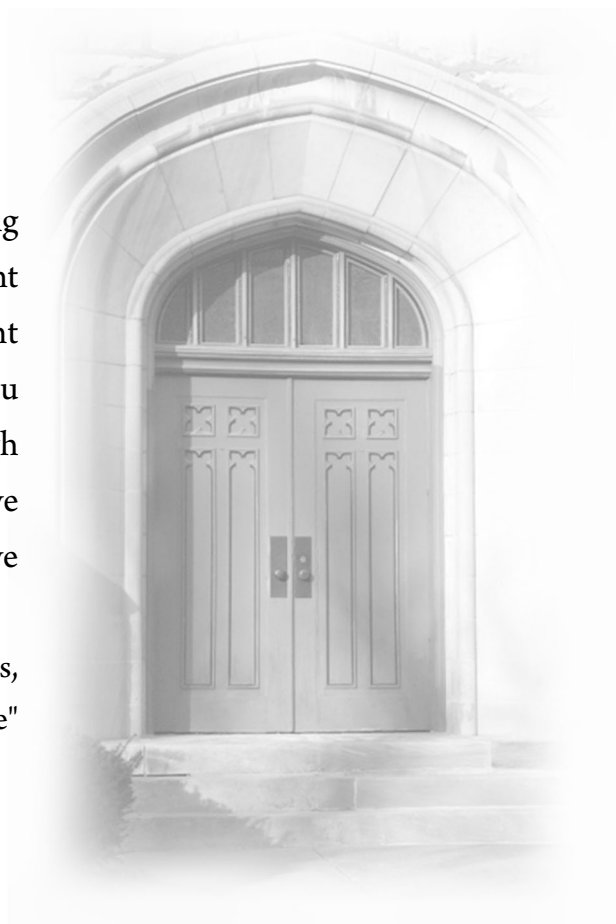


But when the night is falling
You cannot find the light
You feel your dreams are dying, hold tight
Don't let go, you've got the music in you
One dance left, this world is gonna pull through
Don't give up, you've got a reason to live
Can't forget, we only get what we give

~ Gregg Alexander and Rick Towels,
"You Get What You Give"



HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 20, 2024

8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.

Chiming the Hour

Children and Youth Handbell Choir (11:15)

Invitation to Worship

Renee Purtlebaugh (8:45)
Bo Bond (11:15)

O WHAT A JOY TO GIVE

Prelude

Voluntary in G Minor
Trumpet Voluntary
Children and Youth Handbell Choir

Stanley (8:45)
Clark/arr. Sanders (11:15)

Call to Worship

Robin Ramsay Lee (8:45)

Holy One, as we gather for worship this morning,
open our hearts and our minds to hear you and know you.
As we sing our praises, share our confessions, listen for your proclamation, and respond,
we worship you fully, Holy One.

Choral Introit

Traditional Argentine Folk Song (11:15)
arr. Danyew and Leonhardt

Welcome Song

Chorister Choir and Stephanie Hall, flute

We can learn to live in peace and harmony, building up each other for the world to see. Listening to each other with an open mind, we can learn to help our neighbors and be kind. Singing, "You are welcome here, neighbors both far and near." Raising every voice to say, "Welcome, you are loved today." Cantamos bienvenidos, todos los vecinos. Nosotros decimos todos son amados.

Hymn of Praise (667) †

FOREST GREEN

As Saints of Old Their First Fruits Brought

Prayer of Praise †

Robin Ramsay Lee (8:45)
Hazel Foster and Navy Ross Azevedo (11:15)

Glory to the Creator †

MEINEKE

Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Spirit, One.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

AND OUT OF COMPASSION GIVE AGAIN

Call to Prayer

Roland Tabell (11:15)

Trust in the Lord
Chorister Choir

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not to your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge God and God will guide your path. Trust in the Lord!

