

**PRELUDE**  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INVITATION**

Don and Esther Drewry  
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**GREETING\***

God is light, in whom there is no darkness at all.

**Jesus Christ is the light of the world.**

And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world,  
**and we loved darkness rather than light.**

**HYMN #626\*** Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

**UNISON PRAYER\***

**THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST (Part One)**

Reading One—Jesus is Arrested

Reading Two—Jesus is Brought Before Annas

Reading Three—Peter Denies Jesus

Reading Four—Jesus is Questioned

Reading Five—Peter Denies Jesus Again

**MEDITATION**

John Hodges-Batzka

**THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST (Part Two)**

Reading Six—Jesus is Brought Before Pilate

Reading Seven—Jesus is Questioned by Pilate

Reading Eight — The Crowd Rejects Jesus

Reading Nine—The Crowd Calls for Jesus to be Crucified

Reading Ten—"Behold"

**SPECIAL MUSIC** How Deep the Father's Love For Us

Chris Pinelo

**THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST (Part Three)**

Reading Eleven—Jesus is Crucified

Reading Twelve—The Soldiers Gamble for Jesus' Clothing

Reading Thirteen—The Women Visit Jesus at the Cross

**SPECIAL MUSIC** How Else Can We come to You

Keith Whitehead

**THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST (Part Four)**

Reading Fourteen—Jesus Dies

Reading Fifteen—Jesus' Body is Removed from the Cross

**HYMN #292\*** What Wondrous Love is This (vs. 1&2)

**THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST (Conclusion)**

Reading Sixteen—Jesus is Buried

**DISMISSAL IN SILENCE**

Why are there so many Christian denominations? Join John HB on **Wednesdays at 6:30** as we explore these questions and hear from their members in their own words with the **Wednesday Night Study, Branches.**



The **handbell choir** rehearses on **Wednesdays at 6:30 on the 2nd floor. The Chancel Choir** rehearses on **Wednesdays at 7:30 in the sanctuary.** ALL who are interested in participating are welcome! Contact Andrea Kaufhold for more info 513-544-1351.

**Word Warriors women's Bible study** meets weekly on **Fridays, at 10am** in room 109. Join them for conversation and community. Contact Linda Malloy for info 859-750-6574.



**HELP WANTED**

MINISTRY ASSISTANT



If you would like to **assist during worship** as a Greeter, Usher, Communion Steward, read Scripture or lead the Children's Blessing on Sunday mornings, please speak with Pastor John.

If you have experienced a loss at any point, you are welcome to join us for **"Good Grief" - a healthy path towards healing. Meet in the Memorial Room from 11-12 on April 28.**



PODCAST

Every week, John Hodges-Batzka takes the Sunday sermon, adds a devotion and announcements about upcoming events to create the **Highland Methodist Podcast.** Check it out! Available Mondays in the app, Apple Podcasts, and Google Play.

**Welcome to Highland United Methodist!** If you're looking for information about our church, you can probably find it and much more at [highlandmethodist.com](http://highlandmethodist.com)

**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!



## CHILDREN & YOUTH



April's *Grow Kids!* **Sunday School** theme for the month is "Rise & Shine," a five-week series on Jesus' death and resurrection. **Nursery** care is available for infants through 3years.

### Youth Activities this week for 6th –12th graders:

- ◆ **NO** Youth group Sunday evening—**The Youth Ministry needs your help to provide dinner for Sunday evening youth.** It's simple to sign up using the QR code here and provide a meal for 20-22 students. The youth ministry provides drinks, cutlery, paper plates, and the like. Food should be delivered by 5:45 to the youth room.
- ◆ **Monday** Morning Prayer—7:20am in the Youth Room (Enter by little parking lot) Contact: Amy Golden for info 859-992-9450 Join us for donuts & prayer time. All are welcome!
- ◆ **Wednesday** afterschool games—3-4:30pm Join us for a thrilling after-school adventure with Dungeons & Dragons (D&D)! Whether you're a veteran or new to the game, all are welcome.
- ◆ **Wednesday** evening youth—6:30-7:30pm Discussion, Bible study & growth.



### PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISE REPORTS

- Christina, terminal cancer diagnosis
- Roger B—cancer treatment & surgery
- Patricia H, awaiting heart transplant
- The Yelton Family
- Deborah, metastatic breast cancer
- Mike H. and Family
- Jonathan K, 3rd battle with leukemia
- Gayla and family
- Adelyn—brain surgery
- Parents of teens
- Melissa B.—complications from hysterectomy
- Paul W.
- Amanda B.—breast cancer
- Those struggling with mental health issues



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## Highland United Methodist Church

Friday, April 7, 2023 6:30pm

Good Friday



*Photo by Ed Harber*

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.