

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God, forgive us. Our efforts to love you with heart, soul, mind and strength often fall short. Our lack of trust in you hinders our ability to give ourselves completely to you. We stubbornly deny that you know what is best for us. Our mindset of meagerness keeps us from loving our neighbors, and ourselves. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

THE WORD

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Jen Jammer

OLD TESTAMENT

1Kings 17:8-16

ANTHEM

For the Beauty of the Earth

Frizzell

NEW TESTAMENT

Galations 1:11-17

MESSAGE Airplane Mode, week 4: Taking the Call

Rev. Chip Stapleton

RESPONSE

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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.

COMMUNION

Call to Communion
Words of Institution
Prayer after Communion

Thank You Lord

I come before you today
and there's just one thing that I want to say
Thank you Lord thank you Lord
For all you've given to me
For all the blessings that I cannot see
Thank you Lord thank you Lord

With a grateful heart with a song of praise
with an outstretched arm I will bless Your name
Thank you Lord, I just want to thank you Lord
Thank you Lord, I just want to thank you Lord

For all you've done in my life
You took my darkness and gave me your light
Thank you Lord thank you Lord
You took my sin and my shame
You took my sickness and healed all my pain
Thank you Lord thank you Lord

Chorus (then repeat Chorus)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

You Are God Alone

†DOXOLOGY

“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.”

†LITANY OF COMMITMENT OF PLEDGES FOR 2023 & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

One: Gracious God, you have made a world for us and given us incomparable gifts: air and water, family and friends, your steadfast love and forgiveness, and your son Jesus the Christ. For all the gifts and wonders you have bestowed on us.

Many: We thank you and worship you with renewed gratitude.

One: O God, you created us to love one another as Christ has loved us. We are concerned about all your children, those who live near us, and those who live far away. We are eager to participate in the work of the whole church and to further the ministry and service of this congregation. As we contemplate the mission before us . . .

Many: We thoughtfully shoulder our personal share of responsibility, and we pledge to witness to the good news of Christ with our hearts and hands and voices.

One: Confident in your love and care for us . . .

Many: We gladly yield to you our life, our time, our talents, and our financial resources. To God be the glory! Hallelujah!