Prayer of Confession

Justin Sizemore

Creator God, we long for your guidance and direction in our lives, yet,
we confess that we have often relied on our own understanding, allowing fear and division to guide our choices instead of love and compassion.
Forgive us for neglecting to see you, O Lord. Forgive us for not trusting that you are indeed with us.
Help us to know your presence and love for each of us. Help us to lean on your understanding and your love. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Justin Sizemore (8:45)

Choral Assurance

Christopher D. Hogan (11:15)

God Is Here with Me
Chorister Choir

God is in my voice when I am singing, God is in my voice, right here in my song. God is here with me, Alleluia!
God is in my mind when I am praying, God is in my mind, right here in my prayer. God is here with me, Alleluia!
God is in my heart when I am sleeping, God is in my heart, right here in my sleep. God is here with me, Alleluia!

Exchange of Peace †

Paul Henderson

Hymn (672) †

GERMANY

All Things Are Yours

Baptism of Ainsley Braun † (11:15)

Call to the Water
Statement of Faith
Baptism in the name of **the Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

Baptism Response †

BUNESSAN

Baptized in Water

***Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ, our King:
One with His rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praise we sing.***

Choral Response

J. S. Bach

Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices. Who wondrous things hath done,
in whom his world rejoices. Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts
of love, and still is ours today.

"GIVE OUT OF LOVE" YOUR WORD COMMANDS

The Epistle Lesson

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

2 Corinthians 9:1-6 (Pew Bible pages 179-80 – NT)
Children grades K-2 may be dismissed for Children's Worship (11:15)

Sermon

Can't Forget, We Only Get What We Give

AND SO WE GIVE, AND SO WE SHARE, IN CHRIST'S STRONG NAME

Hymn of Response (671) †

BEACH SPRING

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Offertory Prayer †

Marilyn Whisler (8:45)
Navy Ross Azevedo (11:15)

Offertory

Hedwige Chrétien

Offertoire

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 †

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One, Amen.***

Benediction †

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Postlude

Alexandra Thompson

Andante in C Minor

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

Today in Worship

Phrases from today's hymn of response, *All Things Are Yours*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation and response.

Please express your appreciation to the Children and Youth Handbell Choir and Chorister Choir for their leadership in today's worship. We are thankful for the support of families and teachers. Choirs and music activities are provided for all children, walking toddlers with parents through the fifth grade, on Wednesday evenings, 6:00 – 7:15 PM.


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.

Worship care is available for infants, toddlers and preschoolers during worship. Our greeters are available to help you navigate our building. A Worship Cart with activities to engage children in the pew is located in the Commons.

Nearly 65% of people at Highland use online giving to make financial gifts to the church. We invite you to be one of them! Scan the QR code in the section below to be directed to our online giving page.

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Notes and News for the Community of Faith

- **We continue our pledge season for the 2025 ministry budget as well as our Sacred Space campaign.** You are invited to place your pledge card in the offering plate or you can make a pledge online using the QR code. Your pledges will make a crucial difference as we enter the budgeting process and prepare for needing \$120,000 in additional funds for payment on our renovation loans. We are currently paying \$350 a day in interest on these loans, and every gift we receive now helps to decrease that expense. We hope you will prayerfully consider how you can contribute to our shared work of Love at Highland. 
- **We hope you'll join us for a church-wide fall festival on the lawn on Sunday, October 27 from 3:00-5:00 PM.** There will be treats, activities for children, and face-painting. We will vote on the best carved pumpkins by our youth mentor groups. All ages are invited to dress up (no scary costumes, please), and there will be prizes for best costumes for all ages, too. Bring a lawn chair and join us for what we hope will be a beautiful afternoon together!
- **On October 23 and 30, Bruce Maples, Robert Davis, and Mary Alice will be co-leading a Wednesday night series on Christian Nationalism** and will facilitate discussion around excerpts from Tim Alberta's book, *The Kingdom, The Power, and The Glory: American Evangelicalism in an Age of Extremism*. We will start shortly after 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Up Ahead:**
 - October 23 & 30 Wednesday Night Series Continues: Christian Nationalism
 - October 27 Fall Festival on the Lawn, 3:00-5:00 PM
 - October 29 Cream of the Crop visit to Tribe Animal Sanctuary, 10:00 AM
 - November 6 Service of Unity and Hope, 6:15 PM



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*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.

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