



HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 8, 2025

8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.

Invitation to Worship

Renee Purtlebaugh

HELP OUR LIPS TO GLORIFY YOU, GLORIFY YOUR HOLY NAME

Prelude

Joseph Parr

Improvisation on Veni Creator Spiritus

Call to Worship

Vicki Runnion (8:45)
McKenzie Cantrell (11:15)

Divine Teacher, whirl around us with your wisdom.

Divine Comforter, encircle us with the peace that comes only from you.

As the Holy Winds fill our lives with dreams, empower us to live God's hope in this world.

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

*Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; come with Pentecostal power;
give the church a stronger vision; help us face each cruel hour.
Built upon a firm foundation, Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,
Still the church is call to mission that God's love shall be made known.*

*We would raise our alleluias for the grace of yesteryears,
for tomorrow's unknown pathway, hear, O Lord, our humble prayers.
In the church's pilgrim journey you have led us all the way;
still in presence move before us, fire by night and cloud by day.*

*Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; give us words of fire and flame.
Help our feeble lips to praise you, glorify your holy name.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One: what mystery!
We would sing our loud hosannas now and through eternity.*

Prayer of Praise †

Vicki Runnion (8:45)
McKenzie Cantrell (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.*

Anthem

John Rutter

I Will Sing with the Spirit

I will sing with the spirit: alleluia! And I will sing with the understanding also: alleluia!

A Reading from Psalms

Psalms 104:24-28, 33-34 (Pew Bible page 544 – OT)

Paul Henderson

HEAR, O LORD, OUR HUMBLE PRAYER

Prayer of Confession

Justin Sizemore

Holy Spirit, we're not sure we're ready for your power to break loose in our lives.
*We've grown too comfortable with our familiar habits and routines. We're afraid to give up
our waking slumber and face the truth that we do not truly live.*
When we cling to our old ways and the safety of familiar paths, wake us up and breathe your life into us!
*Walk with us, Holy One, and give us the audacity and courage to follow the way that is lit by the fire
of your Spirit, wherever you may lead us. Amen.*

Song of Assurance

arr. Mark Hayes

His Eye Is on the Sparrow
Linda Campbell, soprano and Kathy Collier, piano

Exchange of Peace

Justin Sizemore

Hymn (242) †

MORNING SONG

Come, Teach Us, Spirit of Our God

COME, O SPIRIT, DWELL AMONG US;
GIVE US WORDS OF FIRE AND FLAME

The Hebrew Lesson

Chris Caldwell

Genesis 11:1-9 (Pew Bible pages 8-9 – OT)

Sermon

Chris Caldwell and Renee Purtlebaugh

Reversing Babel

STILL IN PRESENCE MOVE BEFORE US,
FIRE BY NIGHT AND CLOUD BY DAY

Song of Peace (573) †

VILLE DU HAVRE

It Is Well with My Soul

*When peace like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billow roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.*

Hymn of Response (236) †

ADORO TE DEVOTE

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

Offertory Prayer †

Robin Ramsay Lee (8:45)
Tyler Swim (11:15)

Offertory

Gian Carlo Menotti

Ricercare

College and Other Graduate Recognition

Justin Sizemore

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 †

Chris Caldwell

Postlude

Jeanne Demessieux

Toccata on Veni Creator Spiritus

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

Today in Worship

Phrases from today's hymn of praise, *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation, and response.

As we continue through Pride month, today's offertory piece is by Gian Carlo Menotti (1911-2007), an Italian American, LGBTQ+ composer known for operas like *Amahl and the Night Visitors* and *The Medium*. His operas are characterized by his commitment to romanticism and innovative storytelling.

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.

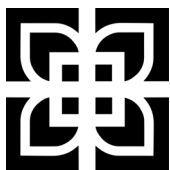
Worship care is available for infants, toddlers and preschoolers during worship. Our greeters are available to help you navigate our building. A Worship Cart with activities to engage children in the pew is located in the Commons.

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 first 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

- **Strategic Planning Response Form**—We welcome your participation in our congregational discernment process! Thank you in advance for completing this form to help our Strategic Planning Team identify strategic priorities for HBC's future! Please use the QR code at right or a printed card to respond.
- **We will gladly welcome Rev. Rachel Small Stokes as our proclaimer for Pride Sunday on June 15.** Rachel is the Pastor at Immanuel UCC here in Louisville. She brings to us a deep spirit, an openness to all, and a sense of joy, creativity, and humor. She and her wife Les (a native Louisvillian) have two very energetic sons, Jack and Everett. They love being a rainbow family!
- **We will once again be marching in the Pride Parade on June 21 this year!** Sign up for the parade with our QR code or in the Commons. Please join us for this fun day of celebrating our LGBTQIA+ community!
- **Thanks from True Colors to Andrew Schaftlein and Alan Spade for their work and ministry** in organizing this week's Drag Revival and Racing Louisville Pride Night.
- **Looking Ahead:**
 - June 15: Pride Sunday in worship, 8:45 and 11:15 AM
 - June 18: Cream of the Crop trip to Whistle Stop Café, Glendale, 11:00 AM
 - June 21: Kentuckiana Pride Parade and Festival
 - June 22: Quarterly Church Conference via Zoom, 4:00 PM
 - July 12: Trivia Night and Dessert Auction for the Sacred Space Campaign, 7:00 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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