy—Health Problems
- Pat Goins—recovering from physical & mental exhaustion
- Alberta—mother-in-law, heart issues, pray for continued improvement
- Lynn E—Continued healing
- Wiles Family—Death of a family member
- Stella Long—prayers for her and her family
- The family of Ruthanne Conley—who passed away on 5/2
- Family of Donna Clapp—lost a cousin with cancer and a nephew after a long illness
- Prayers & Condolences to the family of Teena Whalen—who passed away on 5/6



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# Highland United Methodist Church

Sunday, May 12, 2024 11:00am

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
**Ascension Sunday**



### **Grow – Follow – Love**

At Highland United Methodist Church, we are a community of imperfect people who exist to **grow** God's kingdom by **following** the examples of Jesus and **loving** with purpose.

We are deepening our spiritual understanding by embracing diversity, enriching lives, mindfully serving, and bringing joy