

PRELUDE Above All

Highland Ringers

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. John W. Bowling

CALL TO WORSHIP*

I stand here, needing Your healing presence. Come, O Spirit, Come.

Enter my life, take root in my heart.

[Soloist: singing "Spirit of the Living God"]

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As we quiet our hearts this day, make us ready to receive Your word, Your grace, Your power.

P: Inspire us to proclaim the majestic strength of Your divine love and presence wherever it is we go.

[At this time all are invited to sing hymn #393 "Spirit of the Living God" in its entirety].

WORSHIP WITH SINGING*

Chris Pinelo, Samantha Lohner, Sally Osborn, Neal Sterrett,
Keith Whitehead, Kaitlin Guenther

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Jim Heindl

(At this time, children 4yrs through 5th grade may stand for a blessing before heading upstairs for Sunday School.)

EPISTLE LESSON

Galatians 6:1-10

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING MUSIC

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

MESSAGE

WINDOWS OF HEAVEN

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THE WHEAT & SICKLE

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BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

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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 March 24.**

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HELP WANTED

MINISTRY ASSISTANT



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HYMN #57* O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (vs. 1-2, 4, 6-7)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881* Apostle's Creed

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EPISTLE LESSON Galatians 6:1-10 Richard Mason

MORNING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY A Lenten Meditation Eric Thiman

DOXOLOGY*

CHORAL ANTHEM Dark Was The Earth with Clouds Johann Haydn

SCRIPTURE Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

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HYMN #571* Go, Make of all Disciples

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE Adagio Meditation Edward Elgar

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CHILDREN & YOUTH



March's *Grow Kids! Sunday School* theme for the month is "Changing Gears," a four-week series on Jesus' ministry in the New Testament. Just like robots can transform, in this series, kids will learn how Jesus' ministry can change us. **Nursery** care is available for infants through 3years.



Bunny Breakfast is March 25 from 9-11! This is the perfect event to celebrate the Easter season with your kids. There will be a hot breakfast, egg hunt, live bunnies and chicks, visits with the Easter Bunny, and crafts. Join us for the return of this HUMC family tradition. **Register highlandmethodist.com**

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

- ◆ **Tonight** Youth group— 6-8pm enjoy a meal, play fun games and learn from a Bible lesson... inspiration, laughter and spiritual growth.
- ◆ **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. This is a great opportunity for students to meet new friends, develop critical thinking skills, and engage in a unique storytelling experience. The games are led by experienced D&D players.
- ◆ **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



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Highland United Methodist Church

Sunday, March 19, 2023 11:00am

4th Sunday in Lent



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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.