

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: The presents have been opened. The cookies have been eaten. The celebrations have left us exhausted. Yet your Spirit comes again, guiding us toward true joy. In all of our busy celebrations, remind us that you desire righteousness and justice for a world in need of generous hearts. May the light of Jesus Christ, the word's true light, live among us and turn our lives from oppressive power toward liberation and hope. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**THE WORD**

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Jen Jammer

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 60:1-6

SONG Do You Hear What I Hear?  
Bill Hardwick, soloist

GOSPEL READING Matthew 2:1-12

Message Living with Joy, week 1: Led By Joy (Epiphany)  
Rev. Chip Stapleton

**RESPONSE**

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed pg. 14 Blue Hymnal

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 from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Go, Tell It on the Mountain arr. Pethel  
Chancel Choir

†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**

†HYMN #66 We Three Kings of Orient Are

†BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright J. S. Bach  
†All who are able, please stand



Altar Flowers

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

**our parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins who have passed away.**

Given by Lisa & Alex Thompson and Family

**Worship Leaders**  
Rev. Chip Stapleton, Senior Minister  
Pam Langston, Dir. of Music Ministries  
Jen Jammer, Dir. of Children's Ministry  
Chris Jackson, Dir. of Youth Ministry



**Life Line Screening**

Sponsored by Southeastern Health  
Thursday, January 20, 2022 - Pre-registration is required

- Carotid Artery (Plaque) Screening** - Ultrasound scan of the carotid arteries that screens for buildup of fatty plaque - a leading cause of strokes.
- Heart Rhythm Screening (Atrial Fibrillation)** - A quick and easy test using EKG electrodes placed on the arms and legs to identify the presence or absence of an irregular heartbeat.
- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening** - Ultrasound screening for an abdominal aneurysm (enlargement) that could lead to a ruptured aorta.
- Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening** - Evaluates for peripheral arterial disease (PAD) in the lower extremities, which increases the risk of heart disease.
- Osteoporosis Risk Assessment** - Ultrasound screens the heel for bone mass density. Osteoporosis is painless and silent in its early stages.

- Package 1** - Plaque, Vascular Disease, and Heart Rhythm (4 tests) for \$139
  - Package 2** - Add an Osteoporosis Screening for \$10 more - 5 Tests for \$149
- Call 1-888-653-6450 to register for your appointment (again, this is required) or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners)

~~~PASTORAL CONCERNS~~~

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

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|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| P.W. and Martha Jessup       | Norman Blakely                |
| Jean Robinson                | Steve & Orion Gaynos          |
| Lisa Hitt                    | Madie Rae Locklear            |
| (daughter of Gayle McDonald) | ("Grandma" to the Guy Family) |
| Charlotte Ingram             | Lib Yarborough                |
|                              | Bill Johnson                  |

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.

Kelli Lujan 401-0928 or email [kellilu@gmail.com](mailto:kellilu@gmail.com)

Announcements for January 2 - January 8, 2022



**A note from your Pastor...**

Hello Highlanders,

I hope your holidays were wonderful and that you all were able to spend some quality time with loved ones. On that note I say...

Welcome to a New Year at Highland! We're excited to get back into the swing of things. I hope you will join us for our weekly worship services on Sundays at 9:00am for a more contemporary feel, and at 11:00am in the Sanctuary for a more traditional style service. Sunday School is at 10:00am.

Our Wednesday night dinner (at 5:00pm) and activities start back this week on January 5th, with Bible Studies and children's programming in their usual time slots.

We are looking ahead, making plans for our season of Lent and Easter and how that's going to look; it will be here before we know it.

*Sharing God's Love,*  
~Chip



**Wednesday, January 5th, 2022**

Menu: *Broccoli & Cheese Soup, Tomato Basil Soup, Hoagies, Salad Bar, Dessert, Beverage*

Make your reservations now!  
Call 401-0928

Don't forget to indicate if you want  
dine-in or take-out.

You may also email Kelli with your reservations - [kellilu@gmail.com](mailto:kellilu@gmail.com)

**GENEROSITY**

*Please go to [hpchurch.org/pledge](http://hpchurch.org/pledge) to access our online giving form.*

Important notice to those of you who currently have recurring giving set up online. If you are submitting next year's pledge and wish to change the amount of your recurring gift, please indicate this information on your pledge card and we will reach out to you shortly to ensure that this change is made starting in 2022. Your current online gift amount will continue into 2022 unless we are otherwise notified or you cancel the gift online yourself.

Please email [finance@hpchurch.org](mailto:finance@hpchurch.org) or call 401-0924 with any questions.

**InterFaith Christmas**

Thank you to everyone who donated to our InterFaith Families Christmas fund. We had originally adopted 5 families, but received enough in donations to adopt 11 families. This is great! Let's continue to support InterFaith throughout the year.

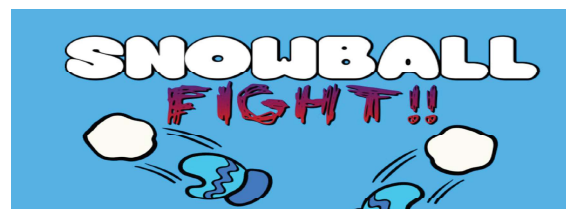


**Youth Information**

Youth starts back on January 9 with a new time: 6-7:30pm

Chick-Fil-A breakfast resumes on January 12

There will be an interest meeting for ASP trip at 5:00pm on January 30th



**Snowball Fight Night!**

KIDS, Get ready to rumble...  
Wednesday, January 26th  
6:00pm-7:00pm



**Holiday Hours for HPC**

**Monday, January 3, 2022** - Building/Offices closed  
We will reopen Tuesday, January 4, regular business hours

**JANUARY 2, 2022**

**11:00am**



**HIGHLAND  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

*SHARING GOD'S LOVE*

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Lawson Sherrill

**GATHERING**

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Arise, shine! Your light has come!

**All: Glory to God in the highest.**

One: Darkness covers the earth,

**All: but God's glory shines brightly.**

One: Lift up your eyes. Look around.

**All: The light of God's love shines radiantly.**

One: Arise, shine! Your light has come!

**All: Our hearts trill and rejoice!**

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN #28

**Good Christian Friends Rejoice**

CALL TO CONFESSION