# Highland Presbyterian Church Order of Worship November 29, 2020

PRELUDE "Advent Medley" Cathy Wilson, organ

WELCOME

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

## CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The power of dreams lies in waking up. For when we close our eyes,

All: We can see a better world.

One: When we close our eyes,

All: We can dream a better dream.

One: But when we open our eyes,

All: We begin the work of faith.

One: The power of worship is the same. When we enter this space,

All: We can see a better world.

One: When we enter this space,
All: We dream a better dream.

One: But when we leave this space,
All: We begin the work of faith.

One: So come in. Dream your dream.

All: Find hope here. One: For in an hour,

All: We will begin the work of faith.

One: Let it be so. All: Amen.

# **OPENING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER**

**SONG** "Christ Be Our Light" Chancel Choir; Highland Ringers

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Original Dreamer, Over and over again in scripture, we hear your dream for a beautiful world. We hear your dream for peace and reconciliation. We hear your dream for harmony ant togetherness. We hear your dream for community and hope. We hear your dreams, and yet we do not open our eyes. We continue to live with the curtains drawn, the covers pulled tight, eyes shut to the realities of the world. Forgive us. Kindle a hope in us that will burn through the darkest nights. Give us the strength and the will to keep awake in this sleeping world. With hope we pray, amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

GOSPEL PASSAAGE Mark 13:24-37

**GIVING** (Responsive)

MESSAGE Those Who Dream, week 1: "Keep Awake" (Hope)

Rev. Chip Stapleton

Jen Jammer

# **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

One: We believe in God.

All: We believe that God has dreams for humanity.

One: We believe in the Holy Spirit.

All: We believe that the Holy Spirit comforts us when our dreams turn to nightmares.

One: We believe in Jesus.

All: We believe that Jesus walked this world to wake us up, Inviting us to be the church in the world.

One: We believe in dreams.

All: We believe in the power that dreams have to show us a new way.

One: So in this Advent season,

All: We are those who dream and those who wake up. May it be so. Amen.

**SONG** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" Charles Wesley

2nd Mile: Beth and Wayne Birch, Traci Stapleton, Chris Jackson

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Lift Up Your Heads Ye Mighty Gates" Cathy Wilson, organ

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