## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God, you give us life and families and friends. You put us in charge of this beautiful planet and universe. You gave us the Bible to show us how to live happily, and you lived among us as Jesus to save us from our sin. We should be happy, generous people, but we are not. Too often, we think only about ourselves. We are greedy. We make long lists of what we think we must have. We are jealous. We want for ourselves every fine thing that belongs to someone else. Often, we are ready to lie, cheat, and steal to get what we want. Forgive us. Help us to look beyond our own wants to the wants and needs of others. Help us learn that sharing can bring us more happiness than grabbing. Help us to recognize all your gifts and be grateful. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

## THE WORD

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

Jen Jammer

**OLD TESTAMENT** 

Amos 8:1-12

ANTHEM

I love You, Lord

arr. Pethel

New Testament

Colossians 1:15-28

MESSAGE

Called In, week 6: Called to Transformation

Christopher Jackson

## **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.

**OFFERTORY** 

Give Me A Song

Choplin

†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."

†Prayer of Dedication

## **SENDING**

†Hymn #335

Though I May Speak

†Blessing & Benediction

†Postlude

Lord, Our Lord, Thy Glorious Name Freylinghausen

This is a new hymn for Highland. It will be introduced each Sunday by intruments and/or choir and will be the opening hymn on July 31.

†All who are able, please stand



## **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

Hello Highlanders,

This summer in this space I have talked a lot about connecting with our faith and prioritizing growth in that area even though our summer schedules can be varied and take us away from regular worship more often. I have been writing about this often because it has been a regular point of conversation with many members of the congregation this summer. All of us want to stay connected to our church and our faith and most of us are looking for ways to do that and ways that we can deepen our faith. Time and schedule are often the main issues that stand in the way of making that happen.

In an effort to address some of these issues we are exploring the possibility of holding a virtual, likely zoom based, bible study during the month of August. We are also looking at recording it and making it available as a podcast, potentially. Before we do that, however, we would like to gauge the potential interest in the project. So, if you would be interested in attending a virtual Bible study this summer, could you just let me know - dropping me a note via email (chip.stapleton@gmail.com) is the simplest way to do that. If you have a particular day or time that would work better for you, please let me know that too. Reaching out to me would not commit you to anything, but will help us determine if this is something worth pursuing or not. 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 Jean Robinson Lisa Hitt (daughter of Gayle McDonald) Charlotte Ingram June Marie Smith Doris English John English

Steve & Orion Gaynos Madie Rae Locklear ("Grandma" to the Guy Family) Lib Yarborough Bill Johnson Patsy Thames Gayle McDonald Betty Graham Claudia Thornton

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

Music Notes with Pam...

Supporting sermon themes and liturgical seasons for weekly worship with relevant music is at the top of this music director's priority list. When looking for music to tie in with the theme of humility and trust for last week's service, I chose "Prayer for Humility" for the anthem and "Bow the Knee" as an offertory. After worship several people mentioned that "Bow the Knee" was unfamiliar to them. It is a very meaningful ballad that expresses the important role faith plays in the lives of believers. When life confronts us with unanswerable questions, sometimes we must "bow the knee" to the sovereignty and will of God. Here is the text for those who may have missed it:

There are moments on our journey following the Lord
Where God illumines every step we take.
There are times when circumstances make perfect sense to us,
As we try to understand each move He makes.
But when the path grows dim...
And our questions have no answers turn to Him.
Bow the knee; Trust the heart of the Father
When the answer goes beyond what you can see.
Bow the knee; lift your eyes toward heaven

And when you don't understand the purpose of His plan
In the presence of the King, bow the knee.

And believe the One who holds eternity.

Singing songs of faith, ~Pam



# In Search of......Volunteers for the Front Desk!

Answer phones, point visitors in the right direction, enjoy some quiet time, get to know the HPC staff a little better - all this for the low, low price of a few hours a week! Usually 9-1 or 1-4...one day a week, or two, or whatever times/days work for you. If you see Ralph Spivey, chat with him about it or you may contact Kelli at kellilu@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you!



# TUBING WITH CAPE FEAR RIVER ADVENTURES

Wednesday, July 27 at 10:15am

Youth Parents should have received an email with details, if you didn't, please let me know! Should be a fun day of floating, and we hope all our youth can join us for our last big Summer Activity.

Cost:\$30 per person - Deadline: Suday, August 24

## LUNCH WITH CHRIS

August 9, 16, and 23 12:30pm

Youth and Adults: Do you have ideas about youth ministry? Have you been thinking about volunteering, but not sure where you fit it? Do you just need someone to talk to? Just wanna catch up? For 3 Tuesdays in August, you can meet Chris for Lunch at Chick-Fil-A (on him!!)

## NEW WILMINGTON MISSION CONFERENCE July 15-22

Pray for our group that will be travelling to Pennsylvania this weekend. Pastor Chip and his family, along with some of our youth, are going to be filled up and sent out!

# FAITH & FITNESS

Join Jen on Mondays and Wednesdays at 11:00 for Faith & Fitness.

This is open to all ability levels. Bring your water and meet by the track.

Workouts will last about 30 minutes.



# Friendship Community Gardens Farm-to-Fender

Just letting you know that the Farm-to-Fender produce bus can be found parked in the Haymont Post Office parking lot each Monday from 10:00am-4:00pm until Labor Day.

Fayetteville Community Gardens appreciates you!



SHARING GOD'S LOVE

GATHERING MUSIC

Harriet McDonald

# **GATHERING**

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy arr. Phillips

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is good and loving to the faithful.

All: We give thanks and praise for all that God has done for us, especially in sending Jesus, God's Son, the Christ.

One: Come, let us worship Christ, the visible image of the invisible God, the first born of all creation, the eternal God, the onw through whom all things were created, and in whom all things are held together.

All: This is our God! The God who comes to us. Let us worship together.

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

†Hymn #138

Holy, Holy, Holy

CALL TO CONFESSION