

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God of life, Lord of mercy, we confess that, like Esau and Jacob, we selfishly make decisions that do not honor you or others. Believing ourselves wise, we foolishly follow our own way, falling short of your glory. Our pride keeps us from being honest about ourselves, our sin, and our needs. Forgive us, we pray, and grant us the gift of your healing grace. Restore again both the joy of knowing you and the freedom of being known by you. Make us new and lead us in the way of life everlasting. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you!
All: And also with you!

†Gloria Patri #579 **Glory Be to the Father**

THE WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH Jen Jammer

NEW TESTAMENT Romans 8:1-11

ANTHEM Almighty Father Harlan

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 25:19-34

MESSAGE Family Reunion, week 5: Sibling Rivalry pt. 1
Rev. Chip Stapleton

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed*

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

RESPONSE

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING SONG How Great Thou Art arr. Larson

†Doxology #592
**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him, above Ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

†SENDING #384 **O Love That Will Not Let Me Go**

†BENEDICTION Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing Young

†POSTLUDE Lift High the Cross Young

†All who are able, please stand



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today
to the Glory of God and in memory of

Eddie Formulak

Given by *Gus Formulak*



The flowers were placed in Second Mile worship
service today to the Glory of God and in celebration
of the wedding of

Glenn Cameron & Christian Barkman

and in honor of

Ann Augustine "Mimi's"
80th birthday

Given by Avery & Scott Cameron & Family

Hello Highlanders,

This week is a bit of a lull in our HPC summer schedule with not a lot out of the ordinary happening in the next week or so, and where I normally use this space to highlight things that are going on and that I want to make sure you are aware of.

But this week, I want to offer you two other things to consider. The first can be found [here](#) and it is a devotional that came into my inbox this week and, with its focus on Abraham, I found it to be both timely and insightful.

The second thing I want to share with you comes from a magazine called, 'Mission Crossroads', which is put out by our denominational mission agency. The article, which is sort of an introduction to the rest of the contents of the magazine, is written by Ellen Sherby, who has served our denomination at the national office for several years and I had a chance to know her when we both served on the board of the New Wilmington Mission Conference.

In the article, which you can read [here](#), Ellen shares a personal story about members of her church community supporting her in a difficult time, when they were going through their own struggles. It was a potent reminder to me of two things: 1st - our call to not just talk about the love of God, but to actively share it through what we do, 2nd - It is a real-life reminder of the strength found in the community of faith and the reserves of support that are available to us - and that we can be a part of as the body of Christ.

Sharing God's love,

~Chip

~~~~PASTORAL CONCERNS~~~~

*We ask that you keep our home-bound in your thoughts and prayers.*

P.W. and Martha Jessup  
June Marie Smith  
Doris & John English  
Violet McNeill  
Bill Owen  
Pattie Koonce

Steve & Orion Gaynos  
Madie Rae Locklear  
("Grandma" to the Guy Family)  
Lib Yarborough  
Bill Johnson  
Betty Graham

Please let us know if you have concerns that you think the church should know about. Please limit to close-extended family. We will put their names (and relation to you if you desire) in the email update. The names will be removed after a few weeks unless requested otherwise. Thank you. Email [kellilu@gmail.com](mailto:kellilu@gmail.com)

### Notes on Today's Music...

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” is an 1844 American shape note tune, and was included in the 2013 Presbyterian Hymnal. In this Gordon Young prelude, the melody is played on the pedals.

“In His Presence” is one of five new introits the Chancel Choir has been preparing for worship. We are excited to have Bob Matlack sing the opening solo part.

“Immortal, Invisible” is a hymn of praise inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17, and it considers how God's presence exceeds our own earthly years. It is sung to a Welsh folk melody adapted for congregational singing in 1839.

“Almighty Father” by Benjamin Harlan is a Chancel Choir favorite. The words are a beautiful declaration of trust and hope. “You are a tower, a mighty Fortress, You are my strength and shield. You are God.”

“How Great Thou Art” was written first in Swedish, was translated into German, and then into Russian before reaching its English form. Don Latella will sing this well-loved song of faith that is a meaningful source of comfort to many people.

“O Love, That Wilt Not Let Me Go” is a poignant hymn to God addressed as Love, Light, and Joy. Written in 1882 by a blind minister during a time of deep personal suffering, it continues to be a powerful hymn of commitment for us today.



**Session Highlights**  
June 27, 2023

\* Approved Unified Worship Service for September 3rd  
\* No Session meeting for July

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**Power Forward** - the neighborhood youth group at HPC is conducting a summer sock drive. The need is basic. The demand is great. Our goal is to supply socks to our group. Boys & girls ages 8 to 19. Black athletic socks preferred. Ankle, quarter, calf, and no shows are all desirable. A box for collections will be placed in the front entrance area for donations. We will be collecting for the next few weeks and greatly appreciate your support! Thank you.

JULY 9, 2023  
11:00AM



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SHARING GOD'S LOVE

GATHERING MUSIC

### GATHERING

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE      Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy      Young  
Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore.  
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and power.

INTROIT      In His Presence      Tunney  
(Bob Matlack, soloist)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let us worship the Lord our God,  
**All: For the Lord is our God, and we are the Lord's people.**  
One: As we wait upon the Lord, let us open our ears,  
**All: That we might both hear and heed the word of the Lord.**  
One: As we wait upon the Lord, let us open our eyes,  
**All: That we might both see and perceive the will of the Lord.**  
One: As we wait upon the Lord, let us open our hearts.  
**All: That we might understand with our hearts  
and turn to the Lord for healing.**

OPENING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

†HYMN #263      **Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**