

Today in Worship

Phrases from today's hymn of praise, *We Are Called to Be God's People*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation, and response.

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

- **Sanctuary Choir Trip and Home Concert**— Singers from Highland's Sanctuary Choir have joined forces with singers from Second Presbyterian Church and the *Louisville Master Chorale* to create *Coro Louisville*. This newly formed choir will begin residency in London, England July 17-24 singing in the Royal Chapel of St. George's, Windsor, and Winchester Cathedral directed by John Dickson. We ask for your prayers as we prepare and finally, share our love of ancient and modern sacred music with others in the UK!



This afternoon, *Coro Louisville* invites everyone to Second Presbyterian Church (3701 Old Brownsboro Road) for their home concert. The concert begins at 3:00 PM with doors opening at 2:30. The free concert will include a large portion of the repertoire they have learned for their overseas concerts. The singers would love to receive your support as they share their music at their one and only home concert! We hope to see you there!

- **Deacon Nominees**—Beginning later this month, we will have the opportunity in worship to hear from those who have been nominated to serve as deacons this coming year as they share their faith stories. In addition, we will learn more about them each week in the newsletter. **Those nominated to serve are: Randy Biery, Diane Brewer, Kim Clark-Endicott, Mary Cooksey, Scott Gunter, David Hartley, Becca Jagers, Larry Marcum, Vicki Runnion, and Becky Smith.** We are excited about the gifts each of these individuals bring and are grateful for their willingness to serve in this capacity. We will vote on these folks on August 17 by paper ballot.
- **Looking Ahead:**
 - July 13: *Coro Louisville* Home Choir Concert at Second Presbyterian Church, 3:00 PM
 - July 14-17: Children's Advocacy Camp
 - August 10: Gather 'Round
 - August 13: Wednesday Evening Activities Resume and Cloud of Witness



**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
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MINISTRY COUNCIL CHAIR

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ASSOCIATE PASTOR TO CHILDREN
AND THEIR FAMILIES

Justin Sizemore
ASSOCIATE PASTOR TO YOUTH
AND YOUNG ADULTS



HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 13, 2025

8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.

Invitation to Worship

Renee Purtlebaugh

WE ARE CALLED TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE,
SHOWING BY OUR LIVES HIS GRACE

Prelude

arr. George Shearing

Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

Call to Worship

Richard Ryan (8:45)
Angela Dennison (11:15)

The world cries to us in its distress. How shall we answer?
We cannot pass by as though nothing is wrong.
How shall we answer?
We cannot become so focused on ourselves that others mean nothing to us.
How shall we answer?
We shall be the neighbor in service, reconciliation and compassion wherever we can. In Jesus’ Holy Name. Amen.

Hymn of Praise (477) †

AUSTRIAN HYMN

We Are Called to Be God’s People

Prayer of Praise †

Richard Ryan (8:45)
Angela Dennison (11:15)

Glory to the Creator †

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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.

LET US SHOW HOW HE HAS CHANGED US
AND REMADE US FOR HIS OWN

A Reading from the Psalms

Psalm 82 (Pew Bible page 531 – OT)

Jim England

Prayer of Confession

Paul Henderson

Song of Assurance

Eric Nelson

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
Stephanie Hall, flute

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning on the everlasting arms.
Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms; oh, how bright the path grows from
day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come. What
have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Exchange of Peace †

Paul Henderson

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

WE ARE CALLED TO BE GOD'S PROPHETS,
SPEAKING FOR THE TRUTH AND RIGHT

Hymn (692) †

AURELIA

Let Truth and Mercy Find Here

The Gospel Lesson †

Luke 10:25-37 (Pew Bible page 70 – NT)

Chris Caldwell

Sermon

Doing Mercy

LET US RISE, THEN, TO HIS SUMMONS, DEDICATE TO HIM OUR ALL

Hymn of Response (650) †

JOYFUL SINGING

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

Call to Justice and Offertory Prayer

David Tribble

Offertory

Joseph Parr

Improvisation on a Tune by Hurd

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

Joseph Parr

Improvisation on AURELIA

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” (one syllable) and “Father” with “Parent,” “Holy,” or “Divine” (two syllables). We would love to hear what creative language for God you might use in worship, too.