#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God, we confess that we do not always understand Your ways. We are easily discouraged when life takes unexpected turns and our carefully laid plans and dreams come to nothing. We confess that we are quick to give up when things get difficult, and quick to question Your presence and Your power. Forgive us. Grant us patience to wait for Your good timing. Open our eyes to recognize Your leading in our lives - to listen for Your gentle whisper when we least expect it. And then give us courage to step out in faith and obedience, trusting in Your leading even when we cannot yet see the outcome. We praise You for Your faithful love, and pray that You would make us worthy to bear Your name. 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

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 37:1-4

ANTHEM Be Thou My Vision arr. Young

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 37:12-28

Message Family Reunion, week 9: Sibling Rivalry, pt. 3

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 It Is Well with My Soul arr. Ingram

†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 #371 Lift High the Cross

†Benediction

†Postlude God of Mercy, God of Grace Wilson

†All who are able, please stand



Promoted to the Church Triumphant

PW Jessup July 31, 2023

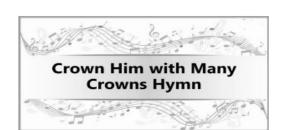
"Because I Live, Ye Shall Live Also." John 14:19



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

Our wedding anniversary

Given by *Polly & Ed Angel* 



Notes on Today's Music...

"Crown Him With Many Crowns" is one of the most popular hymns in the hymnal. It is intended to be sung as a hymn of praise or processional, and is often sung on Easter and Christ the King Sunday. The tune DIADEMATA, is named after the Greek word for crowns. It was composed especially for a 1851 hymn text by poet and scholar Matthew Bridges who based it on Revelation 19:12 - "On His head were many crowns."

Each crown in this hymn exalts Christ for different aspects: Stanza one for His eternal kingship; stanza two for His love; stanza three for His victorious resurrection; and stanza four as a member of the Trinity, ever worthy of worship and praise. The text is so familiar that it is easy to miss all the mystery and beauty contained in the poetry; it rewards careful reading and meditation outside corporate worship. The tune's composer, organist at Windsor Castle, had much experience in creating a royal sound.

As we join our voices in singing this glorious hymn with the sounds of the organ and choir today, may we joyfully and intentionally give all the praise due our Eternal King.



# Lake Day at the Horne's August 13 1-6pm

It was so much fun last year we're gonna do it again!
Tubing, Swimming, Pizza...only the best stuff
as we head toward the end of Summer (Iknow, I know)
RSVP to Chris

# Battlehouse *August 16 6pm*RSVP to Chris by August 9

#### ~~~PASTORAL CONCERNS~~~

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

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 Annette Pleasant

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

Hello Highlanders,

Now that it is August, thoughts and plans are beginning to turn towards 'Back to School' and the return of our regular program year. Summer is great, but there is an excitement that comes with the rush of back to school and the newness of another year and a fresh start.

One of the things I love about the fall, is that after the summer season where people are down at the beach, up at the mountains, and everywhere in between, Sundays in the fall feel like a chance for us all to be together.... In our staff preparation for 'back to school' and fall kick-off, I came across some material that used the theme 'Together', which did a great job of capturing what I love about the fall - the family of God and the body of Christ - coming back together in worship, service, and fellowship.

Romans 12:5-6 says this:

In the same way, though there are many of us, we are one body in Christ, and individually we belong to each other. We have different gifts that are consistent with God's grace that has been given to us.

As God's hands and feet - the tangible witness of God's grace and love in our world we are called to be different. And that difference starts with the countercultural call to be together, to work together, to care for each other.

We are the church - together.

We are the body of Christ - together.

We are - together.

I am so blessed to be a part of this community and I am excited to see what God is going to do in us, through us, and with us in the coming weeks, months, and years...together!

Sharing God's love,

~Chip



For anyone having difficulty hearing during the service, the sound system at Highland is equipped with CDC Compliant Hearing Assist. It can be accessed using any smart phone and compatible ear phones or ear buds (or bluetooth enabled hearing aids).

There is no cost or limit to the number of people who can use it. It has been tested for several months and has been very helpful. Anyone wanting to use Hearing Assist can contact Chip or Richard for further instruction.

The initial setup is a little "techy", but help is available. Setup requires installing an app on the smart phone, either iPhone or android. The app is provided by the Hearing Assist manufacturer, is free, and does not require any personal information. The app does not send "spam" messages. The smartphone must be connected to the HPC-Audio wi-fi network. After that, the smartphone app can be opened and connected to the wi-fi. The HPC sound system will play through whatever listening devide is connected to the phone (earphones, ear buds, hearing aids). It is important to remember that the sounds system is usually muted before the service, so nothing will be heard until the service starts.

It takes a few minutes for the initial setup so if it is to be done on Sunday morning, please come a little early to the service. If anyone wants to get setup during the week, please call the church and arrangements will be made.

# Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina 2023 Fall Gathering

# Saturday, August 19 at Highland Presbyterian Church

Registration at 9:00am Plenary begins at 10:00am

#### Workshops & Table Displays:

We will be collecting Period Packs for Church World Service Providing Period Packs to help end period poverty is an easy way you can help share your love with others.

#### Here is what we need:

Re-sealable bags - Gallon size Hand sanitizer - 20z bottles Bathroom trash bags - 4 Gallon size Tampons - Regular Tampons - Super Absorbancy

Pads - Unscented, Long super ultra-thin
Bath soap - 3oz bar or larger. No Ivory or Jergen's. Don't remove packaging
Flushable wipes - Unscented, 42 count
All items must be new

Please place your donations in the provided box located in the elevator lobby (behind the front desk) by *Sunday, August 13th!* 

All women are invited, even if you do not participate in an organized PW circle! Refreshments and Door Prizes provided

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS - Pool Day/Devotion
Highland Country Club
Monday, August 7th, 1-3
Let Ms. Jen know if you plan to attend and/or if you need a ride.



We Have Nursery Needs

Baby Bouncers and baby toys Please contact Ms. Jen at (989)-447-3489



### BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

August 27th during both services
Bring your backpack, bookbag, shoulder bag,
messenger bag, whatever way you tote
your school supplies back-and-forth each
day to church service on
Sunday, August 27th so they can be blessed.



GATHERING MUSIC

# **GATHERING**

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE Sing A New Song to the Lord

Lawrence

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Here, in this place,

All: God welcomes all the dreamers, as well as the doubters: One: here, the worriers and wanderers can call on God by name.

All: Here, in this time, we can remember all the ways God has graced us:

One: here in these moments, we are reminded that God is with us, always!

All: Here are gathered those daring enough to step out of comfort into the unknown:

One: here, in this faith space, we will find the courage to cry out, All: 'God, save us!' In every place and in every situation.

OPENING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

†HYMN #151 Crown Him with Many Crowns

CALL TO CONFESSION