

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. John W. Bowling

CALL TO WORSHIP

WORSHIP WITH SINGING*

Chris Pinelo, Ron Jump, Neal Sterrett, Keith Whitehead

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

Hilary Dungan, Children's Director

*Addie Darnell, Adelaide Rosemary Foor, Georgia Jean Frase,
Gabriella Revo, Isabella Revo*

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN

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MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERING MUSIC

SCRIPTURE LESSON

I Peter 1:13-16

MESSAGE

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Stewardship 2023: The Missing Piece

"Implementing God's Gifts"

DEDICATION OF 2024 COVENANT GIFTS

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Pieces to connect and be fit together to create something magnificent and marvelous.

But the image can never be complete if there is a missing piece.

I am a part – you are a part – of something that is meaningful and beautiful.

It is the body of Jesus Christ, the Church!

And we do not want the body to miss the piece that is me!

We recognize, apply, employ and dedicate God's gifts.

We do it as a response to say, "Thank You, Lord."

And so we offer these gifts of mind, money, hours and talents with an attitude of joy, not as a dreaded duty.

Give us a clear vision of the future, Lord. For we offer these pieces of our lives trusting that You will use them to truly make a difference in the world as we continue the ministry of this church in 2024.

Surprise us, O God, that new opportunities to minister in our community may arise from each piece that is given.

Give us courage, insight and grace to use these gifts to nourish Your people near and far, as we proclaim the reconciling work of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

WORSHIP WITH SINGING*

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able.

Please linger a bit and enjoy friendship in the Gathering Area as we celebrate God's goodness and your faithfulness as we are preparing for a new year of ministry in 2024 together at Highland United Methodist Church.

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

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!



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HYMN #98* To God Be the Glory

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MORNING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

MINISTRY OF GIVING

OFFERTORY Lord Be Present Now Georg Böhm

DOXOLOGY*

CHORAL ANTHEM Walk With Me Lord Douglas Wagner

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HYMN #87* What Gift Can We Bring

BENEDICTION*

CHORAL AMEN*

POSTLUDE Trumpet Tommaso Albinoni

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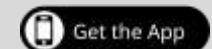
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November 12 will be a special “Open House Sunday” at Highland United Methodist during both worship services. This will be the perfect Sunday to invite friends and neighbors to join you and learn more about what makes HUMC a special church to call home.

To make this special Sunday a great visitor experience for those new to HUMC, we need YOUR HELP! Please indicate on the Connect Card your willingness to help on November 12th.

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISE REPORTS

- Nancy M—healing
- Nancy K—surgery recovery
- Don D—cardiology next steps
- Donna M—kidney removal due to cancer (surgery November 2)
- Mac H—continued healing
- Cyndy J—shoulder rehab
- Phil R—early Alzheimer’s
- Children receiving bibles today
- Lynn E—recovery from brain injury
- Bill G— comfort
- Christina—radiation recovery
- Jonathan D—surgery recovery
- Sonya G—healing for father
- Rick E — healing
- Lana V— back surgery recovery



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Highland United Methodist Church

Sunday, October 29, 2023 11:00am

22nd Sunday after Pentecost



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.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

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- ◆ Sunday School is cancelled for today.
- ◆ NO Sunday night Youth Group
- ◆ 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!

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