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

†HYMN #551

Seek Ye First

†BLESSING & BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE

Hear Us, Almighty God

Callahan

†All who are able, please stand

~~~PASTORAL CONCERNS~~~

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

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| P.W. and Martha Jessup       | Steve & Orion Gaynos          |
| Jean Robinson                | Madie Rae Locklear            |
| Lisa Hitt                    | ("Grandma" to the Guy Family) |
| (daughter of Gayle McDonald) | Lib Yarborough                |
| Charlotte Ingram             | Bill Johnson                  |
| June Marie Smith             | Betty Graham                  |
| Doris & John English         | Hope Campbell                 |
| Violet McNeill               | Mike Byerly                   |
| Gayle McDonald               | (SIL to Shirley Olund)        |

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

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  
Terry Morris, Pastoral Care Intern



Our Christian Love is expressed to

Wayne Birch and family  
on the death of his stepfather

Ed Cotton  
November 16, 2022

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."  
Psalm 116:15

Music Notes from Pam...

We are excited to add two new voices to music leadership at Highland this Sunday! Stuart Harrell and Tinsley Olive have been attending Proclaim! youth music experiences at 5:30 PM on Wednesday nights. They will be singing "You Are God Alone" supported by Second Mile singers today.

Stuart attends Village Christian Academy and studies voice. She has participated in CFRT shows and Highland's Praise Ringers youth handbell group. Tinsley attends Village Christian Academy and has also had voice lessons, theatre experience, and a life-long love of singing. Thankful for these new voices in worship!

~Pam

Hello Highlanders,

Today is a special and important day in the life of our congregation, as we will bring and dedicate our pledges towards the budget for 2023. This is always a monumental day, as your faithful giving is the way that we empower all that we do here at Highland. This year, for a lot of us, this day comes at a difficult and potentially uneasy time. We have talked about this in worship recently, that we live in a polarized country, we are facing inflation and other economic challenges that haven't been encountered in decades, our world is erupting in conflicts again. There is much to be unsure and uneasy about.

In the midst of all of this, it might seem like a foolish thing to make a faithful, generous pledge to give in the coming year. In moments like this it is important to remember that faithfully following Jesus often runs counter to the logic and 'sense' of the world.

It is also important that we remember what our pledging is really about. It is, of course, an act of generosity and gratitude, but it also is a defiant statement of belief. A statement that says that we believe that money is not the most powerful force in this world and that our hope and trust is not built on money or the things money can buy, but rather on Jesus Christ and his saving love, the providential grace of God; and the enduring peace of the Holy Spirit.

With all of that in mind, I would begin by saying thank you to all who have already pledged and to humbly ask everyone else to spend some time prayerfully considering what God is leading you to do and give.

*Sharing God's Love,*  
Chip



**JOIN US FOR A HIGHLAND CHRISTMAS PARTY!**  
*our treat!*

*When: December 7th 5:00-6:30*

*What: Join us for a free dinner, cookies, crafts, games, a Bake Sale and the Learning Center children will be singing at 6:00.*

*Please make your reservations **BY DECEMBER 1st!!!!** We need to know how many friends to plan for. Email Kelli at [kellilu@gmail.com](mailto:kellilu@gmail.com) or sign-up at the Learning Center or Church front desk! Thank you.*

**HANGING of the GREENS  
for Advent  
Sunday, November 20 - 4:00pm**

Join us for an afternoon of preparing our church for the season of Advent and our Christmas Celebrations. We will need lots of help (a lot to do!), adults and children are welcome. Any questions, please contact Martha Ann Harrell at 910-624-0335.

**It's Time for TURKEYS!!! IT'S  
NOT TOO LATE TO DO YOUR  
PART!**

(woooooo!)  
Adopt a turkey (\$20/per), bake a sweet potato casserole, or a delicious pie (or purchase one or five from the grocery store!).  
Or join us Wednesday, November 23rd 10:00-3:00 to cut and box pies or bag bread rolls.

**Pancake Breakfast Round-Up**

Just a quick follow-up on this year's Pancake Breakfast. And, a really big THANK YOU to everyone for their generous support. As it stacked up, we flipped over 2500 pancakes and collected \$7,073 for our Mission Committee by way of ticket sales, sponsorships and donations. I think we would all agree that's a lot of dough for a great cause... that's some batter that mattered.

A special thanks to the team that poured in at 5:00 AM (or earlier) each day to mix, flip, pack and deliver a seemingly endless flow of pancakes. I never sausage a great team in action! There's no doubt we had some real Flour Power going on!

~Bill Dudley

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**Presbyterian Women's Annual Bake Sale  
Wednesday, December 7th  
3:00-6:30 in the Fellowship Hall**

Please join us in making delicious sweet treats for our annual fundraiser. If you're not quite the baker, but want to enjoy something tasty, be sure to stop by our bake sale to purchase a few items! For those who will be baking something to sell, please fill out the sign-up sheet located at the front desk (or in your Sunday School room/through your Circle). You may also email Kelli to let her know what you plan to provide.

*Drop off your baked goodies, pies, cookies, cakes, brownies, yummys  
10:00-12:00 or 1:00-3:00 on Wednesday, December 7th.*

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**YOUTH NEWS**

**TODAY, November 20 is Sweet Potato Day,**

as we do our part to serve our Community with the Thanksgiving Meal- Hang out after church for lunch, Sweet Potatoes, and then Bowling! (NO Youth Group this week at 6:00)

NO Youth on November 27 (Thanksgiving Week)

**CHICK-FIL-A BREAKFAST**

Every Tuesday at 7:20 am (If school starts a little later for you, don't worry about rolling in late, I'll be around til 8:00)

**WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS - 5:30-6:30**  
NO Wednesday night activities on November 23



**NOVEMBER 20, 2022  
11:00AM  
UNIFIED SERVICE**

**HIGHLAND  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

*SHARING GOD'S LOVE*

GATHERING MUSIC

**GATHERING**

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

INTROIT            Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing            arr. Hopson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

- One: We come to worship a generous and loving God.  
**All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!**
- One: We will praise the Lord as long as we have breath.  
**All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!**
- One: Our hope is in our Lord, our God.  
**All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!**
- One: We give thanks for the gift of all of God's creation.  
**All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!**
- One: We give thanks for God's help in times of need.  
**All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!**
- One: We give thanks for God's mercy in times of trouble.  
**All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!**
- One: We know that God will be with us always.  
**All: Praise the Lord, O my soul!**

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

†HYMN #559            **We Gather Together/Give Thanks**

**Give Thanks**  
**Give thanks with a grateful heart**  
**Give thanks to the Holy One**  
**Give thanks because He's given**  
**Jesus Christ His Son**  
**(repeat)**  
**And now let the weak say I am strong**  
**Let the poor say I am rich**  
**Because of what the Lord has done for us**  
**(repeat)**  
**Give Thanks**