



If you . . . call the Sabbath a delight. . .  
then you shall take delight in the Lord,  
and I will make you ride  
upon the heights of the earth.

~ Isaiah 58:13-14

**HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH**

**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

**MARCH 3, 2024**

**8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.**

Invitation to Worship

Paul Henderson

## A TIME FOR CONTRITION

Lenten Call to Worship

RESTORATION

*May the path of Jesus call us in this hard and holy work.  
Rise as one to walk together for we do not go alone.*

Organ Meditation

*O God, Be Merciful to Me*

J. L. Krebs

The Psalm Lesson

Psalm 19:7-14(Pew Bible pages 488-489—OT)

Paul Henderson

Hymn of Reflection (303) †

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

HOLY MANNA

Prayer of Confession

Renee Purtlebaugh

Your way revives the soul; your guidance is wisdom.  
***And yet we turn from you, our rock and our redeemer.***  
Your principles bring joy; your commandments are clear and eye-opening.  
***And yet we turn from you, our rock and our redeemer.***  
Your presence inspires awe; your directions are grounded in virtue.  
***And yet we turn from you, our rock and our redeemer.***  
Your way is better than gold and sweeter than honey.  
***And yet we turn from you, our rock and our redeemer.***  
Holy One, forgive our turning away, our looking elsewhere, our tendency toward self-reliance.  
***Return us to your way, our rock and our redeemer.***

Assurance of Forgiveness

## A TIME FOR PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Hymn of Praise (310) †

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

HYMN TO JOY

Prayer of Praise †

Joey Eubank (8:45)  
Abbi Wolfe (11:15)

## A TIME FOR PROCLAMATION

The Hebrew Lesson

Genesis 2:1-3; Exodus 20:8-11 (Pew Bible pages 2 and 65—OT)

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Sermon

*Life-Saving Practices: Sabbath-Keeping*

† *For those who are able, we invite you to stand.*

## A TIME FOR RENEWAL AND RESPONSE

The Celebration of Holy Communion

Justin Sizemore

Invitation to the Table

Exchange of Peace †

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Reception of the Bread and Cup †

*Everyone is invited forward to receive bread and cup. All bread served is gluten friendly.  
Deacons will receive tithes and offerings in the offering plates as you return to your pew.  
To make a donation from your phone, text "give2hbc" to 502-747-1212 and open the link.*

Anthem

arr. Howard Helvey

*For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

For the bread which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured, for the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord. By the pledge that you do love us, by your gift of peace restored, by your call to heaven above us, hollow all our lives, O Lord. With the sainted ones in glory seated at the heavenly board, may the church that's waiting for you keep love's tie unbroken, Lord. In your service, Lord defend us, in our hearts keep watch and ward; in the world where you have sent us, let your kingdom come, O Lord.

Hymn of Response (631) †

DONNA

*O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

Offertory Prayer

Procter Eubank (8:45)

Susan Pierce (11:15)

News for the Community

Renee Purtlebaugh

***In response to your decision, we welcome you! We covenant to be the family of God for you in this place. We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, as we journey in faith together.***

For the ministries that shape the life of our community, ***thanks be to God.***

Doxology (15) †

JOYFUL SINGING

***Praise to God, who spoke creation, giving life to time and space.  
Praise to Christ, whose living presence showed the world Your human face.  
Praise the Spirit, daily witness to Your ever loving way.  
Take us now and reawake us, challenge us to use this day.***

Benediction †

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Postlude

John Stanley

*Voluntary in E Minor*

In worship at Highland, we aim to sing music with a theology that reflects an expansive and inclusive God. Occasionally, our printed music may use language that limits God. When we are unable to re-print a more inclusive text, we encourage you to use language that better fits your image of God. Our ministers and choir will often replace "He/Him" with "God" or "Love" (1 syllable) and "Father" with "Parent," "Holy," or "Divine" (2 syllables). We would love to hear what creative language for God you might use in worship, too.

## Today in Worship

Highland's deacons (wearing identification name tags) are available at various locations for prayer, questions or information. Deacons are lay ministers of the church who have been called to a ministry of service.

Pardon our Progress! Highland is in the midst of a renovation process to update our irreparable HVAC System. During this time, you will notice temporary changes in seating, lighting, flooring, and/or machinery in the sanctuary. To learn more about this ongoing work, visit [hbclouisville.org](http://hbclouisville.org) and click on "Sacred Space for Everyone."

Listening Assist Devices are available. Please see our sound technician or an usher for assistance. Large print hymn sheets are also available upon request for visually impaired persons. An usher can provide a copy for you.

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## Notes and News for the Community of Faith

- As the season of Lent continues, we are preparing for the beloved events and traditions of Holy Week and Easter Sunday at Highland. Between services on Easter morning, we will gather on the lawn (weather permitting) and in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast, adorning our Easter cross with fresh flowers, and Easter egg hunting for children. There will be no Bible Study classes for any ages to allow for this shared time of fellowship, connection, and celebration. More information will be available in the newsletter in the coming weeks.
- **Up Ahead:**
  - ◇ Today Service of Remembrance for Pastor Emeritus Don Burke, 4:00 PM
  - ◇ March 7-9 Habitat for Humanity Spring House Build

### Holy Week Activities:

- ◇ March 24 Palm Sunday Services
- ◇ March 27 Cloud of Witness at 6:15 PM
- ◇ March 28 Maundy Thursday Service at 6:30 PM
- ◇ March 29 Tenebrae Service at 7:00 PM
- ◇ March 31 Easter Sunday Worship and Church-Wide Gathering and Celebration



**HIGHLAND  
BAPTIST CHURCH**  
*A thinking, feeling, healing  
community of faith*

*Our Mission...* God's Love compels us to cultivate a safe, welcoming community of faith where all are challenged to discover, grow, and serve, as together we boldly live out the worship that is our very lives.

**Jerre and Frank Bassett**  
CUSTODIANS

**Don Burke**  
PASTOR EMERITUS

**Paul Henderson**  
ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF MUSIC  
AND WORSHIP

**Renee Purtlebaugh**  
ASSOCIATE PASTOR TO CHILDREN  
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**Mary Alice Birdwhistell**  
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